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TUESDAY 27 OCTOBER 2026 — REGISTRATION DAY		
09:00 – 18:00	**DELEGATE REGISTRATION OPEN** *Welcome Desks | Delegate Packs | Exhibitor Set-Up*	*Sponsored by* Mansa Resources

WEDNESDAY 28 OCTOBER 2026 — CONFERENCE DAY 1

08:00 – 09:00	**REGISTRATION & MORNING COFFEE** *Delegate Registration | Exhibition Opens | Networking*	*Sponsored by* Mansa Resources
09:00 – 09:45	**OPENING CEREMONY** • Overview of conference by **Mrs. Monique Cooper-Liverpool & Daniel O.Sando,** Masters of Ceremony • Speech by **Mr. Amara Kamara,** President**, Liberia Chamber of mines** • **Platinum Sponsors Speech:** ✓ **Mr. Michie Van Der Merwe,** CEO **- Arcelor Mittal Liberia** ✓ **Avesoro** ✓ **Hon. Mohammed Sherif,** Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer**, Liberia Electricity Corporation (LEC)** • Spoken Words: **Cecelia D. Kolee –** Draft Woman, Ministry of Mines and Energy • Special Remarks : ✓ **Kristin Gilmore,** Chargé d'Affairs **- U.S. Embassy Monrovia** ✓ **H.E Yin Chengwu –** Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary**, Embassy of the People's Republic of China** • Interlude of cultural performance – Arts and Culture team • Official welcome address by **Hon. R. Matenokay Tingban,** Minister of Mines and Energy**, Republic of Liberia** • National Anthem – Liberia Mass Choir • Keynote message and official declaration of LIMEC 2026, **H. E. Joseph Nyuma Boakai, Sr.** President **of the Republic Liberia** • Pining of the President **–** Liberia Chamber of Mines	
09:45 – 10:30	**TOUR OF THE LIMEC 2026 EXHIBITION** *Guided tour of the exhibition floor for delegates, ministers, and VIP guests | Exhibition officially open to all*	
10:30 – 10:45	**MORNING COFFEE BREAK & EXHIBITION NETWORKING**	IVANHOE ATLANTIC

SESSION 1 | HIGH-LEVEL ROUNDTABLE: MINING & ENERGY — LIBERIA'S RESOURCE REVOLUTION

10:45 – 13:30	**MINING SECTOR** • **Opening keynote: Liberia's strategic vision for the mining sector — policy direction, 2030 and beyond** **Speaker: Hon. William S. Hines,** Deputy Minister for Operations, **Ministry of Mines and Energy** **Moderator: Hon. Stephen B. Dorbor,** CEO **- Gondwana Trio Earth Resource Consultancy (G-TERC)**

	Panelists: • **Dr Amir Mirchi,** Chief Executive Officer, **Sarmin Metals and Westcrest Liberia** • **Mr. David Kol –** Chief Executive Officer**, Zodiac Gold** • **Hon. Sumo S. Momolu,** Assistant Minister of Mines**, Ministry of Mines and Energy** **ENERGY SECTOR** • **Opening keynote: Liberia's strategic vision for the energy sector — policy direction, 2030 and beyond** **Speaker: Hon. Charles Umehai,** Deputy Minister for Energy**, Ministry of Mines and Energy** **Moderator: Hon. Mohammed Sherif,** Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer**, Liberia Electricity Corporation (LEC)** **Panelists:** • **Mr. Augustus V. Goanue –** Managing Director**, Liberia Electricity Regulatory Commission (LERC)** • **Mr. Jigba Y. Yilla -** Director Finance and Administration Manager**, CLSG** • **Tomah Floyd –** CEO**, Jungle Energy Power** • **Amara Kamara,** President**, Liberia Chamber of mines** • **Amb. Simeon Moribah,** Secretary-General, **Mano River Union**
13:30 – 14:30	**NETWORKING LUNCH** *Sponsored Lunch | Exhibition Open | Bilateral Meetings* HUAWEI
SESSION 2 | MINING: IRON ORE — SCALING UP FOR GLOBAL MARKETS	
14:30 – 15:30	**Iron Ore: Scaling Up for Global Markets** ▸ Global iron ore market outlook: steel demand, pricing trends, and Liberia's competitive position in the global market ▸ De-risking investment in Liberia's iron ore sector: fiscal terms, MDA structures, and risk mitigation strategies **Moderator: Hon. Ernest C. B. Jones –** CEO, **Land and Housing Development Inc.** **Panelists:** • **Mr. Michie Van Der Merwe,** CEO **- Arcelor Mittal Liberia** • **Brent Fleeton**, Global Director of Corporate Affairs - **Ivanhoe** • **Erik Hedborg,** Principal Analyst, Steel & **Yusu Mao**, Senior Analyst, Steel Raw Materials **CRU Group** • **Dr. Amir Mirchi,** Chief Executive Officer, **Sarmin Metals and Westcrest Liberia** • **Ahmed Ali Mohamed,** Sales Manager**, Mantrac Liberia** • **Mr Yang Bo,** Acting General manager, **CGGCMS**
15:30 – 16:00	**COFFEE BREAK & EXHIBITION NETWORKING** IVANHOE ATLANTIC
SESSION 3 | ENERGY: OFF-GRID AND RURAL ELECTRIFICATION OPPORTUNITIES	
16:00 –	**Off-Grid and Rural Electrification Opportunities**

