

COMMITTEE FOR MINERAL RESERVES International reporting standards





## Opening Remarks

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# CRIRSCO is the Committee for Mineral Reserves International Reporting Standards

 SCOPE: All solid minerals (metals, gemstones, bulk commodities, aggregates, industrial minerals, and energy minerals such as coal and uranium)

#### • AIMS:

- Promoting international best practice in the Reporting of Mineral Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves
- International consensus on reporting standards
- Encourages consistent, reliable, and high quality reporting and control of corporate Public Statements, through maintenance of Competent Person standards





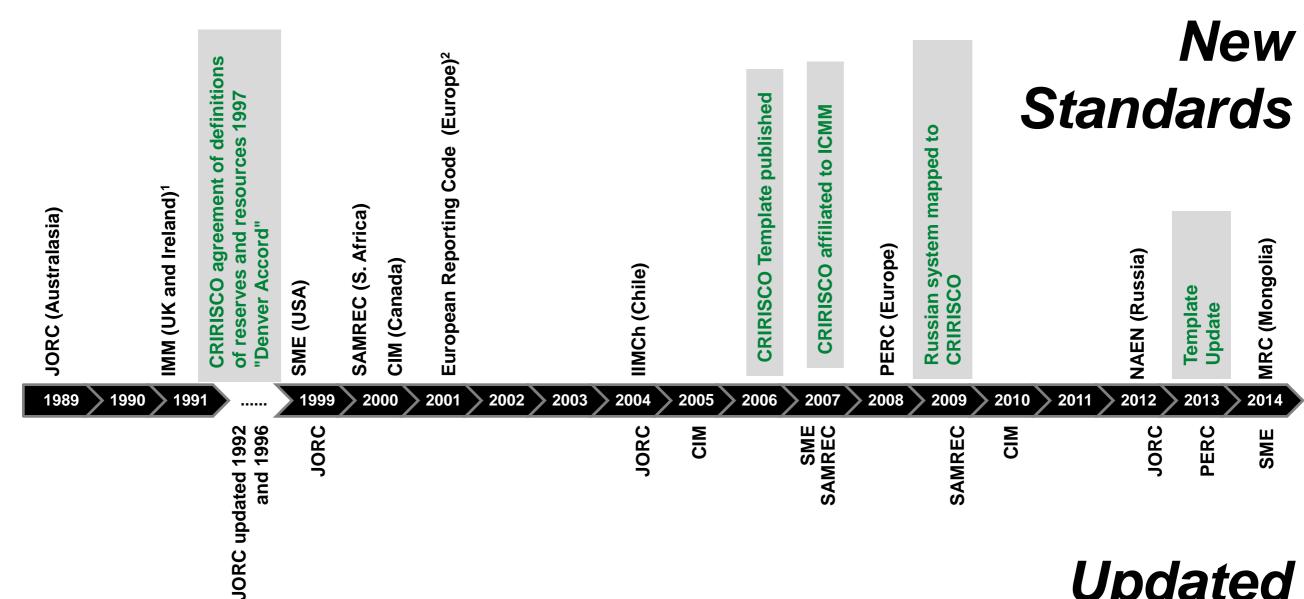
## Users of CRIRSCO Standards

- Mining Companies
- Financial Institutions
- Stock Exchange Regulators
- Governments
- Investors and Shareholders





### **History of CRIRSCO**



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Replaced by the European Reporting Code in 2001

