



World Mining Congress

MINING FOR THE FUTURE: Trust, Transformation and Technology

Aligning with the ancestral celebration of the Sun, a moment of renewal, focus and long-term vision. The world needs more metals, delivered fast and responsibly.

Each day opening plenary interactive discussions will focus on three fundamental challenges:

- 1 Project Planning and Execution, inspired by Bent Flyvbjerg, a world authority on megaprojects
- 2 Unlocking Existing Value. Getting more from what we already have, with mining companies focused on productivity
- 3 Shifting Mindsets, guided by Beau Lotto, recognized for his work on perception

Sustainability and responsibility are not treated as separate topics; they are integral to every discussion, shaping how we think about **trust, transformation and technology**.

The Congress is intentionally designed to bring diverse global voices into action.

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Why: A Renewed Focus on Mining for the Future

Aligning around vision, leadership, and the mindset needed for the future.

Time	Opening Sessions
8:30 – 9:00	Welcome Juan Carlos Ortiz , President, IIMP Abraham Chahuan , President, WMC 2026 Marek Cala , Chairman, WMC
9:05 – 9:55	Opening Keynote: Thriving in a Changing World Beau Lotto , CEO, Lab of Misfits
10:00 – 10:45	Panel: From Urgency to Action Iván Arriagada , Executive President y CEO, Antofagasta PLC Marna Cloete , President and CEO, Ivanhoe Mine Inge Hofkens , COO Multimetall Recycling, Aurubis AG Eve Hanson , Senior Vice President, Research & Innovation, Energy Impact Partners Moderator: Alicia Polo y La Borda , Executive Director of Critical Minerals Strategy and Advancement, Colorado School of Mines
10:50 – 11:05	Call to Action Doris Hiam-Galvez , Program Chair, WMC 2026
Transformation: Project Focus	
11:10 – 12:05	Panel: What Makes Projects Succeed or Fail? Bent Flyvbjerg , Professor, Oxford University Karina Gistelinck , Asset President Potash, BHP Eduardo Landín , CEO and Director, Hochschild Mining Robert Schlotterer , Manager, The World Bank Group Moderator: James Marzocca , Vice-Chairman, Hatch
12:10 – 12:55	Fireside Chat: How Do We Improve Project Success? Bent Flyvbjerg , Professor, Oxford University Karla Mills , Executive Vice President & Project Development Officer, Teck Resources Limited Juan Luis Kruger Sayán , CEO, Minsur S.A Joe Lombard , Vice-Chairman, Hatch Moderator: Sarah Gordon , CEO, Satarla
13:00 – 14:30	Lunch
14:30 – 15:20	Panel: Accelerating Project Delivery Responsibly Bent Flyvbjerg , Professor, Oxford University Jim McCloud , Project Director, Bechtel Enrique Rubio , Executive Director, REDCO Mining Consultants Roberto Fernaine , Regional Head, Maersk Project Logistics Moderator: Sarah Gordon , CEO, Satarla
15:20 – 15:30	BREAK
15:30 – 16:00	Fireside Chat: Building Resilient Mineral Supply Chains (Government) (*) Joshua Kroon , Deputy Assistant Secretary, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce. Moderator: Flavia Tata Nardini , CEO and Co Founder, Fleet Space Technologies

