



## AMGC's Specialties

- Training in mineral services
- Mineral Analysis
- Mineral Applications
- Pottery and ceramic technology
- Gem identification, grading and certification
- Research and Development
- Geo-information services
- Mineral-based development
- Feasibility studies
- Environmental Impact Assessment

# AMGC News

## Director General's Message



The ACP-EU Development Minerals programme activities continued during the month of February with the focus countries outreach training and the second regional training workshop. The focus countries training was in the last selected country, Guinea from West Africa. The Manager and the Senior Geologist travelled to Guinea to carry out the training courses on Geodata Digitization and Mapping of Development Minerals. The focus countries training workshops being completed the remaining regional training workshops would be at AMGC. The second regional training workshop was started in this month for west African French speaking countries. The purpose of these training courses was to increase the knowledge base in the focus countries to enable the development of the information system in these focus countries as pilot cases of the programme to be expanded to other African countries so that the Development Minerals development shall be better organized and benefit the economies of the countries better.

The training in Guinea was attended by 36 participants from Ministry of Mines of Guinea and geoscience related departments of five universities. The Guinean training was carried out at the Kofi Annan University of Guinea from 6<sup>th</sup> to 17<sup>th</sup> February 2018. The second regional training was conducted at the Geo-information Department training lab being attended by 27 participants from seven West African countries, namely: Benin, Burkina Faso, Cote d'Ivoire, Mali Niger, Senegal and Togo.

AMGC's PanAfGeo partnership was also in the peak during the month of February. The training courses planned for Geoheritage and Natural Hazards were in active preparation stage and the Work Package leaders were communicating with the designated AMGC staff member initiating the preparation phase. The Work Package leaders for Geoheritage visited the AMGC to discuss the preparation and checking the available visit sites.



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## Canada's Extractive Sector Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Forum Event



AMGC Director General, Mr. Ibrahim attended the Canada's Extractive Sector Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Forum event on 01/02/2018 at Coral Beach Hotel, Dar es Salaam-Tanzania. The High Commission of Canada in Tanzania in partnership with the Tanzania Chamber of Minerals and Energy (TCME) was held their annual CSR Forum. The forum sought perspectives on how we can enhance livelihood creation and awareness on the UN Guiding Principles on Security and Human Rights, and the Voluntary Principles in Tanzania's extractive sector (Mining and Oil & Gas).

## PanAfGeo Environmental Management of Mines Training (WP-4)

A team from the PanAfGeo Project represented by Swedish Geological Survey and Universities is in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania for a short visit to check arrangements for conduction of the training programme, which will take place in Tanzania in the beginning of coming April 2018. The course will train participants from Tanzania and from East African countries. It is foremost intended for technical staff at geological surveys and will extend invitation to organizations that the surveys cooperate with in the field of mining and environment. The two weeks training course would be a mix of classroom lectures at the AMGC and practical hands-on field excursion. The field part of the training will be held in the Shinyanga Region of North-Western Tanzania, where access will be obtained to both operating and closed mines.



## The Visit of The delegation of the Publish What You Pay (NGO)

### *The Mission of AMGC*



*"To promote socio-economic and environmentally responsible mineral development in Africa"*



The delegation of the Publish What You Pay NGO, led by the Coordinator Ms Racheal Chagonja visited this afternoon the African Minerals & Geosciences Center (AMGC). The visit id to be familiar with mineral services provided by Center for collaboration regarding female empowerment through training programs in Gemstones and simple pottery-ceramic technology.

## The Visit of Corona Society Tanzania

The Corona Society Tanzania is a non-profit group open to all, offering support and information to new arrivals in Dar es Salaam, and a chance for Dar 'oldies' to re-connect!. Their visit to AMGC as one of the attractive sites in Dar es Salaam was a great opportunity to find out more about the Centre and what it has to offer for diplomats and non-Tanzanians who are resident in Dar es Salaam regarding skill building in ceramic and Gemstones identification-value addition. Corona Tanzania also supports many worthy projects in Dar such as female empowerment, medical, social activities, travel etc. Corona visitors to AMGC have enjoyed a warm welcoming with invitation extended to their families and children to have frequent visits to enjoy clay-gems skill building in the friendly environment of AMGC and its sustainable efforts for popularization of geosciences to the public



## The ACP-EU Development Minerals training workshop on Geodata Digitization Mapping of Development Minerals, Guinea

The training workshop on Geo-data Digitization Mapping of Development Minerals sponsored by the ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme in partnership with UNDP was conducted by AMGC in Coyah region. A two weeks course mixture of classroom lectures and practical hands-on field visiting artisanal mining sites in Coyah region of Guinea involved 36 participants from the Ministry of Mines of Guinea and four students and teachers universities in Guinea. The workshop was facilitated by Mr. Mesfin Gebremichael and Kamina Chororoka the experts from Geoinformation Department at AMGC.



## Clay Day for Families and their Kids



The African Minerals & Geosciences Centre (AMGC) organizes frequent one day clay workshop for diplomats and foreigners resident in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. Mrs. Engel Marie and two friends came to AMGC on 19<sup>th</sup> February, 2018 with their six children to have a tour and a clay workshop for kids. They enjoyed formation of different items by hand building and throwing on potters wheel in ceramic unit of AMGC as shown on the picture above.

## Madam Belinda van Buiten visit at AMGC



The visit of Madam Belinda van Buiten was to be familiar with AMGC's activities in implementation of Art and Simple Technology regarding Pottery & Ceramic in Africa. She discussed areas of collaboration with the Centre in pottery-Ceramic for attracting Dutch public and private sectors to enhance the ceramic activities at AMGC.

## The Second Regional Training Workshop on Data Digitization and Mapping Of Development Minerals

The ACP-EU Development Minerals Programme second regional training workshop on Data Digitization and Mapping of Development Minerals dedicated to the West African countries has already started at the AMGC on 26 February till 09 March 2018.. This event brings together around 27 participants drawn from Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Mali, Niger, Senegal and Togo.



## Training on Cyanide in Mining

The African Minerals and Geosciences Centre (AMGC) based in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania has received a group thirteen field production supervisors from the Sudanese Mineral Resources Company (SMRC). The Sudanese professionals will have training for two weeks starting from today 27 February 2018 on Cyanide in Mining – Techniques of Gold Cyanidation.





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## Opportunities



### 27th Colloquium of African Geology

On behalf of the 27th Colloquium of African Geology (27 CAG) and 17th Conference of the Geological Society of Africa (GSAf17), we would like to extend a warm welcome and invite you to join us at the University of Aveiro, Aveiro, Portugal, for the CAG27. The Colloquium of African Geology (CAG) is a major biennial meeting organized under the auspices of the Geological Society of Africa (GSAf).

Senior and early-career earth scientists from organizations, associations, mining companies, civil societies, politics, and media will be welcome from all over the world especially but not limited to career scientists from African Countries and also to other colleagues that . These representatives will be from different countries and will also be active at the national level. The participation of these individuals from different sectors and countries will enhance international collaborations and increase the involvement of the international community.

### The seventh Arusha Gem fair

The Ministry of Energy and Minerals in collaboration with the Tanzania Mineral Dealers Association (TAMIDA) are jointly organizing the 7<sup>th</sup> Arusha Gem Fair (AGF) scheduled to take place from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2018 in Arusha. The AGF brings together premier gemstone and mineral dealers from East and Central African and International Potential buyers with the aim of making Arusha a Centre for Gemstone business in Africa.

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