



Corporate Leadership Group on Responsible Minerals Sourcing



GRI and RMI collaborate to enhance the quality of reporting practices on responsible minerals sourcing

Increasingly, governments and other stakeholders recognize the need to prevent the extraction and trade of minerals with significant adverse impacts, including serious human rights abuses and conflict.

The increased attention has prompted many companies to establish due diligence management systems and publicly report on their practices. Qualitative and comparable data help companies identify their gaps, and promote accountability and transparency in the minerals supply chain. However, despite international guidance and regulations, public reporting by companies overall remains limited and the quality and comparability of existing reports presents opportunities for improvement.

GRI and RMI

Since 1997, the Global Reporting Initiative (GRI) has pioneered sustainability reporting, and GRI's reporting guidance is the most trusted and widely used by companies and governments worldwide. The Responsible Minerals Initiative (RMI) is one of the most used and respected resources for companies from a range of industries addressing conflict minerals issues in their supply chains. United in their belief that business can positively contribute to advancing sustainable development, and committed to enabling better decision-making, GRI and RMI are collaborating to improve sustainability reporting on responsible minerals sourcing.

The Project

GRI and RMI are collaborating to improve the quality and comparability of due diligence disclosure, by providing globally applicable guidance and tools for reporting. This 15-month project aims to provide the reporting community with consolidated reporting guidance based on existing internationally-recognized tools and frameworks, such as the OECD Due Diligence Guidance for Responsible Supply Chains of Minerals from Conflict-Affected and High-Risk Areas. The outcomes can be used to improve regulatory compliance and further enable companies to make informed decisions about potential conflict minerals in their supply chains. The project has three phases:

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INCEPTION RMI and GRI will conduct extensive research and interview multi-stakeholder experts from government, civil society, industry, investors and international institutions to understand stakeholder expectations and define the landscape and urgency of the issue

January 2018 - April 2018

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CORPORATE LEADERSHIP GROUP RMI and GRI will invite companies to discuss research findings from Phase 1, to develop a common understanding how existing tools and frameworks serve companies, discuss best practices, and how identified gaps can be addressed with additional reporting guidance on responsible minerals sourcing.

April 2018 - December 2018

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DISSEMINATION Based on the outcome of Phase 2, RMI and GRI will develop consolidated guidance for responsible minerals sourcing reporting, and inform the GSSB, whose responsibility it is to decide on revisions of the actual GRI standards.

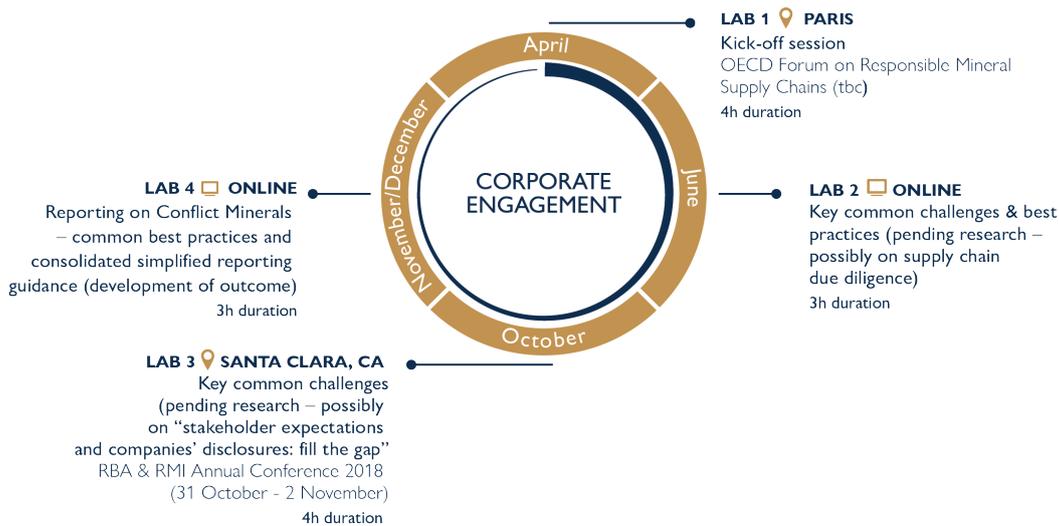
Early 2019

The Corporate Leadership Group

GRI and RMI are looking for experienced reporting organizations — that are committed to supporting the development of consolidated, globally applicable reporting guidance, and whose participation will encourage others to implement this vital component of supply chain due diligence — to join Phase 2: Corporate Leadership Group. Participating will allow them to:

<p>1</p> <p>INFLUENCE GLOBAL DISCUSSIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Take a seat at the table to drive global discussions and develop globally applicable reporting guidance • Access a community of global experts and peers to gain cutting edge insights and help evolve emerging practices • Participate in a series of international Leadership Labs 	<p>2</p> <p>TACKLE THE CHALLENGES OF REPORTING</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Profile your organization as a leader in emerging topics • Examine topics, reporting practices, work towards better disclosures and a common language in reporting • Take your reporting to the next level • Be ahead of the curve of stakeholder expectations 	<p>3</p> <p>DEMONSTRATE LEADERSHIP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Position your company on responsible minerals sourcing action, together with two leading sustainable development organizations • Activate additional companies to engage in responsible minerals sourcing public disclosures
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Participants are invited to co-shape the detailed agenda and decisions on which particular questions the focus will be put on, to ensure that the companies' key questions and need for guidance can be accommodated.



JOIN THE CORPORATE LEADERSHIP GROUP

GRI and RMI invite practitioners from corporations to join the Corporate Leadership Group. Expressions of interest are welcome from individuals who fulfill the following criteria:

- You work for a company that is an RMI member (and/or GRI GOLD Community member*)
- You have at least three years of sustainability reporting experience and extensive knowledge of responsible minerals sourcing disclosures.

For GRI GOLD Community members who are non-RMI members, the fee to participate in the Corporate Leadership Group is set on a sliding scale, depending on the operating revenue of your organization.*	5bn+	€ 14,000
	1bn-5bn	€ 10,000
	<1bn	€ 8,000

*This is in addition to your GOLD Community membership fee.
For RMI Members, participation is covered by RMI, for up to 15 participants.

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