17:00	➢ Overview of Off-Grid and Rural Electrification sector ➢ Mini-grid development opportunities in rural Liberia ➢ Off-grid solar home systems ➢ Financing rural electrification **Moderator: Steven Payma,** Business Development Specialist, **RREA** **Panelists:** • **Samuel Bocay Nagbe, Jr**, Executive Director, **RREA** • **Korvah Loranzo Mulbah,** Digital Power Business Developer **- Huawei Ghana Digital Power Department** • **Engr. Abu D. Sanso** - Director of technical Regulation, **LERC** • **Chimaobi Omeye,** Head of Policy and Regional Coordination, **Africa Minigrid Developers Association (AMDA)** • **Ngozi Beckley-Lines,** Country Manager, **Sierra Leone, Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL)**
SESSION 4 | GROWING LOCAL SUPPLY CHAINS, SKILLS AND TECHNOLOGY IN LIBERIA'S MINING & ENERGY SECTORS	
17:00 – 18:30	▸ Local content legislation ▸ Skills pipelines for the resource sector ▸ Technology transfer and in-country value ▸ SME development and procurement portals ▸ Financing local suppliers **Moderator: Hon. Amin Modad –** Former Minister**/Ministry of Commerce** **Panelists:** • **Caroline Bowah,** Executive Director**, NIC** • **François Phopho Kamano,** Executive director, **Chamber of Mines Guinea** • **Raphael Frerking,** Country Director Regional Office – Sierra Leone, Liberia **– GIZ** • **Dr. Pascal Rey,** Chief Executive Officer**, INSUCO** • **Aliou Mamadou DIA,** Resident Representative, **UNDP** • **Andrew Ayirebi,** Regional Manager, West Africa, **Weir** • **Peter Raw,** Managing Director – West Africa R&E Division / Civil Engineer, **WBHO-SC** • **Mr. Joseph Crayton**, CEO, **LIBANGO ENERGY & LIBERIA DRILLING & MINING SUPPLIES**
18:30 – 18:50	**END OF DAY 1 CONFERENCE SESSIONS** *Chair's Summary & Announcements*
18:50 - 19:30	**GLS Menzies Sundowner** **Location:** *Roberts Air Cargo Centre, Roberts International Airport* *Opposite the Farmington Hotel*
19:30 – 23:00	**WELCOMING COCKTAIL** *Hosted by*

