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Australia

Stronger together



Fosterville, VIC
Central Victoria
Agnico Eagle

From the iron-rich West to coal country on the East Coast,
from the southern goldfields to the island mines in the Top End, the MCA
is your national advocate for a strong, sustainable mining future.



Why MCA membership matters...

“MCA membership strengthens our collective voice, enabling industry to engage constructively with government, build community trust, and help shape a sustainable and globally competitive resources sector.”

Mark Rodgers

Managing Director Africa-Asia Pacific
Newmont Corporation



Tanami, NT
Tanami Desert
Newmont

Your national voice

Producers | Explorers | Mining Services | Equipment Manufacturers

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The MCA is proud to promote and defend the mining industry.

The Minerals Council of Australia represents the nation's leading minerals producers, developers, explorers, and equipment and service providers driving safety, innovation and sustainability across the resources sector.

Our member companies operate in every state and territory to supply the minerals essential for modern life – from smart phones to renewable energy, advanced manufacturing and world-leading health care to national security.

The MCA supports its member companies by advocating for policy settings that enable growth and investment, championing high standards of environmental, social and governance performance, and strengthening the industry's reputation through research, education and partnerships.

From pit to parliament, the MCA is the industry's strong national voice committed to prosecuting the interests of its members and spotlighting the industry's unparalleled contribution to the national economy for the benefit of all Australians.

Vision

Grow and sustain a world-leading mining and minerals sector that is a source of national pride delivering economic and social benefits to all Australians.

Mission

Advocate for Australia's minerals industry, fostering sustainability and competitiveness while representing a dynamic, diverse and world-class sector valued by all Australians.



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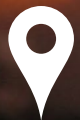
Why MCA membership matters...

“As a Board member, I see the MCA playing a vital role in keeping Australia’s resources sector strong and competitive, and providing a clear, united voice on the settings that support jobs and the economy.”

Geraldine Slattery

President, Australia | BHP Group Limited

Keeping mining strong



Olympic Dam, SA
Roxby Downs
BHP



Why join the MCA?

Benefits of MCA membership

Minerals Council of Australia membership delivers influence, insight and connection. Our member companies shape national policy, access expert analysis, build industry-wide networks and benefit from a united voice invested in a strong future for mining.



Visibility

Be recognised as part of a unified national voice advancing the interests of mining communities.

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Connection

Engage with peers, policy experts, investors and decision-makers across government.

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Insight

Be first to know about emerging national issues with expert analysis and guidance.

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Resources

Ramp up your advocacy efforts with educational resources to support local engagement.

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Influence

Help shape the national policies and regulations that impact your business.

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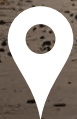
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Maules Creek, NSW
Gunnedah Basin
Whitehaven



Why MCA membership matters...

“The MCA plays a vital role in bringing industry leaders together to advocate for the continued strength and growth of the mining sector, supporting members to deliver long-term economic and community benefits for Australia.”

Paul Flynn

Managing Director & Chief Executive Officer | Whitehaven Coal Limited

Supporting members



Influence

Policy development

Influence the decisions that matter most to your business

As an MCA member company, you gain direct access to high-level policy discussions shaping the mining sector's operating and investment landscape. Through active involvement in committees, consultations, policy roundtables and roadshows, your input helps to shape the policies that will impact your business the most.

Shape industry policy

Participate in expert working groups and committees to shape MCA positions on key national issues such as energy transition, environmental regulations, taxation, industrial relations and skills development. Add your perspective to MCA submissions and inquiries to government, ensuring policies are grounded in operational realities.

MCA Committees:

- Economic & Investment
- Energy & Climate Change
- Safe, Healthy & Respectful Workplaces
- Sustainability
- Taxation
- Workforce

Trade and investment

Whether its shaping critical minerals priorities or policy to drive productivity and investment, member companies collaborate on common challenges and work towards shared goals. Join the coal, gold or uranium forums to shape advocacy efforts and engage with government and regulatory stakeholders to support sustainable development and innovation.

Engage with decision-makers

Take your seat at policy roundtables and engage with federal politicians, regulatory decision-makers and other stakeholders. Contribute to the development of national and global frameworks on ESG standards, cultural heritage, and workplace health and safety, and create best practice guidance for the wider membership.

Access to industry experts

Engage with the MCA's in-house specialists and external advisors who monitor regulatory trends and emerging risks. Receive briefings and reports that break down complex policy changes so that you can better plan and respond to challenges and opportunities as they arise with clarity, confidence and support.

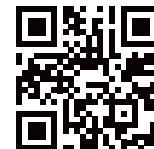
Get involved

Member opportunities

- Committees and taskforces
- Regular CEO Briefings
- Annual Policy Roundtable
- Flagship policy reports
- Technical workshops
- In-house specialists and external advisers
- Industry research
- Canberra 'door knock'
- Member-only portal



Parliament House | Canberra





Why MCA membership matters...

