



ARTICLE 1 - NAME

1. The Group shall be known as Global Mining Guidelines Group.

ARTICLE II – CHARTER

1. The Global Mining Guidelines Group Charter is to:
 - Support, assist, communicate, and continually improve the mining community in the application of existing and potential standards and guidelines.
 - Facilitate the exchange and use of standards information and knowledge for the global mining community (organize events and knowledge sharing opportunities).
 - Provide mentoring and knowledge.
 - Develop strong relationships and collaboration with related international and national standards bodies.
 - Research, receive, identify, or determine potential standards of benefit to the mining industry.
 - Evaluate, approve, and endorse standard subject matter.
 - Communicate guidelines and standards.
 - Engage the appropriate Standards body if an agreed Global Mining Guidelines Group guideline is to be submitted for its development into a standard.
 - Develop, provide, and execute the required processes and mechanisms to develop, modify, maintain, execute, and terminate guidelines.
 - Provide leadership and development on selected initiatives to benefit industry as a whole.
 - Maintain an active and strong collaborative and bi-directional relationship with mining associations and organisations based around the world.

ARTICLE III – PRINCIPLES OF OPERATION

The Guiding Principles of the Global Mining Guidelines Group shall include the following:

- *Inclusivity* – The Global Mining Guidelines Group will be an organization where the mining community is invited to share knowledge and fellowship, including but not limited to operators, OEMs, distributors, technology suppliers of all industries, mining industry vendors, the academic and consulting communities, and government with interest in the system, computing, and automation aspects of mining.
- *Collaboration* – The Global Mining Guidelines Group will actively pursue opportunities to communicate, collaborate, and coordinate events of mutual interest with other global organizations with a similar vision, mission, and activities.
- *Accessibility* – The Global Mining Guidelines Group serves the entire mining industry and will strive to coordinate with all stakeholders of the mining industry to deliver on its mission within as many geographical regions as possible and practical.
- *Encouragement* – The Global Mining Guidelines Group will actively encourage involvement in knowledge sharing, and leadership and operation in general at all levels of the industry.



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The Global Mining Guidelines Group prides itself on being the repository, focus and a “clearing house” for knowledge sharing and industry growth, and as such will not actively participate in political or lobbying activities; however it will endeavour to provide all industry stakeholders access to any technical knowledge.

ARTICLE IV - RELATIONSHIP TO CANADIAN INSTITUTE OF MINING, METALLURGY AND PETROLEUM

1. The Global Mining Guidelines Group shall be governed by its Charter and Rules and by the Constitution and By-Laws of the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum in conformity with the laws of Canada.
2. The Global Mining Guidelines Group Charter and Rules are based upon and are in addition to the Charter and Rules of the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum.
3. The Global Mining Guidelines Group works as part of the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum Surface Mining Society.
4. The Global Mining Guidelines Group shall be represented on the Council of the Institute by the Surface Mining Society Chairman or designate.
5. The Global Mining Guidelines Group's headquarters shall be those of the Institute.

ARTICLE V - PARTICIPANTS

1. The Participants of the Global Mining Guidelines Group shall consist of such persons and companies who by intent or practice subscribe to the objectives of the Global Mining Guidelines Group.

ARTICLE VI - DUES AND FINANCE

1. The Participant fees of the Global Mining Guidelines Group are \$0.00.
2. All funds accruing from other sources shall be part of the Global Mining Guidelines Group treasury.
3. All the Global Mining Guidelines Group funds are held within Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum and separate from the Surface Mining Society.
4. These funds fall under the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum accounting procedures.
5. Special dues, donations, fees, or assessments may be recommended by the Executive Council and authorized only by a majority vote of the members of the Global Mining Guidelines Group.
6. The annual budget outlining the expenditure of funds received by the Global Mining Guidelines Group shall be authorized by the Executive Council of the Global Mining Standards.
7. The Treasurer of the Global Mining Guidelines Group shall present quarterly financial reports to the Governing Council showing the Global Mining Guidelines Group receipts from all sources and complete disbursements.
8. The Treasurer of the Global Mining Guidelines Group shall present an annual financial report to the Executive Council showing the Global Mining Guidelines Group receipts from all sources and complete disbursements. The annual financial report will then be made available to all Global Mining Guidelines Group Participants.



ARTICLE VII - MEETINGS

1. The Global Mining Guidelines Group Governing Council shall meet, personally or via a conference call, a minimum of 4 times annually to consider any ordinary business concerning the Global Mining Guidelines Group which may be brought before it, including the election of Officers of the Global Mining Guidelines Group, and any special business, including proposed amendments of the Global Mining Guidelines Group's Charter and Rules.
2. Additional meetings may be called by the Chair of the Global Mining Guidelines Group. Four Executive Council members shall constitute a quorum.
3. An Annual General Meeting will be held within the first six months of a calendar year. Notice of the date, time and place of the Annual Meeting and any special business, including proposed amendments of the Charter and Rules, to be transacted at such meeting shall be published by the Global Mining Guidelines Group at least sixty days prior to the date of the meeting.

