**Call for Nominations to the Community of Interest Advisory Panel**

**Category: Economic and Community Development**

**Overview**

The Mining Association of Canada (MAC) is seeking nominations for candidates to participate in its [*Towards Sustainable Mining*](https://mining.ca/towards-sustainable-mining/,) (TSM) Community of Interest Advisory Panel (COI Panel).

TSM is MAC’s commitment to responsible mining. Mandatory for all MAC members, TSM requires the assessment, independent verification, and public reporting of 30 distinct performance indicators that address eight areas of social and environmental performance. In recent years, mining associations around the world have adopted TSM; interest in and recognition for the program continues to grow.

The COI Panel, established in 2004 by the MAC Board of Directors, advises MAC on the design and implementation of the TSM program and serves as an important forum for dialogue between MAC and its communities of interest in Canada.

The Panel’s objectives are to:

* Identify current and emerging priorities for the mining sector and communicate these to the MAC Board of Directors
* Receive feedback from MAC on industry performance and issues raised by communities of interest, including through community‐level engagement processes undertaken by member companies
* Provide a space for rich and well‐informed national dialogue and a space for MAC and its members to discuss industry approaches and seek advice
* Advise and encourage MAC and its members to improve their environmental, social, and economic performance
* Advise MAC on the ongoing development and implementation of TSM and review TSM implementation results
* Contribute to the understanding of TSM among MAC communities of interest and support the goals and achievements of TSM

The Panel includes 12‐15 respected individuals representing key communities of interest for Canada’s mining sector. Representatives from MAC’s Board of Directors and a representative of the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada also participate in the Panel on an ex‐officio basis.

The Panel meets twice per year, with one meeting often near a mine site. There are also opportunities for Panel members to participate in working groups with specific purposes between meetings. More information on the Panel is available at: <https://mining.ca/towards-sustainable-mining/community-interest-advisory-panel/>

**Criteria**

The Panel is currently seeking nominations for the Economic and Community Development category. The successful candidate will demonstrate:

* Experience and understanding of the opportunities, challenges, and emerging priorities for economic and social development in mining communities
* Access to perspectives from economic and community development organizations operating in mining communities
* Commitment to open and constructive engagement
* Ability to devote time and effort to participate in the work of the Panel

Members of the Panel participate on an individual basis and do not represent any organization. They bring their own expertise and knowledge, as well as the perspectives of relevant communities of interest. Members are respected and credible within their respective communities of interest. They serve as authoritative voices on the Panel and communicate with their communities on issues of relevance to the Panel.

**Application process**

Candidates can be nominated by a third party or submit their own nomination. If you or someone you know is interested in applying to this position, please complete and submit the attached nomination form along with a current CV to:

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**The deadline for nominating candidates is July 26th, 2022**

The Panel nomination committee, comprised of both industry and non‐industry Panel members, is responsible for recommending new Panel members to the MAC Board. A representative from the committee will contact a subset of candidates for an interview process. The successful candidate will be informed of their selection in September 2022 and will be expected to participate in a meeting of the Panel from October 3-5, 2022.

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| **MAC COMMUNITY OF INTEREST ADVISORY PANEL NOMINATION FORM** | |
| **Nominee:** [Candidate’s full name] | **Category of nomination:**  Economic and Community Development |
| **Affiliated Organization:** [Candidate’s Affiliation]  *Note that this is for background information only. Members of the Panel participate on an individual basis and do not represent any organization.* | **Role/Title:** [Candidate’s role/title at affiliated organization] |
| **Nominee’s contact information:**  E-mail:  Phone: | **Nominee’s place of residence:**  City/Town:  Province/Territory: |
| **Please briefly describe why you believe this candidate would be suitable:** | |
| **The Panel seeks to reflect diverse experiences and perspectives among its members. Please feel free to comment on any qualities or characteristics that you think would be of interest to the Panel:** *For example: geographic representation, gender, age, language, etc.* | |
| **Nominated By:** [Full name] | **Contact** [**information:**](mailto:kyle@thestarfish.ca)  E-mail:  Phone: |
| **Is the nominee aware of this nomination?** | **Is the nominee’s CV attached?**  [A CV will be required to assess the candidacy of the nominee. It can also be supplied directly by the nominee.] |