

## AAPF ACTIVITY COMPLETION BRIEF (7 March 2013)



African Mining Governance Study Tour Alumni Learning Forum in Tete Province, Mozambique

12 – 16 November 2012



### Results

**Activity outcomes:** As a result of participating in the study tour, participants improved their understanding of mining governance issues; experienced directly the achievements and challenges of mining in the Tete region; and further developed linkages and networks among themselves.

#### Participation by country and gender:

| Country                  | M         | F        | Total     |
|--------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|
| Algeria                  | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| Botswana                 | 2         | 0        | 2         |
| Burkina Faso             | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| Cameroon                 | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| Central African Republic | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| Ethiopia                 | 2         | 0        | 2         |
| Gabon                    | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| Ghana                    | 4         | 0        | 4         |
| Guinea                   | 3         | 0        | 3         |
| Kenya                    | 1         | 1        | 2         |
| Liberia                  | 3         | 0        | 3         |
| Madagascar               | 2         | 1        | 3         |
| Malawi                   | 2         | 1        | 3         |
| Mali                     | 2         | 0        | 2         |
| Morocco                  | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| Mozambique               | 9         | 2        | 11        |
| Namibia                  | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| Niger                    | 3         | 0        | 3         |
| Nigeria                  | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| Senegal                  | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| Sierra Leone             | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| South Africa             | 1         | 1        | 2         |
| South Sudan              | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| Sudan                    | 1         | 0        | 1         |
| Tanzania                 | 1         | 1        | 2         |
| Tunisia                  | 2         | 0        | 2         |
| Uganda                   | 2         | 0        | 2         |
| Zambia                   | 2         | 0        | 2         |
| Zimbabwe                 | 2         | 1        | 3         |
| <b>TOTAL</b>             | <b>55</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>63</b> |

**Feedback from participants:** Participant Richard Adjei-Poku (Executive Director, Livelihood and Environment Ghana) said: "This forum brought together all the stakeholders—government, civil society, communities and companies—to have a dialogue on how we can all have a win-win situation related to mining". Speaking about training opportunities related to mining governance, Abel Chumba (Superintending Inspector of Mines, Ministry of Environment and Mineral Resources) from Kenya, encouraged Australia to "bring more people on board from different countries".

**Next steps:** The AAPF will continue to maintain and strengthen its alumni network, particularly through the use of the Australia-Africa Mining for Development website ([www.australia-africa-m4d.org](http://www.australia-africa-m4d.org)).



**Background:** An important issue raised by AAPF participants is how to build on the good will and relationships engendered from AusAID-sponsored study tours and other activities within the mining governance sector. Based on interest from AusAID and participants of mining study tours, this alumni forum was an important follow-up opportunity for future capacity building and partnerships.

**Objective:** The objectives of the Alumni Learning Forum were to:

- consolidate and expand networks among study tour alumni;
- continue focused learning on key topics such as local procurement, skills development, mining finance and taxation, and geodata; and
- encourage exposure to other AusAID mining governance programs.

**Activity description:** The program ran for five days and included discussions on the Australia-Africa Mining for Development website; a review of past study tours; a formal dinner with the Governor of Tete Province, the Minister of Mineral Resources and the High Commissioner of Australia to Mozambique; and field visits focused on local procurement, skills development and regional planning and infrastructure.

During the study tour, participants were exposed to both theoretical discussions and hands-on field trips in Tete. They had the opportunity to visit medium- and large-scale mining operations, including a start-up mining operation, and interact with Mozambican government officials and local private sector bodies. Participants also visited training institutions and mining service companies.

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