

CBM-TEC offers exploration, production and processing sessions in Kitwe in April

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Zambian mining trade event enjoys high-level Zambian support



The upcoming Copperbelt Mining Trade Expo and Conference or **CBM-TEC** in Zambia's mining hub Kitwe from 28-29 April is offering free-to-attend sessions on the exhibition floor for all visitors. These focus not only on the next exploration hotspots in Zambia but also on solutions to ensure optimal quality in mining operations and processing.

Zambia's Minister of Mines, Energy and Water Development, the Hon. Christopher Yaluma, will be the keynote speaker at **CBM-TEC** which is organised in association with Electra Mining Africa.

"CBM-TEC's offering is unique because it takes the marketplace to the operations while addressing technical and practical issues in the Zambian mining sector," says event director, Nicole Smith. She continues: "The sector is booming; just in 2011, the Zambian mining and quarrying sector grew by 15.7% and witnessed \$1.04 billion of foreign direct investment during the same time period. Such a dynamic sector urgently needs skills and expertise. Hence our very practical programme with free technical workshops and presentations aimed at engineers, geologists and plant managers."

CBM-TEC Expo workshop programme:

Session T1

Exploration on the Copperbelt and beyond

Chairman: Dave Armstrong, Consultant, Lubambe Copper Mine, Zambia

- Geology of Zambia's Copperbelt
- Mapping the terrain and creating databanks
- New exploration - models and areas

Session T2

Mining production and operations

Chairman: Jackson Sikamo General Manager Chibuluma Copper Mines Plc

- Open pit mining
- Underground mining
- Trackless mining solutions
- Mine safety
- Mine closures

Session T3

Copper processing and mineral beneficiation

Chairman: Dr Godwin Beene, Former Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Mines, Energy & Water Development, Zambia

- Copper electrowinning
- Latest processing technologies
- Waste management and tailings
- Minerals Processing
- Metallurgical process reagents and chemicals

Chamber of Mines

The CEO of the Chamber of Mines of Zambia, Mrs Maureen J. Dlamini, says the skills shortage is a problem at the moment "though industry is trying to come up with training interventions that may improve the quality and quantity of skills." The Chamber is an official partner of **CBM-TEC** and the President of the Chamber, Mr Emmanuel Mutati, is a featured speaker during the conference. Says Mrs Dlamini: "The industry itself is pooling its resources with the Chamber, government and training institutions to come up with skills development programmes to increase and improve the skills base of the sector. In so doing we are providing a pool of resources that the new investors can employ when starting their operations."

The exhibition space is sold out and more than 80 leading names in the mining community have confirmed as exhibitors including: Murray & Roberts Zambia, Barloworld, Specialty Emergency Services, Mintek, Verder Pumps, Oryx oil, Set Point Zambia and more.

Event dates and location:

Conference and expo: 28-29 April 2014

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