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A MESSAGE FROM THE ORGANIZERS

African Mining Week (AMW) 2026 brought together the stakeholders shaping Africa's mining industry, creating a platform to connect governments, mining companies, investors and service providers around the continent's mineral development opportunities.

With 1,800 attendees, 92 speakers, 1,070 participating companies and representation from 52 countries, this year's event placed investment, regional cooperation and value addition at the center of discussions on Africa's mining future.

The event delivered more than dialogue. The launch of the African National Mining Companies Forum, in partnership with the Africa Minerals Strategy Group, established a platform for state-owned mining entities to collaborate on shared infrastructure, geological data, project financing and regulatory transparency. Discussions across the conference also examined mineral beneficiation, domestic processing, responsible sourcing and the development of regional supply chains.

From established producers and emerging mining companies to government representatives, financiers, technology providers and end users, AMW 2026 connected stakeholders across the mineral value chain around a shared objective of translating Africa's resource potential into greater economic value for the continent.

Through its conference, exhibition, roundtables and networking sessions, the event provided a space for industry and government to address investment challenges, explore new partnerships and identify opportunities to strengthen Africa's position in global mineral markets.

We thank every partner, sponsor, speaker, exhibitor and delegate who contributed to AMW 2026. As we look ahead to the next edition, we remain committed to connecting the capital, expertise and partnerships needed to advance Africa's mining industry and unlock greater value from its mineral resources.

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JAMES CHESTER
ECP, CEO

AMW 2026:
By the Numbers

1,800
TOTAL ATTENDEES

38
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92
SPEAKERS

1,070
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52
PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

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One Mining Conversation.

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- Australia
- Belgium
- Benin
- Botswana
- Brazil
- Cameroon
- Canada
- China
- Comoros
- Democratic Republic of the Congo
- Egypt
- Ethiopia
- Finland
- France
- Ghana
- Guinea
- India
- Italy
- Japan
- Kenya
- Liberia
- Libya
- Luxembourg
- Malawi
- Mali
- Mauritius
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Hon. Dr. Monica Musenero Masanza
Minister of Energy and Mineral Development
Republic of Uganda



H.E. Eng. Mohamed Zada
Deputy Minister, Strategic Industries
Arab Republic of Egypt



Daouda Diakité
Senior Advisor to the Minister
Ministry of Mines and Geology
Republic of Guinea



Ashley Ndir
Principal Commissioner, U.S Commercial Service
U.S. Department of Commerce



Patrick Mulindwa
Chief of Staff
Africa Minerals Strategy Group



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Minerals Council South Africa



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Africa Finance Corporation



Dr. Atul Arya
Chief Energy Strategist
S&P Global Energy



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NATIONAL MINING COMPANIES FORUM



MAIN CONFERENCE

The African National Mining Companies Forum was launched by Energy Capital & Power and the Africa Minerals Strategy Group during African Mining Week 2026 to bring African state-owned mining entities together for a unified dialogue on the continent's mining future. Discussions explored opportunities for sharing infrastructure, improving geological data, de-risking mining projects and strengthening regulatory transparency. Participating entities included Egypt's WADICO, Malawi Mining Investment Company, Libya's National Mining Corporation and representatives from the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

MINERALS SECURITY FORUM



MAIN CONFERENCE

The Minerals Security Forum at African Mining Week 2026 examined how strategic international partnerships, innovative financing models and responsible mining practices can strengthen Africa's mineral supply chains and attract investment. Discussions explored opportunities to mobilize sovereign and pension fund capital to de-risk projects, and expand early-stage funding for mineral exploration and development. Participating companies and organisations included Ivanhoe Mines, Apeiron Investment Group, Stryk Global Diplomacy, Veltrix Group, Australia-Africa Minerals & Energy Group and HLB-CBS Group, alongside government representatives from Guinea.

AMW HIGHLIGHTS

Ministerial Panel



MAIN CONFERENCE

The ministerial panel at African Mining Week 2026 brought together government representatives from Guinea, Uganda and Egypt to discuss strategies for strengthening Africa's mineral beneficiation, domestic processing and downstream industrial development. Speakers included Monica Musenero Masanza, Uganda's Minister of Energy and Mineral Development: Mohamed Zada, Egypt's Deputy Minister for Strategic Industries and Daouda Diakité, Senior Adviser to Guinea's Minister of Mines and Geology.

