

CRIRSCO 2024 AGM: 14th - 16th October 2024, Vancouver, Canada

# Standing (left to right):

Leonardo Figueiredo de Faria (CBRR); Tuğba Özcan (guest - UMREK); Dr.P.V.Rao (NACRI); Don Hulse (SME); Reno Pressaco (CIM); Peter Stoker (**Treasurer**, JORC); Hendrik Falck (guest - CIM); Edson Ribeiro (**Past Chair** - CBRR); Mark Burnett (PERC); Lynn Olssen (JORC); Lufi Rachmad (**Secretary**, KCMI); Brian Groff (SME); Gerlee Bayanjargal (MPIGM); Teresa Steele Schober (guest - SAMREC); Nicole Wansbury (SAMREC); Alan Matano (KCMI); Mauricio Castañeda (CCRR).

# Seated (left to right):

Jun Angeles (PMRCC); Jennifer Breaux (support staff, CIM); Atiye Tugrul (UMREK); Deb McCombe (CIM); Garth Kirkham (**Chairperson**, CIM); Ed Sides (**Deputy Chair**, PERC); Aquiles González (CM, Chile); Fernando Flores (CM, Chile); Roly Cruz (PMRCC); Sundara Ramam (NACRI).

# Summary Report on the 2024 CRIRSCO AGM (for publication on the PERC website)

## Introduction

Ed Sides (ES) and Mark Burnett (MB) represented PERC at the 2024 CRIRSCO AGM. They both also attended and presented at the MRMR 2024 conference, organised jointly by CRIRSCO and the CIM, which followed on immediately after the AGM. This document contains a report on the CRIRSCO AGM prepared for PERC members.

A compilation of the written reports submitted by the NROs for the 2024 AGM is available on the PERC website: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/5fe9cksb">https://tinyurl.com/5fe9cksb</a>. Please refer to the CRIRSCO website for more information.

Edmund Sides,

18<sup>th</sup> November 2024

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#### Schedule

#### **CRIRSCO AGM**

- Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2024 CRIRSCO Executive meeting (ES)
- Monday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2024 CRIRSCO closed session (ES+MB)
- Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024 CRIRSCO Open session (ES+MB) NRO Reports; external relations, etc
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October (am) Workshop on probabilistic classification of Mineral Resources
  - Ed Sides Presentation: Resource Classification a personal perspective

### MRMR 2024 Conference organised by the CIM

See: https://mrmr2024.cim.org/preliminary-schedule-at-a-glance/

- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October (pm) –
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> October
- Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October
  - Ed Sides presentation: Minerals Reporting for Critical Minerals: The need for separate reporting systems for governments and investors (prepared jointly with Mark Burnett, David Dingemans and Alastair Moyes)
  - Mark Burnett Presentation: Does reporting using a CRIRSCO-compliant code reduce project risk? (prepared jointly with Ed Sides)

# Selected topics and outcomes of relevance to PERC

The following is a selection of items that are considered of relevance to PERC. More detail about specific items discussed at the AGM will be presented via the CRIRSCO and PERC website.

#### General

- Edmund Sides was reappointed as Deputy Chair of CRIRSCO for 2025.
- Deborah McCombe (CIM) provided an update on the progress of work on the incorporation of CRIRSCO in Canada. This will provide CRIRSCO with a legal identity and enable it to open bank accounts and sign contracts in its own name (up to now such aspects are being handled by other organisations or individuals). The meeting unanimously approved the plan to proceed on the basis outlined to the meeting, with the finalised documents to be circulated to CRIRSCO members for review when they are ready. An online meeting will be held to formally approve the incorporation documents.

