

MINING INDABA 2027 to Spotlight GOLD & PLATINUM GROUP METALS

Cape Town, South Africa:

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Gold Market Outlook In Focus

A dedicated session titled “The Future of Gold” is scheduled for 9 February at the Red Sea Stage. The discussion will examine whether the gold bull market has ended or whether the market has reset before another phase of growth.

The organisers describe a market that has experienced record highs, volatility and a sharp price correction. The session will consider whether geopolitical uncertainty will continue to support gold or whether its effects on inflation and yields could contribute to further selling.
For gold producers and investors, the discussion will offer an opportunity to assess how changing market conditions could influence expectations for the metal and decisions across the mining sector.

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Investment And Project Development

Beyond the commodity sessions, Mining Indaba’s investment programme will provide a platform for precious metals companies to engage with investors and potential partners. The Investment Village will include an Explorers Showcase, a Junior Mining Showcase and an Investment Lounge. These facilities cover mining more broadly and are intended to connect companies at different stages of development with the investment community. Other published sessions will consider how mining leaders can align capital, policy and project timelines, as well as how African mining opportunities can attract investment. These discussions are relevant to gold and PGM companies seeking to advance exploration, development and expansion projects.

Artisanal Mining And Responsible Markets

Mining Indaba 2027 will also introduce a dedicated half-day programme on artisanal and small-scale mining on 11 February.
The programme will bring together operators, financiers, regulators, offtakers, traders and other stakeholders to discuss access to formal finance, secure tenure, responsible markets and commercial partnerships. While it is not exclusively a gold programme, it could offer valuable insights for participants in the artisanal gold supply chain.

The conference will also host Value Chain Forums examining beneficiation and industrialisation across Africa. For precious metals stakeholders, these discussions may provide a wider perspective on the future of local processing and value addition in mineral-producing countries.

Industry Leaders

The published speaker list includes representatives from companies active in precious metals, including Mike Fraser of Gold Fields, Mike Cinnamond of B2Gold, Natascha Viljoen of Newmont, Sebastiaan Bock of Barrick, Craig Miller of Valterra Platinum and Richard Stewart of Sibanye-Stillwater. The overall speaker list does not confirm their participation in individual sessions.

With dedicated attention to gold and PGMs, Mining Indaba 2027 will offer precious metals stakeholders an opportunity to examine market trends alongside the investment, policy and supply-chain issues shaping African mining.