

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		
08.00-08.30	Registration	All Participants	
Overall Moderator: Ms. Caroline Obure, AMDC			
OPENING CEREMONY <i>New Conference Center</i>			
1	08.30-09.30	Opening ceremony <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Representative of OACPS, TBD Representative of EU, TBD Representative of UNDP, TBD Mrs. Ron Osman, Director Industry, Minerals, Entrepreneurship and Tourism (IMET), African Union Commission 	

	09.30-10.00	Photo Ceremony/ Health Break		
2	10.00-10.15	Keynote Presentation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr. Marit Kitaw, Interim Director, AU-AMDC 	Keynote presentation: <i>Dr. Marit Kitaw, Interim Director, AU-AMDC</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AMDC's Achievements in the implementation of the AMV: Challenges and Opportunities and update on ratification status 	AMDC
3	10.15-11.00	Panel Discussion: Reflections on AMV at 16	Chair/ Moderator: Panelists <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 Kgengwenyane, InnoLead • Mr. Frank Mugenyi, Global Executive Director, MADI 	Moderator
4	11.00-11.10	Presentations Mr. Tunde Arisekola, Senior Advisor on GMIS, AU-AMDC	Presentations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Geological and Mineral Information Systems (GMIS) and AMREC PARC, Achievements, Challenges and Opportunities 	AMDC
5	11.10-11.20	Mr. Mkhululi Ncube, AU-AMDC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ASM - Achievements, Challenges and Opportunities 	AMDC
6	11.20-11.30	Mr. Theophilus Adoko	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of AMGF Assessments of DRC, Ghana, Gabon, Morocco, Zambia 	AMDC
7	11.30-11.40	Mr. Jerry Ahadjie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The African Green Minerals Strategy 	AfDB
8	11.40-11.50	Mr. Alex Berkenstein	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The African Green Minerals Observatory 	SAIIA

9	12.00-13.00	Moderated discussion	Reflections on AMV at 16: <i>Way forward</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ms. Isabelle Ramdoo, Director, IGF• Dr. Claude Kabemba, CEO, Southern Africa Resource Watch, SARW• Dr. Zainab Usman, Director, Carnegie Endowment for International Peace• Mr. Oliver Maponga, UNECA				Chair:
	13.00-14.00	Lunch Break					
		Africa Forum on Mining III					
		Parallel Sessions			Parallel Sessions		
10	14.00-15.00	Minerals Based Industrialization: Challenges, Opportunities and practical solutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chair/ Moderator: Mr. Fred Kabanda, AfDB• Mr. Maurice Miema, DRC• Mr. Tobias Musonda, Zambia• Mr. Cosmas Obiang, UNECA• Ms. Oluranti Doherty, Afreximbank• Mr. Clovis Freire, UNCTAD• Dr. Zainab Usman, CEIP	11	14.00-15.30	Harmonized geological information on Strategic Minerals of Africa : Achievements, Challenges and Opportunities	Chair/Moderator: Prof. Aberra Mogessie Discussants <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prof. Okunlola• Ms Anna Nguno• Dr. Rokhaya Samba• Tunde Arisekola• Mosa Mabuza• Maspalma Samson
12	15.00-16.00	Realizing Africa’s Potential in Minerals Value Chains in the Competitive International Environment : Challenges and opportunities	Chair: Mr. Kossi Toulassi, AUDA NEPAD Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mr. Tresor Chovu, Chovu Holdings• Dr. Amany Asfour, Africa Business Council (ABC)• Dr. Kojo Busia, Green Minerals Africa• Mr. Franklin Edochie, AFC• Mr. Tabi T. Tabi, Granville Energy• Mr. Leshilo William, AngloGoldAshanti				

13	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• Mr. Bez Owusu, Ignite• Mr. Deshan Naidoo Afrivolt,• Ms. Ada Thelma, Zoe Diamonds• Mr. Nyasha Chasakara, SolarPro• Mr. Mothibedi Gabriel, NakoTimePieces	14	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● Prof. Theophile Mbarga● Gloria Simubali
	17.00	Health Break/ Networking					
END OF DAY 1							

