MINING AND SOCIETY
Benefits and Obligations

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Sustainable Mining and the Resources Boom

- Why a global perspective;
- Why mining; and
- Why now
THE BOOM AND ITS CONSEQUENCES #1

- High value exports
- Massive foreign investment
- Increased employment
- Regional development
- Improvements in the national skills base
- Increased Government revenue

– What’s not to like?
The fine line and its obligations

- The role of mining in domestic policy issues; and

- Social expectations and the bottom line
Responsible mining provides society with the opportunity to break the welfare trap, but society has to be prepared to participate.

'Social Responsibility in the Mining and Metals Sector in Developing Countries’ a guide for resource companies operating overseas.
SUSTAINABLE MINING AND THE RESOURCES BOOM
The global perspective

Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative:
- Walking the walk as well as talking the talk

Mining 4 Development:
- If mining is to be a vehicle for economic development – who is steering?
WHAT WAS ALL THAT ABOUT?

- A properly administered resources sector can help alleviate poverty and support broader economic development: but

- The capacity of mining to continue to deliver those benefits is underpinned by a series of obligations between miners, the community and government.
Thank you

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