



AMGC Director General's Message



During the month of February 2025, the Director General of AMGC, paid courtesy visits to diplomatic missions of AMGC member states in Tanzania. AMGC held a ceremony at its premises in Dar es Salaam to

celebrate South Sudan joining the Centre as its 9th member state. The Director General of AMGC, received three visitors from Wagtech Projects Group including its Managing Director, International Business Development Manager and local agent. The Centre through its Mineralogy, Petrology and Gemology Department provided a two weeks comprehensive practical training course on gemstones identification. The Centre celebrated Certificate handout ceremony for a Tanzanian apprentice who successfully completed 9 months an INTERNSHIP Program at AMGC laboratories. AMGC attended 7th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the National Laboratories Association of Tanzania (NLAT) held at Zanzibar.

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On 03 February 2025, the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC), an ISO 9001:2015 Certified, received three visitors from Wagtech Projects Group. The visitors included:

- 1. Mr. Neil Francis Durham, Managing Director**
- 2. Me. Tom Vaughan, International Business Development Manager**
- 3. Mr. Shaban Keneth Shija, Wagtech Tanzania**

The visit aimed at familiarizing the activities of the Centre and discussing technical collaboration on the laboratory equipment such as water quality kits, BRUKER XRF, and Agilent ICP-MS in the Chemical and Environmental Department.

The Director General Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad assured the visitors a thorough cooperation.



On 06 February 2025, Certificate handout ceremony held at the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC), an ISO 9001:2015 Certified they ceremony was for Mr. Ephraim Zedekia Ntakivya, who had successfully completed an INTERNSHIP Program at AMGC laboratories.

Mr. Ephraim has demonstrated competency in sample preparation and analytical methods, including AAS, XRF, and XRD, for analysis of rocks, soils, sediments, and metallic materials. He also got competency in quality control protocols for assuring the accuracy of analyzed results.

The program was undertaken for 9 months from May 2024 to January 2025.



On 10th February 2025, the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) through its Mineralogy, Petrology and Gemology Department started a two weeks training course on Advanced Gem Identification Techniques for one participants from Tanzania. He is Mr. Emmanuel Mbajo Mchomvu from Woow Me Jewellery designer based in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.

The training course ended on 21th February 2025, and the aimed of training is to provide advanced knowledge and skills to participants on how to identify all stones. It is the intensive gemological programmed that provides comprehensive practical training focused on the grading, detailed practical study on inclusions, methods of synthesizing stones, identification of treatment, and origin of stones.

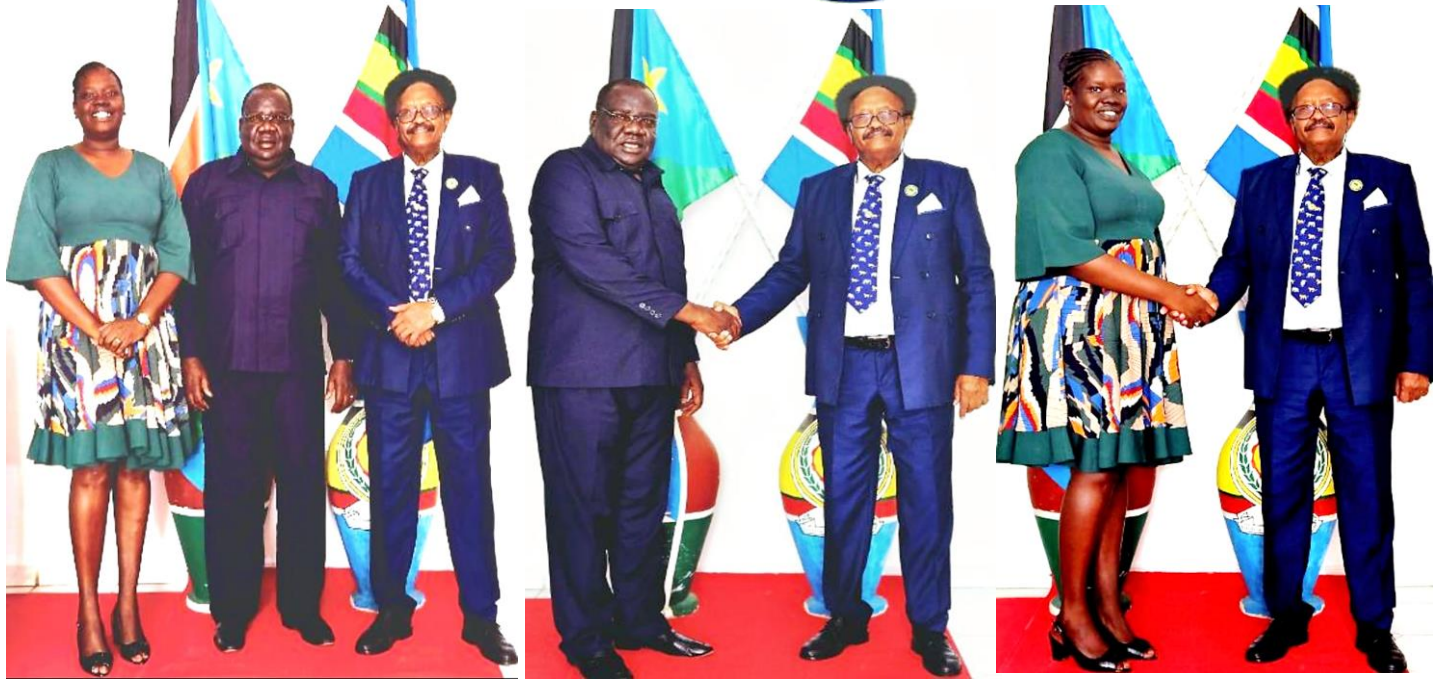
On 24th February 2025, the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) did a certificate hand out ceremony for Mr. Emmanuel Mbajo Mchomvu from Woow Me Jewelry designer based in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Mr. Emmanuel finished a two weeks practical training course on Advanced Gem Identification Techniques, and the aim of training was to provide advanced knowledge and skills to participants on how to identify all stones. The course was conducted by the Mineralogy, Petrology & Gemology Department of AMGC and it is an intensive gemological programmer that provides comprehensive practical training focused on the grading, detailed practical study on inclusions, methods of synthesizing stones, identification of treatment, and origin of stones.



On 20th February 2025, Mr. Charles Buteta Athuman, the Quality Manager and Manager of Chemical and Environmental Department at African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) represented the Centre at the 7th Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the National Laboratories Association of Tanzania (NLAT) held at Zanzibar Food and Drug Agency (ZFDA), Zanzibar. The meeting was officiated by Dr. Said Seif Mzee, Deputy Principal Secretary, Ministry of Trade and Industrial Development (MTID), Zanzibar.

NLAT is a voluntary, independent, non-governmental, non-profit and membership-based civil society organization. It was established in 2012 with the mission to promote professionals' competence and skills excellence and nurture lifelong involvement in promoting societal wellbeing.

Mr. Charles is a focal person for NLAT at AMGC. He once served as a NLAT Councilor for two years from 13 December 2019. NLAT Councilors form a top management team to lead the association towards achieving the intended objectives.



On 10th February 2025, Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the Director General of AMGC, paid a courtesy visit to the esteemed Embassy of the Republic of the South Sudan in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. The Director General met H.E. Ambassador General (RSD) Loyang Okot Johnson Jekery, the Head of Mission of the Republic of South Sudan in Tanzania. The meeting was attended by Madam Adeng Joseph Marial, the second secretary. The Director General of AMGC expressed his gratitude to H.E. the Ambassador for his much appreciated effort in the facilitation that culminated by the completion of the procedure of joined the esteemed Ministry of Mining of the Republic of South Sudan to the membership of the Centre and became among its concentrated driving force as its member state number 9.

The Director General of AMGC had the pleasure to inform H.E. the Ambassador that the Centre has arranged to celebrate the South Sudan's accession to the Centre by organizing a ceremony on the occasion of raising up the South Sudan flag at the Centre's premises in Kunduchi Beach Area on 26th February, 2025. Hon. Martin Gama Abucha, the Minister for Mining of the Republic of South Sudan, he arrived at the Centre on 25th–26th February 2025.

H.E., the Head of Mission, appreciated the courtesy visit paid by the Director General of AMGC and assured the sustainable support of the South Sudan to the Centre. He expressed his high concern to enhance the initiated excellent and fruitful work relationship and cooperation that the South Sudan and AMGC will share for strengthening beneficial partnerships to push for the Centre's mission and mandate in serving the Mining Sector and Geosciences community in the South Sudan and African Countries.



On 12 February 2025, Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the Director General of the African Minerals & Geosciences Centre (AMGC), paid a courtesy visit to the esteemed office of H.E. Mr. Fekadu Beyene Ayana, the Extraordinary & Plenipotentiary Ambassador of Federal Republic of Ethiopia to the United Republic of Tanzania. Mr. Shaddad briefed H.E. Mr. Fekadu among other issues regarding performance of the Centre, developments, challenges, and preparation for the celebration of South Sudan's accession to the Centre by a short ceremony on the occasion of raising up the South Sudan flag at the Centre's premises on 26th February, 2025. Furthermore Mr. Shaddad briefed regarding holding and hosting the Policy Organ Meetings of the Centre in Nairobi, Kenya, the current Chair of the AMGC Governing Council. At the initial stage of the Centre, there were joint exploration and development projects where Ethiopia was the project of Abumareh – Gizen Area Exploration programmer of 1980's. At a later year, the Centre's focus was realigned to capacity building to member states and regional projects were designed to support member states as well as analytical services being established to extend the provision of services made available to the member states including Ethiopia.



The Director General of AMGC was privilege to meet and interact with the successive Excellences Ethiopian Ministers and Deputy Ministers of Petroleum, Gas and Mines of Ethiopia as well as General Directors of the Geological Survey of Ethiopia (GSE)/Geological Institute of Ethiopia (GIE). The meetings discussed the maximization of Ethiopia benefit from AMGC and enjoy the 40% cost reduction from all mineral services provided by the Centre, including training, analyses, and consultancy. The Centre is ready to respond to any mineral service requests in-house at its premises in Dar es Salaam and outreach cost sharing on job specialized trainings to be conducted at GIE's premises in Addis Ababa regarding the following:

- Gemology Basic Skills in gemstones identification, value addition and jewelry design covering important gemstone varieties which are found in Ethiopia in addition to various techniques in gemstone identification, gemstone grading, pricing and marketing, synthetic, imitations and treated gemstones. It will be provided mainly to the professionals of the GIE, related institutions, and community based groups in small-scale mining areas who would later use the acquired knowledge to train others.
- Assist GIE on testing of minerals and develop its analytics infrastructure and modern laboratory management and laboratory quality management system through training in theory, operation & maintenance of Atomic Absorption Spectrophotometer (AAS), X-Ray Fluorescence (XRF), the Inductive Coupled Plasma Optical Emission Spectrometry (ICP-OES) and XRD - X-ray Diffraction Instrument.



MoU is proposed to be signed between AMGC and selected geoscientific and geotechnical academic institute in Ethiopia to go into partnership for joint research and development, experience sharing, consultancy projects as well as capacity building.