US–Africa Roundtable



MAIN CONFERENCE

The US-Africa Roundtable at African Mining Week 2026 examined strategies for improving project bankability, mobilizing U.S. investment and developing infrastructure to support mineral beneficiation and connect African producers with end markets. Attendees included the Trade and Development Bank, the U.S. International Development Finance Corporation, Africa50, the U.S. Commercial Service, Stryk Global Diplomacy, the Millennium Challenge Corporation, the International Trade Council, Makor Resources and representatives from Guinea and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

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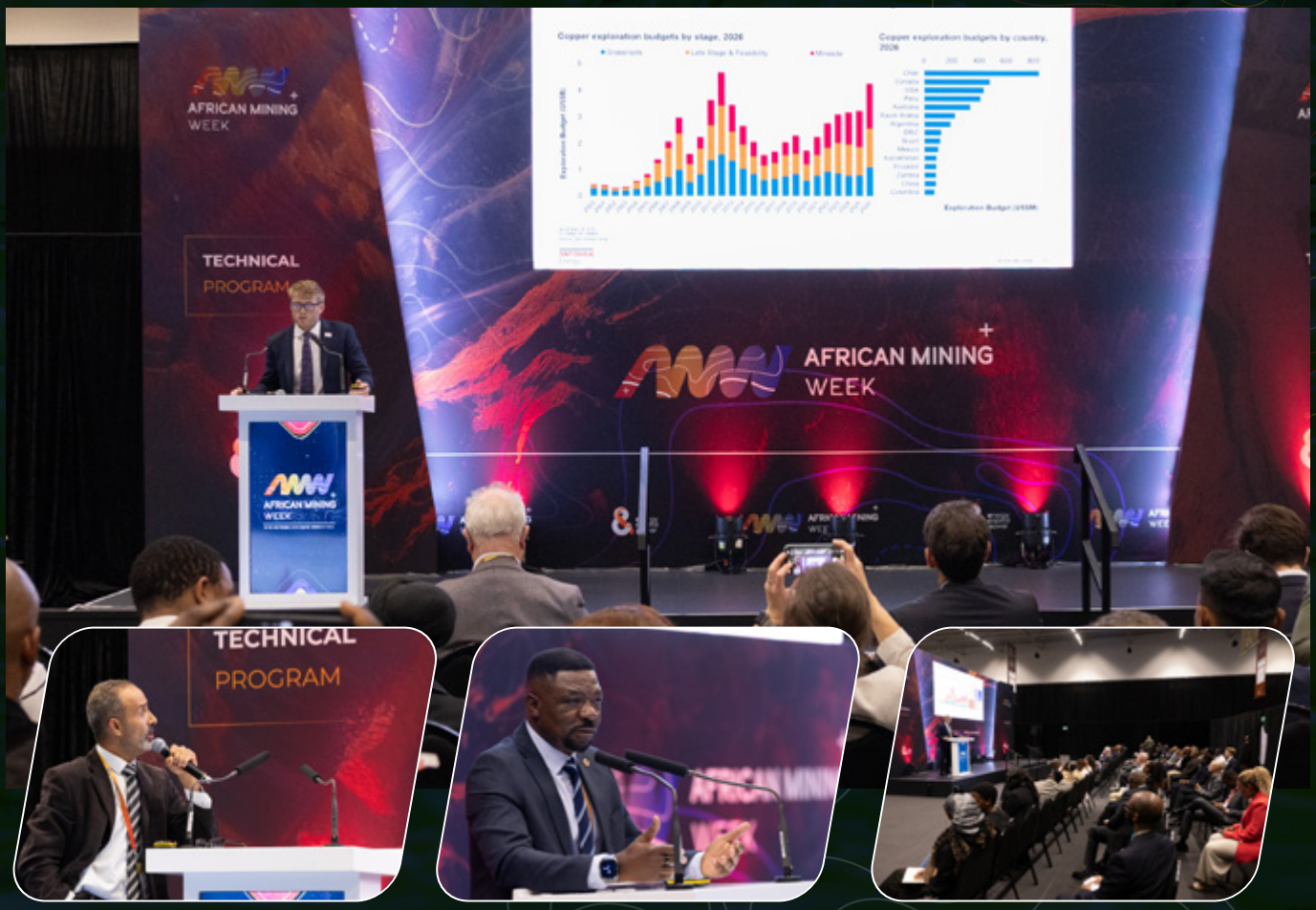
AFRICA GOLD FORUM



