



*Intergovernmental Forum on*  
*Mining/Minerals/Metals and*  
*Sustainable Development and*  
*UNCSD*

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## *Objectives of the Forum*

- ⊕ Enhanced national governance of the sector
- ⊕ Better distribution of benefits
- ⊕ More policy influence by mines ministries
- ⊕ More international support for capacity building
- ⊕ More effective and timely government responses to sector challenges
- ⊕ More positive investment climate

## *The Forum and UNCSD*

- Forum is a partnership established at the 2002 World Summit in Johannesburg
- UNCSD periodically reviews progress in advancing Summit priorities (JPOI)
- Mining up for review in 2010-11 cycle  
(Chemicals, Sust Production and Con, Transport and waste management)
- World Summits and UNCSD lead the multilateral agenda

## *Mining State of Play Circa 2000*

- ❖ The WB Extractive Industries Review
  - ❖ NGOs campaign for WB to get out of EI
- ❖ GMI, MMSD, ICMM
  - ❖ Industry response to growing sector issues
- ❖ The UN system
  - ❖ Mining consistently identified as problem in UN documents (e.g. agenda 21)
- ❖ Where are national governments in these debates?

# *Mining State of Play Circa 2000*

- ⊕ Development needed for poverty alleviation
  - ⊠ Priority for developing countries
- ⊕ Development needs to be sustainable
  - ⊠ Must be competitive
  - ⊠ Comparative advantage: mineral endowment
  - ⊠ Need to maximize benefits
- ⊕ Lessons learned on mining
  - ⊠ Mining can be sustainable
    - Canada, Australia, Chile, Botswana, etc.
  - ⊠ If it is done right, i.e. **good governance by national governments**

# *Response by National Governments*

## ⊕ Why?

- ⊠ Custodians of the mineral resource
- ⊠ Managers of the resource
- ⊠ Elected and mandated by their citizens
- ⊠ Accountable for the way resources used

## ⊕ How

- ⊠ Input a voice to multi sector gvt views and interests
- ⊠ Learning and making change together
- ⊠ Participating actively in policy debates, and showing progress

# *The World Summit 2002*

## *Strategy*

- ❖ Introduce positive yet balanced mining focused text in the Johannesburg Plan of Implementation (JPOI)
  - ❖ Confirm that mining can contribute to SD
  - ❖ Raise key issues that need to be addressed
- ❖ Develop a Forum for gvts to work together
  - ❖ Global Dialogue on mining/metals
    - Reflecting on the best way to work together
    - Decision to establish the Intergovernmental Forum

# *The Intergovernmental Forum*

- ⊕ Inaugurated in 2005
- ⊕ Nature: voluntary, advisory and consultative
- ⊕ Objective: promote contribution of MMM to SD
  - ⊕ Respond to priorities of the mining section of JPOI
- ⊕ How? By enhancing capacity for governance
  - ⊕ Sharing lessons learned
  - ⊕ Identifying opportunities and responding to challenges
  - ⊕ Providing recommendations on best practices to address issues (social, environmental and economic issues)
  - ⊕ Working with other regional intergovernmental organizations



# *The Intergovernmental Forum*

- ⊕ Membership: National governments
  - ⊞ Ministries responsible for mining (50 members)
- ⊕ Observers
  - ⊞ Multilateral and international agencies
  - ⊞ Non-member governments
- ⊕ National delegations
  - ⊞ Can include stakeholders: industry, NGOs, etc.
- ⊕ Canada provides secretariat for first five years
- ⊕ Chaired by – RSA, Canada, UK.
- ⊕ Sunset clause



## *A UNCSD Strategy*

- ❁ From the Johannesburg World Summit
  - ❁ Johannesburg Plan of Implementation: Paragraph 46 on mining/metals
  - ❁ Forum is an outcome of the Summit, recognized by ECOSOC; must report
- ❁ To the UNCSD Review 2010-11
  - ❁ 2010: progress achieved
  - ❁ 2011: the way forward
- ❁ Set the way forward for whole UN system