Ethiopia, one of the founding member states of the Centre, has been unreservedly supporting it since its establishment in 1977. Due to Ethiopia's significant contribution to the running of the Centre as a Centre of Excellence, Ethiopia shouldered more than three times hosting Policy Organ Meetings of the Centre as well as ten times the responsibility of chairing the Governing Council of the Centre. Out of the six Director Generals managing the Centre since 1977, Ethiopia was elected twice to manage the Centre, the first Director General was Mr. Mahdi Shumburo from Ethiopia, who served for nine years during 1978-1986 and the fifth Director General was Mr. Ketema Tadesse, who served for nine years during 2006-2015. One of the departmental managers at the Centre was Mr. Mesfin Wubeshet of the geo-information services, who had been employed as the only International Professional staff for 25 years. It is worth mentioning

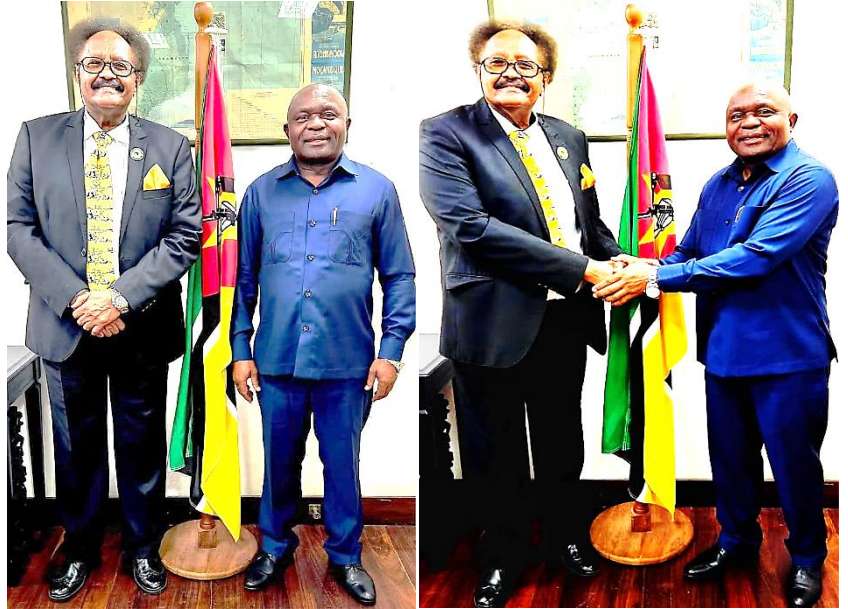


that the Centre's current premises in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania was constructed in 1990/91 and both the consulting architect and the contractor who built the buildings were Ethiopian companies, Getachew Bekele Architect and Berta Construction Company, respectively. Ethiopia was elected Chair of the Board of Directors of the Centre from 1997 to 2006 chaired by Mr. Ketema Tadesse, former General Director of the Geological Survey of Ethiopia (GSE). In 2006, the Ethiopian General Director, Mr. Ketema Tadesse was appointed the fifth Director General of the Centre, and Angola took over the chairmanship of the Board of Directors. When the term of Mr. Ketema, as the Director General of AMGC, ended in 2015, Ethiopia resumed back its chairmanship for the Board of Directors and is serving up to now. From 2015 to 2019, the Board of Directors was chaired by Mr. Masresha Gebreselassie, former General Director of the GSE, from 2019 to January 2022 by Ms. Enatfenta Melkau Gebre, former Director General of the GSE and from January 2022 up to November 2023 by Dr. Dejene Haile Mariam, who during his tenure, the GSE was renamed the Geological Institute of Ethiopia (GIE), and from December 2023 to date by Mr. Ijara Tesfaye, the current general director of the GIE.

H.E. Mr. Fekadu Beyene Ayana expressed his gratitude to AMGC and confirmed Ethiopia sustainable support to the Centre, fulfil Ethiopia financial commitments, maximize its beneficiation from mineral services provided by the Centre and enjoy the 40% cost reduction from all mineral services provided by the AMGC including training, analyses and consultancy. H.E. Mr. Fekadu promised to pay a familiarization visit to AMGC facility in Kunduchi Beach Area in Dar es Salaam as soon as possible on any date and time convenient to him.



On 13th February 2025, Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the Director General of the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC), paid a courtesy visit to H.E. Ricardo Mtumbuida, the High Commissioner of Mozambique in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Mr. Shaddad briefed H.E. Ricardo among other issues regarding performance of the Centre, developments, challenges, and preparation for the celebration of South Sudan's accession to the Centre by a short ceremony on the occasion of raising up the South Sudan flag at the Centre's Premises on 26th February,



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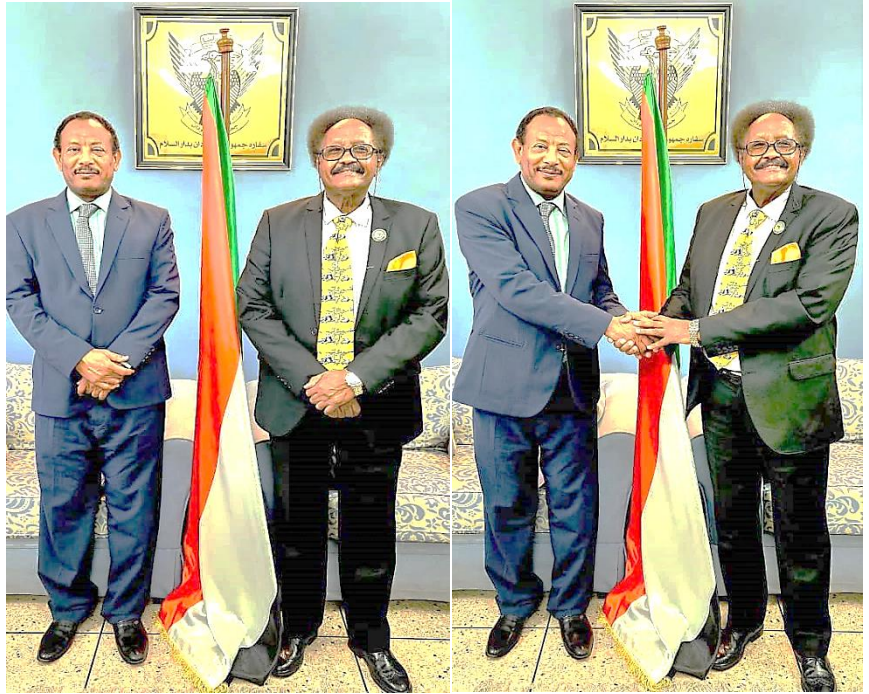
H.E. the High Commissioner of Mozambique assured the sustainable support of Mozambique to the Centre. Mozambique, one of the founding member states of AMGC, has been unreservedly supporting the Centre since its establishment in 1977. Mozambique has also been among the leading member states that are fulfilling their financial commitments to the Centre and utilizing its mineral services, particularly training. The Centre looks forward to continued fruitful cooperation and support from Mozambique.

Due to Mozambique's significant contribution to the running of the AMGC as a Centre of Excellence, has shouldered three times hosting Policy Organ Meetings of the Centre (i.e. 8th Governing Council Meeting held on 2-3 October 1987, 18th Governing Council Meeting held on 5 August 1998 and 27th Governing Council held on 31 May 2007) as well as more than four times the responsibility of chairing the Governing Council of the Centre.

Out of the six Directors General managing the Centre since 1977, Mozambique was elected in 1996-2002 to manage the Centre by Dr. Antonio Maria Pedro, the current Deputy Executive Secretary of the Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA). Mr. Dino Miguel Milise, the National Director of the Directorate of Geology and Mines of Mozambique at the Ministry of Mineral Resources and Energy in Mozambique is a member of the AMGC Standing Committee of Officials. Mr. Alberto Fernando Manuel, the environmental geologist at the Ministry of Mineral Resources and Energy of Mozambique, is a member of the AMGC Board of Directors.



On 13th February 2025, Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the Director General of the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC), paid a courtesy visit to H.E. Ambassador Dr. Mohamed Abdalla Abd Elhameed, the Ambassador of the Sudan in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. The Director General of AMGC briefed the Sudanese Ambassador among other issues regarding performance of the Centre, developments, challenges, and preparation for the celebration of South Sudan's accession to the Centre by a short ceremony on the occasion of raising up the South Sudan flag at the Centre's premises on 26th February, 2025. Furthermore Mr. Shaddad briefed regarding holding and hosting the Policy Organ Meetings of the Centre in Nairobi,



Kenya, the current Chair of the AMGC Governing Council. Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad expressed much appreciation for the arrangement which have been done to send the annual subscription of Ministry of Minerals on behalf of the Government of the Sudan through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Sudan to the Centre. Sincerely recognizes the Government of Sudan has been unreserved supporting the Centre in overcoming repeated financial constrains that the Centre is facing. Mr. Shaddad also expressed much gratitude and sincere recognition of the outstanding commitments and obligations of the Government of Sudan to the Centre that enable it to implement its activities to its highest peak. The Sudan is one of the leading member states of AMGC timely fulfilling their financial contributions to the Centre.

H.E. Ambassador Dr. Mohamed Abdalla Abd Elhameed assures the sustainable support of the Sudan to AMGC and expressed his high concern to enhance the existing excellent and fruitful relationship and cooperation that the Sudan and AMGC share for strengthening beneficial partnerships to push for the Centre's mission and mandate in serving the Mining Sector and Geosciences community in the Sudan and African Countries.

It is worth mentioning that Sudan was the last member state to join the workforce of AMGC in August 2010. The Sudan chaired the AMGC 33rd and 39th Governing Council Meetings hosted in Khartoum in 2013 and 2019, respectively. The Sudan was ranking the first in utilizing the paid AMGC's mineral services, and in this regard, the Sudan contributes honorably in the 40% annual operational budget to be generated by the Centre. The Sudan is injecting additional funds through maximizing its beneficiation from mineral services, particularly paid training courses provided by the Centre. Since Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the current Director General of AMGC has been fully on board in July 2015, a total of 445 paid training opportunities were provided to Sudanese professionals from Geological Research Authority of Sudan (GRAS), Sudanese Mineral Resources Company (SMRC), Ariab Mining Company (AMC) and Sudan's Gold Refinery. The Sudanese professionals have been trained in various on-job-training courses at the AMGC based in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, and one paid outreach training course held at the premises of GRAS in Khartoum.



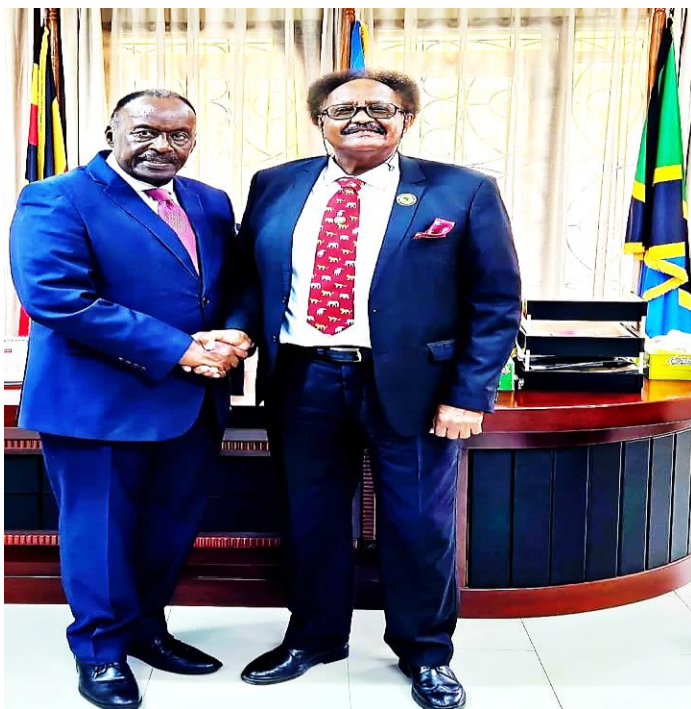
On 17th February 2025, Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the Director General of the African Minerals & Geosciences Centre (AMGC), paid a courtesy visit to H.E. Dr. Ahamada El Badaoui Mohamed Fakih, the Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary Ambassador of Comoros in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. H.E. Dr. Ahamada El Badaoui is also the Dean of the Diplomatic Corps in Tanzania. The Comoros is one of the founder states of AMGC, and it was the state that signed the Centre's Establishment Agreement on behalf of the other member states.



Mr. Shaddad briefed H.E. Dr. Ahamada El Badaoui regarding performance of the Centre, developments, challenges, and preparation for the celebration of South Sudan's accession to the Centre by a short ceremony on the occasion of raising up the South Sudan flag at the Centre's premises on 26th February, 2025. Furthermore Mr. Shaddad briefed regarding holding and hosting the Policy Organ Meetings of the Centre in Nairobi, Kenya, the current Chair of the AMGC Governing Council. The Comoros represented by the H.E. Minister of Economy, Planning, Energy, Tourism,



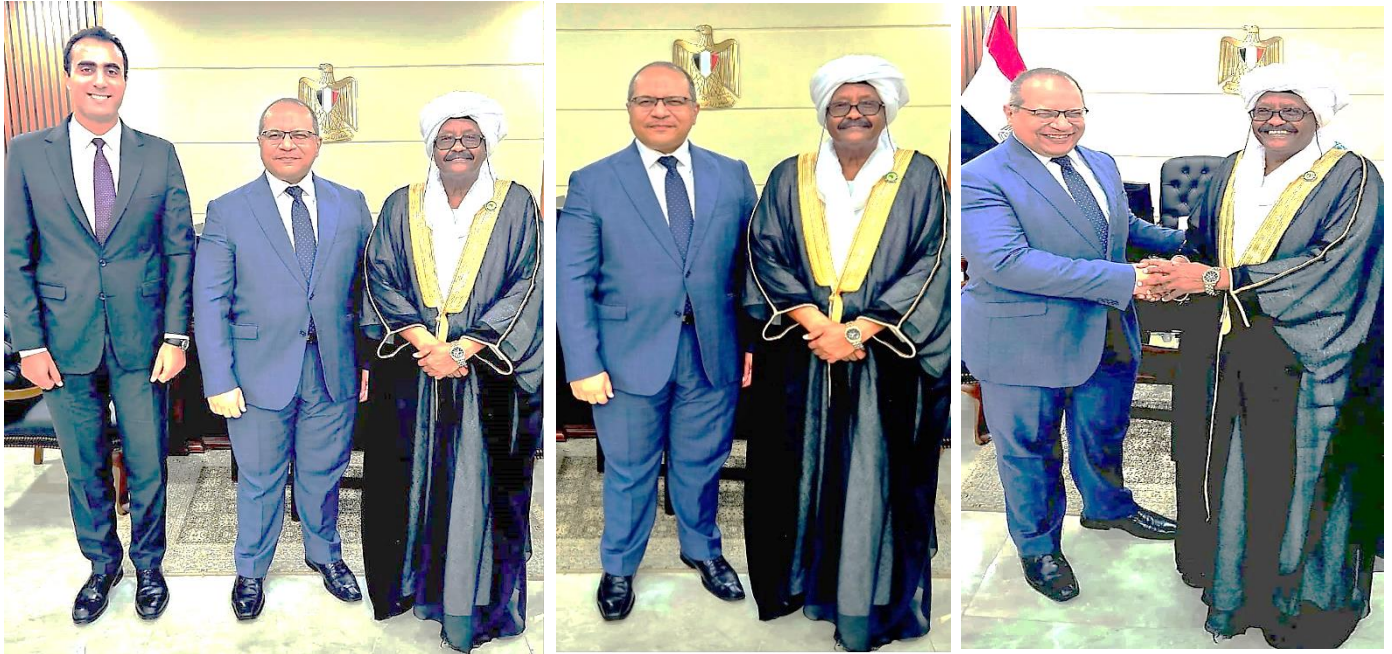
Private Sector of the Investments, and Land Affairs, including Petroleum-Mining, will attend the coming 40th Governing Council Meeting of AMGC in Nairobi which will be hosted by the Hon. Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs of Kenya.



