

The 3rd AFRICAN FORUM ON MINING

THEME: “The Africa Mining Vision at 16: Achievements, Challenges and Opportunities”

DATE: 19-21 March 2025

VENUE: African Union Commission (AUC) Headquarters, Addis-Ababa, Ethiopia

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

DAY 1: Wednesday 19 March 2025			
	Topic	Presenter	Organization
Session #1	Africa Forum on Mining III		
08.00-09.00	Registration	All Participants	
Overall Moderator: Ms. Caroline Obure, AMDC			
OPENING CEREMONY <i>New Conference Center</i>			
	Venue & Time	MC = Medium Conference Hall SC3 = Small Conference Hall 1 SC4 = Small Conference Hall 2	
1	MC 09.00-09.30	Opening ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Anthony Brand, Expert, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, Organization of African, Caribbean and Pacific States (OACPS) Mr. Gianluca Azzoni; Head of the Policy & Cooperation Section at the EU Delegation to the AU Mr. Matthias Naab, Director, UNDP Regional Service Center-RSCA Mrs. Ron Osman, Director Industry, Minerals, Entrepreneurship and Tourism (IMET), African Union Commission 	
	09.30-10.00	Photo Ceremony/ Health Break	

2	MC 10.00-10.20	Keynote Presentation: • Dr. Marit Kitaw, Interim Director, AU-AMDC	Keynote presentation: Dr. Marit Kitaw, Interim Director, AU-AMDC • AMDC's Achievements in the implementation of the AMV: Challenges and Opportunities and update on ratification status	AMDC
3	MC 10.20-11.20	Panel Discussion: Reflections on AMV at 16 and Way forward	Chair/ Moderator: Panelists • Mr. Antonio Pedro, Deputy Executive Secretary, Program Support, UNECA • Ms. Nellie Mutemeri, Founder and Mining Practice Director, MutConsult • Mr. Kojo Busia, Executive Director, Green Minerals Africa • Ms. Nancy Kengwenyane, InnoLead • Mr. Frank Mugenyi, Global Executive Director, MADI • Mr. Claude Kabemba, SARW	Moderator: Mr. Mkhululi Ncube, AMDC
4	MC 11.20-11.30	Presentations Mr. Tunde Arisekola, Senior Advisor on GMIS, AU-AMDC	Presentations: • Geological and Mineral Information Systems (GMIS) and AMREC PARC, Achievements, Challenges and Opportunities	AMDC
5	MC 11.30-11.40	Mr. Mkhululi Ncube, AU-AMDC	• ASM - Achievements, Challenges and Opportunities	AMDC
6	MC 11.40-11.50	Mr. Theophilus Adoko	• Presentation of AMGF Assessments of DRC, Ghana, Gabon, Morocco, Zambia	AMDC
7	MC 11.50-12.05	Dr. Marit Kitaw	• The African Green Minerals Strategy	AMDC
8	MC 12.05-12.20	Mr. Alex Berkenstein	• The African Green Minerals Observatory	SAIIA
9	MC 12.20-13.00	Moderated discussion	Reflections on AMV at 16: <i>Way forward</i> Open discussions with the Audience	Chair: Ms Caroline Obure, AMDC

