



# Mutually Beneficial Partnerships

**CHALLENGE:**

Success depends on a social license to operate.

Africa holds the majority of the world’s mineral deposits and is a huge opportunity area for the mining sector. However, to ensure successful operations, mining enterprises must understand the beliefs of local stakeholders and be willing to cooperatively address shared challenges. While expanding and solidifying business, mining companies can bring profound long-term benefits to communities by creating employment, transferring skills, enhancing health and education services, improving infrastructure and catalyzing economic development.

**AFRICARE’S SOLUTION:**

Companies and communities can benefit each other.

**Grassroots Knowledge:**

Ninety-five percent of Africare’s field staff is African, providing an intimate understanding of local communities, civil society organizations and governments. Based on this expertise, Africare designs sustainable, community-led programs, and helps businesses build relationships and smoothly navigate emerging challenges.

**Trust:**

Africare has operated from a non-partisan standpoint for more than 40 years and in more than 35 countries, earning the trust of local communities, governments and other stakeholders. Africare also ensures that implemented projects align with responsible operational criteria outlined by international bodies such as the International Council for Mining and Minerals and the African Union.

**Strategic Collaboration:**

Africare explores partnerships with private sector companies that share the vision of building local capacity and strengthening institutions in Africa. Africare’s expertise in five focus areas: Agriculture & Food Security; Health, HIV & AIDS; Water, Sanitation & Hygiene; Women’s Empowerment; and Resettlement, provides strategic opportunities for cooperation with responsible mining companies to bring long-term benefits to communities and drive sustainable development.

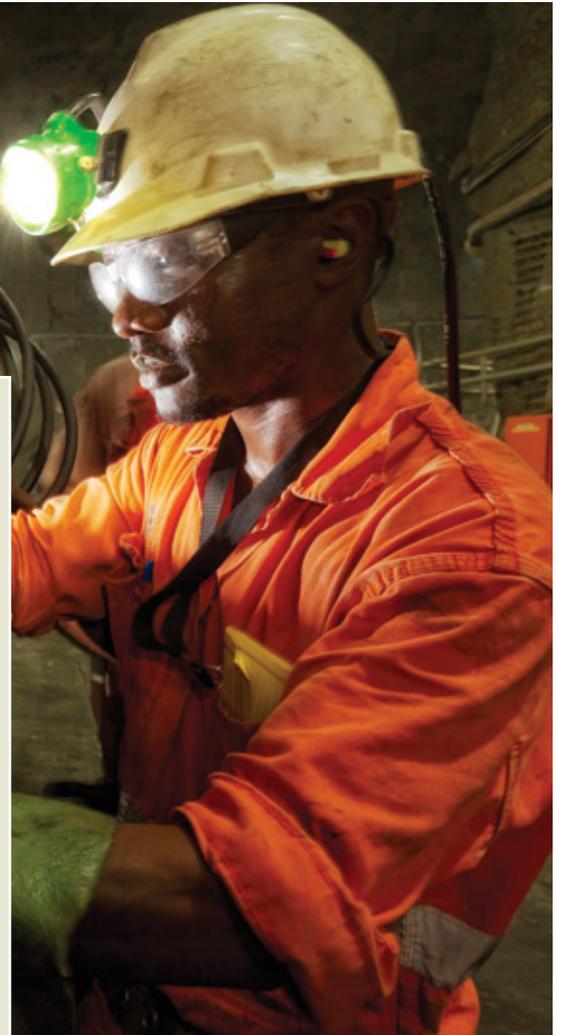


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**OUR CORE COMPETENCIES**

- Agriculture & Food Security
- Health, HIV & AIDS
- Water, Sanitation & Hygiene
- Women’s Empowerment
- Resettlement





**MINING**

“You may ask: what is the value of mining to your country—can it be a bridge to a better future? Our answer is yes, if the process is done responsibly and effectively.”

-Dr. Anthony Hodge  
International Council for Mining  
and Minerals President



### About Africare

Africare, the largest and most experienced international non-governmental organization (NGO) focused exclusively on Africa, is committed to improving lives and building futures. In more than 40 years of partnering with local communities, NGOs, governments and the private sector, Africare has invested over \$1 billion through thousands of projects in more than 35 African countries.

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“The great work of Africare on-the-ground with communities is what is needed most to help the continent move forward.”

-Roger Agnelli  
Former CEO of Vale