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H.E. AMB. HON COL (RTD) Fred Mwesigye, the Uganda High Commissioner to Tanzania, assures the sustainable support of Uganda to AMGC and expressed his high concern to facilitate in solving challenges facing the Centre. AMGC is looking forward to the Government of Uganda through its esteemed Ministry of Energy, Oil and Minerals Development to sustainably support the Centre and maximize Uganda's beneficiation from the mineral services provided by the Centre

It is worth mentioning that Uganda has joined the Centre since January 1980, chaired and hosted the AMGC 25th Governing Council on 26th May 2005 in Kampala, Uganda. The Minister for Energy and Minerals Development by then was Hon. Syda N.M. Bbumba. Out of the six Directors General for the Centre, the late Mr. James Kagule-Magambo was the 2nd Director General from 1986-1994.



On 17th February 2025, Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the Director General of the African Minerals & Geosciences Centre (AMGC) paid a courtesy visit to the esteemed Embassy of the Arab Republic of Egypt in Dar es Salaam, the United Republic of Tanzania. The Director General of AMGC was privileged to meet H.E. Ambassador Sherif A. Ismail, and the meeting was attended by Mr. Ahmed Amer, the Head of the Political Section at the Embassy of Egypt in Dar es Salaam.

Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad briefed the distinguished Egyptian diplomats regarding performance of the Centre, challenges, developments and preparation for the celebration of South Sudan's accession to the Centre by a short ceremony on the occasion of raising up the South Sudan flag at the Centre's premises on 26th February, 2025. Furthermore Mr. Shaddad briefed regarding holding and hosting the Policy Organ Meetings of the Centre in Nairobi, Kenya, the current Chair of the AMGC Governing Council.

It is worth mentioning that, during the 34th and 35th meetings of the Governing Council of AMGC which were held in Nairobi, Kenya on 4th June 2014 and 27 May 2015 respectively, the Ambassador of Egypt in Kenya who attended the meetings as an observer, expressed the interest of the Arab Republic of Egypt to become a member



state of AMGC. In that juncture, the Ministerial Governing Council of AMGC directed the management of the Centre to pursue with the esteemed Ministry of Petroleum and Mining of Egypt to ensure confirmation of its membership to AMGC.

The management of AMGC strives to implement the directive of the Ministerial Governing Council of AMGC by communicating with esteemed Ministry of Petroleum and Mining of Egypt for finalizing the expression of interest shown by Egypt to join the concentrated force of AMGC in serving the mining sector of our African continent. The communication was followed by a number of attempts to pave the way for Egypt to replace its status of being an observer in the AMGC Governing Council to be a full member state of the Centre.

In 2018, the Director General of AMGC managed to pay a courtesy visit to the esteemed office of Dr. Fekry Youssef, the former Under Secretary of Ministry of Mining & Petroleum in Cairo, Egypt. Furthermore, correspondences were exchanged with Dr. Fekry and the Egyptian Embassy in Dar es Salaam to bring to their kind attention the beneficitation of Egypt from joining the workforce of AMGC.

On 15th of May 2024, H.E. Sherif A. Ismail, the Ambassador of the Arab Republic of Egypt in Tanzania, paid a visit to the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) so as to be acquainted with the mineral services being provided at the Centre. H.E. the Ambassador was accompanied by Mr. Ahmed Amer, the Head of the Political Section at the Embassy of Egypt in Dar es Salaam.

On 27th July 2024, the Egypt's embassy in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, marked the 72nd anniversary of the July 23th Revolution. The celebration was led by H.E. Sherif A. Ismail, honoured by Hon. Anthony P. Mavunde, the Minister for Minerals in Tanzania, and attended by a number of Tanzanian officials and foreign diplomats, including the Director General of AMGC, who attended the event in Serena Hotel, Dar es Salaam, where H.E. Sherif A. Ismail highlights the significance of the anniversary, honoring the struggles of past generations and reviewing bilateral cooperation with Tanzania.

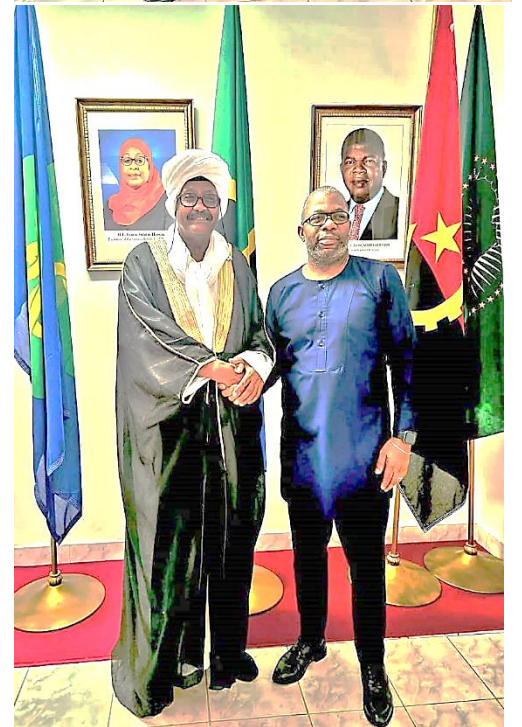
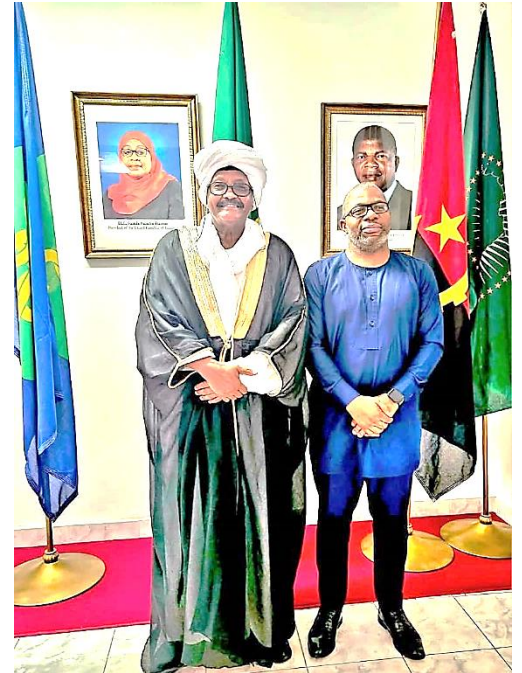


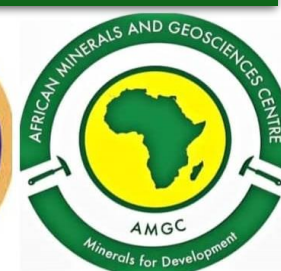
On 19th February 2025 Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the Director General of the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) paid courtesy visit to the esteemed Embassy of Angola in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Briefed H.E. Ambassador Sandro de Oliveira regarding performance of the Centre, developments, challenges, and preparation for the celebration of South Sudan's accession to the Centre by a short ceremony on the occasion of raising up the South Sudan flag at the Centre's premises on 26th February, 2025. Furthermore Mr. Shaddad briefed regarding holding and hosting the Policy Organ Meetings of the Centre in Nairobi, Kenya, the current Chair of the AMGC Governing Council.

H.E. the Ambassador assured the continued support of Angola to AMGC to overcome challenges facing the Centre. Angola is one of the leading AMGC member states fulfilling its financial commitments to the Centre. The Director General of AMGC urged Angola to maximize its benefits from the mineral services provided by the Centre.

It is worth mentioning that Angola, one of the founding member states of AMGC, had been unreservedly supporting the Centre since joined the Centre on 23 May 1985. Angola shouldered more than once (in 2001 and 2009) hosting the Policy Organ Meetings of the Centre as well as chairing the Governing Council of the Centre. Out of the six Directors General managing the Centre since 1977, Angola was elected to manage the Centre from 2002 to 2006 by H.E. Dr. Diamantino Pedro Azevedo, the current Minister for Mineral Resources, Oil and Gas in Angola. H.E. Dr. Diamantino is the current vice chairman of the AMGC Governing Council. Angola was elected Chair of the Board of Directors (BOD) of AMGC from 2006 to 2014 by Dr. Luis Antonio, the then Advisor of the Minister of Geology and Mines of Angola and now Director of Exchange Office at the Ministry of Mineral Resources, Oil and Gas of Angola. Currently, Dr. Luis is the representative of Angola in

the AMGC Standing Committee of Officials. Mr. Canga Xiaquivuila, the Director General of the Geological Institute of Angola, is the representative of Angola in the AMGC Board of Directors.

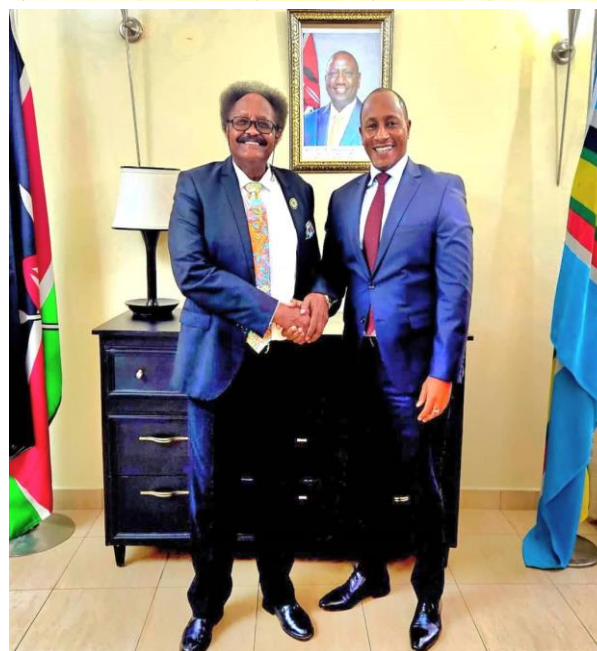
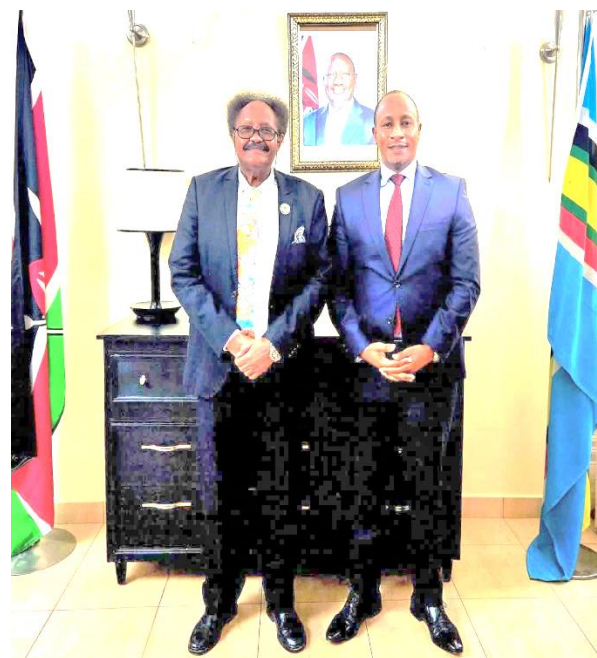




On 21th February 2025, Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the Director General of the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC), paid a courtesy visit to H.E. Isaac Njenga, the Kenya High Commissioner to Tanzania. Mr. Shaddad briefed H.E. Isaac Njenga regarding performance of the Centre, developments, challenges, and preparation for the celebration of South Sudan's accession to the Centre by a short ceremony on the occasion of raising up the South Sudan flag at the Centre's premises on 26th February, 2025. Furthermore Mr. Shaddad briefed regarding the coming 40th Governing Council Meeting of AMGC in Nairobi which will be hosted by Kenya and chaired by the Cabinet Secretary for Mining, Blue Economy, and Maritime Affairs H.E Hassan Ali Joho in his capacity, the current Chairman of AMGC Governing Council.