02 DAY What: Unlocking the Value We Already Have What must change to unlock greater value from existing assets.	
Time	Transformation - Productivity Focus
8:15 – 8:20	Introduction Dario Zegarra , Vice president WMC 2026 and Leader Academic Pavilion
8:25 – 9:15	Panel: Systems View: Getting More from What We Already Have Natascha Viljoen , CEO, Newmont Mikael Staffas , President and CEO, Boliden Mark Cutifani , Director & Executive Advisor, Odin Partnership Toni Laaksonen , CEO, FLS Moderator: Abraham Chahuan , President, WMC 2026
9:20 – 10:10	Panel: Existing and Emerging Risks That May Disrupt the Value Chain Karen Hanghøj , Director, British Geological Survey Julia Torreblanca , President, SNMPE Luis Miguel Castilla , Executive Director, Videnza Institute Henry Van , Head of Industrial Metal Analysis, Trafigura Moderator: Sarah Gordon , CEO, Satarla
10:15 – 11:00	Panel: Does The Mining Business Model Have to Change? Eva Arias , Executive Chair of the Board, Compañía Minera Poderosa Kristen Pelc , Group Manager Corporate Development, Metals and Critical Minerals Exploration, Fortescue Glenn Sigurdson , Consul General, Consulate of Iceland in B.C. Roque Benavides , Chairman Board, Compañía de Minas Buenaventura Moderator: Florence Drummond , Executive Director, Development Partner Institute
11:05 – 11:50	Panel: Can We Unlock More Value from Waste? Amber Johnston-Billings , Partner, Resolve Randy Allen , Co-founder and CEO, Still Bright David Dreisinger , CEO and Chief Technology Officer, Atlas Materials Moderator: Peter Harvey , Director, Sentinel Consulting
11:55 – 12:40	Panel: Talent Focus for the Next Decade Jimena Sologuren , President, Perumin 37 Jef Caers , Professor, Stanford University Pejman Salehi , CEO, NORCAT Soledad Barbera , Head of Digital, BHP Moderator: Mariel Renteria , CEO, Paxion
12:45 – 13:30	A Turning Point: Mining Together Rohitesh Dhawan , President and CEO, ICMM Mark Cutifani , Director & Executive Advisor, Odin Partnership Marna Cloete , President and CEO, Ivanhoe Mine
13:30 – 14:30	Lunch

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How: Making Transformation Happen

Technology enables change; people make it happen.

Time	Technology as an enabler
8:30 – 8:35	Introduction Doris Hiam-Galvez, Program Chair, WMC 2026
8:35 – 9:20	Panel: How Do We Find the Minerals? Flavia Tata Nardini, CEO and Co Founder, Fleet Space Technologies Tim O'Connor, Group Exploration Officer, BHP Nicholas Lugansky, Vice President and Head of Mining, SLB Cintia Marquetti, Head of Critical Minerals Americas, Fortescue Moderator: Jef Caers, Professor, Stanford University
9:25 – 10:10	Panel: How Do We Drive System Effectiveness and Efficiency? Iván López, Vice President Value Engineering, BHP Piia Karhu, President Minerals, Metso Corporation Nestor Deza, Vice President of Projects Portfolio, CIA. MINERA ANTAMINA S.A. Eve Hanson, Senior Vice President, Research & Innovation, Energy Impact Partners Moderator: Alfonso Muñoz, Director Production, Minera Chinalco Peru S.A.
10:15 – 10:40	Panel: Copper: The New Oil David Strang, Executive Chairman, Ero Copper Frank Nikolic, Principal, CRU Moderator: Holly Bridgwater, Director, Uearthed
10:40 – 10:50	BREAK
10:55 – 11:40	Debate: How Do We Build the Organization with the Skills and Talent for the Future? David Strang, Executive Chairman, Ero Copper Flavia Tata Nardini, CEO and Co Founder, Fleet Space Technologies Karen Hanghøj, Director, British Geological Survey Moderator: Aldo Pennini, Director Strategy, Future Minerals Forum
11:45 – 12:00	Panel: The Rising Sun Springboard: How Do We Bring It All Together? Action, Priorities and How to Measure Progress Aldo Pennini, Director Strategy, Future Minerals Forum Jef Caers, Professor, Stanford University Peter Harvey, Director, Sentinel Consulting Moderator: Juan Carlos Ortiz, President IIMP
Closing Sessions	
12:05 – 12:50	Closing Keynote: The Path Forward Together Beau Lotto, CEO, Lab of Misfits Mark Cutifani, Director & Executive Advisor, Odin Partnership Doris Hiam-Galvez, Program Chair, WMC 2026