



## October Update 2013

Welcome to AAMIG's October E-News.

This month sees us delivering our first workshops on the East Coast. Bill Turner will be presenting on Anti-Bribery & Corruption in Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane during the week beginning the 22nd October 2013.

Tim Ofor, Director of Pax Populus and AAMIG member recently delivered a very successful workshop on Free Prior and Informed Consent. This workshop will be repeated in Melbourne on the 15th October 2013.

We encourage all members and non-members to attend these sessions.

The next round of Australian Awards which includes scholarships for short term and long term training on mining related subjects is now open and will close mid-December. About 50 countries in Africa are eligible. Australian miners operating in Africa can nominate employees for awards or could encourage home government nomination of promising officials - there will strong competition for places. Details are available on the [AusAID website](#).

Please [click here](#) for our new look brochure that documents the benefits of AAMIG membership. Please feel free to pass it around or let us know if you would like some copies for your office.



[LinkedIn](#)



[AAMIG - Home](#)



[Forward to Friend](#)



### 1.1.1 Navigating the Minefield

A practical guide to responsible business, governance and success in Africa.

Curtin University with the support of AAMIG, are please to announce the launch of a new program, 'Navigating the Minefield'.

Navigating the Minefield is a six-day course, divided into three two day modules. It is designed to provide in-depth training on the non-technical risk issues that companies frequently face in Africa. The program will be delivered by experts with strong connections to the mining industry. Using an applied methodology, each short course is designed to examine and improve your organisation's current Africa strategies, policies, risk frameworks and training programs.

Bill Turner, Chairman of AAMIG commented, "Although the investment climate in many African countries has improved a great deal over the last fifteen years, issues such as social and political instability, sovereign risk, bribery and corruption, abrogation of contractual rights, and security issues can arise and these issues require skill, patience and tact to manage effectively." AAMIG encourages your attendance in this course.

**Dates:**

March 11th -12th

March 25th - 26th

April 8th - 9th

More information will be available on this course closer to the date.

---

## Save the Date - Events not to be missed!

### 11th October 2013

AAMIG Workshop: Managing Corporate Security and Safety Risk

AAMIG is holding a three hour workshop on the impact and management of security issues. This interactive workshop, which will be facilitated by Dr Gavriel Schneider from **Dynamic Alternatives**, will link the concepts of integrated risk into an applicable structure. This structure will include an overview of related guidelines, legislative considerations and best practice. This workshop will include a 20 minute lead-off presentation by **ASIO Business Liaison Unit (BLU)**, an element of ASIO who provide a public interface between the Australian Intelligence Community and Australian Business.

### 15th October 2013

AAMIG Workshop: Melbourne Workshop on Free Prior & Informed Consent for Mining Projects

Member Tim Offor, Director of **Pax Populus**, will be delivering a three hour workshop on meeting International Finance Corporation requirements for Free, Prior and Informed Consent.

### 22nd, 23rd, 24th October 2013

AAMIG Workshop: East Coast Anti-Bribery & Corruption Workshops

In partnership with **Clayton Utz**, Bill Turner, Chairman of AAMIG will head to Sydney, Melbourne and Brisbane to present on the topic of Anti-Bribery and Corruption. Bill will present on the development of the anti-bribery regimes in the USA (FCPA), Canada (CPFOA), UK (Bribery Act) and Australia, their extra-territorial reach, how they are being enforced with increasing enthusiasm by regulatory authorities, and what companies working in Africa should be doing in response. He will also bring you up to date on developments with respect to the Facilitation Payments Defence issue.

### **24th October 2013**

#### AAMIG Celtic Club Networking Seminar

This bi-monthly networking event provides members with the opportunity to discuss current issues and share key learning's of doing business in Africa. This month, guest presenters include Jeff Quartermaine from **Perseus Mining** and Jan Parsons from **EFIC**.

### **20th-21st November 2013**

#### Anti-Corruption: Extractive Industries - Perth

This must-attend conference for oil, gas & mining producers and suppliers and sub-contractors, will bring together in-house counsel and ethics and compliance officers from the leading regional and multi-national corporations, who will openly share their thoughts and experiences in implementing and maintaining robust internal compliance regimes to tackle corruption and bribery risks, whilst remaining competitive in a tough economic climate.

**\*\*DISCOUNT\*\* Please note that you receive a 15% discount if delegates are registered through AAMIG.**

There is also a 50% discount for junior explorers. Please visit this link for further information:

<http://www.c5-online.com/2014/602/anti-corruption-perth>

### **29th-31st October 2013**

#### Mines & Money Conference - Melbourne

Part of the world-renowned Monies & Money series, this event will focus on Finding and Funding investment capital for the next generation of Australian mines.

Bill Turner will be presenting at this conference on behalf of AAMIG.

For more information on these events please [email Rebecca Hamersley](#)

---

## **Opportunities**

### *ReSHOE Project*

reSHOE is a social enterprise initiative which involves collecting used shoes, and sending them to developing countries, with the aim of establishing individual businesses.

reSHOE promotes the concept of sustainable enterprise and empowerment as an alternative to traditional charity models.

Please email Lauren McNamara at [lauren.mcnamara@enactusuwa.org](mailto:lauren.mcnamara@enactusuwa.org) for further information regarding how you can support this great organisation or please visit their website: [reshoe.org](http://reshoe.org)

### *Free Office Space - Brisbane*

Professional Service Solutions would like to offer desk space and the use of their Board room to AAMIG members when they come to Brisbane. The boardroom seats 8 and has high speed internet. There is also the possibility of assistance with limited admin support if required.

This office space includes a gym, kitchenette, lounge and refreshment facilities. Professional Service Solutions are located in South Brisbane in the commercial precinct where the mining services companies are located and are 5 minutes' walk from the CBD.

For more information please contact Craig Coleman, Chief Executive Officer at: [craigcoleman@professionalservicesolutions.net](mailto:craigcoleman@professionalservicesolutions.net)

---

## Recommended Reading

### ***Increasing local procurement by the mining industry in West Africa: road-test version***

This report presents the outcomes of the World Bank project to support local procurement by the mining sector in West Africa

### ***PwC Global Mining Deals: 2013 Mid-year report***

According to the latest PwC Global Mining Deals: 2013 Mid-year report, the current volatility in the mining sector has had a noticeable impact on merger and acquisition activity in 2013, with the number of deals across the global mining sector falling by 31% in the first half of 2013 compared to the same time last year.

### ***Mining and Resources – How bad is it?***

According to McGrathNicol the outlook for the resources sector has weakened considerably with commodity prices likely to remain volatile for some time, and the margins for Australian miners have declined as a result of material cost increases and lower commodity prices. Most resource companies are now focused on productivity, cost cutting and margin improvement.

### ***ASIC surveillance over governance and disclosure***

The corporate group at Clayton Utz has written an article about increased ASIC surveillance over governance and disclosure by Australian and Australian listed companies with interests in, a number of jurisdictions including Africa.

For more information regarding any of these articles please [email Jim Nylander](#).

---

**[Enquire About Membership](#)**

*Copyright © 2013 Australia-Africa Mining Industry Group, All rights reserved.*

You have received this email because you registered on the AAMIG website, or otherwise approved, to receive Monthly News emails. If you have any queries regarding the newsletter please contact Rebecca at: [rebecca.hamersley@aamig.com](mailto:rebecca.hamersley@aamig.com)

**Our office address is:**

Suite 9, 1297 Hay Street  
West Perth, 6005  
Western Australia

[Add us to your address book](#) [unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)