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AGI to Host Free GeoConnection Webinar: Future Trends in Mining

Alexandria, VA – The American Geological Institute (AGI) Workforce Program is hosting a free webinar co-sponsored by the Australian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG) March 2, 2010 from 4:00 – 5:00 pm EST.

This is the first of AGI's GeoConnection Series webinars which bring leaders from different employment sectors to discuss prospects for careers for geoscientists in their field. These programs are aimed at students, recent graduates, and others interested in the issues that affect the various sectors in which geoscientists work.

This particular webinar will focus on future opportunities in the minerals industry, including both traditional and non-traditional roles for geoscientists.

Panelists include:

- * Leigh Freeman from Downing Teal, a leading recruiter of talent for the global minerals industry, will look at the supply and demand trends for geoscientists in the minerals sector.
- * James Steel from HSBC Securities (USA), who will explore both the metals trading sector and the numerous employment opportunities in the financial sector.
- * Gavin Mudd from Monash University, who will discuss workforce and developments in sustainable mining practices.

Following the panel presentations, an open discussion period will be held for audience members from around the world to ask questions of the panel and each other.

For more information about this webinar, including how to register, visit AGI's GeoWebinar webpage at <http://www.agiweb.org/workforce/webinars.html>.

The American Geological Institute is a nonprofit federation of 46 geoscientific and professional associations that represents more than 120,000 geologists, geophysicists and other earth scientists. Founded in 1948, AGI provides information services to geoscientists, serves as a voice of shared interests in the profession, plays a major role in strengthening geoscience education, and strives to increase public awareness of the vital role the geosciences play in society's use of resources, resiliency to natural hazards, and interaction with the environment.

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