
FINEX '08

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*The conference for all involved in the cross-over world of mineral exploration
and in the financing of exploration and mining*



Exploration meets The City

23- 24th September 2008

The Geological Society, London

Global spend on metal exploration rocketed to \$10 billion during 2007. The increasing demand for metals, reflecting the major hiatus in exploration in the late 90's through to 2002-03, is likely to see this figure increase even more over the next few years. Meeting this demand is going to require exploration in more parts of our planet and probing deeper crustal levels using progressively more refined and sophisticated science and technology. This in turn requires financial commitments from a range of sectors.

FINEX 2008 will provide a unique focus both on London as a major player in global mining finance and on the role of the United Kingdom and Eire in global mineral exploration and the technological developments that underpin exploration success. Papers will cover all elements of the exploration business, including:

- ◆ Commodity cycles & major strategies
- ◆ LSX junior markets – AIM & PLUS
- ◆ Financing innovation
- ◆ Environmental awareness & responsibilities
- ◆ Porphyry & epithermal systems
- ◆ Africa – irresistible or still the dark continent?
- ◆ Mineral research at UK Universities

Programme

Tuesday 23 September

Commodity cycles & major company strategies

Keynote Address: The new economic order and the demand for natural resources. *Christopher Goss – International Finance Corp.*
Bill Prast – Natural Resources Consultant
David Hall – Chairman, Horizonte Minerals, Stratex International

Jurisdictions & commodities

Phil Halliday – Editor, Mining Journal
Corene Crossin – Senior Consultant, Control Risks Group
Paul Burton – MD, GFMS World Gold Ltd

The LSX junior markets – AIM & PLUS

Richard Chase – Head of Mining, Ambrian Partners
Mark Parker – MD, African Eagle Plc
John Meyer – Senior Analyst, Fairfax
Christian Schaffalitzky – CEO, Eurasia Mining Plc
Job Langbroek – Davy Stockbrokers, Dublin

Financing innovation

Kitty Hall – CEO, ARKeX Ltd.
Martin Rosser – CEO, Alexander Mining Plc
Simon Purkis – CEO, European Nickel Plc

Environmental awareness and responsibility in mineral exploration

Fergus Anckorn – Technical Director, AMEC
Weinand Kleingeld – Chair, Pan-European Reserves & Resources Reporting Committee

Sponsored Cocktail Party

Wednesday 24 September

Porphyry and epithermal systems – scientific and technical challenges

Keynote Address and Sir Julius Wehrner Memorial Lecture: Porphyry and epithermal systems – science-driven exploration successes. *Dick Sillitoe – International Exploration Consultant*
Bob Foster – CEO, Stratex International Plc
(speaker to be confirmed)

Africa – irresistible or still the Dark Continent?

Jon Forster – Head of Exploration, Axmin Inc.
Weinand Kleingeld / Niall Young – De Beers Group
Luis da Silva – CEO, Mano River Resources
(speaker to be confirmed)

Mineral research at UK universities: technical and conceptual advances

Reimar Seltmann - CERCAMS Group (Natural History Museum)
David Holwell – Cardiff University / SRK
Steve Roberts - University of Southampton

The skills gap

John Thompson – VP, Technology & Development, Teck Cominco Limited
Panel discussion – Gordon Riddler, Bob Pine, Bill Birch, and Liv Carroll

Sponsored Cocktail Party



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