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## **Agenda – Part A**

Purpose: Information  
Submitted by: Chair



**6<sup>th</sup> Ministers Responsible for Mining  
Meeting  
Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea  
23 August 2018**

## 6<sup>th</sup> MINISTERS RESPONSIBLE FOR MINING MEETING (6<sup>th</sup> MRMM)

### Part A: COMBINED FORUM OF INDUSTRY CEOs AND MRM (0830 – 1230)

23<sup>rd</sup> August 2018 (**Morning ONLY**)

*International Convention Centre, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea*

#### TENTATIVE PROGRAM No. 2

0830 0835 0840 0845 0850 0920	<b>Opening (0830 – 0930)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Call to order &amp; business of the day arrangement</li> <li>• SOM Chair 2018 Welcome remarks</li> <li>• Dr. Allan Bollard, APEC Secretariat</li> <li>• Rodrigo Urquiza, MTF Chair</li> <li>• Opening Remarks by Hon. Johnson Tuke, PNG Minister for Mining</li> <li>• Adoption of Agenda</li> </ul>	Chair's Assistant Amb. Ivan Pomaleu  MRM6 Chairman MRM6 Chair & Chair's Assistant
0930 - 1030	<p><b>1. How to Promote Further Investment in Mining?</b></p> <p>Continued Investment in Mining is the cornerstone of sustenance and growth of the industry in the region. However during the last decade, the industry took a hit with the downturn in global economy, and related to it commodity prices dropped to historical record lows, even shutting down some mines. Despite these two picking up in recent times, investors and shareholders are still mindful of that experience and are hesitant when it comes to further investment. Added to this is the recent emerging trend of international trade tariffs targeting the industry, as well as the advent of technology, which challenges short term returns versus long term gains (if choosing to invest in new technology), and of course boards and shareholder priorities, which put further strain on investing in the industry.</p> <p>The Ministers and CEOs to discuss how to promote more investment under these climates.</p> <p><b>Moderator:</b> John Strongman, Independent Global Mining Specialist The moderator will give a 5 minute presentation on the state of the economy and global emerging trends before moderate the ensuing discussion.</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> 3 speakers from Industry</p> <p><b>Forum:</b> Interjections, and discussions by Ministers, moderator, industry, and Dr. Bollard accordingly</p> <p><b>Desired Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair and Moderator to sum up and note for further deliberations, leading to guidance and or directions during the Ministers Only session.</li> <li>• Ministers to commit to ensure that their economies support and create investment initiative in their economies to support their mining industry</li> <li>• Ministers to affirm that these concerns are heard by the leaders.</li> </ul>	
1030 - 1100	Morning Tea / - <i>Family Photo (Ministers &amp; Industry CEOs)</i>	

1100 - 1230	<p><b>2. Overcoming Innovation-driven growth barriers &amp; Inclusive Development – shared values</b></p> <p>Scientific and technological innovations including digitalization are revolutionizing industry and hold the potential to create significant change. However there are still barriers to harnessing technology and innovation led growth. This session seeks to review and carry on the discussion initiated during the MRM5 which calls for ‘creating an enabling environment for scientific and technological innovation’, and ‘formulating and implementing policies favourable to innovation’ as well as ‘social responsibility and common development.’</p> <p><b>Moderators:</b> John Strongman, Independent Global Mining Consultant Moderator will give a 5 minute presentation before moderating the ensuing discussion.</p> <p><b>Speakers:</b> 2 x industry reps to make a 10 minute presentation</p> <p><b>Forum:</b> Interjections, and discussions by Ministers, Moderator, Industry, and Dr. Bollard accordingly</p> <p><b>Desired Outcomes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair and Moderator to sum up and note for further deliberations, leading to guidance and or directions during the Ministers Only session.</li> <li>• Ministers to commit to ensure that their economies create a conducive environment for overcoming barriers to innovation driven growth, and inclusive development with respect to local community interests</li> <li>• Ministers to affirm that these concerns are heard by the leaders.</li> </ul>
1230 - 1330	<p><b>Lunch</b></p> <p><i>End of Ministers and CEOs sessions</i></p>