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# PASTE<sub>2012</sub>

15th International Seminar on Paste and Thickened Tailings  
16–19 April 2012 · Sun City, South Africa

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## FIRST ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR PAPERS

### BACKGROUND

The series of 'Paste' seminars began in 1999 and each year a conference is held in either Australia, South Africa, Chile or the Northern Hemisphere. The conference has been held in Southern Africa in 2001 (Pilansberg), 2004 (Cape Town), 2008 (Kasane, Botswana) and in 2012 it returns to South Africa.

This seminar has attracted a large number of regular attendees as it is the premier international forum for the development of the technologies associated with the disposal of high density waste tailings. It deals with the developments in dewatering technologies, such as thickening and flocculation, advances in pump and pipeline understanding, and surface and mine backfill.

The seminar series has resulted in the publication of two editions of the 'Paste and Thickened Tailings Guide', distributed by the Australian Centre for Geomechanics.

### OBJECTIVES

The objective of the seminar series is to disseminate the latest advancements in the field of paste and thickened tailings technology by providing a forum to present the work that is being done in the field, and obtain feedback based on case studies and operating installations from practitioners.

### WHO SHOULD ATTEND

The seminar is aimed at all those involved in the design and management of mine waste disposal facilities, and includes

- engineers
- operators
- mine owners
- legislators and
- research academics.



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- > Thickening technology
- > Pumping and pipeline transport
- > Surface disposal
- > Mine backfill
- > Case studies

## EXHIBITION/SPONSORSHIP

Sponsorship opportunities are available. Companies wishing to sponsor or exhibit should contact the Conference Co-ordinator.

## CALL FOR PAPERS

The Australian Centre for Geomechanics is the founding body of this seminar and is being hosted and organised by The Southern African Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Prospective authors are invited to submit titles and abstracts of their papers, in English. The abstracts should be limited to less than 500 words relating to any topic mentioned above.

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## KEY DATES

12 September 2011	Call for abstracts
26 September 2011	Acceptance of abstracts
31 October 2011	Submission of draft papers
13-17 February 2012	Authors final approval of papers
16-19 April 2012	Conference

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- I intend to submit an abstract of the proposed paper entitled:

Title of paper: .....

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