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Foreword

Zinc and lead minerals commonly coexist in nature. Their minerals are often co-mined and concentrated while the respective metals are often refined separately. Both metals have seen significant growth in their markets in recent years. Zinc metal is mainly used in the galvanizing industry, which accounts for almost half of its modern-day demand. Worldwide, lead is predominantly used in the lead-acid battery industry.

The conference focuses on aspects from mine to metal. Topics include: resource development; flotation optimization; options and optimization for hydro- and pyrometallurgical process routes; and recycling.

The Lead/Zinc 2008 conference is organized by The Southern African Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and will be held on a cruise ship off the east coast of Southern Africa. It is a continuation of the series of international specialist conferences:

- Lead-Zinc '70 in St. Louis organized by TMS-AIME
- Lead-Zinc-Tin '80 in Las Vegas organized by TMS-AIME
- Zinc '85 in Tokyo organized by MMIJ
- Lead-Zinc '90 in Anaheim organized by TMS-AIME
- World Zinc '93 in Hobart organized by AusIMM
- Zinc & Lead '95 in Sendai organized by MMIJ and MetSoc-CIM
- Zinc and Lead Processing in Calgary in 1998 organized by MetSoc-CIM
- Lead-Zinc 2000 in Pittsburgh organized by TMS-AIME, and
- Lead & Zinc '05 in Kyoto organized by MMIJ.

This conference will again provide an international forum for people in the lead and zinc processing industries to exchange information about current and emerging processing technologies, for primary and secondary production of lead and zinc.

Thanks are due to the Organizing Committee and to the secretariat of The Southern African Institute of Mining and Metallurgy for their efforts to organize this event.

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