



Presentation Program

Monday, September 22nd

Room: Salzburg 1



Time	Speaker <i>Titel</i>
08:30	Thomas Spörker; Austrian Federal Ministry of Finance – Mining Authority <i>Mining and Mine Rescue in Austria</i>
09:00	Andreas Fichtner, Christine Staak; Germany <i>Presentation of the Tactical Medical Mining Rescue Concept for Advanced First Aid Emergency Rescue in Resource Industry, Mining and Remote Areas</i>
09:30	Andreas Fichtner, Christine Staak; Germany <i>Implementation of the TMR Advanced Emergency First Aid concept in Mining in Germany and beyond</i>
10:00	Baiwei Lei; China University of Mining and Technology <i>Remote Sealing and Shrink-sealing Fire Extinguishment Methods for High-gas Mines: A Case Study of the Yuwu Coal Mine Fire</i>
10:30	Coffee Break
11:00	Mannas Fourie; Mines Rescue Services South Africa <i>Heat our Rescuers Highest Risk, can technology assist?</i>
11:30	Mannas Fourie; Mines Rescue Services South Africa <i>Vertical Mine Shaft Rescue and Recovery Operation at 1 289 m: A World-First Success</i>
12:00	Robert Galler; Technical University of Leoben, Austria <i>ZaB-Zentrum am Berg – a unique full scale Underground Research, Development as well as Training and Education facility</i>
12:30	Lunch Break
13:30	Joshua R. Brady; West Virginia University, USA <i>West Virginia University - Emergency Response Training</i>
13:00	Matt VandenHeuvel; Ontario Mine Rescue, Canada <i>Surface Mine Rescue Course Development</i>
13:30	Michael Halwachs; International Tunnelling Association, Austria <i>Considerations for fostering a joint approach of mine rescue organisations and fire brigades for effective rescue operations in underground spaces</i>
13:50	L. V. Suryanarayana; The Singareni Collieries Company Limited, India <i>Adriyala Longwall Project Mine Rescue Operation</i>
15:00	Coffee Break
15:30	George Artur Gaman; INCD INSEMEX Petrosani, Romania <i>The Role of the Association of Mine and Surface Rescuers (ASMS) in the Development of Mine and Surface Rescue Activities in Romania</i>
16:00	Kari Lentowicz; Diamonds in the Rough, Canada <i>We Are Better Together: Lessons in Allyship and Inclusion in Mine Rescue from Diamonds in the Rough</i>
16:30	Kurtis Atkinson; Ontario Mine Rescue, Canada <i>Closed Circuit Breathing Apparatus Review and Evaluation</i>
17:00	End of Presentations Day 1

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08:30	Brett Garland; Queensland Mines Rescue Service, Australia <i>25 years of Level 1 Emergency Exercises in Queensland</i>
09:00	Alaster Wylie; International Mines Rescue Body, Australia <i>International Mines Rescue Competition Rules standardization</i>
09:30	Wiyono Minarno; Indonesian Mine Rescue Emergency Response Association (PERTAPINDO) <i>Mitigating Risk, Ensuring Safety: The Landscape of Mining Emergency Response Preparedness in Indonesia</i>
10:00	Congyuan Tang; Ministry of Emergency Management of the People's Republic of China <i>Enhancing the Combat Effectiveness of Mine Rescue with New Quality Productivity</i>
10:30	Coffee Break
11:00	Axel Bahr; Dräger Safety AG & Co. KGaA, Germany <i>Every Coin has 2 Sides: Green Energy and Mines Rescue</i>
11:30	Ken Swanlund; Guduza System Technologies, South Africa <i>Underground Real-time Vital Signs Monitoring for Rescue Team Members, using the latest technology via Data transfer Radio Communications</i>
12:00	Erik Farys, Louis Schaarschmidt; TU Bergakademie Freiberg, Germany <i>Strengthening European Collaboration in Mine Rescue Education: An Overview of the MINERS Program</i> Mine Rescue as Part of Academic Education at The TU Bergakademie Freiberg
12:30	Lunch Break
13:30	Lukasz Niewiadomski; DEZEGA, Poland <i>Compressed Oxygen SCBA: A Key to Mine Rescuer Safety and Health</i>
14:00	Gorden Sullivan; Ontario Mine Rescue, Canada <i>Electronic Record Keeping and OMR Tablet Rollout</i>
14:30	Daniel Steinbach; German Social Accident Insurance Institution for the raw materials and chemical industry (BG RCI) <i>Use of drinking masks during extended mine rescue operations</i>
15:00	Coffee Break
15:30	Keegan Newman; Endeavour Mining, West Africa <i>Mine Rescue Operations Standards and Norms – “Bridging the GAP – Aligning West African Mine Rescue Standards with Global Best Practices”</i>
16:00	Tim Jackson; Queensland Mines Rescue Service, Australia <i>QMRS Inertisation Solutions</i>
16:30	Shawn Rideout; Ontario Mine Rescue, Canada <i>2021–2025 Ontario Mine Incident Review and Learnings</i>
17:00	Dinesh Bisen; Coal India Limited, India <i>Silkyara Tunnel Rescue: A Triumph of Resilience and Collaboration</i>
17:25	Tomasz Ciupa; Central Mine Rescue Station Bytom, Poland <i>Invitation to the IMRB 2027 in Poland</i>
17:35	Mike Parent; Ontario Mine Rescue, Canada <i>IMRB 2029 and 100-Year Anniversary of Ontario Mine Rescue</i>
17:45	End of Presentations Day 2

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