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Middindi Consulting provides

Rock Engineering, Geotechnical and Geological services to the mining and minerals industry.

"The local and international Geotechnical Engineering consultants of choice, driven by Integrity and dedicated to excellence."



COMPANY PROFILE



ROOTED IN TRADITION WITH A VISION FOR EXCELLENCE

Middindi Consulting (Pty) Ltd was established in 2003 by the complete merging of MIDD Consulting (Pty) Ltd and IndiRoc Consulting CC. The company is led by its Managing Director and Principal Geotechnical Engineer, Trevor Rangasamy. Trevor is a well-respected and renowned expert with more than thirty years of experience in the industry.

The core business of the company is the provision of Rock Engineering, Geotechnical and Geological services to the mining and minerals industry. Middindi Consulting specialises in the quantitative investigations of rock behaviour and support performance. The services delivered are supplemented by experience, numerical modelling, open pit investigations and underground investigations. Middindi provides practical and sustainable solutions to Rock Engineering problems.

COMPREHENSIVE KNOWLEDGEBASE, NON-EXHAUSTIVE EXPERIENCE

Middindi Consulting started as a small company with only two employees on the books. The company currently employs nineteen professionals, fifteen of which comprise the technical divisions. Middindi's appropriately qualified and experienced personnel use a quantitative approach to base recommendations on observations and measurements rather than solely on experience or numerical modelling.

The team has collectively been involved in production rock engineering, research and development, instrumentation and monitoring, geotechnical engineering, seismology, geology, due diliaence, and auditina for more than 60 years.

HANDS-ON SUPPORT, DEDICATED TEAMS

Middindi's team of engineers and geoscientists provide integrated rock engineering services for all stages of projects, ranging from the initial investigations through to design and implementation. Stability and stress analyses are conducted using state-of-the-art numerical techniques, where appropriate.

The company uses its wealth of experience and technical knowledge to service the total spectrum of ore bodies in South Africa. Beyond the borders of South Africa, the team has concluded projects in Ethiopia, Ghana, Turkey, Zambia, Democratic Republic of Congo, Botswana, Russia, Canada, Chile, India, Ireland, Mali, Mozambique, Namibia, Saudi Arabia, Scotland, Sierra Leone, Spain, Tajikistan, Tanzania, Ukraine and Zimbabwe.





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EXTENSIVE SERVICES. FAR-REACHING METHODOLOGY

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Within South Africa, the team has conducted projects in Barbeton, Brits, Burgersfort, Carletonville, Delmas, Evander, Gravelotte, Groblersdal, Johannesbura, Kimberly, Kriel, Kuruman, Loxton, Lydenburg, Machachadorp, Mafikena, Messina, Middelburg, Northam, Óaies, Orkney, Phalaborwa, Pilansberg, Polokwane, Postmansburg, Pretoria, Rustenburg, Secunda, Swartruggens, Thabazimbi, Upington, Vereeniging, Vhembe, Volksrust, Welkom, White River, and Witbank.

Outside of South Africa the team has concluded projects in Europe, North Ameriaca, Asia and Oceania

The team's exposure to different styles of orebodies and mining methods is extensive.



VAST EXPERIENCE, EXTENSIVE KNOWLEDGE

Middindi Consulting offers a multitude of services that complement one another and assure clients of comprehensive solutions which are the edge of market developments and suited to their unique requirements.



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FFFORTIESS MINING EXPERIENCE

Middindi consulting is an independent consultant and specialist service provider offering rock engineering. aeotechnical and aeological services to the mining and mineral industry. The company was founded based on empowering previously disadvantaged South Africans and advancing transformation in the mining industry and this remains a core part of our mission to this day.



We are a team of highly skilled professionals with extensive experience across a broad range of mining environments that include; deep level gold mining, coal mining, and copper mining in South Africa. Our depth of experience allows not only to take on highly technical projects but to deliver on large projects seamlessly and with effortless expertise.

We offer a set of practical services across the spectrum of geotechnical services and because of our experience in different mining environments, we are able to develop solutions to better assist our other clients. We provide legal compliance for all the solutions we deliver as standard.

As part of our commitment to delivering solutions and services at the highest possible standards, and to the latest specifications and market developments. Middindi Consultina is a member of several leading organisations. These all require significant investment into quality, training, expertise and deliverables and further assure our clients of our qualifications and capabilities.