“The remote and distributed nature of our industry means it is essential to have a single national voice. Through the Minerals Council, we contribute to policy and other initiatives that reflect the importance of our industry to the economy and communities nation-wide.”

Amanda Lacaze

Chief Executive Officer & Managing Director | Lynas Rare Earths

National voice



Mt Weld, WA
Goldfields Region
Lynas Rare Earths



Women in Resources
National Awards

Visibility

Industry recognition

Showcase your innovation, achievements and leadership

As an MCA member company, you are part of a collective voice helping to tell the story of Australian mining through campaigns, publications and in the media. Stand shoulder to shoulder with a powerful national network of mining leaders – producers, explorers and suppliers – shaping the future of the industry.

National recognition

Recognise the people that make your business a success. The Women in Resources National Awards, hosted annually by the MCA in partnership with the state bodies, celebrates women in mining and diversity champions across the industry. Share case studies with the MCA to amplify your success stories in flagship publications, reports and presentations to policy-makers, investors and other stakeholders, and benefit from 'always on' positive mining advocacy campaigns.

Shaping the narrative

Have your interests represented by the MCA CEO and policy experts in keynote speeches, on guest panels and in trade and investor delegations, both at home and abroad. Be confident that the policy and regulatory issues critical to your operations are the focus of a dedicated strategic communication and media relations team ready to respond to issues as they arise.

Responsible mining

Be recognised for your leadership and commitment to world-best mining practices. MCA member companies can support responsible and transparent resource management through the globally recognised reporting framework Towards Sustainable Mining, as well as the MCA's Enduring Value and the Water Accounting Framework.

Industry campaigns

Benefit from the collective weight of MCA-led tactical campaigns when legislative and regulatory challenges arise. Whether on industrial relations, environmental legislation or fuel tax credits, the MCA works with industry-leading research and production houses to stand up fast, effective broadcast, print, outdoor and digital campaigns so you don't have to.

Get involved

Member opportunities

- Be part of a collective voice
- Share your good news stories
- Participate in national awards
- Appear across MCA social media platforms
- Adopt ESG reporting initiatives
- Be a verified industry leader
- Host and participate in trade delegations and industry roadshows



Komatsu Innovation Hub | QLD

FINANCIAL REVIEW

18 March 2025

Minerals Council says tariffs will bring economic storm

Minerals Council CEO Andrew Michelmore says Australia must put policies in place to protect the industry from a global economic storm.

THE AUSTRALIAN

10 April 2026

Unions abusing IR laws: minerals chief

BRAD THOMPSON

Minerals Council of Australia CEO Tania Constable has come out swinging at unions bombarding BHP with right-of-entry requests after revelations that one official was kicked off an iron ore mine site for falling alcohol

integrity of an online petition in a case where the Communications, Electrical, Electronic, Energy, Information, Postal, Plumbing and Allied Services Union (CEPU) was seeking a majority support determination covering a subsection of BHP's rail workers. BHP successfully argued that the group of workers involved

THE AUSTRALIAN

5 February 2024

Labor pledge: fuel tax credits are safe

EXCLUSIVE
Resources Minister Andrew Forrest says the government has no plans to cut fuel tax credits and will actively support investment in mines and vehicles that don't use public roads.





Why MCA membership matters...

“The MCA is an important advocate for the Australian mining sector and provides members with everything from timely insight into government policy and legislation to national and international developments in safety and environmental stewardship.”

Earl Melamed

Head of Global Coal Assets | Glencore

Timely insights



McArthur River, NT
Gulf of Carpentaria
Glencore



Minerals Week

Seminars | Canberra

Connection

Events & networking

Connect with peers, experts and policy makers

As an MCA member company, you're invited to high-profile events, industry dinners and networking opportunities where you can engage with peers, experts and policy-makers. The MCA brings people and perspectives together at every opportunity because we understand the future of mining depends on collaboration.

Minerals Week

Bring your team to Canberra for the industry's flagship networking and knowledge-sharing annual event, Minerals Week. Dine with the Prime Minister, Cabinet members and the Diplomatic Corp at Parliament House before two days of high-level seminars and networking events uniting industry leaders and policymakers, strengthening relationships and advancing policies vital to the mining sector. The MCA can help you maximise your time in the nation's capital with sideline meetings and delegations.

Minesite tours

Help the MCA showcase modern mining operations by opening your minesite to visiting parliamentarians, policymakers and community leaders. Tours showcase safety, innovation and sustainability practices for more informed decision-making and stronger relationships between industry and stakeholders. The MCA also conducts roadshows and holds special events in mining regions to promote industry best practice.

