

Call for Applications for PanAfGeo-2 Training Session

Training “WP-E – Geohazards and Environmental Management of Mines”

1. MAIN CONTEXT OF PANAFGEO

“PanAfGeo” for “Pan-African Support to Geological Sciences and Technology Africa-EU Partnership”, is a project which supports the training of geoscientific staff from African Geological Surveys through the development of an innovative training programme that includes the acquisition and development of important professional skills that complement their qualifications and technical skills. The training programme is implemented by world-class geoscientific experts coming both from African and European Geological Surveys. PanAfGeo-2 is a continuation of the well-established PanAfGeo Project.

PanAfGeo is co-funded by the European Commission (Directorate-General for International Partnerships) and by a Consortium of eleven European Geological Surveys coordinated by the French Geological Survey (BRGM).

This programme allows trainees to acquire a state-of-the-art tool kit that contains methods and/or field work from eight geoscientific domains:

- WP-A – Geoscientific Mapping
- WP-B – Mineral Resources Assessment
- WP-C – Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining
- WP-D – New frontiers in Geosciences (Geoheritage and Geothermal energy)
- WP-E – Geohazards & Environmental Management of mine
- WP-F – Georesources Governance & OAGS/GSOs Institutional Strengthening
- WP-G – Geoscientific Information Management
- WP-H – Communication, Dissemination and Dialogue

The “PanAfGeo Charter for Trainees” provides the general quality framework for selection of trainees who will attend the training sessions carried out in the frame of the PanAfGeo Project. This Charter is awarded for the full duration of the PanAfGeo Project. Implementation of the Charter will be monitored and violation of any of its principles and commitments may lead to its withdrawal by the PanAfGeo Project Coordination.

One of the overall objectives and impacts of PanAfGeo is to improve the governance and sustainable use of African mineral resources and related infrastructures. The specific objective and outcome is to strengthen the knowledge and skills in Africa’s mining sector and specifically of African Geological Surveys, to make them able to contribute – in their respective countries – with their expertise and data to informed decision-making and good governance as well as sustainable use of mineral resources and reinforcing the capacity of the Organisation of African Geological Surveys (OAGS).

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2. CONTENT & METHODOLOGY OF THE “WP-E – GEOHAZARDS AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT OF MINES” TRAINING SESSION

The call for the next WP-E “*Geohazards and Environmental Management of Mines*” training is now open. This upcoming training will take place in **Blantyre, Malawi, 6-12 November 2022 (IN ENGLISH)**. This training session will be conducted in English.

The aim of the Work Package *Geohazards and Environmental Management of Mines* (WP-E) is to perform multi-module and multidisciplinary theoretical and practical training on assessment, identification and monitoring of geohazards (natural and anthropogenic), prevention and mitigation of hazardous consequences of mining and promote best practices of Environmental Management of Mines.

WP-E will provide methodologies to African Geological Surveys for analysing vulnerability and risk in order to provide local authorities and involved stakeholders with useful tools for mitigating the impacts of natural and human-induced hazards. Consequently, WP-E fulfils the specific objective of the action to reinforce the capacity of African Geological Surveys to make them able to contribute with their expertise and data to informed decision-making, and to initiate a fruitful dialogue with civil society and the private sector.

PanAfGeo is an unprecedented pan-African training programme. The programme is led by European and African Geological Surveys, and therefore combines the variety of European Geological Surveys (EGS) to the variety of African Surveys, making this a unique training offer.

In order to be considered, applicants for the PanAfGeo-2 Training Session entitled “WP-E *Geohazards and Environmental Management of Mines*” must complete the documents listed hereafter:

- 1 - Application Form for a PanAfGeo Training,
- 2 - Letter of Motivation,
- 3 - Letter of Commitment signed by your employer.

After filling out these documents, please register here: <https://panafgeo.eurogeosurveys.org> and upload them in form of 3 separate files (PDF format only - label of all application files must include the applicant's first name in latin letters)

The deadline for applications is 24 September 2022 at 24:00 GMT.

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