

MMSD Draft Report Chapter 16

- The “Agenda for Action” is the most important section of the report. Its message and content should also be discussed and accepted by members of ICMM as it includes actions that are not necessarily feasible or reasonable for every company and every situation. It a very much promising commitment of the mining, mineral and metal industry.
- Is so much text really needed in this chapter? Would a more condensed presentation give a clearer message? General philosophy and information does not belong to an action plan
- page 16-5:
Is the text on this page needed?? Recommendations on the page 16-6 should be enough.
- page 16-10,11:
ICMM should not create and request a new own certification or verification system for the mining/metal industry.
- page 16-13,14:
The idea of the “Technical Support Facility” for the mining operations could be forgotten. I wonder if companies, governments, investors, etc. really need or want a new world-wide organisation and inspection system. An information centre could be relevant and acceptable.
- page 16-14,15
Immediate Actions: Credibility of MMSD initiative will be lost **if access to protective areas is the first (most important?) issue**, even if it may be important to some companies.
- page 16-16,17:
Reporting Guidelines: A world-wide reporting system would be a good idea if it worked. The text does not tell what should be reported and to whom.
- page 16-19:
”Funding Rehabilitation of Orphan Mines Sites” is a more complex legal and financial question than presented here. Funding the work in developing countries should be organised in another way than by collecting the money from operating mines today.

- page 16-16

This report should avoid dictating what for example The World Bank should do.

In conclusion one could say that this initiative has produced a lot of information that can be good basis for improving the image and rights to operate of the mining industry. Metals have received little understanding in the report.

Too wide presentations hide the message to stakeholders. It is sometimes difficult to guess to whom the report has been intended.

Some relevant literature has not been cited. For example ICME's World of Metals could be recommended for further reading.

"Agenda for Actions" may be seen as too ambitious.