

Special Issue

Mining and Mineral Exploration Geophysics

Message from the Guest Editors

Emerging developments in the field of near surface geophysics are increasingly benefiting a wide range of mining and mineral exploration activities. Geophysical methods provide a means of spatially characterizing and monitoring the subsurface, which is particularly valuable in settings with complex ground conditions where intrusive methods alone can be inadequate. This Special Issue aims to highlight novel geophysical techniques, modelling approaches, and applications to address mining related issues—including mineral exploration, mine planning, tailings and mine waste characterisation and monitoring, slope stability assessment and groundwater management. We welcome studies relating to all geophysical techniques, including airborne, ground-based and borehole methods.

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