The Director General of AMGC also expressed gratitude and appreciation for Kenya's sustainable support through the esteemed Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy & Maritime Affairs, which enabled the Centre to implement its activities to its highest peak. It is worth mentioning that Kenya is leading in timely fulfilling its annual financial commitments to the

Centre. Kenya, the member state of AMGC joined the Centre in July 2006 becoming the 7th member state, chaired the AMGC Governing Council and hosted the Policy Organ Meetings three times (May 2011, June 2014 and May 2015) and the coming one will be hosted by Kenya under the chairmanship of H.E Hassan Ali Joho, the current Chairman of Governing Council of AMGC.





On 24th February 2025. Morning Pursued to a courtesy visit paid by Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the Director General of the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) to the esteemed Embassy of the Republic of South Sudan in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania 10th February 2025, Mrs. Adeng Joseph Marial, the 2nd secretary in the Embassy of the Republic of South Sudan in Tanzania, paid a familiarization visit to AMGC. Mrs. Adeng Joseph Maria was accompanied by:

- Mr. Santurlino Modi Francis, the 1st secretary
- Mr. Fris Peter Natale ukach, the 2nd secretary:

The Director General of AMGC had the pleasure on behalf of the Centre to received and welcome warmly, the distinguished visitors who paid a familiarization tour accompanied by Mr. Charles Buteta, the Quality Manager/Manager of Chemical & Environmental Analysis Department to various technical units and departments of AMGC providing mineral services including training, consultancy and analysis to the mining sector and geosciences community in Africa and elsewhere.





The South Sudanese diplomats appreciated mineral services, particularly training provided by the Centre. They expressed their gratitude for the successful efforts to bring the South Sudan to join the Centre and completion of the procedure of joining the membership of the Centre and has become member state number 9 among its concentrated driving force.

It is worth mentioning that Hon. Martin Gama Abucha, the Minister for Mining of South Sudan accompanied by higher delegation arrived in Dar es Salaam in 25th February, 2025 early morning for the officiating ceremony of the joined of South Sudan to the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) on Wednesday 26th February, 2025 at 13:00 p.m.





 A collage of logos and flags representing the AMGC members and partners. It includes the United Nations logo, a map of Africa, the AMGC logo, and the flags of South Sudan, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Tanzania, Kenya, and the Central African Republic.

AFRICAN MINERALS & GEOSCIENCES CENTRE (AMGC)

The CEREMONY OF SOUTH SUDAN JOINING THE AFRICAN MINERALS & GEOSCIENCES CENTRE (AMGC) AS ITS NINTH MEMBER STATE ON WEDNESDAY 26TH FEBRUARY, 2025 AT THE CENTRE'S PREMISES IN KUNDUCHI BEACH AREA, DARES SALAAM, TANZANIA

 A cluster of pink and white minerals, likely tourmaline, set against a black background.

The African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) held a celebration ceremony for the South Sudan joining the Centre to become its 9th member state on 26th February 2025 at the Centre's premises in Kunduchi area, Dar es Salaam; Tanzania.







AFRICAN MINING VISION (AMV)
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BRIEF STATEMENT AT THE AFRICA MINERALS AND GEOSCIENCES CENTRE (AMGC) At the Event of Raising the South Sudan Flag at the Centre as Member State number nine (9) Martin Gama Abucha, Minister of Mining, and RSS.

- Hon. Anthony Peter Mavunde, Minister of Minerals, United Republic Of Tanzania, the Host Country of AMGC,
- Hon. Ali Hassan Joho, Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs, Republic of Kenya and Chairman of the AMGC Governing Council (Represented by, H. E. Amb. Isaac Njenga, High Commissioner of the Republic of Kenya to Tanzania),
- H.E. Dr. Diamantino P. Azevedo, the Minister of Mineral Resources, Oil and Gas, Republic of Angola and Vice Chairman of the AMGC Governing Council (Represented by H.E. Bautista Sebastiano, Diplomat, Embassy of the Republic of Angola to Tanzania),
- Representatives of the Ambassadors of South Sudan, Sudan and Arab Republic of Egypt,
- Your Excellences Heads of Mission/Representatives of International and Regional Organizations,
- Dr. Ibrahim Shaddad, Director General, AGMC
- Distinguished Invited Guest,
- Ladies and Gentlemen

Your Excellences, distinguish guests, ladies and gentlemen,
Please allow me on behalf of the People and Government of the Republic of South Sudan, the South Sudanese delegation to this special event and on my own Behalf to take this opportunity to extend our warmest greetings to you all from the People of South Sudan.



I am humbled and greatly honor to have this opportunity to participate in this extraordinary ceremony to officiate the official raising of the South Sudan's Flag at the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) in Dar Es Salam, Tanzania.

This is reminder of when we raised our flag at the United Nations in the recent past (July 2011), New York City, NY, USA. We are truly joyful.

Your Excellences, distinguish guests, ladies and gentlemen,

Allow me to bring to your attention that, the Mining Sector in South Sudan has a great potential to contribute to the economic growth and development of South Sudan, the region and the continent at lager. As a priority, the Mining Sector is engaged in discussions with different governments and investors to conduct a comprehensive and integrated geological Survey of the country.

This is to establish a system of mineral resources management, including the improvement of the current cadastral system services And information Centre of the Ministry of Mining.

This will enhance our government priorities to enable the mining sector contribute to the national economic growth and development. In this regard, it shall enable the government, diversify the economy from oil dependency which is a huge risk especially with the current conflict in the Sudan.

The mining investment opportunities in South Sudan is very promising. The geology presents the rock types and structures optimum from previous research, field work and laboratory studies revealed the occurrences of precious and base metals in several place in the country in addition to widespread industrials and building minerals. Currently there are some local and foreign companies persistently investing in the mineral sector in South Sudan but more investments are needed in the field of research, geological survey, training, prospecting, exploitation, mining and etc. Therefore, the government policy is encouraging mining investments and promotes equitable mining business opportunity for both local and international investors.

Your Excellences, distinguish guests, ladies and gentlemen,

South Sudan as a young country is facing the challenges of capacity building due to inadequate facilities for technical trainings. The Ministry of Mining has high expectation that AMGC will fulfill the gap. Therefore, South Sudan will use these opportunities to benefit from the Centre in terms of capacity building for South Sudanese Geologists and Geoscientists. In 2022, while officially invited to attend the "Tanzania Mining and Investment Conference" which took place in February 2022 held in Dar es Salaam, we took the opportunity to visit AMGC. We were impressed with the work being undertaken by the Centre particularly the training programs and advancement of geological surveys in Africa among others. After we returned to South Sudan, we immediately embarked on the process of officially becoming a member state.

Today, I am very glad the process is complete by officially raising the South Sudan flag at this important occasion.



The African Minerals and Geo-sciences Centre (AMGC), formerly known as Southern and Eastern African Mineral Centre (SEAMIC) was established in 1977 principally to carry out regional geological surveying and to provide minerals exploration and consulting services for programs of its founding member states, namely Ethiopia, Tanzania and Mozambique, later joined by Uganda, Angola and the Comoros. Kenya became a member in 2006 and the Sudan joined in 2010. In 2007, the ministerial meeting in Maputo decided that membership is open to all African states.

To reflect this expansion of the scope, the name of the Centre changed to African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) starting from July 2015. And indeed today, South Sudan has reflected this expansion under the leadership of Dr. Ibrahim Shaddad. On November 18, 2024, the Ministry of Mining of the Republic of South Sudan officially joined AMGC in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania after the approval of accession by the Council of Ministers of the Republic of South Sudan in its Extraordinary Meeting No. 03/2024 and resolution No. 77/2024.

The Ministry of Mining has signed all the Instruments of Accession to the Agreement concerning the establishment of the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. As a country, South Sudan is privileged to be a member of AMGC.

Your Excellences, distinguish guest, ladies and gentlemen,

Joining the AMGC shall benefit the people of South Sudan in many ways particularly in capacity building.

1. Ministry of Mining shall have a chance of training some of its staff cheaply At the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC). The Beneficiaries will be the geologists, geochemists and geophysicists who will improve their technical capacities for service delivery not only in South Sudan but the region and the continent.
2. The Centre shall also assist the Ministry of Mining in identifying competent international investors who shall undertake geological survey work in South Sudan to enable potential mining investors make informed decisions.
3. Through the Centre the mining opportunities in South Sudan will become better known in the region and beyond. Most of the South Sudanese shall benefit when mining investments start investing in the country: jobs creation, value addition, development, National Revenue collections etc. shall increase exponentially. And finally, the mineral and mining sector
 Shall be the leading institution of employment in the Republic of South Sudan, given that the mineral and mining sector usually employs hundreds of thousands of people (mainly the youth and women).



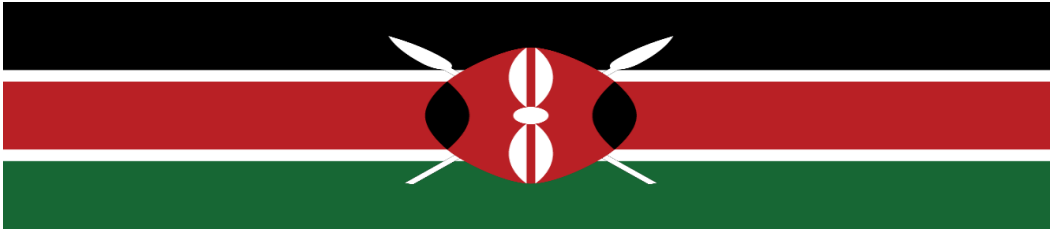
Before I conclude, I did like to appreciate the founding members of AMGC whose work has proven to be vital today. The capacity building and training this center offers bridges the gap between academia (Universities) and practical work which is crucial in developing the mining sector in the region and Africa in general. Let us continue to work together in a collaborative manner to improve the Centre as well as establish national Centers of excellence to increase our capacities and develop our own knowledge base in this very important sector that shall play a very significant role in the energy transition in next 30 – 50 years. As South Sudan has now become a member, we shall move forward to appoint our member of the board of directors of AMGC in the next few weeks.

Last but not least, I would like to also appreciate the leadership of the Centre through Dr. Ibrahim Shaddad and the entire staff of AMGC who have tirelessly worked to improve services at the Centre and positively encouraged South Sudan to become AMGC member State number nine (9), for this, South Sudan is indebted to you and your entire staff at the Centre.

Your Excellences, distinguish guests, ladies and gentlemen,
In conclusion, I would like to reiterate the support and commitment of the Ministry of Mining and the Republic of South Sudan to the obligations as stipulated in the Instrument of Accession of the AMGC.

Thank you
February 26, 2025,
Dar es Salaam, Tanzania





**REPUBLIC OF KENYA
MINISTRY OF MINING, BLUE
ECONOMY AND MARITIME
AFFAIRS STATE DEPARTMENT
FOR THE BLUE ECONOMY AND
FISHERIES**

Speech by Hon. Hassan Ali Joho, Cabinet Secretary Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs of Kenya and Chairman, African Minerals and Geosciences Centre's Governing Council during the Ceremony on the Occasion of Raising the South Sudan Flag at AMGC in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania on 26TH February 2025.

Your Excellency, the Minister for Minerals of Tanzania, Hon. Anthony Mavunde,

Your Excellency, Minister for Mineral resources, oil and gas of Angola and Vice Chairman of AMCG, Dr. Diamantino Azevedo,

Your Excellency, Minister for Mining of the Republic of South Sudan, Hon. Martin Gama Abucha,

Ambassadors and High Commissioners of Member States,

Ladies and Gentlemen;

It is a great honour for me to join you today for the occasion of the hosting of the South Sudan flag at the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC), to mark the welcoming of South Sudan as a full member. I wish to take this early opportunity to congratulate Hon. Martin Abucha and the Republic of South Sudan for this important step. It is my singular duty and honor therefore to officially welcome you to the membership of the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre.



Your Excellency, the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre, started with three member states of Ethiopia, Tanzania and Mozambique, in 1997 principally to carry out geological surveying and to provide minerals exploration and consulting services for programmes of its founding member states. By early last year, the membership had grown to eight states with a broader vision of promoting socioeconomic and environmentally responsible mineral sector development in Africa. South Sudan is therefore the 9th state to sign the instruments of accession to the agreement concerning the establishment of the center. We have no doubt that your joining will strengthen the center and add value to its operations.

Ladies and Gentlemen;

African Minerals and Geosciences Centre offers an array of services that addresses crucial gaps in the minerals sector such as lack of technical knowledge on minerals testing and identification, evaluation, grading and value addition techniques among member countries. The center provides a high-technology, state-of-the-art minerals analytical laboratory services and Geo-information data processing activities in addition to the short-term specialized trainings. I therefore take this opportunity to invite you and the Republic of South Sudan to take advantage of these services for the good of the minerals sector in your country.

