

REMIX Cornish Chamber of Mines and Minerals Centenary Conference

On September 7th 2017, the Cornish Chamber of Mines and Minerals (CCMM) held a conference and networking event to mark the centenary of the CCMM.

There was a wide range of talks, from an overview of the Cornish mining industry, to mining companies in Cornwall (Strongbow, Strategic Minerals (Cornwall Resources), and Cornish Lithium), to how Cornwall Council are safeguarding mineral deposits for the future. Staff from Camborne School of Mines introduced the wide range of research they undertake, including the cutting edge technologies used in the mining industry.

The event was very popular, resulting in a waiting list to attend. Many members from the Cornwall Mining Alliance (CMA), which was established in 2016 to help bring together mining expertise (www.cornwallminingalliance.org), attended the event. At the time of the event the CMA had 82 members (104 as of February 2019). The Alliance aims to raise the profile and maximise the potential of innovative businesses, organisations and experienced professionals who provide services across all aspects of mining and related industries in the UK and around the world.

Professor Frances Wall and Dr Elizabeth Adey from Camborne School of Mines used this event to introduce local stakeholders to the REMIX project. As part of the REMIX project, our partners from the Regional Council of Lapland in Finland helped arrange for Rauno Toppila to talk about the Arctic Mining Cluster to highlight the potential for the CMA to create similar growth and even collaborations between the two regions, Matthew Vowles of the Cornwall Development Company talked European structural funds and SME access to funding and Simon Trahair-Davies of Stephens Scown talked about legal aspects of mineral deposits.

See more pictures and information at <https://cornwallminingalliance.org/a-celebration-of-cornish-mining/>



Rauno Toppila (fourth right) after the tour down South Crofty mine (thanks go to Owen Mihalop and Keith Russ from Strongbow to discussed with passion and enthusiasm the plans to operate South Crofty again in the future)



James Blight who talked about the Redmoor Tin Project



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Mark Kazcmarek from Cornwall Council who gave an overview of how Cornwall Council are safeguarding mineral deposits.



Conversations over coffee at the CCMM event