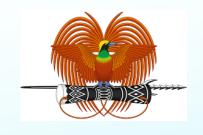


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Session 10 – Modern Mine Closure
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# INTRODUCTION OF THE PAPUA NEW GUINEA MINE CLOSURE AND REHABILITATION GUIDELINES

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## ÖVERVIEW: PNG REGULATORY CHALLENGES

PNG's Mining Act 1992 has no provisions for mine closure.

Exception is the Ok Tedi mine under the 2001 decommissioning code for closure. Financial assurance (~USD270m, reduced ~USD196m).

PNG's Environment Act 2000 (limited provision)

Environment permit provides the holder must activate a closure plan within 5 years of anticipated closure

☐ Different companies apply different guidelines based on their views of international best practice.

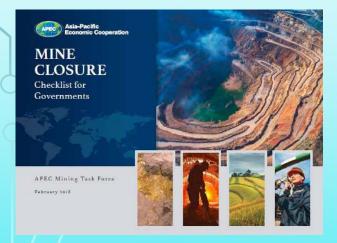
PNG history: one mine closed – Misima (2004-2010); one abandoned mine – Sinivit (2014); Mine in liquidation - Tolukuma (2017)

## BACKGROUND



APEC-IGF Joint Statement of Intent of 7th May 2017, in Ha Noi, Viet Nam. The APEC Mining Task Force (MTF) and IGF agree that IGF will:

Undertake a complete pilot implementation of the Checklist through a mine closure in at least one APEC developing economy.



PNG selected for the pilot project of the Canadian economy Mine Closure Checklist.





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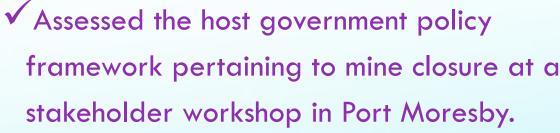




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#### PNG undertook pilot implementation:



✓ Identified key issues to be addressed using the Checklist.

> Developed a strategy to address identified issues based on international best practice & PNG experience.

✓ Presented draft outcomes at the APEC MTF Mining Workshop in August 2018.



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## CASE STUDY - MISIMA MINE

- ☐ 1989 Commence Production;
- 2004 –Production ceased/ Mine closed
- 2012 Relinquishment
- Post Mine Closure
- Mined area rehabilitated.
- Services & Infrastructure provided by Mine Operator & Government decommissioned except where retained by community.
- Mine pit used for mini-hydro scheme.







☐ CONDUCTED WORKSHOPS, SESSIONS AND TELECONFERENCES LED BY IGF AND CIRDI TEAM.

RESPONSIBLE PNG AGENCIES PARTICIPATED

MODIFIED TO MEET THE NEEDS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR PNG.

CONSIDERS CONCEPTUAL CLOSURE PLANS & FINANCIAL ASSURANCE THROUGH TO DETAILED FINAL CLOSURE PLANS

### Key Issues addressed in the Guidelines ☐ Plain Language Summary ☐ Temporary Closure ☐ Authorizations/Corporate ■ Progressive Reclamation approval ■ Integrated Schedule of Activities ■ Purpose and Scope ☐ Post Closure Monitoring and Maintenance ☐ Post-Mining Land Use ☐ Relinquishment Plan ☐ Environmental/Social Setting ☐ Mine Closure Cost Estimates ☐ Stakeholder Engagement ☐ Mine Closure Financial Assurance

#### **Outcome**

- Provide guidance to industry proponents and government regulators on what needs to be included in mine closure plans submitted for approval.
- Assist in addressing mine closure challenges; and
- Ensuring successful closure of operations.

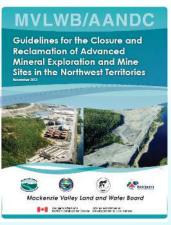
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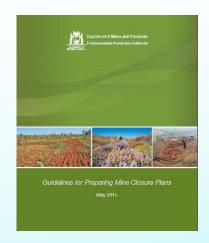
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