Ladies and Gentlemen;

As we hoist the flag of the Republic of South Sudan today, I wish to mention that we have a few pending issues that we need to conclude the soonest possible. First, the policy organ meetings for the center are long overdue. Kenya is expected to facilitate and host the policy meetings that are crucial in providing strategic directions to the Board of Directors and the operations of the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre. I wish to give an assurance that Kenya is in the process of mobilizing resources to actualize this and should be able to communicate the dates in the coming months.



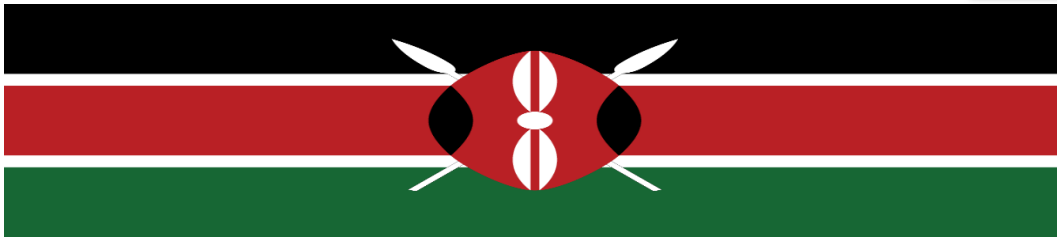
Secondly, I wish to bring to the attention of members that the tenure of the current Director General of AMGC came to an end last year. We are therefore required to conclude the process of appointing a new Director General. I have received the protocols for the recruitment and notified the member states, regarding the existing vacancy. We will therefore initiate the process of nominating a substantive DG soon. In the meantime, I wish to inform member states that I will proceed to give an extension of terms of service for the current Director General to oversee operations of the center until a substantive DG is recruited. This will guarantee seamless transfer of responsibilities in the Centre.

Ladies and Gentlemen;

African Minerals and Geosciences Centre is definitely a center whose mandate and functional services are needed by all of us. It is ISO 9000:2008 certified with analytical and data processing services that can significantly ease the burden of investors to accelerate mineral discovery and development. These services are subsidized to the member states at 40% less market price making them very competitive.

This notwithstanding, the Centre is facing two main challenges that I wish to bring to your attention. First, the center is experiencing financial challenges. It operates with resources from member contributions as well as payment for the services it offers. As of today, outstanding member contributions stand at US Dollars 1,356,240 (one million, three hundred and fifty-six thousand two hundred and forty) and the request for the services offered by the center, from member's states, is at its lowest. I have written to member states to honor their financial obligations and it's my hope that this will happen the soonest.

Second, AMGC is facing what I would call 'external threat'. As you may recall, the African Union established the African Minerals Development Centre (AMDC) in 2016 in line with Agenda 2063. The entity has similar mandate to that of AMGC. Whereas Kenya, has not yet ratified the instruments necessary to become a member of African Minerals Development Centre, we are aware that several countries have done so and that the African Union Commission has requested African Countries to expedite the ratification to become members.



Ladies and Gentlemen;

There is an urgent need for us to deliberate on these challenges and guarantee the sustainability of AMGC operations. I implore member countries to take advantage of the services offered at the center and honor the financial obligations. Since the AMGC member countries are also members of AU, we need to deliberate on the future of AMGC in the face of the establishment of the African Minerals Development Centre spearheaded by the African Union. But as we deliberate on this let's remember that African Minerals and Geosciences Centre works under the flagship of both the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) and the African Union Commission (AUC) in the implementation of the Africa Mining Vision endorsed by the African heads of States.

Ladies and Gentlemen;

With these few remarks, I wish to once again welcome the Republic of South Sudan and congratulate them for being the 9th State to join the AMGC. Let us celebrate them as we hoist their flag at the center. It is our believe that you will adhere to the values and aspirations of AMGC and provide the necessary support for the advancement of mineral resource development.

Thank you and we look forward to meaningful engagement, impactful initiatives and a shared vision for a prosperous and sustainable future for Africa.

May Almighty God bless us and AMGC

Hon. Hassan Ali Joho EGH

Chairman, AMGC Governing Council



MOI experts perform spine procedures on 13 children

TRA unveils 200bn/- Tanga tax revenue in seven months

South Sudan joins African minerals research centre

(The above text is a summary of the news snippets shown in the image. The full text of these articles is not transcribed here.)

South Sudan joins African minerals research centre

By Guardian Reporter

SOUTH Sudan has officially become the 9th member of the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC), marking a major step towards strengthening the mining sector and boosting regional economic development.

The announcement was made during a flag-raising ceremony in Dar es Salaam at the weekend, where South Sudanese Minister for Mining, Martin Gama Abucha, expressed the country's commitment to collaborating with AMGC to transform Africa's mining landscape.

Abucha emphasised that South Sudan sees mining as a vital sector capable of diversifying the country's economy, reducing its dependence on oil and contributing to both national and continental prosperity.

"The mining sector in South Sudan has immense potential to contribute to our economic growth. By becoming part of AMGC, we aim to enhance our capacity in geological surveys and min-

eral resource management which are key to attracting investment and fostering sustainable development," Abucha said.

One of the country's key goals, according to Abucha, is to conduct comprehensive geological surveys to better understand its mineral resources.

South Sudan plans to modernise its cadastral systems and improve its mining information infrastructure, which will create more efficient and transparent environment for both local and international investors.

Because of being a young nation, South Sudan has acknowledged the challenges in capacity building for its geologists and mining professionals.

Abucha pointed out that AMGC's training programmes would be invaluable in bridging the gap and fostering expertise in geological sciences.

Since its establishment in 1997, AMGC, formerly known as Southern and Eastern African Mineral Centre (SEAMIC), has played a pivotal role

in providing essential geological surveying, mineral exploration services, and specialised training to its member states.

The organisation has grown significantly over the years, with South Sudan joining a network that includes countries like Ethiopia, Tanzania, Mozambique, Kenya, Uganda, Angola, Comoros and Sudan.

In 2007, the ministerial meeting in Maputo decided that membership was open to all African states to reflect the expansion of the scope and the name of the centre changed to AMGC in July 2015.

AMGC director general, Ibrahim Shaddad, welcomed South Sudan into the fold, emphasising the centre's mission to provide high-tech facilities and enhance Pan-African collaboration in the mining sector.

"We are committed to making AMGC self-sufficient, world-class centre of excellence and South Sudan's membership is a vital step in expanding our impact across the continent," he said.



Biteko: Govt strengthens women's inclusivity in mining

By DAILY NEWS
 An official launch of a new initiative to set for March 19, coinciding with President Samia's fourth anniversary in office.



Z'bar minister stresses public-private partnerships in projects' implementations
By DAILY NEWS
 The Z'bar Minister stressed the importance of public-private partnerships in the implementation of projects, particularly in the mining sector. He noted that such partnerships are essential for attracting investment and driving economic growth. The minister also highlighted the need for a regulatory framework that supports and encourages these partnerships.

Tanzania hailed for commitment to global peace, security

By DAILY NEWS
 The official launch of a new initiative to set for March 19, coinciding with President Samia's fourth anniversary in office. The initiative aims to strengthen regional and global peace and security through various means, including diplomatic efforts and international cooperation.

South Sudan joins African Minerals Geoscience Centre

By DAILY NEWS
 South Sudan has joined the African Minerals Geoscience Centre (AMGC), a significant step towards enhancing the country's mining sector. The AMGC is a leading organization in Africa, dedicated to promoting the mining industry and supporting sustainable development through geoscience and mineral resources.



South Sudan joins African Minerals Geoscience Centre

By **DAILY NEWS** Reporter

SOUTH Sudan has pledged to collaborate with member states of the African Minerals Geoscience Centre (AMGC) to enhance capacity building, training and regional geological surveys for Africa's mining sector.

Speaking at South Sudan's flag-raising event in Dar es Salaam, the country's Mining Minister Martin Gama Abucha urged members to use AMGC as a catalyst for economic transformation, making mining a significant GDP contributor.

He highlighted South Sudan's mining potential and its role in regional and continental development.

"Our priority is conducting a comprehensive geological survey through discussions with governments and investors," he said. The aim is to improve the mineral resource base.

Mr Joho's speech highlighted AMGC's role in providing minerals testing, evaluation, grading, value addition and specialised training. He noted that the centre offers high-tech laboratory services and geo-information data processing.

However, he mentioned an emerging challenge: The African Union's African Minerals Development Centre (AMDC), founded

source management system, enhance cadastral services and strengthen the Ministry of Mining's information centre to boost economic growth.

Abucha emphasised the need to diversify from oil dependency and position mining as a key investment sector. He acknowledged challenges in technical training but expressed confidence that AMGC would bridge the gap.

"South Sudan will lead in 2016 under Agenda 2063 with a similar mandate. While Kenya has not ratified AMDC membership, several African countries have and the AU urges others to follow suit.

AMGC Director General Ibrahim Shaddad welcomed South Sudan's membership, reinforcing AMGC's Pan-African mission. He noted ongoing joint ventures to expand high-tech facilities and strengthen mineral services.

verage AMGC for capacity building. During the 2022 Tanzania Mining and Investment Conference, we visited AMGC and were impressed by its work. This prompted us to initiate membership immediately," he noted.

He praised AMGC's founding members for their efforts in capacity building and training, which bridge the gap between academic knowledge and practical work in Africa's mining sector.



The Director General of the African Minerals Geoscience Centre (AMGC) in Dar es Salaam

On 20th February 2025, Exclusive interview with newspaper in Dar es Salaam Tanzania. The African Minerals Geoscience Centre (AMGC) Director General Ibrahim Shaddad said a move by both United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) and African Union Commission for Economic Development, Trade, Tourism, Industry and Mining (ETTİM) to establish Africans Mineral Development Centre (AMDC) that would create duplicated institutions with a common goal was unacceptable.

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DG of Africa minerals centre opposes creation of new body with same roles

By Guardian Reporter

AFRICAN nations have been urged to take action against creation of overlapping continental mineral development institutions.

Ibrahim Shaddad, director general of the African Minerals Geoscience Centre (AMGC) made the call in Dar es Salaam on Monday when speaking to reporters.

He said that the establishment of the African Minerals Development Centre (AMDC) threatens to

compromise the financial sustainability of AMGC, which has faced constraints in fulfilling its mandate.

Shaddad revealed that the centre's annual operational budget has been limited to \$600,000 from 2015 to 2025, affecting its capacity to expand its services beyond mineral services to areas like policy advocacy.

The creation of AMDC, with a mandate to implement the Africa Mining Vision (AMV), has led to concerns about the potential sidelining

and duplication of the mission of the AMGC, which has been operating since 1977, urging Tanzania as the host country—to take the lead in fighting the duplication.

Shaddad expressed concerns about efforts by the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA) and the African Union Commission for Economic Development, Trade, Tourism, Industry, and Mining (ETTİM) to create AMDC, noting that the two institutions share overlapping mandates.

of AMGC. Tanzania, despite hosting AMGC, was not actively involved in AMDC's formation, and did bid for the new institution's hosting rights. Kenya and Sudan have competed to host AMDC, with AMGC member states raising diplomatic concerns.

The two institutions also share key technical functions such as geo-information systems, artisanal mining support, and capacity building. Shaddad pointed out that these overlaps could lead to inefficient use of resources and hinder the im-

He emphasised that rather than establishing a new entity, AMDC should be merged with AMGC to streamline operations and prevent redundant activities.

"Instead of strengthening AMGC, which has a long history and proven expertise, they have established AMDC with the same mandate," Shaddad said, highlighting the need to consolidate efforts in the mineral sector.

The issue of duplication has raised questions about the finan-

cial sustainability of both institutions.

To address the challenge, Shaddad proposed a solution: formation of a task force led by AMGC governing council chair and mining ministers from AMGC member states.

The delegation will meet with the African Union (AU) chairperson in Addis Ababa to discuss a potential merger between AMGC and AMDC, ensuring a more unified approach to addressing Africa's mineral and geoscience challenges.



APPRECIATION & GRATITUDE

The African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) would like to express its much appreciation and gratitude to Tanzania, the host country of the Centre for fulfilling its financial commitments to the Centre for the current financial year 2024 - 2025 and arrears for Financial Year 2023 - 2024.

It is worth mentioning that Tanzania, the host country of the Centre has chaired the Centre Governing Council and hosted the Policy Organ Meetings for twenty three (23) times since the establishment of the Centre in 1977.



APPRECIATION & GRATITUDE

The African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) would like to express its much appreciation and gratitude to Kenya for fulfilling its financial commitments for the current financial year 01 July 2024 - 30 June 2025 to the Centre. It is worth mentioning that Kenya joined the Centre in July 2006 becoming the 7th member state, chaired the AMGC Governing Council and hosted the Policy Organ Meetings three times (May 2011, June 2014 and May 2015) and the coming one will be hosted by Kenya under the chairmanship of H.E. Hassan Ali Joho, the Cabinet Secretary for Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs in the Government of Kenya.



