

The International Cyanide Management Institute (ICMI) will be conducting a workshop on implementing and auditing the International Cyanide Management Code (Cyanide Code) in Elko, Nevada on Thursday, November 9, 2023.

This one-day workshop is intended to assist gold and silver mining companies and other stakeholders in their understanding of the Code's expectations for the responsible management of cyanide and instruct auditors verifying Code compliance on how to evaluate mining operations and cyanide transporters and make their findings.

The workshop will provide an opportunity for companies that have not yet become signatories to learn about the Cyanide Code first-hand, and for workshop participants to discuss in-person those issues of greatest importance to them with ICMI officials. It also will give insight into the procedural and interpretive aspects of the Cyanide Code that will prepare operations for successful audits and make Cyanide Code auditors more effective.

The Cyanide Code is focused on the safe management of cyanide by companies producing gold and/or silver and by companies producing and transporting cyanide. The Cyanide Code is intended to promote and help ensure the safe and environmentally responsible management of cyanide used within the gold and silver mining industries. Operations are assessed for compliance triennially by qualified, independent auditors. The Cyanide Code has been widely adopted across the gold sector, amongst the most established certification programs in the mining sector. The Cyanide Code is being implemented at 143 gold mines, 31 cyanide production and repackaging facilities and 134 transport operations in 51 countries throughout the world.

The Workshop Program

The workshop will focus on the Cyanide Code's certification program and the practical issues associated with implementing and auditing the Cyanide Code at gold and silver mines. ICMI Vice President Dr. Eric Schwamberger and Vice President for Standards Assurance Mark Montoya will discuss the intent of each of the Cyanide Code's Principles and Standards of Practice, along with the Cyanide Code's expectations for performance and the measures typically necessary to achieve that performance. Interpretive guidance will be provided on how auditors are to use their professional judgment in determining whether an operation is in compliance with the Cyanide Code. The presentation will provide participants with the critical knowledge and understanding of the Cyanide Code necessary to identify appropriate and acceptable measures to improve cyanide management and meet the Cyanide Code's performance-based goals.

Examples and insights from Cyanide Code audits will be discussed to bring focus to changes in the Code's expectations for compliance, changes in industry practices and technology related to Code-compliance, and key issues and areas related to

operational compliance.

The workshop is intended for a wide-range of stakeholders interested in the implementation and verification of the International Cyanide Management Code. Personnel from gold mines, auditors, environmental and safety professionals, government regulatory personnel, and NGOs with interest in gold mining should all find the workshop beneficial in enhancing their understanding of this voluntary gold industry code of practice.

The Venue

The workshop will be held at the Shutters Hotel, 3650 East Idaho Street, Elko Nevada, 89801. The hotel can be reached by telephone at +1-775-777-1200. Reservations also can be made www.ShuttersHotelElko.com.

Workshop participants are responsible for making their own arrangements for lodging.

Registration Fee

The registration fee for the workshop is US\$350 per person, which includes lunch. Companies registering four or more participants will receive a 10% discount.

Implementing and Auditing the International Cyanide Management Code

8:15 – 10:15

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Brea	k	10:15 –10:30
II.	 Implementation and Auditing of the Cyanide Code for Mining, Production, and Transport Operations Detailed Discussion of Expectations for Compliance Worker Safety Emergency Response Training Handling and Storage 	10:30 – 12:15
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III.	 Implementation and Auditing of the Cyanide Code for Mining, Production, and Transport Operations Detailed Discussion of Expectations for Compliance Operation Facility Decommissioning 	1:15 – 3:00
Brea	k	3:00 – 3:15
IV.	 Implementation and Auditing of the Cyanide Code for Mining, Production, and Transport Operations Detailed Discussion of Expectations for Compliance Purchasing Transportation Dialogue & Disclosure 	3:15 – 4:30
V.	Additional Discussion, Questions, and Answers	4:30 – 5:00