



# Middle East Mining - Manajim

International Conference and Exhibition on Mining, Minerals  
and Materials in the Middle East and North Africa

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## Final Conference Programme

### Day 1 – Monday 20 April 2015

<b>08:30-09:15: Registration</b>
<b>09:15-09:30: Welcome</b>
– Welcome by Hussein Allawi, Managing Director, <b>Symexco</b>
<b>09:30-10:00: MENA Mining &amp; Mineral Industries: Current status and Outlook</b>
– Exploring the mineral potential of the region: update on planned and future projects. – Key commodities under investigation and exploration: status updates and investment opportunities. – Status of mining projects in Algeria, Mauritania, Morocco, Oman, Saudi Arabia, and Sudan.
Keynote Speaker: – Dr Mowafa Taib, Physical Scientist, <b>United States Geological Survey</b>
<b>10:00-10:30: Mining in the Middle East and North Africa: Legal Opportunities &amp; Challenges</b>
– A comparison of mining regimes in the Middle East & North Africa: in search of the perfect model. – Recent legislative and regulatory developments in Middle East Mining and Minerals. – Legal considerations to enable successful mining and minerals investment. – Discussing investor guarantees to permit the free flow of capital: taxation, title retention and administrative ease of operation.
– Mr Al Gourley, Co-Head of Mining Practice, <b>Fasken Martineau</b>
<b>10:30-10:50: Corporate Presentation</b>
– Mr Hugh Stuart, President, CEO and Director, <b>Orca Gold Inc.</b>
Q&A [moderator: Hussein Allawi]
11:00-11:30: Tea & Coffee
<b>11:30-12:30: Opportunities for Mining and Mineral Investment in Developing &amp; Frontier Nations</b>
– An overview of Afghanistan Natural Resources Project (USGS-Task Force for Business and Stability Operations, U.S.)

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Department of Defense).

- Key mining projects in Afghanistan, status on production and exploration of selected mineral commodities.
- Latest available Afghan mineral production data.
- Investment opportunities in Libyan mining.
- Mechanisms for creating domestic mining companies in post-conflict oil & gas countries.

Keynote Speaker

- Ms Karine Renaud, Physical Scientist, Expert on Afghanistan & Pakistan, **United States Geological Survey**

Speakers

- Mr Jalil Jumriany, Principal, Squared Energy & Advisor to H.E. the Minister of Mines and Petroleum, Islamic Republic of Afghanistan
- Mr Antony Benham, Chief Operations Officer, **BGS International**
- Ms Wendy Treasure, Specialist Resources Lawyer, **Expert on Libya**

[moderator: Drew Craig]

## 12:30-12:50 Corporate Presentation

- Mr Fayeze Gress, Chairman and Managing Director, **ASEC Company for Mining**

Q&A

13:00-14:00: Lunch

## 14:00-15:00 Industrial Minerals – Showcasing the world-class potential of the Middle East & North Africa

- Exploring the mineral potential of the region: update on planned and future projects.
- Key commodities under investigation and exploration: status updates and investment opportunities.
- Fertilizer industry outlook: identifying growth opportunities and future challenges.
- Fluorspar market: supply-side situations, Moroccan fluorspar, upcoming project in SA.
- Demand-side situation: growing economies and infrastructure development, increased consumption in growing steel market, GulfFluor's AIF3 project.

- Mr Abderrahmane Jeddou, Director of R&D, **Arab Industrial Development & Mining Organisation (AIDMO)**
- Dr Mounir Halim, Head of Business Development, **Argus Fertilizers**
- Ms Shruti Salwan, Analyst, **Industrial Minerals**

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## 15:00-15:20 Corporate Presentation

- Mr Ian Elliott, CEO, **Gulf Mining & Materials**

Q&A



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15:30-16:00: Tea & Coffee

16:00-17:00: Q&A/ Open Floor Interactive Session

17:15-18:15: Networking Drinks



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## Day 2 – Tuesday 21 April 2015

### 09:00-09:15: Welcome & Summary of Day 1 of the Conference

- Mr Drew Craig, Managing Director, **Rocklore**

### 09:15-10:30: Identifying the 'winning strategy' for investment in Middle East mining

- Executing successful due diligence and pre-feasibility for a world-class MENA resource project.
- Ma'aden phosphate project in Saudi Arabia[Case Study].
- The role of international financial institutions in financing mining projects in the region.
- Sources and structures of capital for Middle East mining projects.
- Hallmarks of successful deal execution in natural resource projects.

Speaker:

- Mr Mark Campodonic, Principal Resource Geologist & Head of Geology, **SRK Consulting**
- Mr Gabriel De Lastours, Senior Banker (Natural Resources), **European Bank for Reconstruction & Development (EBRD)**
- Mr Charles Cryer, Corporate Broking, **RFC Ambrian**

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### 10:30-10:50 Corporate Presentation

- Mr John Gillan, Executive Advisor, Geological Exploration Centre (Georgia): Gold Exploration in Iran

Q&A

11:00- 11:30: Tea & Coffee

### 11:30- 11:50: Corporate Presentation

- Ms Parwen Babaker Hama Agha, Executive Chairman, Nokan Group

Q&A

### 12:00-13:00: Technology: Empowering mining in the region through technological innovation

- Discussing the state of the mining industry in the region with specific reference to technology.
- Location Intelligence & GIS Go To Markets.
- Showcasing world-class solutions that are spearheading innovation in the industry.
- Identifying key technology requirements of MENA governments and regional producers.
- Mine beneficiation and support technology required.
- Successful implementation of mining technologies in MENA [CASE STUDIES]



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## Speakers

- Mr James Harvey, Natural Resources Sales Manager EMEA, **Pitney Bowes**
- Mr Mike Barden, Founder, **Commodity & Mining Insight**
- Mr Charlie Williams, CEO, **Terravision Radar**

[Moderator: Drew Craig]

13:00- 14:00: Lunch

## 14:00-15:30 Accessing new mining frontiers in MENA: Country Focus Session: Iraq

- An overview of the national strategy developed for the Iraqi minerals industry (2017-2030).
- Available mineral resources in Iraq and plans to boost investment in the mining sector.
- Application of mineral resources for use in local and regional heavy industry.
- Iraq natural gas potential and potential integration models.

## Speakers

- H.E. Dr Qusay Al Suhail, Former First Deputy President of Parliament, **Government of Iraq**
- Dr Saad Jasim, Consultant to Heritage Oil, **author of 'The Geology of Iraq'**
- Luay Jawad Al Khatteeb, **Founder & Executive Director, Iraq Energy, and advisor to the Iraqi Parliament**
- Paul Attenborough, **Iraq Industrial Expert, Former Advisor to Ministry of Industry & Minerals**

[Moderator: Dr Salah Al Shaikhly]

15:30-16:00: Tea & Coffee

## 14:00-15:30: Round Table Discussions

1. Middle East Mining & Minerals: opportunities and challenges
2. Technology: discussing key requirements and proposing world-class solutions
3. Legal: key considerations to enable successful project development
4. Finance: sources and structures of capital for regional mining projects
5. Industrial Minerals: outlook for cement, fertiliser, and phosphate industries

## Close of Day 2 of the Conference

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