APPRECIATION & GRATITUDE

The African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) would like to express its much appreciation and gratitude to the Sudan for fulfilling its financial commitments to the Centre. Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the Director General of the African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) paid a courtesy visit to H.E. Mr. Asm Mustafa, the Charge' affairs of the Sudan Embassy in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania on 6th September 2024 to express much appreciation and gratitude for the arrangement which have been done to send the annual subscription of Ministry of Minerals on behalf of the Government of the Sudan through the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Sudan to the Centre. H.E. Mr. Asm Mustafa assures the sustainable support of the Sudan to AMGC and expressed his high concern to enhance the existing excellent and fruitful relationship and cooperation that the Sudan and AMGC share for strengthening beneficial partnerships to push for the Centre's mission and mandate in serving the Mining Sector and Geosciences community in the Sudan and African Countries. It is worth mentioning that the Sudan is the last member state to join the work force of AMGC in August 2010. The Sudan chaired the AMGC 33rd and 39th Governing Council Meetings hosted in Khartoum in 2013 and 2019 respectively. Sincerely

Recognizes the outstanding commitments and obligations of the Government of Sudan to the Centre that enable it to implement its activities to its highest peak. The Sudan has been unreserved supporting the Centre in overcoming repeated financial constrain that the Centre is facing. The Sudan is ranking the second after Tanzania the host country of AMGC in utilizing the AMGC's mineral services and in this regard the Sudan contributes honorably in the 40% annual operational budget to be generated by the Centre. The Sudan is leading in timely fulfilling its annual subscription to the Centre and injecting additional funds through maximizing its beneficiation from mineral services particularly paid training courses provided by the Centre. Since Mr. Ibrahim Shaddad, the current Director General of AMGC has been fully on board in July 2015, a total of 440 paid training opportunities were provided to Sudanese professionals from Geological Research Authority of Sudan (GRAS), Sudanese Mineral Resources Company (SMRC), Ariab Mining Company (AMC) and Sudan's Gold Refinery. The Sudanese professionals have been trained in various on-job-training courses at the AMGC based in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania and one paid outreach training course held at the premises of GRAS in Khartoum.



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Message from the President of The Geological Society of Africa.



The Colloquium of African Geology (CAG) is a major biennial meeting, held under the auspices of the Geological Society of Africa, where earth scientists from around the globe have the opportunity to present their research on topics of African geology to an international forum of their peers. It also offers an opportunity to initiate, develop and implement projects which promote interaction between Academia, Industry and Society.

During the 29th Colloquium of African Geology (CAG29), hosted by Namibia, it was announced that the Colloquium (CAG30) would be hosted by Kenya during the final week of September 2025. During the 30th edition, CAG will celebrate mark the 60th

anniversary of the CAG and the 30th edition. The first edition held in Leeds in the United Kingdom was a landmark one as it led to the propagation and acceptance of the scientific revolutionary concept of “the Pan African Orogeny”. The CAG has grown over the years to be regarded as the “Olympics of African Geology”. The theme of the event will be: ***“Unveiling Africa's Geological Resources: Forging a Path for Sustainable Development”***. The event will be attended by various industry players within the academia, scientific research, mining, exploration and geothermal sectors. Participation from the government, civil society partners and the media is also expected.

Career scientists from African countries and other developing regions are especially encouraged to regard this event as an opportunity to present their research to a wide audience, with participations from different sectors, countries, and continents. Kenya, the host country, boasts an interesting, heterogeneous geology covering some 2.6 billion years of earth history, with a wide variety of mineral deposits and mineralization styles, that have contributed - and still contribute- immensely to the country's economy. In addition, Kenya's impressive geomorphic landscapes have great potential for geotourism, while the host city, Nairobi, is a culturally diverse center of learning. Academically, the geoscientific sessions and excursions highlighted in this circular and following circulars promise to provide a deeper insight into the multi- faceted geological history of the African continent. I therefore enjoin all geoscientists globally, therefore, to start making plans to attend what will be an interesting and geologically fulfilling event, which will be held in Nairobi, Kenya from **23rd to 27th September 2025**.

Prof. Olugbenga Okunlola
President Geological Society of Africa

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Message from the Chairperson of the Local Organizing Committee



I warmly invite you to the 30th Colloquium of African Geology (CAG30), to be held in the attractive city in the sun - Nairobi, Kenya, from September 23rd to 27th, 2025. The theme of this year's colloquium is *"Unveiling Africa's Geological Resources: Forging a Path for Sustainable Development"*. The Local Organizing Committee and the National and International Scientific Committee, supported by different sponsors, will put up an elaborate program. CAG30 is an opportunity to see and learn about Kenya.

Poised as the cradle of mankind and a great safari destination, Kenya's geology is also diverse. Located at the Equator, Kenya's geology is placed in a very unique position with Archean to Quaternary geology. The country is powered by geothermal energy drawn from the Rift Valley that is a major and also a host of several inland lakes. The 30th Colloquium will feature keynote addresses, oral presentations, poster sessions, call for workshops, training and field trips. Among the issues to be addressed will be the role of artificial intelligence in geological sciences in Africa, the geopolitics of strategic mineral resources and hydrogeology with emphasis on its sustainable utilization.

Equally, there will be exhibitions and meetings with experts from different fields such as research institutions, extractive industries and entrepreneurs both locally in Kenya and within Africa and far beyond. Come ready for opportunities to network and socialize. To you all participants from government and affiliated institutions, professional associations, mining companies, researchers & scholars, civil societies, political players and the media, you are welcome.

Looking forward to meeting you at the CAG30!

Geol. Joseph Ng'ang'a Kuria,
President, Geological Society of Kenya



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1. Introduction

The Geological Society of Kenya is the principal organizer of the 30th Colloquium of African Geology (CAG30) on behalf of the GSAf, in cooperation with various stakeholders in mining, groundwater development, geotechnical and Engineering services, oil and gas industry, and more importantly, research and academia.

Geological resources have been instrumental as causes and underwriters of development in majority of African Nations. These resources have undoubtedly shaped every African across the value chains as well as their impact on the environment. CAG30 fosters a platform and framework for exploring the interconnectedness of natural resources exploration and development processes to sustainable development goals. The event will be held in Nairobi, Kenya between 23rd and 27th September, 2025 under the banner of “Unveiling Africa's Geological Resources: Forging a Path for Sustainable Development”.

The Geological Society of Kenya (GSK) and the Geological Society of Africa (GSAf) are professional associations that were formed to oversee and cater for the desires of geologists while ensuring professional integrity in geo- scientific undertaking world- wide. The Geological Society of Kenya, non- profit making and a non- political organization is celebrating 50 years since its inception in 1974, while CAG will be celebrating 60th birthday at the height of this conference. Both societies draw their funding from membership subscription, corporate membership and at times grants from institutional partners.

CAG30, just like previous meetings will be graced by international speakers, distinguished scholars and researchers and multinational geo- resources exploitation companies. This conference will be preceded by field trip and ended with similar charming geological excursion to wonderful sceneries across Kenya. This conference is expected to provide an avenue for different players to showcase their wares and expertise in geoscience skills, instrumentation, equipment and tools. Entrepreneurs and institutional leaders will have the podium to share experiences from all parts of the world

1.1. Proposed Overall Structure for CAG30

- ❖ Pre- CAG30 field trips
- ❖ Online registration opens on the conference website
- ❖ On- site registration opens, exhibition set- up
- ❖ Welcome reception and icebreaker
- ❖ Opening ceremony
- ❖ Scientific Program
- ❖ Gala Dinner
- ❖ GM Geological Society of Africa
- ❖ Business meetings and activities for accompanying participants
- ❖ Workshops and Short Courses
- ❖ Post- CAG29 fieldtrips

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2. Call for Proposals for Sessions, Business Meetings, Workshops and Short Courses

The Local Organizing Committee invites interested participants to submit proposals for:

2.1 Sessions

The sub- themes allow for multiple sessions with conveners. Interested participants wishing to convene sessions should send their proposals using the <https://www.jotform.com/form/250282551049050> The submissions deadline is 30th March 2025.

2.2 Workshops and Short Courses

Proposals are invited for workshops and business meetings to be held before, during, or after the conference. The submissions deadline is 30th March 2025. Only submissions received through the <https://form.jotform.com/250282119829056> will be reviewed.

2.3 Business meetings

The organizing committee invites potential delegates to organize business meetings to be held during CAG30. Proposals should be sent through the <https://www.jotform.com/build/250282821093049> before end of business 30th May 2025.

3. Exciting Field Excursions

Registrations for the following field excursions are invited.

Note:

- i. Pre- conference trips will end on 22nd September 2025 while post- conference trips will start from 28th September (Participants shall make a choice for one day, two days or three days trip(s) based on their preferences).*
- ii. The Nairobi National Park trip on 26th September 2025 is encouraged for all Conference attendees who have very limited time to be away.*
- iii. Trip Codes: GE = Geology Excursion*

= 1 Day Trips
 = 2 Day Trips
 = 3 Day Trips

COD E	SITE	TOWNS	PERIOD	COST @PA X	LEAD GEOL	DATE
1.	Journey Through Geologic Time - Exploring Olorgisaille Prehistoric Site & Soda Ash Extraction at Lake Magadi and the Gregory rift Valley Formation	Nairobi-Magadi-Back Via Kibiko/Kimukaa	1 Day Post – Conference	USD 150	Dr. Rahab Kinyanjui	22 nd September 2025

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2.	Kenya's Olkaria Geothermal Well fields and Oserian Company.	Nairobi-Naivasha-Back Via Maai Mahiu	1 Day Pre - Conference	USD 150	Geol. James Nyandigisi	22 nd September 2025
3.	The Great Rift Valley Lakes of Kenya: Tectonics, Modern and Paleo hydrogeology	Nairobi-Naivasha-Elementaita	1 Day Post - Conference	USD 150	Dr. Lydia Olaka	28 th September 2025
4.	International Monitoring system station of the CTBTO, its role in geohazard mitigation and understanding of foundation stability of dams in the Mozambique mobile belt.	Nairobi-Ruiru-Thika/Ndaru gu-OldonyoSabu k- Back Via Thika Road	1 Day Pre - Conference	USD 150	Dr. Dindi	21 st September 2025
5.	International Monitoring System station of the CTBTO, its role in geohazard mitigation and understanding of foundation stability of dams in the Mozambique mobile belt.	Nairobi-Ruiru-Thika/Ndaru gu-OldonyoSabu k- Masinga-Yatta- Back Via Machakos	2 Day Pre - Conference	USD 450	Dr. Dindi	21 st - 22 nd September 2025
6.	Clay deposits and Paleo- glaciation of Mt. Kenya	Nairobi-Thika/Chania Falls- Chaka-Mukurweini	2 Day Pre - Conference	USD 450	Prof. Ichang'i	21 st - 22 nd September 2025
7.	Workshop on UNESCO Global geoparks in Africa - Rift Valley & Western Regions of Kenya	NairobiNakuru- Kabarnet- Eldoret- Nandi Hills- Homa Bay- Back Via Narok	3 Day Post - Conference	USD 600	Geol. Teopistor Sind	28 th - 30 th September 2025

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8.	The Tsavorite province of the Mozambique Belt, Recent Chyulu Hill Lava Flows and The Coastal Quaternary- Recent Sediments	Nairobi- Voi- Wundanyi- Mombasa- Kwale- Back	3 Day Post - Conference	USD 600	Prof. Mathu and Dr. Waswa	28 th - 30 th September 2025
9.	Archean Green stone belt of Kenya – Precious metals Mineralization of Kakamega Gold Belt	Nairobi- Kapsabet- Kakamega- Kisumu- Back	3 Day Pre - Conference	USD 600	Geol. Sang & Geol. Nyakinye	20 th - 22 nd September 2025
10	Kenya's geothermal Well fields	Nairobi- Naivasha- Nakuru- Loruk- Back	3 Day Post - Conference	USD 600	Dr. Anne Mwangi	28 th - 30 th September 2025
11	Nairobi National Park	Nairobi	Mid- Conference	Rate Only (USD 5 – 80)	To be assigned	26 th September 2025

4. Registration

Registration for the event must be done using the official event website, <https://cag30nbi.org/registration>. A printable form is also available which must be filled and returned via email to the organizing committee.

The categories for registration including their required investment amount are outlined below.

