

Media Release

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Mining for
Development
Conference 2013
Sydney, Australia

Global focus on Australia with Mining for Development

The world's leading authorities on mining and sustainable development will gather in Sydney for the 2013 Mining for Development Conference on 20 and 21 May.

Hosted by the International Mining for Development Centre (IM4DC), an AusAID funded partnership between The University of Western Australia and The University of Queensland, the conference will focus on how to maximise benefits to communities in resource-rich developing nations.

To be officially opened by The Hon Gary Gray AO MP, Minister for Resources and Energy, the Conference will feature prominent international speakers from governments, industry and the private sector including the Hon Clare Short, Chair of EITI, Erik Solheim, Chair of the OECD Development Assistance Committee and Professor Michael Ross, author of the 2012 publication, 'The Oil Curse: How Petroleum Wealth Shapes the Development of Nations'.

The Conference will discuss practice and policy with a focus on economic, social and policy issues that underpin the realisation of long term, sustainable benefits arising from mining for communities across the developing world.

The Conference will address conflict resolution, effective agreement making, building sustainable local enterprise and employment frameworks, building good governance, developing human capacity and leadership to generate positive change and will look at the factors that comprise good governance, including transparency, and the importance of building strong and effective subnational governance around the world.

For a full list of sessions and speakers at the 2013 IM4DC Conference, visit www.im4dc.org

Media are invited to attend the two-day conference. Please fill in and submit the attached accreditation application form.

The Extractives Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI), the global standard for transparency of revenues from natural resources, will also hold its 2013 Global Conference directly after the Mining for Development Conference, on 23 and 24 May in Sydney. www.eiti.org

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