

Belt and Road Initiative (BRI)

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Speakers



Eric Lin is head of the Simmons & Simmons Beijing office. He has extensive experience in international M&A, projects and project finance, energy and infrastructure projects. Eric has worked extensively with Chinese and international clients and has vast experience advising on China outbound investment. Eric has worked on mining transactions for Chinese clients in Mongolia, Russia, South Africa, the DRC, Guinea, Gabon, Sierra Leone, Zimbabwe, Uganda, Ethiopia, Djibouti and Fiji.



Iain Duncan is the head of the international mining group at Simmons & Simmons. He has extensive experience of advising on projects and transactions around the world in the mining sector (including M&A, joint ventures, investment agreements with host governments, pre-pays, streams and royalty financings).



Chris Horton is the head of Simmons & Simmons London equity capital markets practice and has advised on many equity fundraisings by listed companies on the London markets. His relevant experience includes advising on equity offerings by international companies (including from the PRC) and in the natural resources sector. Chris is a regular speaker at the London Stock Exchange's training programme on The Transparent Market – Listing Rules and Disclosure and Transparency Guidance, is a member of the City of London Company Law Sub Committee and is a co-author of City and Financial's book on the "Financial Conduct Authority's Listing Regime".



Dr Darko Hajdukovic is head of funds, fixed income and analytics for the London Stock Exchange's capital markets business responsible for primary market offering for international companies, debt and investment funds. Darko has extensive experience in equity and fixed income transactions on public markets and is a member of the FCA's Listing Advisory Panel. Darko joined the London Stock Exchange Group (LSEG) in 2007 as Debt Product Manager looking after primary fixed income business.

Before joining LSEG, Darko was an independent consultant specialising in financial regulation and regulatory economics. His previous engagements include projects on assessing the effectiveness of the EU regulation and its impact on the economic development and sector research covering telecommunications, manufacturing and tourism.

Darko holds a Doctorate in Economics from University of London and is a member of the Royal Economic Society.



Ken Lomborg has more than 30 years' experience in the minerals industry (particularly platinum, chrome and gold). He has been involved in exploration and mine geology and has had the privilege of assisting in bringing a mine to full production. His expertise is especially in project management, mineral reserve and resource estimation. Ken has undertaken mineral resource and reserve estimations and reviews for platinum, gold, copper, cobalt, uranium and fluorite projects. He has assisted with the reviews or estimation of diamond and coal projects and assisted or compiled Mineral Experts Reports/NI 43-101 for various projects that have been listed on the TSX, JSE and AIM stock exchanges.

Ken is Deputy Chairman of CRIRSCO and is also Chairman of the SAMREC Committee which is responsible for the SAMREC Code and represents SAMREC on the CRIRSCO Executive.



Yangyang Zhu has over 30 years experiences in international mining and resources development. In the past ten years, Mr. Zhu has focused on mining finance with mineral reporting standards on resources and reserves. Currently Mr. Zhu is leading a research team to bridge Chinese mineral classification standards on mineral resources and reserves with CRIRSCO, reporting standards under the China National Development Project on Mineral Resources and Reserves Technical Standards System. Prior to his leadership of this project, Mr. Zhu was the Executive Vice President of Tianjin International Mining Exchanges and Deputy Secretary General of the International Committee of China Mining Association. Mr. Zhu is also a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM). He is also the Beijing and China Representative of the Committee for Mineral Reserves International Reporting Standards.

About the event organisers

Simmons & Simmons

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CRIRSCO

The Committee for Mineral Reserves International Reporting Standards (CRIRSCO) was formed in 1994 under the auspices of the Council of Mining and Metallurgical Institutes (CMMI), is a grouping of representatives of organisations that are responsible for developing mineral reporting codes and guidelines in Australasia (JORC), Brazil (CBRR), Canada (CIM), Chile (National Committee), Colombia (CCRR), Europe (PERC), Indonesia (KOMBERS _ KCMi), Kazakhstan (KAZRC), Mongolia (MPIGM), Russia (NAEN), South Africa (SAMREC), Turkey (UMREK) and the USA (SME). The combined value of mining companies listed on the stock exchanges of these countries accounts for more than 80% of the listed capital of the mining industry.