





July 10th, 2020 10:00 AM - 13:30 PM (CEST)

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT AND EARNING SOCIAL LICENSE TO OPERATE EXPLORATION & MINING PROJECTS

SHORT ON-LINE COURSE

About the course

In simple words, the goal of stakeholder engagement is the building of positive relationships with key stakeholders of the project, i.e., individuals or groups that are influenced by or can influence the project, in order to gain their acceptance for the project and their support for its successful development, i.e., the 'Social License to Operate'. Indeed, without the acceptance of the local community most mineral projects will simply never take place, and as someone nicely expressed it—to be successful, a mineral project literally needs to be 'weaved into the fabric of the local community'. In addition to highlighting the need for excellence in environmental standards, the implementation of the best practices of



Responsible Mineral Development, and the need for the local communities to benefit from the mineral projects in a very significant, tangible, and lasting way; the short course emphasizes the need for a modern policy shift from 'deciding for people' to 'deciding with them' and going in the direction of local communities increasingly 'taking ownership' of the mineral project and self-identifying with it.

The Course Agenda

10:00 - 11:30 Lecture - Part 1:

- basic concepts of securing a Social License to Operate
- thorough understanding of the project and its impacts
- stakeholder mapping exercise
- strategic stakeholder & community relations plan
- engaging the stakeholders and local community

11:30 - 11:40 Short break

11:40 - 13:00 Lecture - Part 2:

- some basic communication advice
- commitment to responsible mining & worthy partnership
- negotiating land access and actual project implementation
- grievancies and conflict
- case examples
- key points to remember

13:10 - 13:30 Discussion











About the lecturer



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Economic Geologist with a Ph.D. from McGill University in Canada and dual professional membership (P.Geo. with the Ordre des Géologues du Québec in Canada, as well as P.Geo. with the Institute of Geologists of Ireland and European Geologist). Has 24 years of worldwide experience in a variety of mineral deposit types and geological terrains (Canada, Peru, Bolivia, Morocco, Tunisia, Ireland, Poland, Serbia, Mali, Niger, Laos, etc.). Most notably, between 2007-2013, Mike served as chief geologist for Rathdowney Resources, a Hunter-Dickinson Group company, and since 2010 established the Redstone Exploration Services consultancy he runs to date.

In 2016, he also served as the Education Manager - CLC East of the EIT Raw Materials KIC. Mike has an exploration experience in projects from the grass-roots to the pre-feasibility stage, at levels ranging from technical to project leadership and exploration management roles. He is qualified to write NI-43-101 and other technical reports and served as QP/CP on various mineral projects. He is quadrilingual (Fr-Eng-Pol-Spa) and is a geologist by vocation, passionate about rocks, ores, prospecting and mineral exploration.

Application and participation

All interested parties are invited to participate. The application can be made via link $\underline{\text{https://forms.gle/XTU3LobnpsmzmPzJ6}} \text{ until July 8}^{\text{th}} \text{ at 17:00 CEST.}$

The link to join the on-line course will be delivered to all applied individuals.

Additional Information

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