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Press Release

**GGML and the Geita Councils host the Geita Business Forum**

Today, Geita Gold Mining Limited (GGML) will host the Geita Business Forum at Moyo wa Huruma Orphanage Centre in Geita Town as it continues to work with the community, encouraging local businesses to supply the mine. GGML aims to extend the Business Forum to other jurisdictions in the country to cater for other local suppliers at national level.

The Minister of Minerals Honourable Dotto Biteko will be the guest of honor at the event. The Geita Business Forum aims to increase vendor efficiency, improve communication with current and prospective suppliers and to further educate them on GGML’s Supply Chain systems and processes. All in line with the Government of Tanzania’s drive to encourage local procurement.

A training workshop will be held for host communities with the aim of enhancing supplier knowledge on governance and compliance matters; standard practices for doing business with GGML. A pipeline of supply opportunities to Geita mine, awareness of GGML’s Acquisition Processes (Procure to Pay) and tendering procedures amongst others, will be highlighted at the Business Forum.

GGML aims to support communities by equipping them with the skills to enable them to compete effectively. This is in line with AngloGold Ashanti’s mandate to empower host communities through sustainable socio-economic projects that will outlast the life of the mine.

The drive is to ensure communities around Geita are better off through working together with, and with the support of, AngloGold Ashanti. This also forms part of GGML’s broader partnership with the local authorities and the host community.

“In 2018, GGML’s local supplier network increased to 305 Tanzania owned business of which 76% of total procurement was spent in Tanzania. GGML anticipates the workshops will help small-and-medium-sized enterprises to sustainably grow their businesses, enabling them to compete effectively in the local supplier value chain for their long-term success and sustainability,” said GGML Vice President Sustainability Mr. Simon Shayo.

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