



## AAPF ACTIVITY COMPLETION BRIEF (9 March 2013)

Mali Mining Conference

8 – 10 November 2012



**Activity description:** One of Australia's leading mining education academics was part of an Australian delegation at Mali's 4th Mining and Petroleum Conference in Bamako, Mali, 8–10 November 2011.

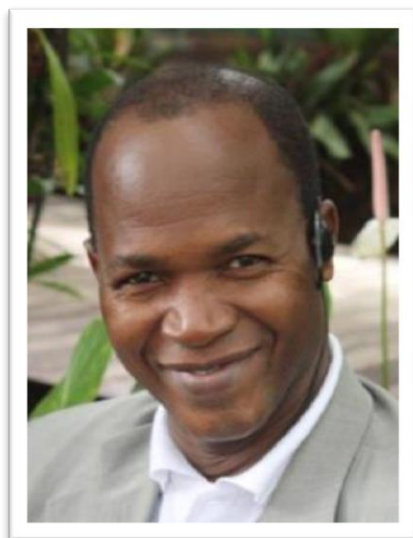
With AusAID and AAPF support, Professor Stephen Hall, Director of the Western Australian School of Mines, Curtin University, was a guest speaker at the conference. He presented at a roundtable discussion with about 15 senior staff from the National Engineering School (including the Director, Moussa Kante) about the challenges in providing education and training programs that meet the required standards of the mining industry.

The conference attracted more than 500 delegates from mining and petroleum companies, foreign governments, international organisations and civil society.


Professor Hall was also a guest speaker at a luncheon for senior figures hosted by Australian Ambassador to Mali, Billy Williams. In attendance at the conference luncheon were Mines Minister, Mr Amadou Cisse, and senior ministry officials; Australian and Mali mining and petroleum company delegates; members of the diplomatic corps; and representatives of the World Bank.

Professor Hall's presentation showcased Australia's world leadership in mining education and the key to its success: collaboration with the mining industry and international partnerships.

**Next steps:** Professor Hall and others are now proposing ways to provide long-term Australian support via the AAPF to African institutions involved in training for the mining and mining governance sectors.



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