Networking lunches

Melbourne Mining Club runs six keynote speaker lunches each year, attracting 500-plus guests in the heart of Melbourne, while small- to mid-cap exploration and development companies are given a platform at the MMC's Cutting Edge series. Darwin Mining Club hosts lunches for industry leaders, parliamentarians and mining executives across the top end, rounded out annually with the NT Gala Dinner. The MCA also partners with WA Mining Club on several premier events annually.

Mine rescue competitions

Test the preparedness of your mine rescue teams by signing up for the Victorian Mine Rescue Competition (VMRC) or the Northern Australia Emergency Response Competition (NAERC), hosted annually by the MCA. Emergency response training plays a key role in keeping mine sites safe and your teams prepared for emergencies.

Get involved

Member opportunities

- Minerals Week
- Annual Parliamentary Dinner
- Women in Resources National Awards
- Policy Roundtable
- NT Gala Dinner
- Biennial Tax Conference
- Australia/Japan Coal Conference
- Global Uranium Conference
- Victorian Women in Resources Awards
- Canberra 'door knock'



Parliament House | Canberra

Perth Mint | WA





Nova Operation, WA
Fraser Range
IGO Limited



Why MCA membership matters...

“The MCA helps improve collaboration and align our continuous efforts to produce minerals and metals in a more and more responsible manner. We leverage access to critical industry research, policy development, and together demonstrate shared leadership as the industry faces numerous strategic challenges both domestically and internationally.”

Ivan Vella
Chief Executive Officer | IGO Limited

Policy development



IMARC | QLD

Insight

Insights from the Capital

...and beyond

We're here to help you navigate the machinery of government

As an MCA member company, we're committed to helping you make the best decisions for your business backed by Australia's most connected and informed mining team. From briefings on emerging issues to in-depth analysis on how legislative change could affect your bottom line, we make it easier for you to stay ahead of the curve.

Member company briefings

Whether it's the morning after the Federal Budget, the eve of a critical roundtable, or the introduction of legislation that threatens to impact the industry, you'll receive rapid-response briefings on top of regular member communications, such as the fortnightly *Issues Brief*. You'll also benefit from the thought leadership of flagship reports authored by in-house and external experts aimed at influencing policymakers at major decision points.

Experienced team

Benefit from the decades of public policy, political and corporate experience at the MCA Secretariat. From geologists to market analysts, economists and government relations professionals, MCA team members are drawn from the frontline of the mining industry and both sides of the political aisle, as well as corporate Australia. Located a stone's throw from Parliament House, we're talking to the decision-makers daily and navigating the labyrinth of Canberra on your behalf.

Global influence

MCA member companies gain access to international mining networks, strategic alliances and multilateral forums. Our partnerships with global industry bodies, governments and investors help open export markets, shape global standards and promote our minerals sector on the world stage. This creates opportunities and influence for your business that extends well beyond our borders.

Crisis management

From pandemic responses to trade disruptions or industrial disputes, the MCA's national coordination capabilities and network of cross-border industry partners ensures swift, unified action to protect your interests. Whether that means coordinating daily with member companies and national agencies to keep mines operating safely or working with governments to keep supply chains open, we're here for you in a crisis.

Get involved

Member opportunities

- Federal Budget Briefing
- CEO Budget Briefing
- Legislation tracking
- Issues Brief newsletter
- Ministerial delegations
- Parliamentary access
- Crisis management support



Media engagement

The West Australian

18 Oct 2024

Broomer Advertiser | North West Telegraph | Pilbara News

Closer EU-Australia ties over China trade challenge



The Pilbara | WA

Why MCA membership matters...

“Strong industry advocacy is essential to secure the competitive settings required to attract investment and sustain mining’s contribution to Australia’s prosperity.”

Matthew Holcz

Chief Executive, Iron Ore | Rio Tinto



Strong advocacy



West Angelas, WA

The Pilbara
Rio Tinto



MIEX program | WA

Resources

Future workforce

Build your future workforce with the support of the MCA

As an MCA member company, you benefit from exclusive resources and expert guidance to build your future workforce. From school visits and university partnerships to careers guides and merchandise, the MCA equips your teams with the tools they need to inspire interest in mining careers, build skills and connect with local communities.

Partnerships and summits

The MCA partners with universities, education providers, governments and NGOs to identify and address skills shortages, establish in-demand micro-credential courses and advocate regulatory reform to better fulfill future workforce requirements. Member-only forums, exclusive briefings and workforce summits are some of the ways you can support the MCA's efforts to ensure future workforce requirements are met.

Member-only resources

Ensure your teams are stocked with the best career resources available the next time they hit the local jobs fair. The MCA's *Prospect*-branded educational materials and influential *30 Things* series of publications are available exclusively to MCA members. Supported by engaging merchandise, these tools help students, educators and jobseekers explore diverse mining pathways.