THURSDAY 29 OCTOBER 2026 — CONFERENCE DAY 2	
08:30 – 09:00	**MORNING COFFEE & EXHIBITION NETWORKING** *Exhibition Open | Delegate Networking*
SESSION 5 | MINING AND ENERGY FINANCE AND DEAL STRUCTURING IN WEST AFRICA	
09:00 – 10:00	**Mining Finance and Deal Structuring in West Africa** • Accessing capital for African mining projects: equity markets, project finance, royalty and streaming finance • The role of Development Finance Institutions (World Bank/IFC, IMF, AfDB, IFC, DFC, Afreximbank) in de-risking Liberian mining and Energy projects • The new Liberian mining code's 10–25% free-carried state equity model: implications for project economics and bankability • Environmental, social and governance (ESG) standards and bankability requirements: meeting lender expectations • Deal structuring case studies: recent transactions in West African mining and lessons for Liberia **Moderator: Hon. Boima S. Kamara**, Director General **– West African Monetary Agency** **Panelists:** • **Mohammad Saqib,** Senior Energy Specialist**, World Bank Group** • **Hon. Dehpue Zuo -** Commissioner**, ECOWAS** • **Salamata Diallo,** Managing Director **- Ecobank**
SESSION 6 | ENERGY: POWERING LIBERIA'S ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION	
10:00 – 11:00	**Powering Liberia's Economic Transformation** ➢ Liberia's National Energy Compact milestones, investment requirements, and financing gaps ➢ Unlocking hydropower potential to address generation gap ➢ Opportunities for Private-Public Partnerships (PPPs) and utility-scale independent power producers (IPP) ➢ Expanding and upgrading national transmission networks, and leveraging the regional network for power trade **Moderator: Mr. Augustus V. Goanue** – Managing Director, **Liberia Electricity Regulatory Commission (LERC)** **Panelists:** • **Mr. Alieu Nyei,** National Coordinator**, MCC Liberia Compact Development** • **Mr. Mohammed Sow –** Deputy Managing Director for Technical Services, **Liberia Electricity Corporation (LEC)** • **Ing. Abel Didier Tella,** General Manager, **ASEA APUA** • **Gilles Matayron,** EU Chargé d'Affaires a.i, **Delegation of the European Union to Liberia** • **Ngozi Beckley-Lines,** Country Manager, **Sierra Leone, Sustainable Energy for All (SEforALL)** • **Mr. Joseph Crayton**, CEO, **LIBANGO ENERGY & LIBERIA DRILLING & MINING SUPPLIES**
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11:30	**MORNING COFFEE BREAK & EXHIBITION NETWORKING**
11:30 – 12:30	**SESSION 7 | ENERGY: OPPORTUNITIES IN LIBERIA'S UPSTREAM AND DOWNSTREAM PETROLEUM SECTOR** **Opportunities in Liberia's Upstream and Downstream Petroleum Sector** • Liberia's offshore licensing framework: recent progress in awarding exploration blocks across the Liberia and Harper Basins, and the outlook for future licensing rounds • Subsurface data and exploration potential: the growing body of seismic and geological data underpinning investment decisions in Liberia's Deepwater and near-shore plays • Liberia's long-term energy security: the strategic imperative of monetizing hydrocarbon resources to fund the national energy transition, and the regulatory framework enabling upstream development • Downstream petroleum infrastructure: national fuel storage capacity, direct importation capabilities, and the investment gap in terminal and distribution facilities **Moderator: Hon. Urias A. Taylor –** Petroleum Engineer **– Liberia Petroleum Regulatory Authority (LPRA)** **Panelists:** • **Ms. Karen Carlson,** Geoscience Advisor, **KC Geoscience Consulting** • **Hon. Marilyn T. Logan,** Director General **- Liberia Petroleum Regulatory Authority (LPRA)** • **Hon. Fabian Michael Lai,** President/ CEO**, National Oil Company of Liberia (NOCAL)** • **Mr. T. Nelson Williams**, Chief Administrative Officer- **Conex**
12:30 – 13:45	**NETWORKING LUNCH** *Sponsored Lunch | Exhibition Open | Bilateral Meetings*
13:45 – 14:45	**SESSION 8 | ENERGY: ENERGY FOR MINING — POWERING LIBERIA'S RESOURCE SECTOR** **Energy for Mining: Powering Liberia's Resource Sector** ▸ Energy demands of Liberia's expanding mining sector: load forecasting, grid capacity planning, and captive power solutions ArcelorMittal Liberia's energy supply model: lessons from Africa's largest iron ore beneficiation plant ▸ The role of mining companies in co-investing in grid infrastructure: shared-use transmission lines and substations ▸ Renewable energy for remote mining operations: solar-hybrid captive power and the path to decarbonised mining **Moderator:** • **Mr. Mentor Zahn KOTEE**, Assistant Director of Grid**, Ministry of Mines and Energy** **Panelists:** • **Hon. Thomas Gonkerwon** - Deputy Managing Director for Operations**, Liberia Electricity Corporation (LEC)** • **Mrs. Joebarline S. B. Gbozee,** Director for Energy Planning**, Research and Policy Ministry of Mines and Energy** • **Michie Van Der Merwe** – CEO, **ArcelorMittal Liberia** • **Thomas B. Kanneh –** Senior Economist, **Liberia Compact Development Team** • **Benjamin Xie,** Senior Executives**, Sub - Saharan Africa Digital Power Microgrid Dept**

