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ALEXANDRIA, Va. — The American Geosciences Institute (AGI) is pleased to host a February 2021 online Critical Minerals Forum entitled "Advances in Critical Mineral Research: A Forum in Memory of Victor Labson," sponsored by the World Community of Geological Surveys and organized by the Geological Survey of Canada, Geoscience Australia, and the U.S. Geological Survey.

New critical mineral deposits are required to secure the supply of natural resources that are used in today's advanced technologies. This Critical Minerals Forum brings together representatives from multiple geological surveys organizations to provide an update on the latest geoscience results and to discuss future critical mineral research.

The Critical Minerals Forum will be hosted as a set of three regional sessions:

- Americas, February 12: "The Role of Geological Survey Organizations to Advance Critical Mineral Research"
- Europe and Africa, February 19: "The Past, Present, and Future Directions of Critical Mineral Research"
- Asia and Oceania, February 26: "Geoscience to Support Critical Mineral Discovery"

Each regional forum will feature pre-recorded lectures from science policy experts and geoscientists and a live plenary and moderated discussion session with attendees. All plenary and discussion sessions will be conducted in English with live captioning in French, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian, Modern Chinese, and Hindi.

For more information, including registration details, please visit <https://www.americangeosciences.org/webinars/critical-minerals-forum-2021>.

About AGI

The American Geosciences Institute (AGI), a federation of scientific and professional associations representing over a quarter-million geoscientists, is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to serving the geoscience community and addressing the needs of society. AGI headquarters are in Alexandria, Virginia.

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