Currently, we have active memberships with the following organisations: SANIRE, SAIMM, SOMP, SACNASP, ISRM.

MEET OUR MANAGING DIRECTOR TREVOR RANGASAMY



Trevor started his career working for mining houses then made the transition to consulting. He serves as MD of Middindi Consultina.

He has completed study work in over 31 countries. Trevor was an active participant in SANIRE, SAIMM and MQA both at local and international levels

He is passionate on development and training of vouna scientists and enaineers.

His particular interests are forensic investigations of instabilities, third party reviews, ITEs and due diliaences.

Trevor is a principal who has been practisina in the field for 31 years.



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OREBODIES AND MINING METHODS

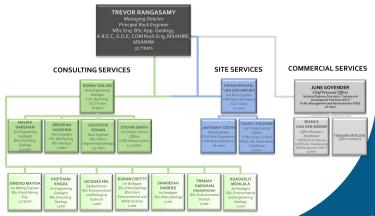
Middindi Consulting has completed projects and serviced several operations within the following commodity sectors:

Chrome, Coal, Copper, Diamonds, Gold, Iron, Lead, Limestone, Managnese, Nickel, Phosphate, Platinum, Polymetallic, Tin, Uranium and Zinc.



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Middindi consulting which started with two employees, has grown to nineteen employees in a relatively short period of time, with a wide range of qualifications.





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ABOUT OUR SERVICES



CONSULTING SERVICES

- Open Pit & Underground Mine Designs
- PEA, Scoping Study, PFS, & FS
- · ITE, DD and Third Party Reviews
- Geotechnical Logging & Samplina of Core
- Scanline Mappina
- Needs driven Research & Development
- Support System Designs
- Compliance Audits
- Numerical Analysis
- Validation of mine design criteria
- Technical investigations Codes of Practice
- The design and selection of support systems



SITE SERVICES

- Contract Rock Engineering Services (14.1(8) legal appointments)
- Routine site inspections
- Incident and accident investigations
- Monthly planning and design input
- Risk assessments
- Validation of mine design criteria
- Technical investigations



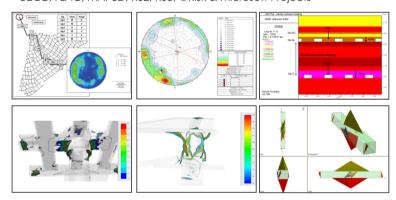
TRAINING SERVICES

- COM Strata Control Certificate theory and practical exams
- COM Rock Engineering Certificate theory exams
- · Geotechnical logging, scanline and window mapping, and sample collection
- Training in the use of geotechnical 2D & 3D modelling software



SOFTWARE AND TECHNOLOGY

- Comprehensive statistical evaluation of datasets
- Point Load Testing
- Impact Split Testina
- Geotechnical mapping tools, both orientated and unorientated core
- Software: Dips, Slide, RSData, Unwedge, Swedge, RocPlane, UDEC, FLAC, MAP3D, RS2, RS3, @Risk & Microsoft Projects



In addition, we have quick and seamless access to geotechnical orientation tools and close ties to the suppliers of complex and simple instrumentation and monitoring sites.

Middindi Consulting has used the combined experience and expertise of its employees and director to develop several papers and educational resources. Ground-breaking study guide material based on the existing Rock Engineering Certificate Syllabus, funded by the Mining Qualifications Authority (MQA) and initiated by the South African Chamber of Mines and the Rock Engineering Technical

Advisory Committee, was compiled by Middindi Consulting.

Our employees are currently involved in offering training courses to the industry and have, in the past, volunteered as:

- Examiners for the Chamber of Mines Rock Engineering Certificate
- $\bullet \, {\sf SANIRE} \, {\sf local} \, {\sf and} \, {\sf regional} \, {\sf committee} \, {\sf members} \,$
- Partaken in organising committees for various symposia
- Presented lectures at the University of Pretoria and the University of the Witwatersrand.



