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Session 1
WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION
BRUCE SHAPIRO, President,
MineAfrica Inc.
Seminar Chairman – RICHARD LACHCKIK,
Partner and Head, Mining Group,
Macleod Dixon LLP

Session 2
MARKET MELTDOWN: UNDERSTANDING 300 YEARS OF FINANCIAL CRISSES
DR. MARK MULLINS, Executive Director,
The Fraser Institute

Session 3
UNDERSTANDING THE KEY INDICATORS OF YOUR COMPANY’S ABILITY TO WEATHER THE STORM
LEE HODGKINSON, Chairman, Global Mining Group & Partner,
MATT TEDFORD, Partner Advisory,
KPMG LLP

Session 4
INVESTMENT BANKING – STRATEGIES FOR MATURE COMPANIES
JAMES E. KOIFMAN, Vice Chairman,
UBS Securities Canada Inc.
This session will provide a current perspective on market events, how they are impacting mining companies and strategies for going forward.

10h30–10h50
REFRESHMENT AND NETWORKING BREAK

Session 5
INVESTMENT BANKING – STRATEGIES FOR JUNIOR AND MID-MARKET COMPANIES
DARYL HODGES, Senior Managing Director,
Head of Investment Banking
Jennings Capital Inc.
The strategies for junior and mid-market companies differ from those of the seniors. This session will cover non-traditional financing strategies in the secondary markets including: public high yield debt financing, convertible debentures, flow-through shares, off-take agreements and royalty agreements.

Session 6
STRATEGIES FOR SUCCESSFUL FINANCINGS WITH COMMERCIAL LENDERS
TED KAVANAGH, Director, Investment Banking - Mining & Metals,
Standard Americas, Inc.
Topics to be covered in this session include:
- topics to be covered in this session include:
- how the current environment impacts new financings
- care and maintenance of your existing financing relationships
- financial health in the international banking industry
- what can my bank do for me
- strategies for a successful credit application

Session 7
UNDERSTANDING THE KEY LEGAL AND REGULATORY ISSUES IN THE CURRENT ENVIRONMENT
JANINE DUNCAN, Partner,
BRIAN LEVETT, Partner,
Macleod Dixon LLP
Topics to be covered in this session include:
- mergers and acquisitions
- strategic alliances – share exchanges
- share buy-backs
- going private transactions
- non-traditional financing strategies in the secondary markets
- public high yield debt financing
- convertible debentures
- flow-through shares
- off-take agreements
- royalty agreements
- defensive strategies (poison pills)
- change of control provisions in employment contracts – golden parachutes
- hedging strategies
- under-water stock options – motivating and retaining your key employees

Session 8
THE OUTLOOK FOR COMMODITY PRICES AND THE GLOBAL MINING INDUSTRY
PATRICIA MOHR, Vice President, Economics & Commodity Market Specialist,
The Scotiabank Group
Effective strategic decision-making demands accurate knowledge of global macro-economic trends. This session will provide an outlook for the mining sector globally and commodity prices.

Session 9
INSOLVENCY AND RESTRUCTURING
DAVID PLANQUES, National Leader Corporate Advisory & Restructuring
PricewaterhouseCoopers
Topics to be covered in this session include:
- business restructurings
- Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act
- Companies Creditors Arrangement Act
- proposals
- strategic sale of impaired assets
- valuing assets to achieve financing and strategic transactions-through shares
- mitigating risk when your partner or counter-party may be insolvent

Session 10
PANEL DISCUSSION – CREATIVE FINANCING ALTERNATIVES
JANIS KOYANAGI, Director, Business Development & Strategy,
TMX Group (Toronto Stock Exchange)
STEPHEN PINCUS, Partner,
Goodman LLP
LEON RALBNHEIMER, Managing Partner,
ZED Financial Partners
KEITH SPENCE, President,
Global Mining Corporation
MICHAEL SPROULE, Managing Director, Investment Banking,
Sandfire Securities
The current environment is creating a demand for innovative financing alternatives. This interactive panel discussion will cover alternative financings (such as Special Purpose Acquisition Corporations and Capital Pool Companies), private equity, sovereign funds and special situation lending.

Session 11
WRAP UP
SAMW AIMAN CHAIRMAN – RICHARD LACHCHIK,
Partner and Head, Mining Group,
Macleod Dixon LLP
WAYNE FLOREANI, Vice President,
MineAfrica Inc.