	• **Bamba Thiam,** Business Development Manager – Mining, **PowerGen**
14:45 – 15:15	**AFTERNOON COFFEE BREAK & EXHIBITION NETWORKING** 
15:15 – 16:15	**SESSION 9A | MINING: GEOLOGICAL DATA, GOLD, AND DIAMONDS** ➢ USGS Geological Data ➢ BGS Geological Data ➢ Chinese Geological Data ➢ Activities to generate cutting-edge Airborne Geophysical Survey Data **Moderator: Mr. Abdu S. Mulibah**, Principal Exploration Geologist**, Africa Industrial Group (AIG)s** **Panelists:** • **Mr. Michael V. Suah,** Geologist | Legal Practitioner | Environmental and Natural Resources Specialist - **Liberia Chamber of Mines** • **Mr. Anthony Kullie,** Director, Liberia Geological Survey, **Ministry of Mines and energy** • **Ben Young –** Business Development Director**, Xcalibar** • **Adama Soro,** President of the **West Africa Federation of Chambers of Mines (EFEDCOM)**
16:15 – 17:15	**SESSION 9B | FORMALIZATION AND TRACEABILITY IN LIBERIA'S ARTISANAL SECTOR: STRENGTHENING COMPLIANCE AND RESPONSIBLE SOURCING** ➢ Liberia's Mining Compliance and Reforms ➢ Artisanal miners: licensing, production records, valuation, inspections, and chain of custody ➢ Kimberley Process and Minerals Certification and Export ➢ Regional corporation: Strengthening the Mineral trade across the MRU **Moderator: Mr. Stephen B. Dorbor,** CEO**, Gondwana Trio Earth Resource Consultant (G-TERC)** **Panelists:** • **Ms. Rebecca Kumba Fallah,** Director/ Office of Precious Minerals**, Ministry of Mines and Energy** • **Mr. Alwell A. Carr** - Director of Mines **/ Ministry of Mines and Energy** • **Mr. Jenkins Flahwor,** Project Manager (Liberia) **Regional Resource Governance Project at GIZ Sierra Leone and Liberia** • **Mrs. Mercy Z.B. Zeanbo,** Resident Geologist - **MME** • **Mr. John K. Jallah Jr.** Director, **Department of Compliance and Enforcement Environmental Protection Agency of Liberia**

SESSION 10 | INFRASTRUCTURE, LOGISTICS AND THE INVESTMENT ENVIRONMENT	
17:15 – 18:15	**Infrastructure, Logistics and the Investment Environment** ➢ Railway rehabilitation and expansion, Port upgrades, and regional logistics ➢ Road infrastructure enabling mining and energy sector growth: key gaps and government investment priorities ➢ Digital mining, automation, and data-driven resource management: technology trends and their application in Liberia's mineral industry **Moderator:** • Dr. Nathaniel Blama – Executive Director, **Liberia Chamber of Mines** **Panelists:** • **Rémi Ayikoué Amavi,** Country Manager**, AGL Liberia** • **Lawrence Lante Lawson**, Head of Projects and Asset Management - **GLS Group** • **Ignatius Saymel Neepaye**, Liaision Officer, **The Liberia National Railway Authority** • **Hon. R. Layfette Giddings,** Minister - **Ministry of Public Works** • **Hon. Sekou A.M. Dukuly,** Managing Director **- National Port Authority** • **Hon. Sirleaf Ralph Tyler,** Minister**, Ministry of Transport**
CLOSING CEREMONY	
18:15 – 19:00	**LIMEC 2026 CLOSING CEREMONY** ▸ Summary of key outcomes and resolutions from LIMEC 2026 — presented by Conference Chair ▸ Closing address from the Ministry of Mines and Energy, Republic of Liberia: Next steps and government commitments by **Hon. Fahnseth B. Mulbah**, Deputy Minister for Planning and Development ▸ Announcements and preview of LIMEC 2028 by **Hon. Eudora Blay-Pritchard,** Deputy Minister for Administration, Ministry of Mines and Energy ▸ Official close of LIMEC 2026 — Closing declaration by senior government dignitary. **Hon. Jeremiah Sokan**, Chair/House Committee on Mines
19:00 – 21:00	**CLOSING COCKTAIL RECEPTION** *Final Networking | Informal Farewell | Exhibition Closes*

FRIDAY 30 OCTOBER 2026 — TOURISTIC & TECHNICAL VISITS	
09:00 – 09:30	**DEPARTURE & ORIENTATION** ▸ Delegates assemble at the conference hotel lobby for organised transportation ▸ Welcome briefing and safety instructions from tour coordinators ▸ Distribution of visit programmes, safety equipment, and information packs
09:00 – 17:00	**TOURISTIC TOUR: KOKON ECOLODGE DAY TOUR** • **Pickup & Departure** • **Historical & Military Sightseeing** ○ Sightseeing stop at the historical American military site associated with World War I

	and World War II. ○ Learn about Liberia's wartime connections and enjoy photography opportunities. • **Transfer to Marshall City** • **Scenic Boat Journey** ○ Cruise through the waterways and mangrove environment to Kokon Ecolodge. • **Arrival & Welcome** • **Nature Experience & Beach Relaxation** ○ Explore the ecolodge's surroundings (beach, lagoon, and forest environment). ○ Relax on the beach and enjoy the coastal scenery. • **Swimming & Resort Facilities** • **Lunch** • **Optional Eco-Activities & Free Time** • **Return Journey** ○ Boat trip back to Marshall City. ○ Vehicle transfer back and drop-off at Farmington Hotel.
17:00	**RETURN TO HOTELS — END OF LIMEC 2026** *Farewell from the LIMEC 2026 Organising Team | Safe travels to all delegates*

Programme subject to change. All timings are local Monrovia time (GMT).

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