ARTICLE VIII - OFFICERS

1. The Officers of the Global Mining Guidelines Group shall be the
 - Chair
 - Vice Chair
 - Past Chair
 - External Coordinator
 - Partner Association Representatives
 - Secretary
 - Treasurer
2. These Officers shall constitute the Executive Council of the Global Mining Guidelines Group.
3. The Executive Council will determine a Partner Association in advance of the Annual General Meeting at which the Representative will take office.
4. The Partner Association will nominate its Representative for the Executive Council of the Global Mining Guidelines Group.
5. The duties of the Officers of the Global Mining Guidelines Group shall be those as set out in the Global Mining Guidelines Group's Operations Manual. Terms of office for Officers shall be as follows:
 - a. The Chair, Vice Chair, Partner Association Representatives, and External Coordinator each serve a one-year term. The Vice Chair shall then succeed as Chair.
 - b. The Past Chair shall serve a one-year term;
 - c. The Vice Chair shall be elected at an Annual General Meeting.
5. Appointment of Officers
 - a. The Secretary, External Coordinator, and Treasurer shall each be appointed by the Executive Council at a meeting at least 3 months prior the Annual General Meeting after which they will take office.



ARTICLE IX – WORKING GROUPS AND SPECIAL COMMITTEES

1. The Global Mining Guidelines Group shall be composed of constituent Working Groups, each to represent major fields related to the mining industry.
 - a. Working Groups shall be designated by the Executive Council and ratified by the Global Mining Guidelines Group participants. The Working Groups shall be governed by such regulations as may be formulated by the Executive Council.
 - b. The Leaders of the Working Groups shall each be appointed by the Executive Council.
 - c. The Executive Council will create a Working Group and discharge it when it has deemed to have finished its role in developing and promoting standards and guidelines specific to its area.
2. Special Committees may be designated by the Executive Council as it may consider necessary or desirable. Such committees shall be discharged on completion of their special duties.
3. All members of the Working Groups and Special Committees will adhere to the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum Governance Policies Code of Conduct

ARTICLE X - GOVERNANCE

1. The Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum is the overarching governance umbrella for the Global Mining Guidelines Group governance
2. If there is a conflict with the Global Mining Guidelines Group governance and the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum governance, the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum governance will take precedence.
 - a) Should there be any governance conflict, The Global Mining Guidelines Group Secretary will seek clarification from the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum.
3. The basic authority of the Global Mining Guidelines Group shall be its Participants.
4. The Governing Council shall be the governing body of the Global Mining Guidelines Group and constitute the Executive Council and the leaders of the Working Groups.
5. The Executive Council shall administer the affairs of the Global Mining Guidelines Group.
6. The Executive Council shall approve an Operations Manual prepared by the Managing Director which covers the functioning of the Global Mining Guidelines Group, setting out the regulations of the Working Groups, and defining the duties of Officers and Executive Council Members.
 - a) The Operations Manual does not constitute part of the Charter and Rules and the Executive Council may approve amendments to the Manual without the formal approval of the Membership.

ARTICLE XI – APPOINTMENTS, NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

1. A Nominating Committee of four members shall be appointed by the Executive Council at least six months prior to the Annual General Meeting. The Nominating Committee shall include the Past Chair, who shall act as chair of the Committee, and one Executive Council member.
2. The Nominating Committee shall select:
 - a. The nominee for Vice Chair, who, on election, will automatically serve a two-year term on the Executive Council successively Chair and Past Chair (the nominee shall normally be selected from among the Executive Council, but may be selected from the Participants of the Global Mining Guidelines Group);



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3. The Executive Council shall appoint the Secretary, External Coordinator and Treasurer.
4. Vacancies occurring in any office, or among the Executive Council, shall be filled by vote of the Executive Council for any unexpired portion of the term of office, except in the event of a vacancy in the Global Mining Guidelines Group Chair, whereupon the Vice-Chair shall assume the office of Chair for the unexpired term.

ARTICLE XII - AMENDMENTS

1. Amendments to these Charter and Rules may be proposed by a written petition to the Executive Council signed by not less than twenty-five Participants of the Global Mining Guidelines Group, or by a majority vote of the Executive. Amendments proposed by petition shall be duly considered at the next meeting of the Executive and, if it is deemed advisable by the Executive, shall be submitted to the Participants.
2. Proposed amendments shall be published by Global Mining Guidelines Group at least two months prior to the Annual Meeting and shall be submitted to the Participants for a vote at the Annual Meeting. Adoption shall result from a majority vote in favour of the proposed amendment(s).
3. The Global Mining Guidelines Group's Operations Manual does not constitute part of the Charter and Rules and the Executive Council may amend the Manual without the formal approval of the Participants.