African Mining Week 2026 highlighted efforts to strengthen Africa's gold sector through responsible sourcing, traceability and artisanal mining formalization. Rand Refinery reported that 50% of its gold doré is sourced from across Africa, supported by investments in advanced traceability technologies. Meanwhile, Mali announced a new state-owned geology research and development agency and 21 exploration and research permits issued between August and September 2026 to identify new targets and increase gold production. Discussions also emphasized stronger regional refining capacity, regulatory cooperation and improved environmental and ESG standards across the sector.

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Technical Track



The Technical Track at African Mining Week 2026 explored investment opportunities across Africa's mining value chain, with sessions covering exploration, production, mineral processing and downstream refining. Discussions included the DRC, Mali, Libya and Zimbabwe country spotlights.

COUNTRY SPOTLIGHTS

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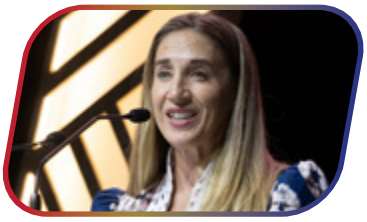
QUOTES & **TESTIMONIALS**



HON. MONICA MUSENERO MASANZA
Uganda's Minister of Energy and Mineral Development
"When we discuss industrialization, we must focus on the business of the broader mineral value chain and the true value these resources bring to Africa. Platforms like this allow us to clearly define what value-chain industrialization means—and it extends far beyond mere commercial extraction"



PATRICK MULINDWA LUBEGA
Chief of Staff, Africa Minerals Strategy Group
"The African National Mining Companies Forum at AMW represents a vital turning point. For the first time, Africa's state-owned mining entities are coming together to break away from operating in isolation. In partnership with ECP, this forum lays the groundwork for a new vision of African mining centered on domestic value addition and sustainable job creation."



ASHLEY NDIR
Principal Commercial Officer at the U.S. Commercial Service under the U.S. Department of Commerce
"Africa's push for local mineral processing directly aligns with the U.S. goal of building resilient, diversified supply chains. By engaging directly with African buyers and governments, we can unlock commercial partnerships that drive real local growth."



H.E. MOHAMED ZADA
Deputy Minister for Strategic Industries
"Egypt's strategic location makes it a natural logistics hub. We want to work with African countries to build vital infrastructure, like power plants and seaports, so we can optimize supply chains and bring Africa's finished mineral products to global markets."



DAOUDA DIAKITÉ
Senior Advisor to the Minister, Ministry of Mines and Geology, Republic of Guinea
"Our vision is to maximize the value of our natural resources for the benefit of our people. The Simandou 2040 strategy marks a pivot from exporting raw materials to building robust processing capacity that will sustain our downstream sector."

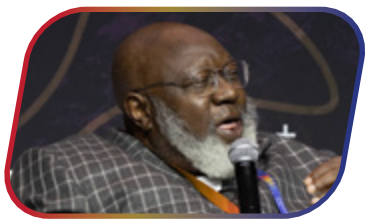


MZILA MTHENJANE
CEO, Minerals Council South Africa
"We are targeting an increase in mining investments over the next three years. To support this, we are driving the finalization of the national mining bill to ensure certainty for investors, while simultaneously advancing the formalization of artisanal and small-scale mining."

QUOTES & **TESTIMONIALS**



GEO. REDA MOHAMED SELIM
Chairman, WADICO
"Our key message at African Mining Week is that Egypt looks forward to strengthened cooperation with Africa to maximize the benefits of minerals. We believe that the future of mining lies in partnerships and the value creation and we are proud to."



