

Call for Applications for PanAfGeo2 WP-E Training Session

« **WP-E – Geohazards and Environmental Management of Mines** »
20 - 24 November 2023, Kigali, Rwanda
in English

1. MAIN CONTEXT OF PANAFGEO2

“PanAfGeo2” 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. This programme includes the acquisition and development of important professional skills that complement existing qualifications and technical skills. The training programme is carried out by world-class geoscientific experts coming from African and European geological surveys.

PanAfGeo2 is co-funded by the European Commission (DG INTPA) and by a Consortium of 12 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 (work packages, WP):

- WP A – Field Geoscientific Mapping;
- WP B – Mineral Resources Assessment;
- WP C – Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining (ASSM);
- WP D – New Frontiers of Geosciences (geoheritage & geothermal energy);
- WP E – Geohazards & Environmental Management of Mines
- WP F – Georesources Governance & OAGS/GSOs Institutional strengthening
- WP G – Geoscientific Information Management;
- WP H – Communication and Dissemination.

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.

The overall objective and impact of PanAfGeo2 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).

2. CONTENT & METHODOLOGY OF THE “WPE – 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 **Kigali, Rwanda, 20 - 24 November 2023**. 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.

3. TIME SCHEDULE

Date of training session	From 20 to 24 November 2023
Location	Kigali, Rwanda
Application deadline	15 September 2023

4. WHO CAN APPLY?

The PanAfGeo2 “WPE – Geohazards and Environmental Management of Mines” training session is open to all persons who are eligible according to the conditions of the “**PanAfGeo Charter for Trainee**”.

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5. APPLICATION AND SELECTION PROCEDURE

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

- 1 - Application Form for this PanAfGeo2 training session (WP-E);
- 2 - Letter of Commitment signed by your employer;
- 3 - Letter of Motivation.
- 4 - Passport copy (whose validity date is 6 months later than the date of return to the country).

After preparing these documents, submit your application online on the PanAfGeo web portal: <https://panafgeo-courses-dev.azurewebsites.net>. Please upload the documents as PDF files. **Applications must be submitted via the web portal only and not be sent directly to the referent trainers.**

Application Deadline: 15 September 2023

Questions regarding practical issues of the course WP-E should be addressed to the training coordinators via the e-mail addresses:

- WP-E Leader: Dr Jonas SATKŪNAS (LGT) (jonas.satkunas@lgt.lt)
- WP-E Co-leader: Dr. Souleymane DIOP (CGS) (sdiop@geoscience.org.za)

Questions regarding PanAfGeo2 should be addressed to EuroGeoSurveys (EGS) via the email address: info@eurogeosurveys.org

Or to the Organisation of African Geological Surveys (OAGS) via the email address: oags@geoscience.org.za