



AGENDA

All sessions include interpretation for participants in English, French, and Spanish.

Tuesday, October 19

TIME	SESSION	STAGE
8:30-8:55 (EDT)	1. Welcome and Opening Remarks Welcome from IGF Director and ministerial remarks to open the event.	A
9:00-9:45 (EDT)	2. New Thinking, Different Skills, Unusual Collaborations for the Future The world is fundamentally different from how it was even one year ago. Disruptions are posing new challenges for governments, companies, and mining communities. We need new thinking, different skills, and unusual collaborations to build resilience, promote inclusiveness, and rise to the challenges of these disruptions. This session will bring together thought leaders to explore what these challenges mean and how we can harness mining development to build tomorrow together, with a particular focus on policy implications.	A
9:00-9:45 (EDT)	3. Managing the Environmental Impacts of Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining (ASM) ASM is a growing source of livelihood for millions of people. When it is well managed, ASM offers a crucial pathway for many toward sustainable development. However, the largely informal nature of ASM has led to significant challenges for governments, including those around ASM mine closure. This session will focus on new approaches to the restoration of ASM sites and illuminate how governments, miners, and civil society are collaborating to restore ecological balance once miners have moved on.	B
9:55-10:40 (EDT)	4. Thinking Forward: Building gender equality in the mine of the future Mining has been associated with heavy labour and has one of the most male-dominated workforces, with women making up only 5% to 10%. New mining technologies are changing mining work in ways that will affect men and women differently. It is tempting to assume this shift will automatically improve gender balance in the sector, but will this really be the case? This session will discuss the outlook for women amid new mining technologies and highlight the first findings from the IGF's Women and the Mine of the Future project.	A
9:55-10:40 (EDT)	5. Time to Transform: Tax incentives in mining's new era Mining has failed to deliver expected revenues to some countries' governments. Overly generous tax incentives can have questionable effectiveness, especially in a sector that involves unmovable resources. However, changes in the sector and the international tax landscape are giving resource-rich countries a chance to transform their use of incentives. This session will explore how a global minimum tax may likely affect tax incentive use; how incentives can be used strategically to encourage value addition, technology transfer, and skills development; and the role of regional coordination in ending harmful tax competition.	B



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10:50-11:30 (EDT)	<p>6. Opening up Mining Governance Through National Dialogues</p> <p>Mining affects a range of actors, including communities, local and national governments, companies, and civil society. National mining policies and strategies are opening up extensive dialogues to consider views from all stakeholders.</p> <p>This session will share the latest experiences in national dialogues in countries including Argentina, Chile, Panama, and Peru. It considers how the pandemic has affected these processes and their methodologies, examines challenges, and highlights the benefits of these inclusive and open dialogues.</p>	A
10:50-11:30 (EDT)	<p>7. Mining for Sustainable Development: A new ESIA diagnostic tool for the mining sector</p> <p>This session will include the official launch of the IGF's ESIA Mining Diagnostic Tool and will highlight the recent piloting experience of the tool by the governments of Lesotho and Ethiopia. It will also unveil steps governments can take to analyze and improve their ESIA legal frameworks and processes in practice to support sustainable mining.</p>	B

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8:30-9:00 (EDT)	<p>8. Resetting Partnerships: Building on post-COVID emergency responses to strengthen public-private collaboration</p> <p>As the first wave of the COVID-19 pandemic hit the world in 2020, mining companies undertook immediate actions to provide emergency responses for their employees. New forms of partnerships, both with public authorities and local communities, emerged during the crisis as companies extended their support locally and sometimes regionally.</p> <p>This session will share examples of how government and industry built new partnerships during the pandemic and discuss how to continue to build in the future to ensure ongoing collaboration between the industry and the public sector moving forward.</p>	A
8:30-9:00 (EDT)	<p>9. Mine Tailings Governance: Lessons learned through inclusive stakeholder engagement</p> <p>Managing tailings dam safety is a serious, urgent, and complex challenge for governments around the world. British Columbia, a leading mining jurisdiction in Canada, learned hard lessons after the unprecedented 2014 collapse of the Mt. Polley tailings dam. Subsequently, the government undertook a combination of studies, consultations, and investigations on the causes, leading to policy and regulatory reforms and a new audit function that examined government systems regulating tailings safety. This session will discuss the government's response to lessons learned from the accident and current efforts to understand how to ensure it does not happen again.</p>	B

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9:05-9:50 (EDT)	10. Critical Minerals: Opportunities and challenges in the Race to Zero The global mining sector will play a crucial role in the urgent and necessary transition to a low-carbon economy by providing the material inputs required for the equipment and infrastructure needed to transform global energy systems. Expanding demand for these critical mineral inputs holds great economic promise for some resource-rich countries and communities, but that promise comes with tough social and environmental challenges. This session focuses on how the mining sector is rising to the challenge of confronting the climate crisis, focusing on critical minerals, their role in the energy transition, and the challenge of responsible mining.	A
9:05-9:50 (EDT)	11. Local Content and Regional Supply Chains The world witnessed a sudden disruption in global supply chains when COVID-19 hit the global economy on both the demand and supply sides. The mining sector was not spared. Temporary trade restrictions and shortages of critical supplies exposed supply chain vulnerabilities and acute dependencies. As global markets slowly recover, and as procurement needs adapt to new technologies, there is a need to rethink sourcing strategies, nationally and regionally, to avoid future risks and secure local economic activities. This session will discuss how sourcing strategies are adapting to new realities. It will look at the potential for national and regional supply chains.	B
10:00-10:45 (EDT)	12. Global Trends That Will Shape the Future of Mining The mining sector's future is being shaped by many global forces. While mining is key to a low-carbon future, investors are tightening environmental, social, and governance requirements to ensure minerals are responsibly sourced. Disruptive technologies are changing the nature of the mining industry: mines are leaner, smarter, more sophisticated, and highly connected. This will have implications for local economies, calling for ways to manage job transitions and leverage new opportunities for higher-paying jobs. Technologies can also bring new solutions to improve community resilience. This session will discuss how global trends will be shaping the future of the mining sector.	A
10:00-10:45 (EDT)	13. Building Relationships to Improve Environmental Governance in Mining This session will discuss how governments can build relationships with communities and non-governmental organizations to improve the environmental governance of the mining industry. Two case studies will showcase relationships that help conserve biodiversity and protect water resources to enable responsible mine development. Case studies include regional land-use planning processes used to support mining and biodiversity conservation in Mongolia and lessons learned from participatory monitoring programs in Peru.	B
10:45-11:00 (EDT)	14. Closing Remarks	A
	15. IGF General Council	