PROF LEONARD KALINDEKAFE
Inaugural Chief Executive Officer of the Malawi Mining Investment Company
"We derisk investments so our partners make money - not lose it - from day one. Providing pre-analyzed geological data keeps project development fast, accessible, and cost-effective."



KHALIFA AL DURSI
Mining Specialist, Libya National Mining Corporation
"African Mining Week is an opportunity for Libya's National Mining Corporation to introduce ourself and a promising area for investment which is not oil. It gives us an opportunity to position Libya as a source for natural resource and to be in contact with other African countries with a history in mining."



KWAKU NSIAH ASARE
CEO, Typhoon Greenfield
"We have been with African Mining Week from the beginning particularly because of their championing of ASM and its formalization. It's a space in which we operate and we believe that without formalization there is no certainty for our future."

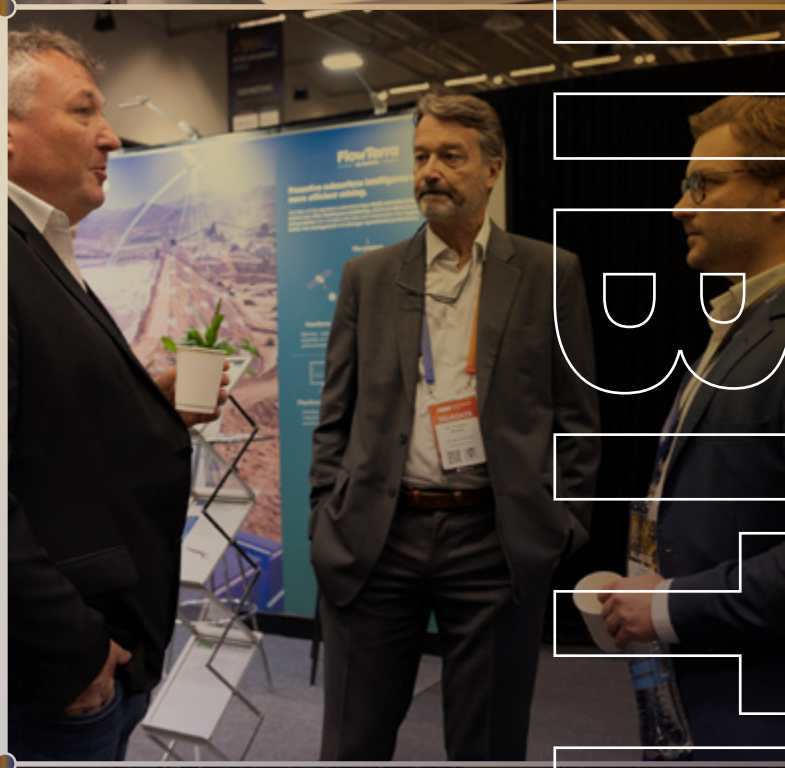






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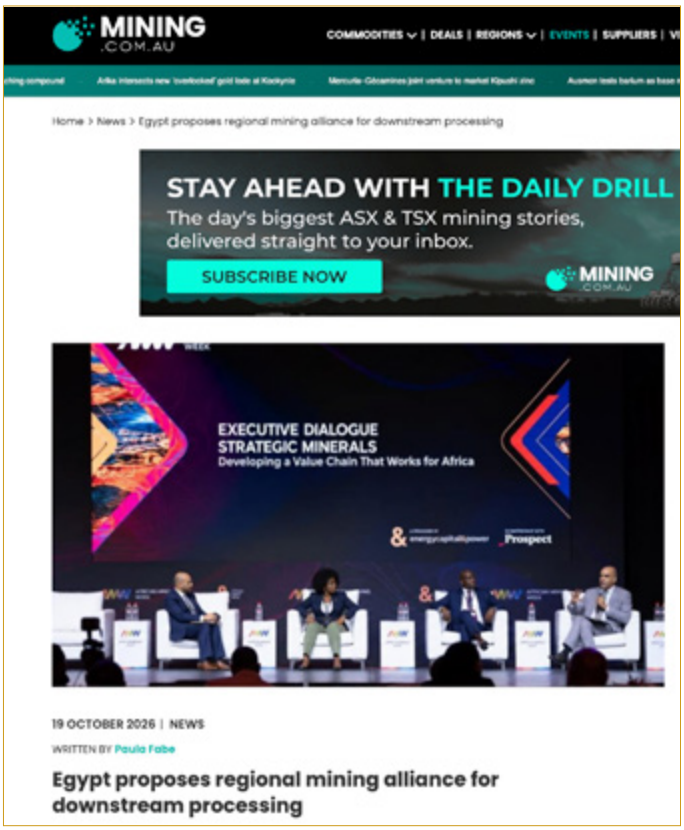


