

Are we getting enough 'T' into our Mining Geologists?

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ABSTRACT

'T' type people have both deep understanding of their core profession / specialisation as well as a broad appreciation of the lateral topics and issues which relate to the upstream and downstream interactions of their roles and responsibilities. We repeatedly deride the 'silo-isation' of mining professionals but are we doing enough to prevent it?

This paper reviews a survey of <10 year experience mining geologists where we seek to investigate the amount of exposure they have had to 'T' skills development. We also review the graduate development programs from the companies active in Australia and review their effectiveness regarding the development of deep and broad experience.