



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.

01 DAY

Why: A Renewed Focus on Mining for the Future

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

Expanding the mindset and setting the vision for the future.

Time	Opening Sessions
8:30 – 9:00	Welcome. The Imperative for Urgency and Focus to Meet Minerals Demand Abraham Chahuan, President, WMC 2026 Marek Cala, Chairman, WMC President of Peru
9:00 – 10:00	Opening Keynote: Do We Need to Change Our Thinking? Beau Lotto, CEO, Lab of Misfits
10:00 – 10:45	Panel: From Urgency to Action Iván Arriagada, CEO, Antofagasta Marna Cloete, CEO, Ivanhoe Mines
10:45 – 11:00	Call to Action Doris Hiam-Galvez, Program Chair, WMC 2026
Transformation: Project Focus	
11:00 – 12:00	Panel: What Makes Projects Succeed or Fail? Bent Flyvbjerg, Professor, Oxford University Karina Gistelinck, President Potash, BHP Lucy Martin, SVP, Bechtel Moderator: James Marzocca, Vice Chair, Hatch
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 14:00	Fireside chat: What Makes a Successful Project? Bent Flyvbjerg, Professor, Oxford University Karla Mills, EVP & Chief Project Development Officer, Teck Resources Juan Luis Kruger Sayán, CEO, Minsur Joe Lombard, Vice Chair, Hatch Moderator: Sarah Gordon, CEO, Satarla
14:30 – 15:30	Panel: Accelerating Project Delivery Responsibly Bent Flyvbjerg, Professor, Oxford University James Marzocca, Vice Chair, Hatch



02 DAY **What: Unlocking the Value We Already Have**
What must change to unlock greater value from existing assets.

What must change to deliver metals and unlock greater productivity responsibly.

Time	Transformation - Productivity Focus
8:30 – 8:35	Introduction Dario Zegarra , President of IIMP
8:35 – 9:20	Panel: Systems view: Getting More from What We Already Have Natascha Viljoen , CEO, Newmont Mikael Staffas , CEO, Boliden Mark Cutifani , Partner, Odin Partnership, Roque Benavides , Chairman Board, Buenaventura
9:20 – 10:05	Panel: Existing and Emerging Risks That May Disrupt the Value Chain Jorge Gómez , CEO, Collahuasi Julia Torreblanca , President, SNMPE Luis Miguel Castilla , ED, Videnza Institute Iván López , VP, Value Engineering, BHP Moderator: Sarah Gordon , CEO, Satarla
10:05 – 11:05	Panel: Can We Unlock More Value from Waste? Inge Hofkens , COO, Aurubis Multimetal Recycling Stephen D’Esposito , CEO, Resolve David Strang , Chairman Board, Ero Copper Moderator: Peter Harvey , Former MD, Closure & Legacy, Rio Tinto
11:05 – 11:35	Panel: Does The Mining Business Model Have to Change? Eva Arias , Chairwoman Board, Poderosa David Strang , Chairman Board, Ero Copper Amparo Cornejo , CSO, Teck Resources Moderator: Krutika Bala , MD, Resources Now
11:35 – 12:00	Panel: Are We Investing for the Future? Talent Focus for the Next Decade Jef Caers , Professor, Stanford University Sonia Scarselli , EVP, Endeavour Mining Kurt House , CEO, KoBold Metals Moderator: Liz Dennett , CEO, Endolith
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 14:00	Fireside Chat: Mining for the Future Mark Cutifani , Partner, Odin Partnership, Robert Friedland , Chairman, Ivanhoe Mines Moderator: Rohitesh Dhawan , CEO, ICMM



03 How: Making Transformation Happen

Technology enables change; people make it happen.

DAY Organizing, leading and measuring what matters

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? Jef Caers, Professor, Stanford University Flavia Tata Nardini, CEO, Fleet Space Technologies Tim O'Connor, Group Exploration Officer, BHP Nicholas Lugansky, Head of Mining, SLB Moderator: Karen Hanghøj, Director, British Geological Survey
9:20 – 10:05	Panel: How Do We Drive System Effectiveness and Efficiency? Toni Laaksonen, CEO, FLSmidth Iván López, VP, Value Engineering, BHP Tony O'Neill, Board Director Michelle Ash, CEO, SIMULIA Alfonso Muñoz, Director Production, Chinalco Moderator: Sarah Gordon, CEO, Satarla
10:05 – 10:50	Panel: Waste Solutions: Co-Mingling, Recovery, Reprocessing & New Value Streams Nestor Deza, VP Engineering & Projects, Antamina Liz Dennett, CEO, Endolith Piia Karhu, Global President of Mining, Metso Moderator: Mariel Rentería, CEO, Mixto
10:50 – 11:35	Panel: How Do We Build the Organization with the Skills and Talent for the Future? Karen Hanghøj, Director, British Geological Survey Allan Moss, President, Sonal Mining Technology Aldo Pennini, Director Strategy, Future Minerals Forum Moderator: Liz Dennett, CEO, Endolith
11:35 – 12:00	Panel: How Do We Bring It All Together? Action, Priorities and How to Measure Progress Jef Caers, Professor, Stanford University Peter Harvey, Former MD, Closure & Legacy, Rio Tinto Tony O'Neill, Board Director Rohitesh Dhawan, CEO, ICMC
Closing Sessions	
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch
13:00 – 14:00	Closing Keynote: Thriving Because of Uncertainty Beau Lotto, CEO, Lab of Misfits
16:00 – 17:00	Closing Session: The Path Forward Together Iván Arriagada, CEO, Antofagasta Mark Cutifani, Partner, Odin Partnership Marek Cala, Chairman, WMC Abraham Chahuan, President, WMC 2026 Liang Yuan, President, Anhui University Moderator: Doris Hiam-Galvez, Program Chair, WMC 2026