MiEX

Foster the next generation of mining professionals by getting involved with the MCA's MiEX – Minerals Industry Experience – program for first-year STEM university students. The two-week paid placement involves off-site sessions on mining fundamentals, sustainability and innovation, followed by time spent at an operational mine site to learn about career pathways in geoscience, mining engineering and environmental sciences.

MTEC

Help shape university programs through the Minerals Tertiary Education Council (MTEC) – to ensure mining engineering, metallurgy and geoscience graduates are job-ready and aligned with industry needs. Through scholarships, mentoring and curriculum input, MTEC helps build stronger pathways from the classroom to mine sites. MTEC programs include the Indigenous Australian Engineering School (IAES), Metallurgical Education Partnership (MEP) and National Exploration Undercover School (NEXUS).

Get involved

Member opportunities

- Access to publications and educational merchandise
- Minesite school visits
- Oresome Resources
- Feature in case studies
- Careers Days support
- Workforce Summit
- National Rock Garden



Gisborne | VIC





Roy Hill, WA
The Pilbara
Hancock Iron Ore



Why MCA membership matters...

“When mining does well, Australia does well, but when mining doesn’t do well, nor does Australia. This is a pivotal moment for our essential industry to come together with a strong, unified voice and work with government to ensure mining continues to deliver for jobs, the economy and Australia.”

Gerhard Veldsman

Chief Executive Officer | Hancock Iron Ore

Working together



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MCA Divisions

Victorian Division

The Victorian Division of the Minerals Council of Australia represents the state's minerals industry, promoting safe, responsible and sustainable mining. It provides advocacy, training and industry collaboration, and celebrates excellence through initiatives like the Victorian Women in Resources Awards and the Victorian Mine Rescue Competition.

MCA Victoria can also support your efforts to engage with local schools. The Division hosts field trips for students to member company operations, often supported by ex-mining apprentice and Melbourne Storm player, Josh King. More than 1000 secondary students and 35 schools have taken part in the school visits program since 2022.

minerals.org.au/mca-vic



Melbourne Mining Club (MMC)

MMC is a not-for-profit networking forum for mining professionals. It hosts six major lunches each year, often at the historic Melbourne Town Hall, featuring top executives and chairmen from leading resource companies. The Club also runs its Cutting Edge Series showcasing innovation in exploration, engineering and investment.

melbourneminingclub.com

Northern Territory Division

The Northern Territory Division of the Minerals Council of Australia is the leading voice for the resources sector in the NT, representing the interests of exploration, mining and service companies. It advocates for policies that support the industry, maintains relationships with the government, promotes best practices, and runs events like the annual NT Gala Dinner.

MCA NT also supports member companies through the delivery of careers forums, participation in job fairs and NT Resources Week, as well as conducts school visits across the Top End. It ultimately works to ensure the sector remains competitive, profitable and responsible, and continues to benefit the territory's economy and communities.

minerals.org.au/mca-nt



Darwin Mining Club (DMC)

DMC provides a forum for MCA members and service providers to connect and discuss issues impacting the industry. The Club hosts regular lunches with guest speakers and an annual dinner, with proceeds supporting organisations such as CareFlight, Menzies School of Health Research and the NT Geological Society.

minerals.org.au/darwin-mining-club



Darwin | NT



The Pilbara | WA

WA MCA office

The MCA has a permanent office in Perth, Western Australia. The office supports member queries and program logistics during MCA WA events, such as mine site tours and road shows. The MCA is also a strong supporter and sponsor of WA Mining Club.

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Why MCA membership matters...

“Yancoal values the role that the MCA plays in analysing how government policy impacts the Australian mining industry and its strong advocacy in support of the Australian coal industry.”

Sharif Burra

Chief Executive Officer | Yancoal Australia

Strong advocacy



Hunter Valley Operations, NSW

Hunter Valley

Yancoal 

Join us

Invest in the future of mining

Become an MCA member company and join a national movement of mining leaders committed to excellence, productivity and the long-term success of Australia's mining and minerals processing industry.

Membership categories

Full Member

A company may become a Full Member of the MCA if its principal business involves exploring, producing or processing minerals, or providing mining services in Australia. The MCA Board may also admit at its discretion organisations it deems suitably associated with these activities.

Producers

A company whose primary business involves mining, extraction or processing minerals and has operations in Australia.

Explorers

A junior or major explorer (based on number of permanent employees) whose primary business is minerals exploration or pre-development.

Associate Member

A company may become an Associate Member of the MCA if it has interests in Australian mining, metallurgical or related industries, are part of the minerals value chain, or provides materials, technology or other services. This could include research and educational institutions or infrastructure providers, such as port, rail and energy operators/owners.

Service providers

A company that provides services to mining operations in Australia, including the supply of goods, labour or mine management services.

Membership fees

For a fee estimate prior to application please email: membership@minerals.org.au

Full Member fees determined by the value of applicant company's mineral production figures.

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