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An Overview of Hong Kong's Mining History

Presented by Mr Jackie Chu, author of "Hong Kong Mining History"

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Synopsis:

In its industrial days, Hong Kong's mining industry was thriving and benefitted from the mineral occurrences related to the regional Mesozoic igneous and hydrothermal activity.

Hong Kong was unique in the mining sector as it contained such a rich variety of commodities within so small a landmass area. Indeed, there are records of the commercial exploitation of tungsten, iron, lead, silver, beryl, graphite, quartz, feldspar and kaolin in Hong Kong before 1980s, most of which were located in the New Territories and included Lin Ma Hang lead mine, Needle Hill tungsten mine, Ma On Shan iron mine, Mui Wo silver mine, Devil's Peak beryl mine and West Brother graphite mine. Nowadays, these mines are disused and abandoned. This seminar reviews the legacy of the Hong Kong mining industry to appreciate the geology, history, culture and development of these mines and the impact they had on the Hong Kong economy.



About the Speaker:

Jackie graduated in Earth Sciences in the University of Hong Kong; and obtained his Master degree in Marine Geosciences in the University of Plymouth. He has been an exploration geologist in the mining sector since 2010 with field experience in South East Asia, Central Asia and China. Recently, he was selected as the representative of Hong Kong for the International Antarctic Expedition in 2014. He is the founder of ProjecTerra, a Hong Kong based non-profitable organisation aimed at promoting 'earth resource sustainability' among the public and the author of the book "Hong Kong Mining History".



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