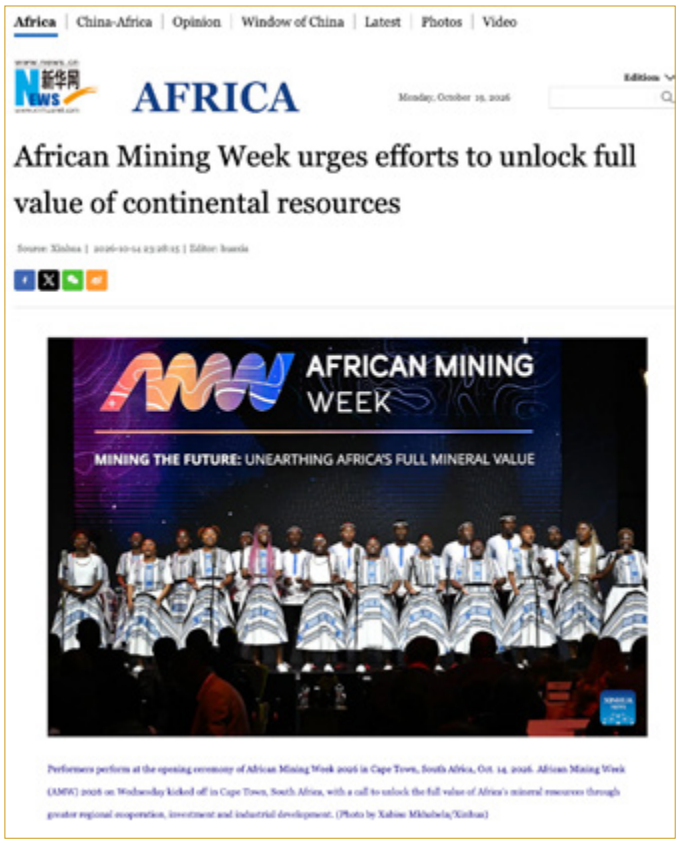
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"Egypt is seeking to build a strong African mining alliance to maximize the value of the continent's mineral resources through local processing, technology transfer and industrial investment," Industry Minister Khaled Hashem said Saturday, October 17, 2026.
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DR Congo Seeks Investment to Formalise Artisanal Mining Through 64 Designated Zones



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- The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) is seeking financing and technical partnerships to develop 64 artisanal mining zones in Lualaba and Haut-Katanga provinces as part of efforts to formalise small-scale mining.
- The initiative targets a sector employing an estimated 2 million people, with plans to improve mineral traceability, working conditions and access to legal mining sites.
- Kinshasa is engaging US development finance institutions and regional investors, including the Millennium Challenge Corporation, the US International Development Finance Corporation and Africa50, although no financing commitments have been announced.

The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) called on investors on Thursday, October 15, to support efforts to formalise its artisanal mining industry during African Mining Week in Cape

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DR Congo seeks investment to formalise artisanal mining through 64 zones

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The Democratic Republic of Congo is seeking investment and technical partnerships to develop 64 designated artisanal mining zones, as authorities step up efforts to formalise a sector employing an estimated two million people.

Marc Waturn, a special envoy at the mining ministry, appealed to investors on Thursday during African Mining Week in Cape Town, South Africa, outlining plans to establish legally authorised sites for small-scale miners in the southeastern provinces of Lualaba and Haut-Katanga.

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The initiative, announced in November 2025, aims to improve working conditions, strengthen

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Africa Finance Corporation (AFC) plans to launch a dedicated mineral exploration investment company within the next 12 months to address the continent's exploration funding gap, boost domestic production and strengthen control over mineral resources.

