



THE WEEKEND READER

"Your Weekly Read on Debt, Development & Socio-Economic Justice"

ZIMCODD to co-host the Zimbabwe Alternative Mining Indaba (ZAMI) 2024

Zimbabwe Coalition on Debt and Development (ZIMCODD), Zimbabwe Council of Churches (ZCC), and the Zimbabwe Environmental Law Association (ZELA) host #ZAMI2024 from October 28 to November 1 2024. The 13th edition of ZAMI will take place in Bulawayo under the theme "Energy Transition Minerals: Putting Communities First for Community Development." This event aims to transform structural inequalities in Africa's extractive industries. The event will gather stakeholders from mining communities, government representatives, Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO's), Civil Society Organizations (CSO's), among many others to deliberate on mining-related issues in Zimbabwe, focusing on energy transition minerals and their impact on marginalized communities.

#ZAMI2024 occurs amid a global shift towards a Net-Zero Economy driven by the Paris Agreement. Achieving net-zero goals by 2050 will require a vast supply of critical minerals—copper, nickel, lithium, and cobalt—used in renewable energy technologies such as solar panels and electric vehicles. Zimbabwe, a key player in the global lithium market, holds the largest lithium reserves in Africa and has attracted over US\$1 billion in investments for lithium mining. In 2022, the country ranked as the world's sixth-largest lithium producer, with the potential to meet up to 20% of global lithium demand in the future. Discussions during ZAMI 2024 will be shaped by these developments, focusing on how Zimbabwe can utilise its rich mineral endowment to drive sustainable development. The indaba also comes amid ongoing legal reforms in Zimbabwe's mining sector, including amendments to the Mines and Minerals Act, Environmental Management Act, and the introduction of a Climate Change Bill.

Read More from our joint press release: <https://zimcodd.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/ZAMI-2024-Press-Release.pdf>

Opportunities

- Community Development Volunteer: Applications including at least three traceable referees should be sent electronically to: Resourcing.SOS@sos-zimbabwe.org
- Statistician L2: <https://shorturl.at/hwqBB>
- IX Administration and Finance Assistant: <https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=m4yvzT3jyEOP3mCZKvgfxdfbmxCqP7lLqK5jKJGXbgZUMUcoOEFZSFoyNEFXWjBYR1ZWTElEWVBSTy4u&origin=lprLink&route=shorturl>
- Social Scientist / Ethnographer (PhD): https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=sDQ_pZ2QfUac_GGXQM0HUUuLkJQtR9JjdmDECZJzXFUMFUoVTFDMTCzUkZVMU4Vkg2MFpFV08wQi4u&route=shorturl



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Watch Episode 5 of our #Youth4Integrity Podcast: <https://youtu.be/rg3bOWjkySs>

Quote of the week: Frank D. Roosevelt

“We can not always build the future for our youth but we can build our youth for the future.”



Picture of the week: Grace Chivere is building her own house through the Sustainable and Resilient Rural Livelihoods for Women and Girls program