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The Maslow Hotel · Sandton, South Africa

Programme

Time	Session	Speaker	Detail
07:30 – 08:30	Registration & Welcome Coffee		Delegate registration, name badges, delegate packs. Networking over tea/coffee.
08:30 – 09:00	Welcome & Opening	MC – Dr Alamain Nkateko Mnene and Rene Mokoena	MC introduction and housekeeping. Welcome address.
09:05 – 09:35	Introduction on new legal compliance issues	Mr. Xolani Gumede	overview of the new Mine Blasting Regulations — legislative context, limitations and safety. DMRE 16/3/2/1-AB) “Minimum standards on ground vibrations, noise, air-blast and Flyrock near surface structures and communities to be protected”.
	Keynote address	Mr Simon Tose	Technical obligations and controls in respect of blast induced noise, ground vibration and fly-rock
09:40 – 10:00	Legal	Mr. Kwanele Gumede	Legal Framework: What mining operations must know.
10:05 – 11:00	Tea Break		Networking
11:10 – 11:25	Case Study – Early Adopters	Sir. Ian Chauke	Case Studies: Lessons from early adopters and leading mining houses.
11:30 – 12:30	Demonstrations & Panel Discussion 1	Legal, Regulations & Safety Simon, Kwanele & Ian	Expert panel: industry practitioners and regulatory representatives. Q&A with delegates.
12:45 – 13:45	Lunch		Lunch. Networking
14:00 – 14:15	Technology	Dr. Geoff Adderley	Technical approach - Measurements, Controls and mitigation measures
	Academic Perspective	TBC	TBC
14:20 – 14:35	Software	Mr. Antoine Lafont De Sentenac	Compliant Blasting: digital ecosystem to address regulation requirements
14:40 – 15:40	Demonstrations & Panel Discussion 2	Technical, Operations & Technology	An expert led discussion and Q&A session.
15:45 – 16:15	Tea Break		Networking
16:15 – 16:45	Closing Session		Key takeaways summary. Feedback survey.
16:50 – 17:00	Closing Remarks		Official close. Vote of thanks by Mesong Holding.