Speaking at African Mining Week in Cape Town, Franklin Edochie, Deputy Director and Head of the Metals and Mining Desk at AFC, said the initiative would support the discovery of new reserves and advance local value addition.

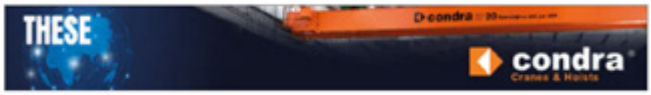
"If we don't invest in African exploration, we risk losing control over where our resources end up," he emphasised. "Investing in exploration is one of our primary targets because local value addition strategies depend on discovering and defining new reserves."

Edochie said continent-led financing would help ensure exploration projects align with Africa's long-term economic priorities. AFC also plans to expand investments in regional ports and power corridors to support

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Presentations on the final day of African Mining Week 2026 covered financing, regulation, skills, power and tailings safety across Africa's mineral value chains.

The final day of African Mining Week (AMW) 2026 in Cape Town on Friday featured a series of technical presentations examining what Africa's mineral value chains require beyond the mine, from financing and regulation to skills, power and tailings safety.

Financing Value Beyond the Mine

Danie Dörfling-Kruger, Head of Business Development and Marketing at Moore Infinity, opened the day with a presentation arguing that the value of Africa's minerals is realized in transport corridors and priced in the cost of capital. His analysis estimated that cutting DRC copper transit times from 30 days to 10 could release about $2.7 billion in working capital and save roughly $270 million a year in financing costs. He called on governments to match processing mandates to installed capacity, noting that projects anchored to contracted offtake and transport volumes are the ones securing finance.

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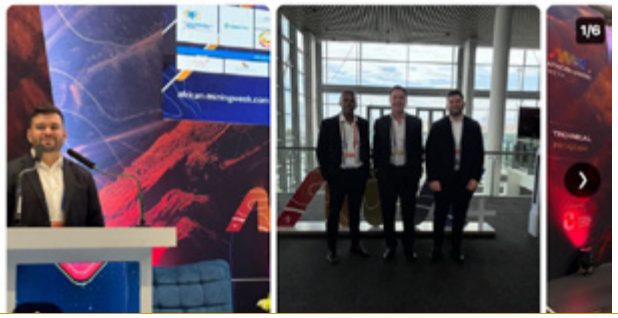
That's a wrap on African Mining Week 2026!

If we could condense the last three days into one key message for our mining sector, it would be this: Africa's mining future depends on how effectively we turn mineral wealth into lasting economic value.

Discussions throughout the week highlighted a shift from recognising Africa's mineral potential to addressing the investment decisions and risks that will shape its future.

It was great to attend this conference alongside our colleagues from Moore Kingston Smith and Moore in South Africa. We look forward to seeing these conversations translate into meaningful progress across African mining.

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Africa Finance Corporation Plans Exploration Development Investment Company within 12 Months

AFC says the new company is designed to expand Africa's mineral reserves, boost domestic production and secure mineral sovereignty, and that exploration is a primary target because local value-addition strategies depend on discovering and defining new reserves.

CEEC's Director General says investors can now deal directly with the DRC rather than going through Belgium, and that high-precision geomapping covers 19% of the country's territory so far. AFC separately says it wants to expand its investments in regional ports and power corridors so that industrial areas such as the Copperbelt are fully powered. An increase in mining activity will push railway development.



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Africa's minerals value-add drive interests investors but faces energy hurdle

African governments seeking to move mineral processing onshore are drawing investor interest, but officials warn that scarce and costly electricity threatens to limit that investment, Mining Weekly reports. Speaking at the African Mining Week conference in Cape Town, government and industry representatives described power supply as the central constraint on plans to refine and smelt minerals domestically rather than export them raw.

From Guinea's bauxite to Zimbabwe's lithium, authorities are deploying export restrictions, tax incentives and preferential access to deposits to push miners toward local processing and to capture more value from mineral wealth. Investors including the US International Development Finance Corporation and Africa Finance Corporation are backing African processing projects and intend to expand their involvement.

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