



Background: World Bank designed this activity to focus on the long-term goal of African countries in transformational development in extractive industries, and to develop practical interventions (such as local procurement, improved tax administration and regional infrastructure) to contribute to this goal.

It was an opportunity for AusAID to increase its contribution to extractive industry development in Africa and to strengthen its relationship with the World Bank in this field. The World Bank is a recognised leader in mining-related governance assistance, and it has strong networks and relationships, a long history of providing relevant technical support and access to quality advisers. AusAID, as part of the broader Mining for Development Initiative, is seeking to partner with the World Bank in the provision of mining assistance.

Objective: The overall objective was to increase understanding among participants at the 2013 Mining Indaba of the need to use Africa’s extractive industry resources to generate transformational development and to increase consensus on practical ways to do this (such as resource corridors, tax administration, jobs and skills and investing in transformational development).

Relevance to AAPF objectives: The activity was relevant to the AAPF’s objective to ‘build effective partnerships that contribute to sustainable achievement of targeted development priorities in African countries’. The activity meets the AusAID Africa program’s high-level objectives in relation to mining governance assistance in Africa. It strengthens the relationship with the World Bank.

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Activity description: The 2013 African Mining Indaba Conference ran from 3 to 7 February in Cape Town, South Africa. The World Bank hosted a two-day pre-Mining Indaba session focused on the challenges of having extractive industries in Africa contribute to the sustainable and transformative development of the nations and societies where they are located.

The World Bank commissioned a multi-country survey investigating what stakeholders regard as the long-term objective of extractive industry development and the challenges in achieving this. Stakeholders surveyed included government, society, NGOs and industry, and the findings of the survey were presented and discussed on the first day of the forum.

The two-day comprised the following activities:

- Sunday 3 February: Presentation of Survey Findings and Commissioned Papers; Beyond EITI (Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative); Contract Transparency; and Accountability and Investment for Development.
- Monday 4 February: Resource Corridors (Collaborative Budgeting and Participatory Planning); Tax Administration; Jobs and Skills (Link to Local Procurement); Investing in Transformational Development; and Launch of the ‘\$1 Billion Map of Africa’.

Activity Outcomes: A large and diverse group of stakeholders attended both sessions. The event enhanced participants’ understanding of the main challenges facing African mining and the range of potential mechanisms to generate transformational development from mining revenue.

