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Disrupted and disturbed.... Whether you are standing up stream of your mining supply chain or downstream, what was in place and working is no longer reliable. The stakeholders, the interfaces, the outcomes, as well as the plans, systems and practices have all gone through a major upheaval.

This three-hour online certificate course, organized by SEEC and MineAfrica, features industry experts who will provide you with tools and takeaways to help you identify solutions tailored to the specificities of your own organizations, regardless of size and level of activity.

As an active manager in the mining supply chain you have been suddenly thrust into “outer space” where the future is unquantifiable and seemingly like trying to grasp at holograms.

To help navigate through the meanders of these newly created mining ecosystems, **seasoned experts in the industry will interactively share real-life experiences and insights from their own on-the-ground issues.**



Michelle Ash



Roger Spitz



Olivier Dubois



Eira Thomas



Mark Scherer



Boris Kamstra



Siri C. Genik



Sam Houston



Stephen Grocott

Michelle Ash
Chief Executive Officer

Dassault Systèmes GEOVIA

Michelle has made significant contributions to the mining sector with a focus on Innovation Strategy, Technology and Digital Transformation.

Highly passionate about Mining and the Natural Resources industry, Michelle remains focused on helping mining to evolve through digital transformation and the 3DEXPERIENCE platform, to help deliver sustainable solutions to the sector.

Michelle is also the Chair of the Global Mining Guidelines Group and has contributed to develop best practices and guidelines for the implementation of technology and socially enabled changes in the mining industry. Previously she was Chief Innovation Officer at Barrick Gold Corporation where she oversaw the company's innovation program, looking both at how innovation can drive productivity in the existing business as well as how it can be harnessed to deliver alternative business models.

Michelle was named to the 2016 list of "100 Global Inspirational Women in Mining" by Women in Mining UK and won the Technology Innovator of the Year Award by Mines and Technology in 2019. She holds a degree in Civil Engineering and an Executive MBA from the Melbourne Business School; as well as a degree in Psychology from Deakin University.
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Olivier Dubuis
Vice President Alliance & Development
ADEN Group
&
Chief Executive Officer
Aden Remote Site

Olivier is a French national. After twenty years practicing as a corporate lawyer in China, Olivier undertook a major career shift and joined ADEN, a leading facility management company, to head the Remote site division of the Group.

ADEN Remote Site provides life support services to mining, oil & gas and construction projects in remote locations (i.e. logistically challenging), as a one stop solution to design, supply, manage and maintain camp, compounds and other living facilities, providing both soft services (catering, housekeeping, accommodation management) but also hard services (maintenance, utility management, energy services).

Over the last few years of overseeing remote site projects, from Mongolia to Kazakhstan, from Panama to Maldives, from Guinea to Somalia, Olivier has built an in-depth understanding of business risk at the strategic and operating levels, as well as mitigating solutions for the benefit of the stakeholders.

Siri C. Genik

Principal and Founder

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Siri Genik has spent more than 25 years working on major capital projects around the world. She has worked in the Natural Resource and Infrastructure industries. During the course of her career, Siri has developed particular expertise in ESG, Stakeholder Engagement and Governance, with a strong focus on project management and supply chain. Siri has worked with the board room, leadership as well as project delivery teams.

Stephen Grocott

Chief Executive Officer

Pure Minerals

Dr. Grocott is an accomplished executive in the mining and mineral processing sector with nearly 40 years international experience. He was the Chief Technical Development Officer at Clean TeQ Holdings Limited where he was accountable for all technical and process development, and supported technical marketing, due diligence, and project funding for the A\$2B Sunrise Ni-Co-Sc project in New South Wales. Dr Grocott's exposure to EV and battery producers and world-class expertise in process and development for minerals processing and battery chemicals will underpin the progress of the company.

Sam Houston

Vice President Engineering and Capital Projects

Eldorado Gold Corporation

Sam Houston joined Eldorado in March 2020 as VP, Capital Projects & Engineering. He is responsible for the strategic oversight and guidance for the engineering and execution of major capital projects at Eldorado. Sam has extensive experience in global mega-projects from across diverse sectors, including mining, oil & gas and infrastructure. He has previously held similar roles, most recently at Jacobs (previously CH2M Hill), based in London as Major Projects lead, and before that, BHP Billiton, based in Toronto as Head of Project Services, Potash Projects. Sam is a Full Member of the Association for Project Management, holds a Bachelor of Mechanical Engineering from Central Queensland University and is a candidate for an MSc. in Business and Strategic Leadership from Cranfield University

Boris Kamstra
Executive Director
Alphamin Resources

Boris is the former Chief Executive Officer of Alphamin and has been involved in the DRC mining industry for 14 years. He has extensive experience establishing mining operations in remote locations.

Mark Scherer
Head of Procurement
Baffinland Iron Mines

Mark Scherer joined Baffinland Iron Mines in 2018 as Chief Procurement Officer. He is responsible for the supply and logistics to support a remote mining site operating above the Arctic Circle on North Baffin Island in Nunavut. Mark has experience in operations and mega projects across a diverse portfolio of companies over a span of 39 years. He held similar roles with Crosslinx Transit Solutions, a consortium contracted to build the Eglinton Crosstown LRT in Toronto, as well as BHP Billiton supporting the Jansen Potash Project. This after a stellar career in both operations and procurement at Stelco Steel in Hamilton Ontario. Mark has a Bachelor of Arts Degree from McMaster University as well as numerous industry specific credentials gathered over his career.

Roger Spitz
President
Techistential
&
Founding Chairman
Disruptive Futures Institute

Based in San Francisco, Roger Spitz is the President of Techistential (global Foresight Strategy & Futures Intelligence practice) and founding Chairman of the Disruptive Futures Institute. A member of the Association of Professional Futurists (APF, Washington), he sits on a number of Advisory Boards of Companies, Venture Capital funds & Academic institutions worldwide. Techistential's renowned Board, Governance & Investor practice works with leaders and their organizations globally to capitalize on disruption as a springboard to drive value. Roger has two decades leading investment banking businesses, advising CEOs, founders, boards and shareholders of companies globally on strategic M&A transactions, and has advised on deals with overall value of \$25bn.

Eira Thomas

President and Chief Executive Officer Lucara Diamond Corp.

Eira Thomas is a Canadian geologist whose career in the Canadian mining business spans more than 25 years. She began her career as a geologist at Aber Resources and is credited with leading the team that discovered Diavik, Canada's second diamond mine.

In 2001, Ms. Thomas co-founded Stornoway Ventures Ltd. and served as CEO until 2008 and Executive Chairman until 2011. In 2007, Ms. Thomas founded Lucara Diamond Corporation, with partners Lukas Lundin and Catherine McLeod Seltzer, and worked to acquire the AK-6 deposit in Botswana, which was later developed as the Karowe Diamond Mine in 2011. Karowe is known for its consistent recovery of large, high quality diamonds, including the 1109 carat Lesedi La Rona and the 1749 carat Sewelô, the second largest diamond ever recovered in the world. Since February 2018, Eira is President and CEO of Lucara Diamond Corporation. In 2008 Ms. Thomas is one of only four Canadians to be named to the "Young Global Leaders", by the World Economic Forum, and in 2007 she was selected as one of 'Top 100 Canada's Most Powerful Women'. Ms. Thomas is currently a director of Suncor Energy Inc. and is Suncor's Chair of the Governance Committee.

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