DAY 2: Thursday 20 March							
Parallel Sessions					Parallel Sessions		
15	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	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 Dennis a. Mwalongo Assine Tshibubudze Paulo Tanga

17	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"> Ms. Diana Muchoge, AFRODAD Mr. Theophilus Yungong, AFRODAD Mr. Kenneth Okwaroh, ACEPIS Iara Mutanda, Int. IDEA Ms Meseret Zemedkun, UNEP 				
	10.30-11.00	Health Break					
18	11.00-12.00	The AMV at 16: Lessons on elaborating and implementing Policies and Regulatory Frameworks	Chair/Moderator: Mr. Charles Afeku, ALSF Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Moses Tshetlane, Botswana Mr. Urbain Opo, Rep. of Congo Mr. Kprigbene Wanda, Togo Ms. Chennai Mukumba, TJN-A Mr. Mohamed Stevens, ALSF Mr. Gilbert Makore, EITI Ms Hana Mulugeta, Legal 	19		Harmonized geological information on Strategic Minerals of Africa	Chair/Moderator: Prof. Abera Mosegessie 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 Mr.Dennis Mwalongo Amos Dr. David Kohza Shadrack Dobe Mr. Evans Khamala Gerald Mwila
20	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. Dunrag Kassee, SADC Mr. Innocent Makwiramiti, COMESA Ms Isabelle Ramdoo, IGF Mr. Jules Touka (ECCAS) Mr. Vusi Mabena, MIASA Mr. Temba Kumalo, AfCFTA 				

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Oliver Maponga, UNECA 				
LUNCH BREAK							
21	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"> Ms. Janet Adeyemi, WimiN Ms. Alaka Lugonzo, Global Witness Ms Noreen Kidunduhu, AWEIK Ms. Pascaline Makani Ms. Georgette Barnes Ms. Monica Gichuhi Ms Hana Mulugeta 	22	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. Bright Foli, AMIRA-PADI Ms. Leticia Jentel, SAIIA Aga Tersoo University of Jos
23	15.00-16.00	AMV at 16: Governance, Challenges and Opportunities	Chair: Mr. Edwin Warden, EITI Panelists <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Nkhalamba McBride, APRM Ms. Judy Hofmeyr, APRI Mr. Gerald Byarugaba, OXFAM-Africa Ms Nafi Chenery, NRGi Mr. Claude Kabemba, SARW 	24	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. Mtuso Dhliwayo, ZELA Ms. Nancy Kgengwenyane, Innolead Mr. Maguwu Farai (CNRG) Mr. Mukasiri Sibanda. StoptheBleeding Mr. Kilonzo Philip. PACJA
25	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 	26	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. John Magkok, AUC • Ms. Lindokuhle Khuzway, Anglo American • Mr. Collins Kabunda, Association of Youth In Mining, Zambia 				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ms Oluranti Diherty, Afreximbank • Mr. Jerry Ahadjie, AfDB • Mr. Tshpelayi Kabata, BADEA • Mr. Edochie Franklin , AFC • Mr. Keith Nare, DiggingDeep • Mr. Modiba Tshepo, CannonAssets • Ms. Bohitle Vanessa, Headspring Investments
END OF DAY 2							
DAY 3: FRIDAY 21 MARCH							
27	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 Hilson • Nellie Mutemeri • Wilson Mutagwaba • Hope Kyarisiima, ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme, UNDP • Clever Sithole • Prosper Nude • Mecktilder Mchomvu • Tashinga Kanyemba • Gibson Kawago • Emily Alewo • Mkhululi Ncube • Chikonzo Kundai, ZAWIM • Muthero Thekla Nduva, EMAN 		

	10.30-11.00	Health Break	
28	11.00-11.45	Pathways to transforming the ASM sub-sector into a viable agent for sustainable economic development.	ASM session continued
29	11.45-12.30	Main outcomes of the meeting from the various sessions and way forward:	Rapporteurs
30	12.30-13.00	Closing remarks by AU	
	13.00-14.00	LUNCH	
		END OF FORUM	