## *Forum UNCSD objectives*

- ❊ Enhance influence of governments on global policy development and debates
  - ❑ National governments are policy leaders
  - ❑ Propose the way forward to the UN system
- ❊ Demonstrate the value of the Forum
  - ❑ In responding to Para 46 and sector priorities
- ❊ Promote active participation by governments
  - ❑ Influence is a function of participation

## *Role for Mines Ministries*

- ❖ Prepare a report on mining for UNCSD national 2010 report
- ❖ Have national representative state importance of mining in UNCSD interventions
- ❖ Participate in development of the Forum UNCSD policy framework
- ❖ Have your national representative express support for framework at UNCSD 2011
- ❖ Participate in parallel event on mining/metals

## *Role for the Forum*

- ⊕ Work with other intergovernmental organizations, e.g. Africa Mining Partnership, UNECA, **CASM**, etc.
- ⊕ Work with other national governments not members of the Forum
- ⊕ Work with multilateral organizations, e.g. World Bank, UNCTAD, UNDESA
- ⊕ Work with other stakeholders (eg CASM)
- ⊕ Intervene at UNCSD
- ⊕ Arrange UNCSD parallel events

# *Policy Framework*

- ⊕ Cover entire sector life cycle
  - Exploration to metals, waste, recycling
- ⊕ Address all sector issues
  - ⊞ Economic, social, environmental, health, etc.
- ⊕ Two components
  - ⊞ List of policy elements
  - ⊞ Discussion of individual policy elements
- ⊕ A Forum / National governments document?

## *Parallel Events at UNCSD*

- Events on the margins of the main meeting
- Workshops to document progress or issues
  - Economic, social, environmental, CASM, etc.
  - Life cycle context
  - Lessons learned; case studies, etc.
  - Strategies in place for continuing progress
- All interested stakeholders invited



# *(1) National UNCSD Report*



## *National UNCSD report*

- ❖ An option open to all national governments
- ❖ Report on progress achieved since the World Summit
- ❖ An opportunity to flag out issues
- ❖ The basis for the way forward in 2011
- ❖ Set priorities for the multilateral system

# *National UNCSD Report*

- ✚ Proposed objectives
  - ▣ Ensure to have a national report on mining for UNCSD 2010
  - ▣ Take charge of writing the report
  - ▣ Be factual to promote credibility (not campaigning)
  - ▣ Work with others to promote consistency and influence

# *National UNCSD Report:* *Action plan (now urgent)*

## ⊕ Immediate

- ❑ Contact Foreign Affairs (?) ministry
- ❑ Promote national report on mining for 2010
- ❑ Find about national process and timeline
- ❑ Offer to lead preparation of the report
- ❑ Identify those you should work with
  - Nationally and beyond,
- ❑ Collect the required information

# *National UNCSD Report:* *Action Plan*

- ❑ Make sure ASM in the report
- ❑ Follow UNCSD reporting guidelines but go beyond if needed
- ❑ Get on national delegation and Lead on drafting mining related national interventions at UNCSD
- ❑ Maintain co-ordination with the Forum, other intergovernmental groups, etc.



# (2) IGF's UNCSD Policy Framework

# *UNCSD Policy Framework*

- ❁ Objective:
  - ❁ Enhance mines ministries influence in global policy development
  - ❁ Influence multilateral priorities for mining
  - ❁ Enhance support for capacity building in relation to mining good governance

# *UNCSD Policy Framework*

## *Action plan*

- ❑ Evaluate how well draft framework reflects national needs and priorities for ASM
- ❑ Provide comments to make future drafts more relevant to national ASM needs and priorities
- ❑ Discuss evolving drafts at national, regional or other relevant meetings to seek input from other relevant parties



## *(3) UNCSD Parallel Events*



## *UNCSD Parallel Events*

- ❁ Objective: Workshops provide opportunity to
  - ❁ Showcase case studies on progress done
  - ❁ Inform UNCSD delegates on mining
  - ❁ Have outcomes included in UNCSD final report
  - ❁ Showcase how national governments, industry and other stakeholders are involved in furthering advances

## *UNCSD Parallel Events*

### **Expectations from CASM?**

- ❁ Organize side events (panel discussion) in cooperation with other stakeholders – IGF?



# *For More Information*



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