

APPENDIX 2: MMSD CONSULTATION ACTIVITIES

MMSD Global Workshops

MMSD convened a series of workshops on specific themes. These served to gather stakeholders from mining companies and labour, non-governmental organizations, research institutions, academia, community groups, and international organizations from throughout the world. They provided valuable opportunities for sharing perspectives and played a pivotal role in informing the project report. More than 750 participants attended MMSD workshops organized at the global level:

- *Strategic Planning Workshop*, 4–6 May 2001, London, United Kingdom
- *Preparing for Implementation*, 24–25 July 2000, Geneva, Switzerland
- *The Role of Financial Institutions in Sustainable Development: The Case of Mining*, 10–12 January 2001, Washington DC, United States, jointly organized by MMSD, World Bank, and UNEP
- *Small-scale Mining in South America*, 24 January 2001, Santiago, Chile
- *Planning Meeting for Research on Access to Information in the Mining and Minerals Sector*, 14 March 2001, Toronto, Canada
- *Finance, Mining, and Sustainability*, 8–9 April 2001, Washington DC, United States, jointly organized by MMSD, World Bank, and UNEP
- *Long-run Minerals Availability*, 22–23 April 2001, Washington DC, United States
- *The Role of Public Participation*, 25–27 May 2001, Woodstock VT, United States
- *Mining and Biodiversity I*, 11–12 June 2001, London, United Kingdom
- *Armed Conflict and Natural Resources*, 11 July 2001, London, United Kingdom, co-hosted with the International Institute for Strategic Studies
- *Large Volume Waste*, 15–17 July 2001, Vancouver BC, Canada
- *Voluntary Initiatives for the Mineral Sector*, 18 July 2001, Santa Fe NM, United States
- *Life Cycle Analysis*, 9–10 August 2001, New York, United States
- *Managing Mineral Wealth*, 15–17 August 2001, London, United Kingdom
- *Meeting of the MMSD/GRI Multistakeholder Advisory Panel on Public Reporting in the Mining and Minerals Sector*, 23–24 August 2001, Boston, MA, United States
- *Human Rights Issues in the Mining and Minerals Sector*, 6 September 2001, Transparency International, Berlin, Germany
- *Corruption Issues in the Mining and Minerals Sector*, 7 September 2001, Transparency International, Berlin, Germany
- *Worker and Community Health in the Mining Sector*, 10 September 2001, London, United Kingdom, co-hosted by MMSD and the Environmental Epidemiology Unit of the London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine's Department of Public Health and Policy
- *Indigenous Peoples and Relationships with the Mining Sector*, 27–28 September 2001, Quito, Ecuador
- *Corporate Social Responsibility – From Words to Action*, 15–16 October 2001, London, United Kingdom, jointly organized by the Royal Institute of International Affairs
- *Mining and Biodiversity II*, 25–26 October 2001, London, United Kingdom
- *Artisanal and Small-scale Mining*, 19–20 November 2001, London, United Kingdom

- *Second Meeting of the MMSD/GRI Multistakeholder Advisory Panel on Public Reporting in the Mining and Minerals Sector*, 27 November 2001, Vancouver, BC, Canada
- *Dialogue on Access to Information in the Mining Sector*, 28–30 November 2001, Vancouver, BC, Canada
- *Financing, Mining, and Sustainability – Exploring Sound Investment Decision Processes*, 14–15 January 2002, Paris, France, jointly organized by MMSD, World Bank, and UNEP
- *Indigenous Peoples and the Mining Sector*, 4–6 February 2002, Melbourne, Australia

Principles of Engagement

The following Principles of Engagement governed the way MMSD approached engaging stakeholders in its activities:

Those involved in an MMSD activity do so with the assurance that the Project is committed to providing the opportunity for participants to interact, with these expectations:

- MMSD provides an opportunity for people both to inform each other within the context of a project which seeks to describe the global mineral cycle, and also to offer advice and guidance to the Project.
- We hope to identify and understand the diversity of perspectives, values and interests that can help build the foundation for positive change. Views have to be freely expressed and the risks of such expression reduced. This is a forum in which individuals or groups can investigate ideas.
- There is a need for a place where views can be exchanged frankly and openly. MMSD has no authority to impose solutions on anyone.
- The Project should strive to identify where it can best help to guide the flow of discussion. The objective should be to help develop areas of common ground, understand where differences exist, and the underlying reasons for them.
- Wherever possible, we should widen the networks of connections and identify ways of addressing challenges, within and beyond the life of the Project.
- Participating in, or contributing to workshops or other events, commenting on documents produced, suggesting participants for meetings, and other interactions with the Project are not and will not be portrayed as an endorsement of MMSD. It is important that the basis for participation be widely understood.
- Notes or minutes prepared by MMSD will report important comments and points of view but will not attribute them to specific participants unless this is requested by the person making the statement. Exchange of ideas is freer when unknown consequences can be minimised.
- The notes from workshops should be reviewed by a representative group of attendees, agreed at the meeting, prior to finalisation. Notes will typically be of a summary nature and will include a list of participants. There should be an opportunity to discuss the contents of the notes and ensure that everyone is comfortable with them prior to their wider circulation.
- There should be an opportunity to discuss these Principles of Engagement at the outset of any activity to ensure that participants are comfortable with it and that it is appropriate for the purpose. It is in no way a constraint on the participants to develop further or additional understandings as are appropriate in the circumstances.

APPENDIX 2: Continued

MMSD Draft Report Comment Process

The commenting process for the MMSD Draft Report took place between 4 March and 17 April 2002. In total, MMSD received comments from 102 individuals and organizations, with over 510 pages of text. All but five sets of comments were submitted in English. The five non-English submissions were in Spanish. All comments received are included in the CD-ROM.

Profession of comment providers:

Academics	17
Consultants (corporate and independent)	20
Governments	14
Industry Associations	13
International Organisations	4
Labour	1
Mining companies	8
NGOs	19
Private Sector (other industries, banks, etc)	6

Origins of comment providers (in terms of organizational affiliation):

Asia	6
Australia	11
Europe	37
North America	35
South America	7
Southern Africa	6

Together with MMSD regional partners in Australia, North America, South America and southern Africa, four regional forums were held in March and April 2002 to obtain comments from regional stakeholders. Over 250 stakeholders took part in these forums.

Region Forums	Number of Participants
Australia	150
North America	19
South America	58
Southern Africa	29