	13.00-14.00	Lunch Break					
		Africa Forum on Mining III					
		Parallel Sessions			Parallel Sessions		
10	SC3 14.00-15.00	Minerals Based Industrialization: Challenges, Opportunities and practical solutions	Chair/ Moderator: Jean-Marc Kilolo, UNECA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Maurice Miema, DRC Mr. Edward Shabani, Zambia Mr. Nassim Oulmane, UNECA Ms. Diane Sayinzoga, UNCTAD Mr. Tabi T. Tabi, Granville Energy Mr. Jerry Ahadjie, AfDB 	11	SC4 14.00-15.30	Harmonized geological information on Strategic Minerals of Africa : Achievements, Challenges and Opportunities	Chair/Moderator: Prof. Gbenga Okunlola Discussants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Anna Nguno Dr. Rokhaya Samba Tunde Arisekola Mosa Mabuza Maspalma Samson
12	SC3 15.00-16.00	Realizing Africa's Potential in Minerals Value Chains in the Competitive International Environment : Challenges and opportunities	Chair/ Moderator: Kossi Toulassi, AUDA NEPAD Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dr. Kojo Busia, Green Minerals Africa Mr. Tresor Chovu, Chovu Holdings Dr. Amany Asfour, Africa Business Council (ABC) Mr. Leshilo William, AngloGoldAshanti 				
13	SC3 16.00-17.00	Innovators and Investors in Mineral Value Chains in Africa: Challenges and Opportunities	Moderator/ Chair: Mr. Mkhululi Ncube, AMDC Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Tatenda Mungofa, MUREZA Ms Nere Amiko, Kian Smith Ms. Tebogo Marope, Afrivolt, Ms. Ada Thelma, Zoe Diamonds Mr. Apollo Buregyeya, EcoConcrete Mr. Keith Nare, Digging Deep 	14	SC4 15.30-17.00	AMREC- PARC Achievements, Challenges and Opportunities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair/ Moderator Mr. Alex Nwegbu Discussants: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Okunlola (GSAf) Mr. Deng Ngang Denge Prof. Meck Lydia Prof. Nude Prosper

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	17.00	Health Break/ Networking					
END OF DAY 1							

DAY 2: Thursday 20 March							
Parallel Sessions					Parallel Sessions		
15	SC3 08.30-09.30	Review of AMGF Assessments for DRC, Ghana, Gabon. Morocco, Zambia and discussions on upcoming AMGF country assessments	Chair/ Moderator: Theo Adoko, AMDC Presenters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Mtwalo Musoni, Zambia Mr. Fabien Mayani, DRC Ms Patricia Obiang, Gabon Mr. Abdallah MOUTTAQI Morocco Discussants: EU-TAF, Consultants from Algeria, Cameroon, Madagascar, Uganda	16	SC4 09.30-13.00	AMREC Implementation Strategies Across Africa Parallel session/ Workshop	Chair/Moderator Prof.Opafunsho Zacheus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bob Felix Ocitti Prof. Nude Prosper Dr.Kwayisi Daniel Assine Tshibubudze Paulo Tanganha

17	SC3 09.30-10.30	The AMV at 16: Findings of the Review of the AMV Action plan	Chair/Moderator: Jason Braganza, AFRODAD <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Afshin Nazir, AFRODAD Mr. Kenneth Okwaroh, ACEPIS Clara Mutanda, Int. IDEA Ms Meseret Zemedkun, UNEP Mr. Philip Kilonzo, PACJA 				
	10.30-11.00	Health Break					
18	SC3 11.00-12.00	The AMV at 16: Lessons on elaborating and implementing Policies and Regulatory Frameworks	Chair/Moderator: Mr. Amani Mhinda, AfriCatalyst Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Lebajoa Khoathane, Lesotho Mr. Ghynel Konkou, Rep. of Congo Mr. Kprigbene Wanda, Togo Ms. Chenai Mukumba, TJN-A Mr. Mohamed Stevens, ALSF Mrs. Clemence Nare, IGF 	19		Harmonized geological information on Strategic Minerals of Africa	Chair/Moderator: Prof. Gbenga Okunlola Discussants/presenters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Theophile Mbarga Mr. Denge Ngang Denge Ms. Cristelle Nlikoh Dr. Kwayisi Daniel Prof. Okunlola Olugbenga Chair/Moderator: Mr. Alex Nwegbu Discusants/presenters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mosa Mabuza Dr. David Kohza Shadrack Dobe Mr. Evans Khamala Gerald Mwila
20	SC3 12.00-13.00	Harmonization of policies at the sub-regional level (RECs)- progress towards Regional Mining Visions	Chair/ Moderator: Mr. Emmanuel K. Bensah, AfCFTA Policy Network Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Themba Khumalo, AfCFTA Mr. Innocent Makwiramiti, COMESA Ms. Diane Sayinzonga, UNCTAD Mr. Jules Touka, ECCAS Mr. Vusi Mabena, MIASA Mr. Sanjay Awasthi, TemboSteel 				

