

**Austmine in partnership with Vale and Trade & Investment Queensland invite you to join the mining mission to the world class Carajas Mineral Province in northern Brazil, 15 - 20 April 2012.**

**The mission will also visit the mining hub in Belo Horizonte and meet Vale's procurement executives at the headquarters in Rio de Janeiro.**



**Vale** is the world's biggest producer of iron ore and pellets, with the world's largest operation located in Carajás, in the state of Para in Northern Brazil. Being one of the richest iron ore provinces in the world, the highest levels of iron content found are 67% on average. Fully owned by Vale, the mine holds some 11.2 billion metric tons of iron ore in proven and probable reserves. Other mineral deposits were discovered later; Carajás is rich not only in iron ore but also ores for manganese, copper, tin, aluminium and even gold.

Vale also recently announced investments of US\$21.5 billion for 2012, including 60.5 % for project execution globally. The investment budget package also includes US\$2.4 billion (11%) for research and development of innovative technologies in collaboration with leading service providers.

**This mission** will give you the opportunity to visit to the Carajás Mineral Province to experience first-hand the gigantic open-cut operations & production plants and meet with Vale executives.

In Belo Horizonte, located in the prominent mining state of Minas Gerais, you will again visit Vale's operations as well as meet with additional mining companies and local & international service providers operating in Brazil.

Trade and Investment Queensland will celebrate the newly appointed Queensland Government representative in Belo Horizonte with a networking business function which will gather the local mining community of Belo Horizonte.

The mission will end in Rio de Janeiro where Vale's headquarters are located where you will be presenting your products and services to a panel of technical managers and procurement executives.

The mission will follow the Expomin 2012 exhibition in Santiago/Chile (9 -13 April) and offers a rare opportunity to follow Vale's invitation to Austmine members to experience the world class mining operations in the remote Northern Brazil and meet with the decision makers *face-to-face*.



Date	Program	Location
Sunday 15 April	Arrival to Carajas from Australia/Chile	
Monday 16 April	Site visit Carajas iron ore operations	Carajas
Tuesday 17 April	Site visit Sossego operations	Carajas
Wednesday 18 April	Site visit to Mina de Fabrica	Belo Horizonte
Thursday 19 April	Visit to other production sites	Belo Horizonte
Friday 20 April	Meeting with Vale's executives at headquarters	Rio de Janeiro

**Cost: \$1,790 + GST per company**

**Austmine services include:**

- Pre-briefing information and material
- Mission coordination and communication
- Scheduling of meetings
- Ground transport
- Production of mission booklet
- Accommodation block booking and travel coordination
- Organisation of networking reception
- Arranging interpreting services

- Number of spaces are strictly limited to 16 persons (1 representative per company) due to seat availability on domestic carriers... so 'First come, first serve'
- Minimum participation of 8 persons apply to the proposed program.
- Participants are required to cover the costs for international and domestic airfares, airport / hotel transfers, accommodation and meals. *Austmine will organise block bookings.*
- Austmine requires 100% payment of the service fee by **14 February 2012**. Online registration reserves your place on the event, but your place is not fully secured until the entire fee is paid. Non-payment of the deposit by the applied deadline will result in the forfeit of your reserved place on the event.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE 25 JANUARY 2012**

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