Groupings	Early Bird	Late	On site
GSAf & Affiliates	KES 30,000.00	KES 40,000.00	KES 40,000.00
GSK Members	KES 30,000.00	KES 40,000.00	KES 40,000.00
IUGS Members	KES 30,000.00	KES 40,000.00	KES 40,000.00
Accompanying Person	KES 15,000.00	KES 20,000.00	KES 20,000.00
Non- Members	KES 40,000.00	KES 45,000.00	KES 45,000.00
Students	KES 15,000.00	KES 20,000.00	KES 20,000.00

5. Abstract Submission

Abstract for oral and poster presentations are to be submitted using the <https://www.jotform.com/form/250271887685571>. The accepted language is English and

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those submitting bear the burden of having their material translated. The deadline for abstract submission is 30th March 2025.

Submissions must conform to the general conference theme, and it is acceptable to submit in any of the sub themes and sessions described below.

SUB- THEMES CAG30	SESSIONS (Including and not limited to):
T1. Trends in Development of Minerals in Africa	T1- S1 Strategic Mineral Resources in Africa
	T1- S2 Geopolitics of Critical Minerals: Africa's Role in Global Supply
	T1- S3 Artisanal and small- scale mining in Africa
	T1- S4 Policy and Governance in Mineral Resource Development
	T1- S5 Environment and Social Governance
	T1- S6 Circular Economy and SDGs
T2. Petroleum, Coal and Energy Resources Amidst Climate Change.	T2- S1 Petroleum resources in Africa
	T2- S2 Role of Fossil Fuels in Africa's Energy Transition to carbon neutral economies
	T2- S3 Nuclear Energy as a Low- Carbon Power Source
	T2- S4 Carbon Capture, Utilization, and Storage (CCUS): A Path to Decarbonization
T3. Geothermal Development Maximizing Geothermal Energy as a Key Green Energy Resource in Africa.	T3- S1 geothermal Exploration and development
	T3- S2 Role of the Mineral Industry in the Green Hydrogen Energy Economy
	T3- S3 Indirect utilization of Geothermal Energy
T4. Geoscience Education. The Role of Geoscience Education in Promoting Development and Sustainability.	T4- S1 Exploring Geoscience Education Across Africa
	T4- S2 Geoscience education and Outreach for All
T5. Sustainable Development of Groundwater Resources in Africa: Challenges and Mitigation Measures for a Better Tomorrow.	T5- S1 Hydrogeology and water sustainability under a changing climate
	T5- S2 Groundwater Quality
	T5- S3 Groundwater exploration
	T5- S4 Groundwater systems, modelling and Surface water interactions
	T5- S5 Hazards related to groundwater
	T5- S6 Managed Aquifer Recharge
T6. Geo heritage, Geodiversity and Geo tourism	T6- S1 UNESCO Global Geoparks
	T6- S2 Geo heritage and Geodiversity conservation and Management
	T6- S3 Paleoclimate and paleoenvironment reconstruction

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T7. Mineral Resource Exploration: Tools and Techniques	T7- S1 Innovation and integrated approaches in Geophysics
	T7- S2- Advances in geochemical exploration techniques, data interpretation and integration
	T7- S3 Geotechnical Techniques in mining
	T7- S4 Mineral Resource Assessment
	T6- S5 Sea Bed Mining
T8. AI and Machine learning in Geosciences in Africa.	T8- S1 Data - Driven Discovery in Geoscience
	T8- S2 General Topics
T9. Pan African Orogeny, Plate Tectonics and Earth Processes	T9- S1 Pan African Orogeny
	T9- S2 Tectonics and Earth Surface Processes in Shaping Africa's Landscape and Climate
	T9- S3 The Impact of Plate Tectonics on Africa's Natural Resources
	T9- S4 General hazards
T10. Ore deposit geology of Africa (Mineral Resources and ore forming processes)	T10- S1 Metallogeny and Ore Deposits in Africa
	T10- S2 Gold Deposits: Enhanced Discovery and Development
	T10- S3 Geological characterization and ore genesis of critical metals
	T10- S4 New analytical techniques and equipment applied to ore deposits
	T10- S5 New Discoveries and Developments
T11: Engineering Geology and Geo techniques and Geohazards	T11- S1 Cross disciplinary Geo techniques for infrastructure resilience
	T11- S2 Natural Geohazards
	T11- S3 Human induced Hazards
	T11- S4 Outreach and ways to increase Hazard Preparedness
T12 Investments and Finance	T12- S1 Investments and Finance
T13 Cross cutting Themes	T13- S1 GIS and Remote Sensing Applications
	T13- S2 Digital Innovations in Geo techniques
	T13- S3 Geological Surveys collaborations
	T13- S4 Gender in Geosciences

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6. Publications

CAG30 is considering modalities for publishing selected papers in the Africa Journal of Earth Sciences. In addition, the organizing committee is considering publication of extended abstracts and short notes from both the oral and poster presentations where such material have not been selected for the journal publication. An endeavor towards publishing the conference proceedings is also under consideration

7. Sponsorship Opportunities

CAG30 is offering splendid Sponsor opportunities promising high brand visibility ensuring your message reaches a ripe audience in its most crisp form. General benefits enjoyable by sponsors include:

- i. Profile and position the company as an industry leader
- ii. A cost and time- effective marketing exposure to boost your brand recognition
- iii. Showcase products and services to targeted decision- makers
- iv. Opportunity to learn more about the industry from experts
- v. Opportunity to set up stronger alliances and new partnerships
- vi. Network with hundreds of professionals offering opportunities throughout the conference
- vii. Key mentions in most events at the conference

PLATINUM [USD 40,000]

Platinum sponsorships are reserved for industry leading organizations. Certain elements are only available as part of this package, ensuring its exclusivity and unique value. This package will accord your institution the following benefits;

- Prominent recognition as a Platinum sponsor for the 30th Colloquium of African Geology 2025, orally and on printed and digital signage.
- Ten [10] full passes to 10 individuals from your institution to attend the full conference.
- Placement of two [2] corporate banners (1x2) m of your institution in the main conference area.
- Institutional logo will be included in all CAG30 pre- conference press announcements as a Platinum Sponsor
- Institutional logo and website link on the GSAf and GSK websites for a period of one full year from September 2025 – September 2026.
- Two exhibition booths 3*3 M
- Opportunity to place Branded promotional material from your institution in the conference bag.
- Introduction of the Key- note speaker

GOLD [USD 30,000]

Gold sponsorship package offers high visibility branding, marketing and advertising opportunities throughout the conference. Elevate your company brand with this sponsorship package. This package will accord your institution the following benefits;

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- Recognition as a Gold sponsor for the CAG30 2025, orally and on printed and digital signage.
- Eight [8] full passes to 8 individuals from your institution to attend the full conference.
- Placement of two [1] corporate banner (1x2) m of your institution in the main conference area.
- Institutional logo and website link on the GSAf and GSK websites for a period of six full months from September 2025 – February 2026.
- 3 * 3 M exhibition booth
- Opportunity to place Branded promotional material from your institution in the conference bag.

SILVER [USD 20,000]

Participation as a silver sponsor offers an excellent way to raise your company's profile at the event with a combination of promotional, online visibility and content- related benefits combined into a value- priced package. This package will accord your institution the following benefits;

- Recognition as a Silver sponsor for the 30th Colloquium of African Geology 2025.
- Five [5] full passes to 5 individuals from your institution to attend the full conference.
- Placement of one [1] corporate Banner of your institution in the main conference area.
- Institutional logo and website link on the GSAf and GSK websites for a period of three months between October- December 2025.
- Exhibition booth 3*3 M

BRONZE [USD 10,000]

Participation as a Bronze sponsor offers the best window to raise your Institution/company's profile at the event through online visibility and limited advertisement. This package will accord your institution the following benefits;

- Oral Recognition as a Bronze sponsor for the 30th Colloquium of African Geology 2025.
- Three [3] full passes to 3 individuals to attend the full conference
- Placement of one corporate banner (1x2) m of your institution in the main conference area.
- Institutional logo and website link on the GSAf and GSK websites for a period of one-month 2025.

IVORY [USD 5,000]

Participation as an Ivory sponsor offers a perfect avenue to raise your Institution/company's profile at the event through online visibility.

- Two [2] full passes to 2 individuals from your institution to attend the full conference.
- Institutional logo on the GSAf and GSK websites for a period of one- month 2025.
- Placement of one corporate banner (1x2) m of your institution in the main conference area.

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Other sponsorship opportunities are available as detailed below:

OUTDOOR ADVERTISING [USD 10,000]

This allows the sponsor to assist the organizers in advertising the Conference. Being outdoor, it provides the Sponsor with increased brand visibility. Below are the benefits under this sponsorship:

- Certificate of recognition as one of the CAG30 Sponsors
- Sponsor recognition in the Conference Booklet
- Web listing on the CAG30 (The 30th Colloquium of African Geology) website with a link to your company's website
- Display the Sponsor's name and logo on screens in the Conference sessions
- Opportunity to display digital banners and other marketing collateral at the Conference venue
- Two (2) complimentary delegate passes
- Key mentions in the during the conference
- Acknowledgement in the post- conference key messages

EXHIBITION AREA [USD 10,000]

This is the opportunity for one (1) or two (2) Sponsors to support the organizers in the construction of the exhibition area. It gives exclusive branding and marketing of the Sponsor's service or product as all delegates will visit the Exhibition area. The following are the benefits under this sponsorship:

- Certificate of recognition as one of the CAG30 Sponsors
- Sponsor recognition in the Conference Booklet
- Web listing on the CAG30 website with a link to the Sponsor's website
- Display the Sponsor's name and logo on screens in the Conference sessions
- Opportunity to display digital banners and other marketing collateral at the Conference venue
- Opportunity to display banners/stickers in the Exhibition area (along with the event logo) at the Exhibition area
- Two (2) complimentary delegate passes

CONFERENCE BAGS, NOTEBOOKS AND PENS [USD 20,000]

The above items will be distributed to all the conference registrants in the registration area. This is also a long- lasting investment that participants will keep after the event, hence an exclusive branding opportunity. The following are the benefits under this sponsorship.

- Certificate of recognition as one of the CAG30 Sponsors
- Sponsor recognition in the Conference Booklet
- Web listing on the CAG30 website with a link to the Sponsor's website
- Display the Sponsor's name and logo on screens in the Conference sessions
- Opportunity to display digital banners and other marketing collateral at the Conference venue
- Your branding printed on the cover of the notepads (along with the Conference logo)
- Your logo printed on each sheet of the notebook (along with the Conference logo)

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- Sponsor's logo printed on the pen (along with the Conference logo)
- Your logo is printed on the Conference bag (along with the event logo)
- Acknowledgement in the post- conference key messages
- Four (4) complimentary delegate passes

CONFERENCE LANYARDS [USD 5,000]

Every attendee will wear a Conference name badge, and the Lanyard (neck string/strap) will be prominently around every delegate's neck. By including the Lanyard Sponsor's logo on the lanyard, the GSAF (Geological Society of Africa) and GSK (Geological Society of Kenya) logos, the Lanyard Sponsor will thus enjoy high brand visibility during the Conference. The following are the benefits under this sponsorship:

- Certificate of recognition as one of the CAG30 Sponsors
- Sponsor recognition in the Conference Booklet
- Web listing on the CAG30 website with a link to the Sponsor's website
- Display the Sponsor's name and logo on screens in the Conference sessions
- Opportunity to display digital banners and other marketing collateral at the Conference venue
- Sponsor's company logo will be displayed on the Conference Lanyards worn by at least all attendees during the Conference, thus providing maximum branding impact
- One (1) complimentary delegate pass

CONFERENCE DINNER [USD 20,000]

- Certificate of recognition as one of the CAG30 Sponsors
- Sponsor recognition in the Conference Booklet
- Web listing on the CAG30 website with a link to your company's website
- Display the Sponsor's name and logo on screens in the Conference sessions
- Opportunity to display digital banners and other marketing collateral at the Conference venue
- Key mentions in most events during the Conference
- Opportunity to brand the dinner menu/tables/chairs
- Four (4) complimentary delegate passes;

STUDENTS SPONSORSHIP [USD 10,000]

Sponsorship under this category will facilitate 10 Students from universities and technical colleges to attend the conference. The Sponsorship will include transport to the Conference, accommodation on half- board basis, an out- of- pocket allowance and conference registration fees.

- Certificate of recognition as one of the CAG30 Sponsors
- Sponsor recognition in the Conference Booklet
- Web listing on the CAG30 website with a link to the Sponsor's website
- Display the Sponsor's name and logo on screens in the Conference sessions
- Opportunity to display digital banners and other marketing collateral at the Conference venue

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- Opportunity to display banners/stickers in the Exhibition area (along with the event logo) at the Exhibition area
- Two (2) complimentary delegate passes

OTHER SPONSORSHIP ITEMS

- Accreditation and Registration (USD 1,000)
- Conference Report/ Proceeding (USD 1,000)
- Conference Entertainment and Cultural Events (USD 1,000)
- Hospitality (USD 1,000)

All to be included in conference booklet

If you would like to partner to make this event a success, please contact the GSK secretariat on TEL +254791308357, email cag30info@cag30nbi.org or Geol. Dr. Anna Mwangi TEL +254721682675 email treasurer@cag30nbi.org

8. General Information

VISA

All visitors including infants and children who intend to travel to the Republic of Kenya must have an approved Electronic Travel Authorization (ETA) **before** the start of their journey. For more information on visa requirements to visit Kenya, see <https://etakenya.go.ke/en>. The secretariat will provide an invitation letter for visa purposes to delegates who have paid the full registration fee.