LUNCH BREAK							
21	SC3 14.00-15.00	Women in Mining: Opportunities and Challenges in AMV implementation industrial revolution	Moderator/Chair: Ms Zenzi Awases Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amb. Regina Edzuwah, WiMiN Ms. Alaka Lugonzo, Global Witness Ms Noreen Kidunduhu, AWEIK Ms. Pascaline Makani Ms. Georgette Barnes Ms. Monica Gichuhi 	22	SC4 14.00-15.00	Building Institutional and Human Capacities required for the energy transition and digitalization	Chair/ Moderator: John Sloan, UNECA Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prof. Jean- Marie Kanda, University of Lubumbashi Dr. Alecia NDHLOVU, UCT Mr. James Mazimba, GPLTC, Zambia Ms. Letitia Jentel, SAIIA Prof. Aga Tersoo, University of Jos
23	SC3 15.00-16.00	AMV at 16: Governance, Challenges and Opportunities	Moderator/Chair: Dr. Claude Kabemba Panelists <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Karabo Chadzingwa, APRM Mr. Gerald Byarugaba, OXFAM-Africa Mr. Maguwu Farai, CNRG Mr. Mukasiri Sibanda. StoptheBleeding Mr. Silas Olang, NRGi 	24	SC4 15.00-16.00	AMV at 16: lessons in Addressing Legacy and Environmental Issues to ensure climate-smart mining	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chair: Ms. Penny Van der Pallen, TWN-A Panelists <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms Meseret Zemedkun , UNEP Ms Emily Alewo, Nigeria Mr. Farai Mutondoro, ZELA Ms. Nancy Kgengwenyane, Innolead Dr. Mithika Mwenda, PACJA
25	SC3 16.00-17.00	Youth involvement in the mining sector	Chair/ Moderator: Thabani Mlilo, Moahi Solutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Sephela Makete Thema, Fraser Alexander Ms. Lightness Mushi, Twimin Mr. John Magok, AUC Ms. Lindokuhle Khuzwayo, Anglo American Ms. Thekla Muthero, EMAN 	26	SC4 16.00-17.00	AMV at 16: Infrastructure, Investment and Financing : Challenges and Opportunities	Chair: Mr. Jean-Marc Kilolo, UNECA Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Jerry Ahadjie, AfDB Mr. Idris Mouchilli, COEGA Mr. Keith Nare, DiggingDeep Ms. Tebogo Marope, CannonAssets/Afrivolt

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END OF DAY 2							
DAY 3: FRIDAY 21 MARCH							
27	MC 08.30-10.30	Addressing ASM issues in the mining sector, especially on green minerals: Pathways to transforming the ASM sub-sector into a viable agent for sustainable economic development.				Moderator/ Chair: Lacina Pakoun, ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme, UNDP Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Gavin HilsonNellie MutemeriHope Kyarisiima, ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme, UNDPClever SitholeProsper NudeMecktilder MchomvuTashinga KanyembaGibson KawagoEmily AlewoMkhululi NcubeMr. Philip Kilonzo, PACJAMuthero Thekla Nduva, EMAN	
	10.30-11.00	Health Break					
28	MC 11.00-11.45	Pathways to transforming the ASM sub-sector into a viable agent for sustainable economic development.				ASM session continued	
29	MC 11.45-12.30	Main outcomes of the meeting from the various sessions and way forward:				Rapporteurs	
30	MC	Closing remarks by AU					

	12.30-13.00		
	13.00-14.00	LUNCH	
		END OF FORUM	