

Terms of Reference for each SOMP Committee

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- **Membership** – as defined by Constitution
- **Education**
 - Actively developing and supporting education across the mining engineering discipline
 1. Conduct annual survey of education programs and student/staff numbers
 2. Share and promote innovative teaching and learning strategies and resources; and exchanging examples.
 3. Opportunity to compare curricula, discipline needs, industry needs and to consider benchmarking options.
 4. Implement a broader survey process and database for all international mining engineering programs, including website links to access curricula information-
 5. Support new mining engineering education programs and capacity in developing regions through initiatives such as: staff exchange; postgrad student exchange; shared teaching resources etc.
 6. Manage the selection of Tim Shaw Teaching & Learning Innovation Award
- **Research, Development & Industry**
 - Sharing research experiences, capabilities and future challenges.
 1. Identify and maintain a SOMP-awareness of industry R&D priorities
 2. Maintaining an awareness of research interests across SOMP membership; and identifying/reporting strengths and gaps
 3. Promoting collaborative R&D opportunities and showcasing examples
 4. Develop sessions within annual meeting structure that include presentations of above, and focussed break-out groups to identify future research needs.
- **Strategic Planning**
 - Develop strategies for future development of SOMP
 - Make recommendations to Council re strategy implementation
- **Members Development**
 - Fostering professional career development and social awareness.
 1. Informal network and mentoring schemes for young academics
 2. Communication mechanisms for young academics
 3. Awareness and promotion of diversity (staff/students)

- **Capacity Building**
 1. Identify new mining education initiatives/needs in developing mining regions
 2. Develop strategies for SOMP to assist new programs and/or personnel
 3. Make recommendations to other SOMP Committees and Council

- **Honorifics**
 - Select SOMP members for Emeritus awards

- **Günter Fettweis Award**
 - Select SOMP member for GF Award

- **Ludwig Wilke Award**
 - Select SOMP member for LW Award

- **IT & Communications**
 1. Manage the administration and content of SOMP website
 2. Manage the administration and content of SOMP-related social media sites