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SUSTAINABLE DESIGNS. STABLE RELATIONSHIPS

Middindi has well-established client relationships with many organisations in the mining industry, some of them include:

A&B Globe Mining Consulting Africa Rainbow Minerals AGES (Pty) Ltd Alphamin Resources Corporation Amari Manganese (Pty)Ltd Anglo American Anglo Gold Ashanti Arcelor Mittal Assmana Limited BARA Consulting BARA Consulting UK Barrick Platinum SA Barris van Houten Consultants Bearing Man Group Benhaus Minina

BHP Billiton Black Mountain Mining (Ptv) Ltd Blackthorn Resources Limited Brentley, Lucas & Associates (Pty)Ltd Boskop Manganese Mine Celtis Geotechnical CC Cheadle Thompson & Haysom Inc.

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Cupric Canvon Copper Dathcom Mining SAS Deloitte

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International Ferro Metals (SA)(Ptv)Ltd Kalakaadi Manaanese Keaton Energy Holdings Khoemacau Copper Mining (Pty)Ltd Kinsenda Copper Company Lanxess Chrome Mining (Pty)Ltd Lonmin Platinum

AZTAM Metorex Copper Corporation DRC (Pty)Ltd MDT Madencilik Tic.Ltd. Sti Mine Health and Safety Council (MHSC) Mining Qualifications Authority Modikwa Platinum Joint Venture

Mototolo Mine Joint Venture Morokwa Managnese New Concept Mining Northam Platinum Limited Paterson And Cooke

Petra Diamonds Platmin South Africa (Pty) Ltd ScotGold Resources Sebilo Resources (Pty)Ltd Seismology in Mining (SIM) Shaft Sinkers (Ptv)Ltd Sibanve Stillwater Sibanve Gold Limited SiM Minina Consultants Seriti Coal South Africa Sishen Iron Ore Company (Pty) Ltd Sivanda Bakaatla Platinum Snowden Somika S.A.R.L South32 SRK Consulting Tetra4 (Pty) Ltd The MSA Group (Ptv)Ltd The Mineral Corporation Tshipi Entle Managnese Mining TWP Consulting Engineers Trichardt Crushers Ukwazi

United Managnese of Kalahari(UMK)

University of Pretoria

Vedanta Resources

West Wits Mining

Zimplats

Wescoal Holdings Limited

Wsizwe Platinum Limited





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The diverse team of employees collectively has extensive experience in the following mining methods and waste management facilities:

Block cavina

Bord (room) & pillar

Cut & fill

Longwall mining

Open pits

Scattered- & sequential grid (conventional) mining

Shrinkage stopes

Slurry ponds and tailings storage facilities

Stockpiles and waste rock dumps

Sub-level cavina

Sub-level open stoping

Various types of mechanised mining



EXTENSIVE SERVICES, FAR-REACHING METHODOLOGIES

In order to best meet their clients' needs, Middindi has access to a large range of industryrelevant software and technologies, including:

UDEC, FLAC, Map3D, Phase 2, RS3, SLIDE, DIPS, JBlock, Swedae, Unwedae

Point load testing equipment

Range of CAD software

In-depth knowledge of seismic system installations

Geotechnical mapping tools

Close ties to suppliers of complex

and simple instrumentation

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SUSTAINABLE DESIGNS, STABLE RELATIONSHIPS

Middindi Consultina is well positioned to establish and maintain relationships with large and smaller mining houses. A wide range of services can enhance any mining house's available skills:

- Codes of Practice
- Concept Level
- Contract Services
- Definitive Feasibility Study
- Due Diligence
- Forensic Investigations
- Geotechnical Data Acquisition
- Numerical Simulation Operational Guidelines
- Pre-Feasibility Study
- Research and Development
 - Rock Engineering Strategies for Optimal Mining and Mine Desian
- Strategic Audits
- Subsidence Assessment
 - Surface Infrastructure
- Training and Development





KNOWLEDGE

Taking an active role in the industry, Middindi's Director, Trevor Rangasamy together with Middindi's personnel, regularly attend conferences and contribute to several publications. Below is a list of some published papers.

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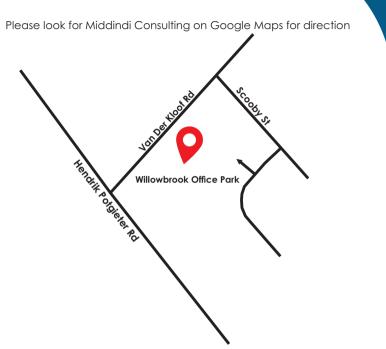












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