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Alternative Mining Indaba 2026

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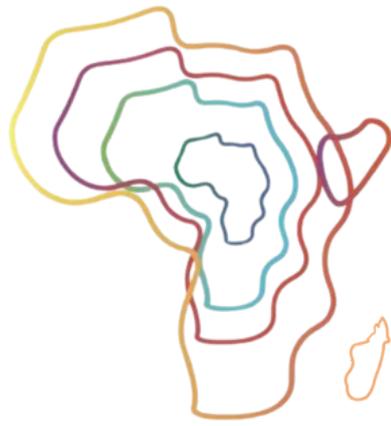


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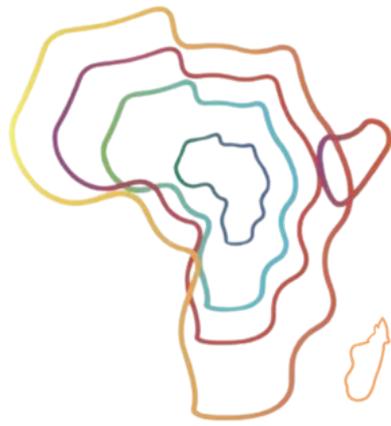
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Background

The Alternative Mining Indaba (AMI) began in 2010 as a response to the Investing in African Mining Indaba (MI), the annual business conference in Cape Town where mining companies, investors, and governments gather to discuss mining investments, with minimal input from communities directly affected by mining activities. The first AMI's theme was "Poverty and Extractive Industries – Why are we in poverty when we own mineral resources?" and gathered around 30 participants, including faith leaders, mining communities and civil society. The purpose was to expose the mining industry as a symbol of global inequality and imbalance, and to provide a platform for community voices, especially those from mining-affected areas.

In 2026, the Alternative Mining Indaba (AMI) will return to its roots with the aim to challenge the narratives of the Investing in African Mining Indaba (MI) in Cape Town by amplifying the lived experiences of communities affected by mining. AMI26 will act to move away from a formal, top-down format and return to the grassroots-driven, justice-centred gathering that prioritises community voices and collective action.

Goal of AMI 2026:

- Discussion on alternative stories – solidarity space run hybrid in the region
- Draw out linkages between mining-affected communities in the region
- Share good practices on engaging mining companies/government



**Panel
Discussions**

Monday 9 Feb 2026



**Exhibition
Day**

Tuesday 10 Feb 2026



**Closing
Dialogues**

Wednesday 11 Feb 2026



Monday 9 February 2026

Time	Agenda Item
Day 1: In The Church (Monday 9 February 2026) MC: Mkhasiri Sibanda/Caroline Mutsago	
8:00–8:45	Registration
8:45–9:00	MC remarks and Housekeeping issues
9:00	All delegates Seated
9:00 – 9:15	Devotion/Prayer Bishop Ignatious Makumbe- President, Zimbabwe Council of Churches
9:15 – 9:30	Welcome to AMI 2026
9:30 – 10:00	Opening remarks: and sharing the road to AMI 2026 and the outlook of the road ahead, Settle the business of the AMI Chairperson: Eric Mokuoa
10:00 – 10:15	Safeguarding talk–Introduction of rapporteurs and communique’ drafting team: Tarasai Munemo SC Leads: Franklin, Gloria, Nelson, & Mandla Support Person: Dr Tinashe Gumbo Introduction of an open wall for receiving submissions/points/petitions to be included in the communique (Include a white cloth for painting)

Time	Agenda Item
10:15 – 10:50	<p>Keynote Address: The real story behind Mining investment, dispossession in mineral-endowed communities.</p> <p>Dr Dineo Skhosana</p>
10.50–11.50	<p>Key panel – Solidarity Stories: Telling it as it is!</p> <p>Moderator: Mike Banda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kwaku Afari (WACAM Ghana- community-based) • Lusungu Kumwenda Mangochi (EAM-Evangelical Association of Malawi) • Nonhle Mbuthuma-Amadiba Crisis Committee- (Xolobenic community of South Africa) • Edward Lange (Pamoja Zambia): Zambia community-On February 18, 2025, a dam in Chambishi, Copperbelt province, holding mining waste from the Chinese mining company, Sino-Metals Leach Collapse: • Fr Dr Charles Kitima (PhD). Tanzania Catholic Secretariat
TEA	
11:55 – 1:00	<p>Plenary discussion: Our story, the power of Solidarity: Bringing together the alternative mining stories from the region</p> <p>Moderator: Tricia Sibbons</p> <p>Linking up the MACUA in Joburg MAC Summit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sabelo Mnguni (MACUA Coordinator) • Reginald (Tlou Mogale) • Rachel (Kwabe-Community)

Time	Agenda Item
Lunch	
2:00 – 4:00	<p>Panel – Beyond all idle Talk and dialogues: The Strategies that have worked for holding companies and governments accountable:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dr Ketakandrian Rafitoson, PWYP (Ghana) • Sascha Raabe: Head of the Global Alliance for Responsible and Green Minerals (The United Nations Industrial Development Organisation (UNIDO)) • IndustriALL intervention • Rodrigo Peret (Churches and mining Program & People’s Dialogue-Brazil)
4:00 – 5:30	<p>Solidarity buzz: Networking, informal sharing meeting, greeting</p> <p>Preparations for the exhibitions.</p>
From 6 pm	Side events of various organisations

Tuesday 10 February 2026

Time	Agenda Item
Day 2: Outdoor (Tuesday 10 February 2026)	
9:00 – 9:15	Welcome to AMI 2026 Day 2
9:15 – 9:30	Devotion/prayer
9:30 – 10:00	Opening of the exhibition and introduction of the stands Reminder: continuation of the open wall for points/petitions to be included in the communique (This is to consolidate a memorandum in any form.
10:00 – 10:15	Talk by the chairperson
10:15 – 11:15	Performance by artists
TEA	
11:45 – 1:00	Simultaneous activities <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Breakaway sessions• Walk around the exhibition
LUNCH	

Time	Agenda Item
2:00 – 3:00	Open mic session – people share what moved or touched them in the exhibition and how it links to their stories- 3 minutes for organisation exhibiting.
3:00 – 3:30	Arts items (Poetry, book reading)
TEA	
4:00 – 4:45	LARC documentary screening on mining
4:45 – 5:00	Closing
5:00-6:00	Side event continues
From 6 pm	Exhibition remains open / Side events at various organisations

Wednesday 11 February 2026

Time	Agenda Item	Responsible
Day 3: The Hall & outdoor(Wednesday 11 February 2026)		
9:00 – 9:15	Welcome to AMI 2026 Day 3 Reminder: exhibition continues throughout the day	MCs
9:15 – 9:30	Devotion	
9:30 – 10:30	Presentation of points/petitions/art forms from the open wall/exhibition day to be included in the communique and taken to the Mining Indaba	
10:30 – 11:15	Participants to make input/additions to the points taken to the Mining Indaba	
TEA		
12:00 – 2:00	March to the Mining Indaba and Handover of the Memorandum	
LUNCH		
3:00 – 4:30	Final panel of the AMI – Our stories, our strategies/ Plenary to reflect on how the event took place/Closing statement by communities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 community members • Church leader 	
4:45 – 5:00	Closing of AMI 2026	



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