



GRI Mining & Metals Sector Supplement

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GRI's Mission

- To make sustainability reporting as routine and valuable as financial reporting
- To encourage uptake by all organizations
- Based on a multi-stakeholder process for producing generally-agreed guidelines



GRI: A network organization

- Reporting companies
- Organizational stakeholders
- Network partners
- Multi-stakeholder processes
- Small secretariat



GRI Sector Supplements

What are they?

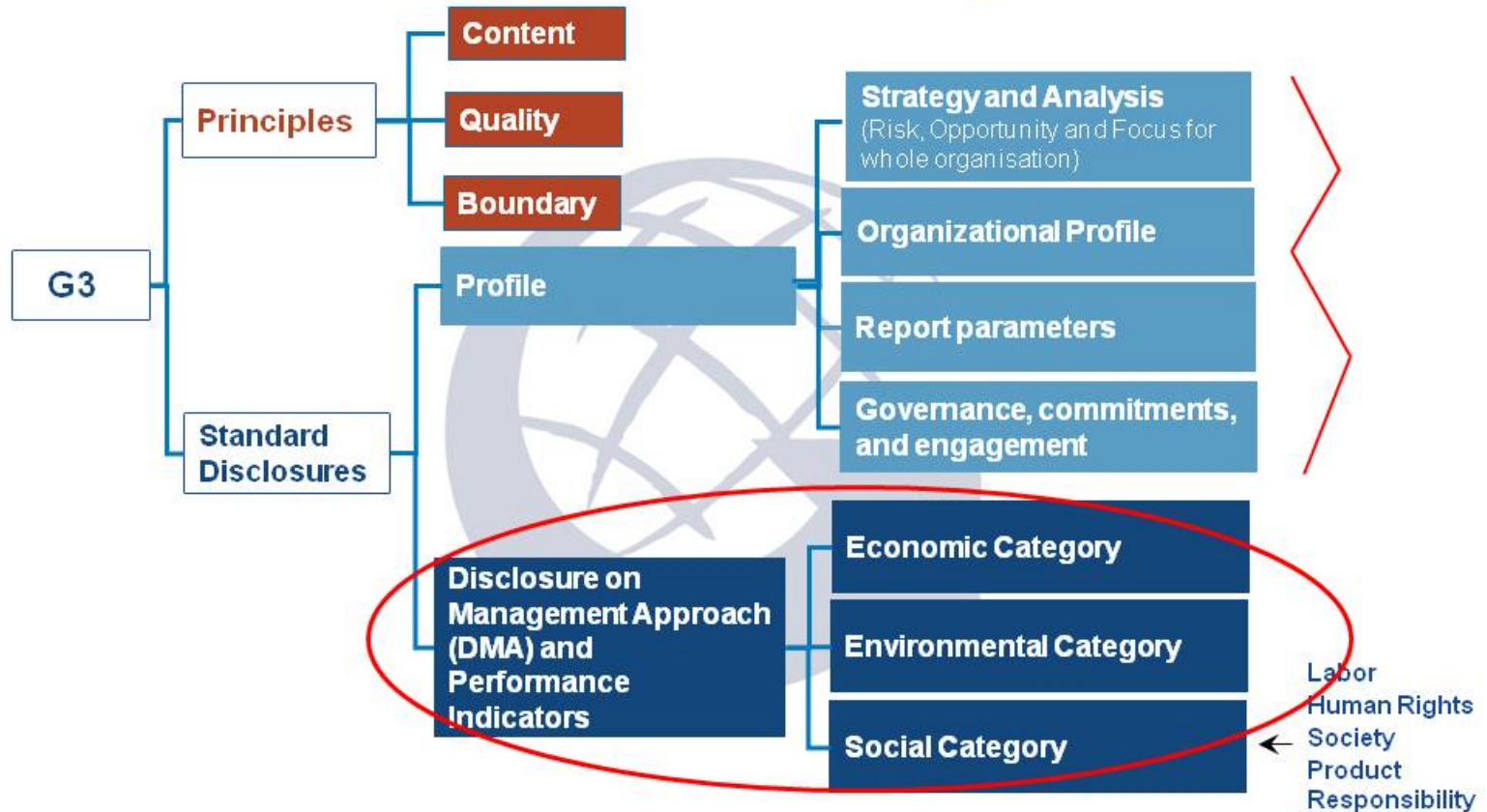
- Sector-specific reporting guidance integrated into the Reporting Guidelines (G3)

How are they developed?