Venue

CAG30 will be hosted at The Safari Park Hotel, along Thika Road Superhighway. Safari Park Hotel is rated amongst the best hotels in Nairobi. The Hotel is renowned as a famous resort and Africa's largest and most exciting conference destination.

An oasis of tranquility in the heart of Nairobi, Safari Park Hotel blends stylish elegant African architecture with luxurious accommodation; sparkling water gardens, an inland beach, beautifully landscaped gardens and a wide selection of five specialty restaurants.

Accommodation Contact

The CAG30 Secretariat can be reached for any information at the following address: cag30info@cag30nbi.org or cag30.nbi@gmail.com

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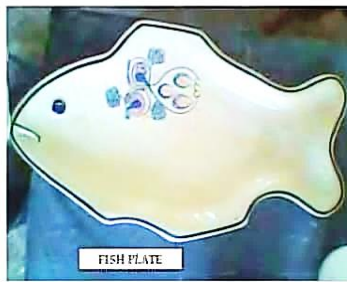
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1. Serving dish with cover [flower decorations]	30.00 USD
2. Serving dish with cover [Blue colors]	30.00 USD
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4. Mugs	04.00 USD
5. Condiment bowl	03.00 USD



COFFEE MUG LARGE



FISH PLATE



COFFEE MUG



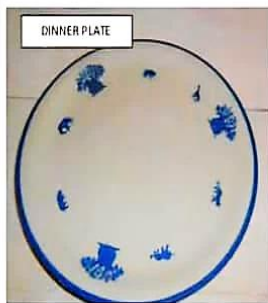
LARGE SERVING BOWL



BOWL WITH LID



1. FLOWER VASE, 2. FLOWER VASE, 3. MILK JAR, 4. WINE GOUILLET



DINNER PLATE



1. WATER COOLER, 2. FLOWER VASE MEDIUM, 3. TEA CUP, 4. BUTTER DISH, 5. SUGAR CONTAINER, 6. CEREAL BOWL, 7. DINNER PLATE, 8. TEA POT SMALL

BLUE COLOUR



TWIGA TEA POT

TEA POT BLUE



CEREAL BOWL



ASH TRAY



SIDE PLATE



CEREAL BOWL

SIDE PLATE

DINNER PLATE



NGALAWA BOWL



TWIGA TEA POT



FLOWER VASE MEDIUM



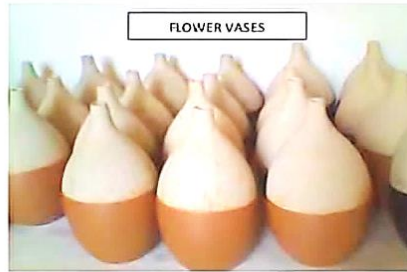
CEREAL BOWL



KUNDUCHI CERAMICS - AMGC



FLOWER VASE



FLOWER VASES



DINNER PLATE



CEREAL BOWL



ZEBRA TEA CUP



CEREAL BOWL



FLOWER VASE



COFFEE MUG



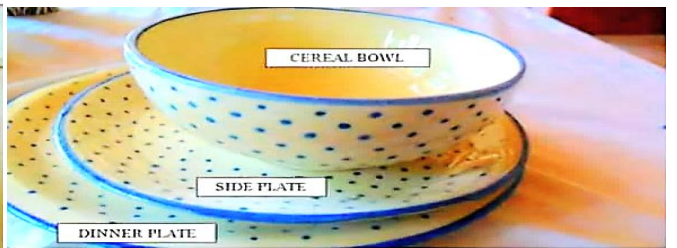
TEA POT



TWIGA TEA POT



LARGE FLOWER



CEREAL BOWL

SIDE PLATE

DINNER PLATE



TRAY WITH SAVEUR



EGG CUP



COFFEE MUG



CEREAL BOWL

New Courses




AMGC

New Courses

The Mineralogy, Petrology and Gemology Department is happy to announce the following

new training courses

1

Gemstone/Mineral Estimation and Valuation

2

Jewelry Design

3

Gemstone Exploration & Gem Safari's

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NEW Training Courses

African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) is pleased to announce the introduction of four new courses Geostatistics, Petroleum Sciences and Resource Estimation in collaboration with Khartoum based Consulting firm called Knowledge and Training Centre (KTC). The course shall be facilitated by the Director of KTC, Dr. M. Zayed Award, an eminent specialist in the areas of Geostatistics, resource evaluation, stratigraphy, reporting, training and mentoring, risk and decision analysis, petroleum economics, project management. The training course will be organized in Dar es Salaam at the AMGC training facilities. The following training courses are going to be offered through this collaboration.

1. Fundamental of Petroleum Economics

Duration: One Week

Course fee: US\$ 1,200

This course introduces the participants to requirements for conducting petroleum economics; different stages of the petroleum industry life cycle involving upstream, mid-stream and downstream sectors will be explained. Participants will learn how to construct a Cash Flow Model for oil and gas investment decision. They will also learn how to deal with the different financial components of petroleum cost, and classification of costs into OPEX and CAPEX. Net Cash Flow Stream analysis and computation of economic indicators (Yardsticks) such as NPV, IRR, PBP, MCE and DPI, and their interpretations are essential for petroleum investment decision-making. Cash Flow Adjustment using discount rates is also considered. Types of fiscal regimes will be explained, participant will also learn how to incorporate the fiscal parameters into a cash flow stream.

2. Geostatistical Mineral Resource Estimation

Duration: One Week

Course fee: US\$ 1,700

The course will focus on the fundamentals of Geostatistical application in mining that are required for domain specification that are required for mineral resource estimation and will include hands-on training with Geostatistical software. Geostatistical conditional Simulations may be used to assess the uncertainty associated with the Reserves Evaluation at exploration, feasibility, and production stages. The simulations provide a range of potential reserves for the ore body's Tonnage, Metal Quantity and Recovered Grade.



1. Introduction to Oil and Gas Industry

DURATION: One Week

Course fee: US\$ 1,200

This course is designed for a wide-ranging of petroleum industry personnel. It is designed to provide green-hands technical, and non-technical personnel with practical petroleum industry life cycle. The course covers the key phases of the exploration, development and production industry as well as transportation and refining of crudes oils.

2. Geostatistics for Mining - foundation Course

Duration: Two Weeks

Course fee: US\$ 2,000

Geostatistics, in combination with other statistical methods, offers a wide range of mathematical tools that can be used to analyze, model, provide estimates and assess uncertainties, for different types of spatial phenomena, for example, grades or geological features. The course will focus on the fundamentals of Geostatistics and statistics and will include hands-on training with Geostatistical software.

THE INSTRUCTOR



Dr. M. Zayed Awad, the former Sudanese Minister for Oil and Gas (September 2014-May 2017) BSc (Hons) from University of Khartoum, Sudan, MSc (Geol) from Technical University of Berlin (TU), PhD (Stratigraphy) from Technical University of Berlin (TU). Dr. Zayed is a university instructor with postgraduate qualifications in petroleum geology, stratigraphy, economic geology, Geostatistics, and relevant application soft wares. He has more than 35 years' experience in university teaching and more than 25 years worldwide experience

In the petroleum industry and training. He has supervised many MSc and PhD research students and reviewed several reports and research papers. He is the founder of Knowledge & Training Center (KTC) in Sudan, and he is active as a trainer since 2003. He worked on many projects and given training courses to hundreds of attendees on many aspects of geology. Dr. Zayed's skills are in Geostatistics, resource evaluation, stratigraphy, reporting, training and mentoring, risk and decision analysis, petroleum economics, project management. Dr. Zayed was the initiator and editor-in-Chief of the book titled "Petroleum Geology and Resources of the Sudan" published by Geozone (Berlin) in 2015.



LIST OF TRAINING COURSES

Training Topics	Duration	Fee
Finance and Administration Department (FAD)		
Leadership and Management Skills	2 Weeks	\$1,500
Financial Management Skills	2 Weeks	\$1,500
Executive Secretarial Skills	2 Weeks	\$1,500
Chemical and Environmental Department (CED)		
Spectrometric Methods of Analysis.	2 Weeks	\$800
Analysis of Gold and Other Base Metals	2 Weeks	\$800
Modern Laboratory Management Method	2 Weeks	\$1,500
Quality Management Section (QM)		
Laboratory Certification and Accreditation	2 Weeks	\$1,500
Modern Laboratory Management Methods	2 Weeks	\$1,500
Quality Control and Quality Assurance in Laboratories	2 Weeks	\$1,500
Laboratory Safety and Security	2 Weeks	\$1,500
Mineralogy, Petrology and Gemology Department (MPGD)		
Mineralogical and Petrological Sample Preparation and Analytical Techniques	2 Weeks	\$800
Gemstone Identification Techniques	1 Week	\$400
Gemstone Value Addition Techniques	2 Weeks	\$800
Usage of Benchtop X-ray Diffraction (XRD)	2 Weeks	\$800
Gemstone formation, mode of occurrences and mining methods	2 Weeks	\$800
Industrial Minerals Application Department (IMAD)		
Pottery for Beginners	2 Weeks	\$800
Mould Making	2 Weeks	\$800
Forming Techniques	2 Weeks	\$800
Decorations in Pottery and Ceramics	2 Weeks	\$800
Bricks & Tiles Manufacturing [Clays]	2 Weeks	\$800
Glaze Formulation	2 Weeks	\$800
Body Composition Formulation	2 Weeks	\$800



Mineral Processing and Small-scale Mining Department (MPSSMD)		
Practical Mineral Processing and The Basic Mineral Processing Flowsheet	2 Weeks	\$800
Sampling and Sample Preparation for Laboratory Testing	2 Weeks	\$800
Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining Activities	2 Weeks	\$800
Techniques of Gold Cyanidation	1 Week	\$800
Mineral Economics	2 Weeks	\$800
Metallurgical Balance and Process Evaluation	2 Weeks	\$800
Extractive Metallurgy – Metallic Ore Deposits, Metal Extraction and Purification Processes	2 Weeks	\$800
Environmental Management in Mining	1 Week	\$400
Geo-information Department (GID)		
GIS and Remote Sensing for Mineral Exploration and Geological Mapping	2 weeks	\$800
Best Practices in Mineral Resource Estimation	1 week	\$400
Geodatabase Development for Web mapping	2 weeks	\$800
GIS and Remote Sensing Application for Geohazards	1 week	\$400
Integrated Mineral Exploration Techniques	2 weeks	\$800
GIS and Remote Sensing for Hydrological Applications	1 week	\$400
Open-Source GIS	2 weeks	\$800
Geochemical Exploration and Mapping	2 weeks	\$1,200
Structural Geology and Geotectonic in Mineral Exploration	2 weeks	\$1,200
Fundamental of Petroleum Economics	1 week	\$1,200
Geostatistical Mineral Resource Estimation	1 week	\$1,700
Introduction to Oil and Gas Industry	1 week	\$1,200
Geostatistics for Mining - foundation Course	2 weeks	\$2,000
Prospect Evaluation: Volumetric and Risk Analysis	2 weeks	\$2,000



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MINERALOGY, PETROLOGY AND GEMMOLOGY SERVICES

The Mineralogy, Petrology and Gemmology Department utilizes the skills of its staff to address crucial issues in the mineral sector such as lack of technical knowledge on mineral testing and identification, evaluation, grading and value addition techniques.

EXPERTISE

- ✓ Mineralogical and petrological sample preparation and analysis
- ✓ Mineralogical evaluation of industrial minerals, ore minerals and clays
- ✓ Gemstone identification and grading
- ✓ Specialized training in Gemmology, Gemstone Cutting and Polishing and Mineralogical and Petrological Sample preparation and Analytical Techniques.



Petrography and Gemmological Microscopes

ANALYTICAL SERVICES

- ✓ Preparation of standard thin sections and polished sections
- ✓ Rock slabbing and polishing
- ✓ Rock core splitting
- ✓ Petrographic examination of thin sections and polished sections
- ✓ Evaluation of industrial minerals, ore minerals and clays
- ✓ Gemstone testing and identification
- ✓ Diamond grading
- ✓ Consultation and Expert opinion



Polishing Machine for Polished Mount Preparation

TRAINING SERVICES

- ✓ Mineralogical and petrological sample preparation and analytical techniques
- ✓ Gemstone Characterization, Identification and Value Addition
- ✓ Gemstone Identification Techniques
- ✓ Gemstone Value Addition Techniques (Gem Cutting)
- ✓ Gemstone Cabochon making and Carving
- ✓ Gemstone Faceting
- ✓ Gemstone Identification, Value Addition and Trading



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