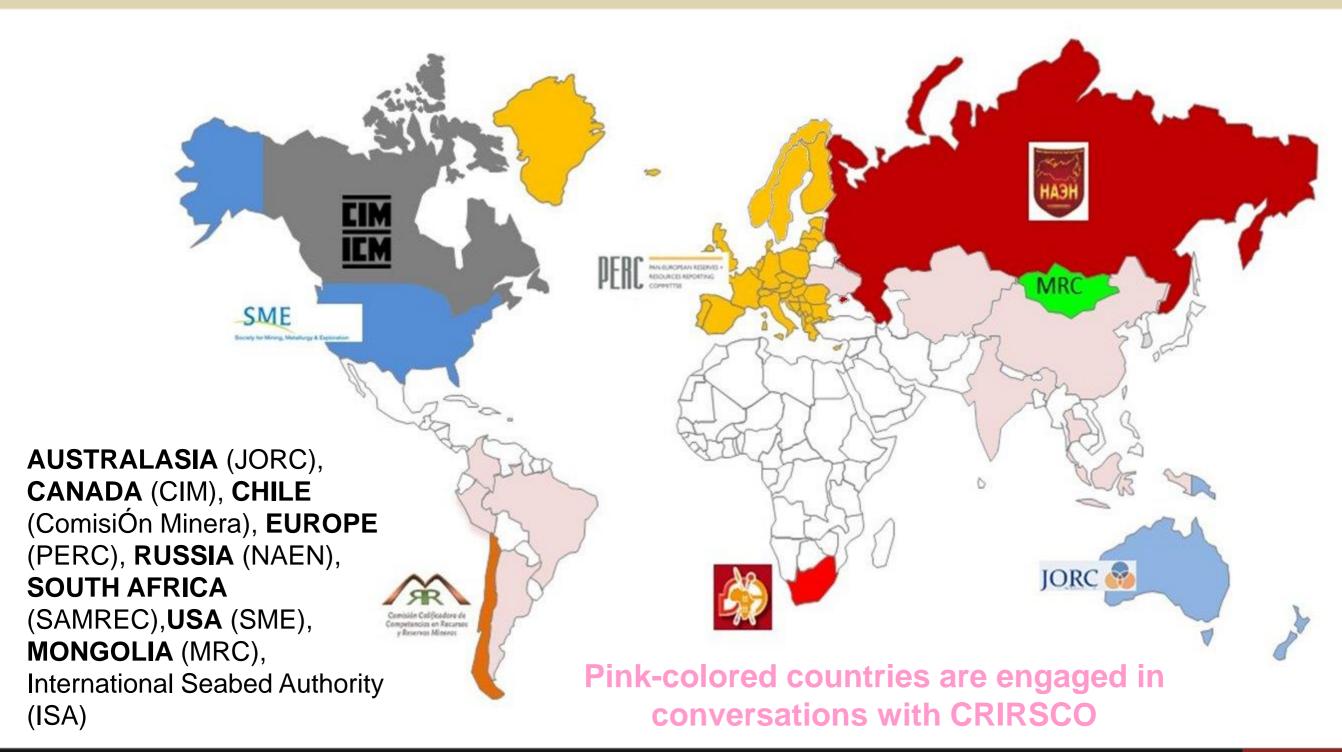
Updated Standards



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Replaced by PERC in 2008



# CRIRSCO - aligned countries, representing over 80% of the world's reported mineral wealth





#### **CRIRSCO Members**

## National Reporting Organisations (NROs)

An NRO must meet the following criteria to be accepted for CRIRSCO Membership:

- Produce and be responsible for maintaining a reporting standard that is compatible with the Template and which is recognised as the standard for Public Reporting, or has the wide support of professional bodies, in the country/region.
- Agree to conduct international consultation with NROs represented on CRIRSCO before making amendments to its National or Regional reporting standard.
- Include credible, self regulating, professional bodies that provide disciplinary systems and codes of ethics that govern the behaviour of Competent Persons or equivalents as defined in the Template.
- Commit to engaging in CRIRSCO activities.





### The main principles governing reporting are...

#### Transparency

Raw Material Reserves & Resources reports have to provide sufficient information; the presentation of which is clear and unambiguous.

#### Materiality

Raw Material Reserves & Resources reports have to contain, at date of reporting, all relevant information that decision makers and/or professional advisors would expect to find in order to be able to form their own balanced judgement regarding the raw material situation being reported.

#### Competence

The results being disclosed have to be based on work conducted by suitably qualified and experienced personnel. Reports have to be reviewed and validated by a *Competent Person*.

#### Impartiality

The author of the report should be able to state that his work has not been unduly influenced by the organisation, company, third-parties or personal interests.