## Other administrative and technical topics

The following topics were discussed at the AGM:

- The governance of CRIRSCO and procedures for reviewing and updating important documents such as the CRIRSCO Template.
- A CRIRSCO guidance document on *ESG* which is being finalised and will be issued in the near future.
- Work done by the *Dimension Stones and Aggregates* working group (including the removal of Construction Materials and Industrial Minerals from its remit).
- The progress made by the *Brines* working group on preparing a guidance document on this topic.
- Work done by the Beyond Inferred working group on updating a previous CRIRSCO position paper on this topic was presented. A draft version had been reviewed by the Executive and circulated to

- members. The meeting authorised the Executive to approve a revised version of the document (which takes account of comments raised at the AGM) for release.
- An update on the CRIRSCO-UNECE relationship was presented including discussion of plans to revise the latest version of the CRIRSCO Template to UNFC Bridging Document which was approved in April 2024 to ensure that it is consistent with the definitions included in the June 2024 version of the CRIRSCO Template.
- A short presentation on work being done by the International Seabed Authority (where CRIRSCO has Observer status) was given.
- Recognition and reciprocity. A presentation on the topic of Competent Person requirements and recognition in different jurisdictions was given. It was noted that the *External relationships*, education & new members Standing Committee is working on a guidance document on this topic which will be circulated in due course.

# **Applicant countries**

- Details were also provided about the progress of work on applications from countries and regions seeking to join CRIRSCO, including China, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan, Ecuador, Peru, Saudi Arabia and West Africa.
- A two-person Chinese delegation attended the AGM, including Cao Bo, Director of Reserves
  Management Department. They are keen for CAMRA (The Chinese Association of Mineral
  Resource Appraisers) to become a member of CRIRSCO. During meetings with the CRIRSCO
  Executive on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup>, several issues related to different document versions were resolved and
  it is hoped that final versions will be available for review by CRIRSCO soon.
- Contacts between CRIRSCO and several organisations in Mexico advanced during the year and they are now ready to sign a Memorandum of Understanding in order to commence the membership application process. A Mexican representative was present at the meeting and the MoU was officially signed at the end of the AGM on 16<sup>th</sup> October.

## **Executive, Standing Committees and Working Groups**

The officers of the CRIRSCO Executive were re-elected for another year, namely:

- Garth Kirkham (Chairperson CIM, Canada);
- Edson Ribeiro (Past Chair CBRR, Brazil);
- Edmund Sides (Deputy Chair PERC, Europe);
- Lufi Irwan Rachmad (Secretary KCMI, Indonesia); and
- Peter Stoker (Treasurer JORC, Australasia)

Membership of the Standing Committees and Working Groups will be reviewed by the Executive after the AGM. It was noted that all members are requested to contribute to at least one committee or working Group. There are four Standing Committees, namely:

- Finance and Funding;
- Communication and publicity;
- External relationships, education & new members; and
- Administration, Policy and Strategy.

There are seven working groups dealing with the membership applications from China; Tajikstan, Uzbekistan & Kyrgystan; Peru; Ecuador; West Africa; Saudi Arabia and Mexico (new group).

In addition, there are six other working groups which are focused on: ESG; Standard Definitions; Brines; Dimension Stones and Aggregates; Code Reviews; and Before Inferred.

#### **Reports by the National Reporting Organisations**

These were presented during an open session held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October. The session was opened with the short introductory presentations and video contributions listed below:

- Opening remarks by Garth Kirkham, CRIRSCO Chairperson.
- Video presentation from Rohitesh Dhawan (President and CEO of ICMM)
- Short video about the ICMM
- Video presentation from Dario Liguiti (Director of Sustainable Energy, UNECE)
- Welcoming remarks from Angela Hamlyn (CEO of CIM)

This was followed by presentations on the activities carried out by the individual CRIRSCO NROs during the year, which were presented by the representatives present at the meeting. A compilation of the written reports submitted by the NROs for the 2024 AGM is available on the PERC website: <a href="https://tinyurl.com/5fe9cksb">https://tinyurl.com/5fe9cksb</a>.

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#### Other items

On the morning of Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October an open workshop on the probabilistic classification of Mineral Resources was organised by CRIRSCO.

This was followed on Wednesday afternoon though to Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October by the MRMR 2024 conference which was jointly organised by CRIRSCO and the CIM with logistical support being provided by the CIM.

On Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October several short courses were held. Ed Sides and Mark Burnett attended a full day course entitled: *Comparison of Reporting Standards Under NI 43-101 to S-K 1300 – When Preparing Mineral Resource and Mineral Reserve Estimates* which was presented by Greg Gosson and Stella Searston.