- Multi-stakeholder Working Group driven process
- Public comments
- GRI governance bodies



G3 and Supplement Integration



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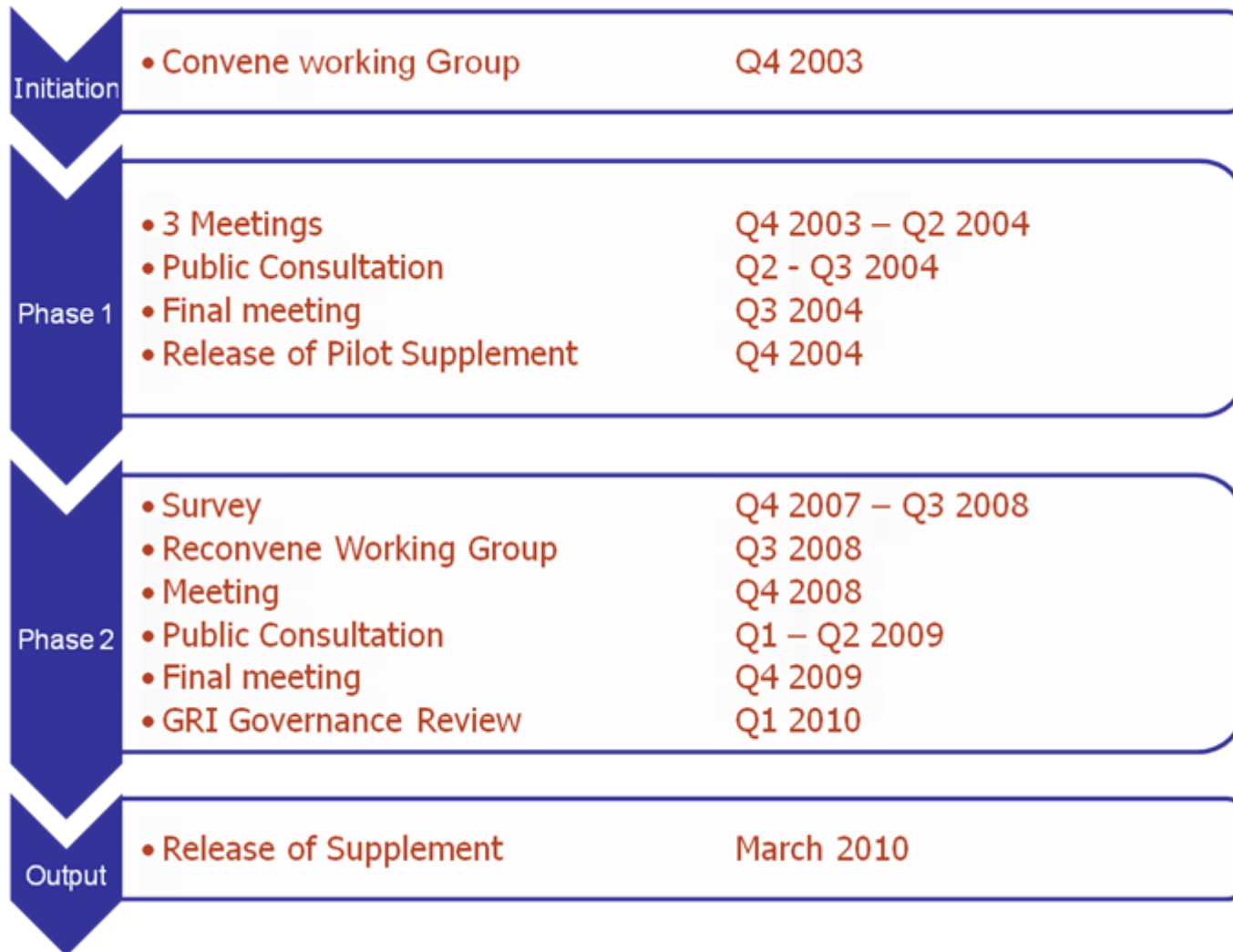


Why a Mining & Metals Supplement?

- High profile issues
- Stakeholder interest
- Technical complexity needs expansion
- Corporate commitment to better sustainability reporting



Supplement Development Process



Pilot to final version

- Incorporates review of reporting experience
- Up-dates to G3 standards
- Indicators have expanded protocols
- Improves the disclosures, but
- Building on the pilot version, and
- New indicators only in exceptional cases



Sector Supplement Content

Consists of:

- Additional commentary on existing G3 disclosures
- New sector-specific disclosures (indicators)



Sector Supplement Main Themes

- The contribution to national economic and social development
- Environmental management
- The control, use and management of land
- Labour relations
- Community and stakeholder engagement
- Relationship with artisanal and small-scale mining
- An integrated approach to minerals use



Some particular aspects:

- Biodiversity
- Land disturbance
- Waste
- Indigenous Peoples' Rights
- Disputes and grievance procedures
- Resettlement
- Closure planning



Example of Commentary

MMSS commentary on Disclosure on Management Approach regarding Emissions, Effluents, and Waste:

Should include discussion of:

- Processes to assess and manage risks associated with overburden, waste rock, tailings, sludges and other residues (for example, structural stability of storage facilities, metal leaching potential, and hazardous properties).
- Types of tailings facilities owned or operated including riverine, lake and submarine tailings disposal, and the use of lined vs. unlined pits.
- Approaches taken to minimise waste and its potential environmental impacts.
- The management of fugitive emissions such as dust from mining and processing activities or noise and seismic impacts from explosives use through, for example, monitoring activities and compliance with regulatory limits.



Example of new, sector-specific performance indicator:

Category: Society

MM10 Number and percentage of operations with closure plans.

- Report the number of company operations that have closure plans, and the percentage of the company's total number of operations.
- Report on the overall financial provision for closure, or include a reference to the relevant financial statements.



In closing...

- Supplement and full details on GRI website:

www.globalreporting.org

- Visit the ICMM stand in PDAC
- Please use the GRI Reporting Guidelines!