## CRIRSCO – the Competent Person

- CRIRSCO-style standards require publicly reported reserve and resource information to be based on work undertaken by a Competent Person
- The Competent Person is named in the public report
- It is the Competent Person's responsibility to ensure that the estimates have been performed properly
- The CP may be either an employee or a consultant
- The CP must have at least 5 years relevant experience
- The CP must be a member of an Recognized Professional Organization that requires compliance with professional and ethical standards and has disciplinary powers including the power to expel a member

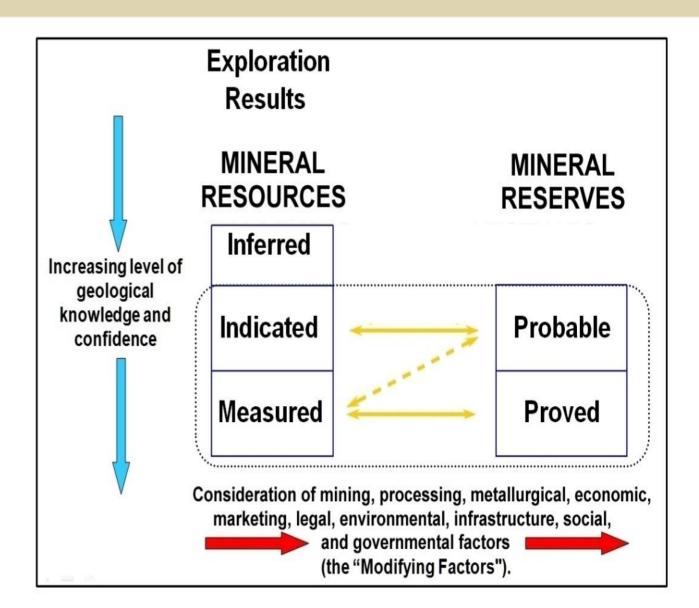




## CRIRSCO – the Modifying Factors

Mineral reserves and resources are not static numbers. The CP is responsible for considering factors affecting mineral classification and estimation and reporting accordingly.

The CP must also take account of short-term socio-economic aspects that may dominate reserve evaluation





## CRIRSCO – ICMM Strategic Partnership

#### ICMM MEMBERSHIP

- 23 mining and metals companies
- 35 national and regional mining associations and global commodity associations.

#### ICMM/CRIRSCO Shared Vision

- Societal acceptance of member companies, and sustainable development - Social licence and sustainability are an established part of the CRIRSCO Template's assessment criterion for the declaration of reserves and resources. It is the role of the Competent Person to address these issues in support of Mineral Resource and Mineral Reserves declarations to investors and the general public from the earliest exploration phases through development and operation.
- Public commitment of member companies to transparent and accountable reporting practices - the CRIRSCO Template and the Competent Person are now long established and trusted by stakeholders and wider society





## ICMM at a glance

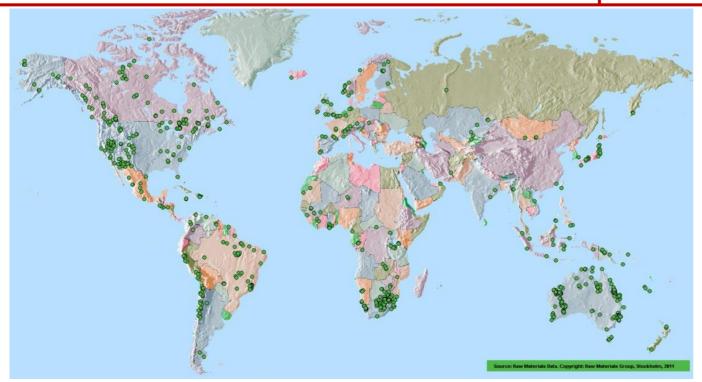


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## Crirsco IASB International Accounting Standards Board

- Mapping project (2007) application of International Financial Reporting Standards to extractive activities
- Informal feedback on Asset Definition and Measurement (2008-2009)
- Discussion Paper recommended CRIRSCO Template to be embedded in IFRS update for public disclosure of Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves
- Response to Discussion Paper (2010)
- Agenda setting (2011) postponed Project
- Agenda Setting (2015) moved project to inactive status
- CRIRSCO will push for use of technical disclosure or Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves consistent with the CRIRSCO Template





#### In conclusion

- The accurate and reliable reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves is fundamental to stakeholders but also to a wider society
- Stakeholders and society expect to have ever greater confidence in companies reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves. This is achieved through harmonisation of standards and definitions
- CRIRSCO and the Competent Person are the key to these assurances and a sustainable future.

