



Information management & good practices



What is IM?

- Information Management
 - Process of turning data into useful information



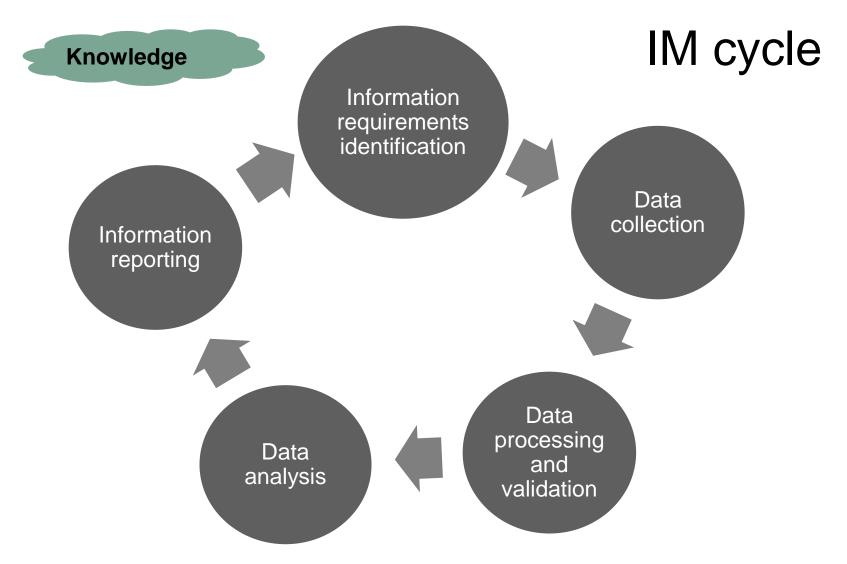
- Information (management) system
 - People, processes and standards, organisation and tools to support data collection, data storage, data analysis, information dissemination



What is IM?









Why is IM needed?



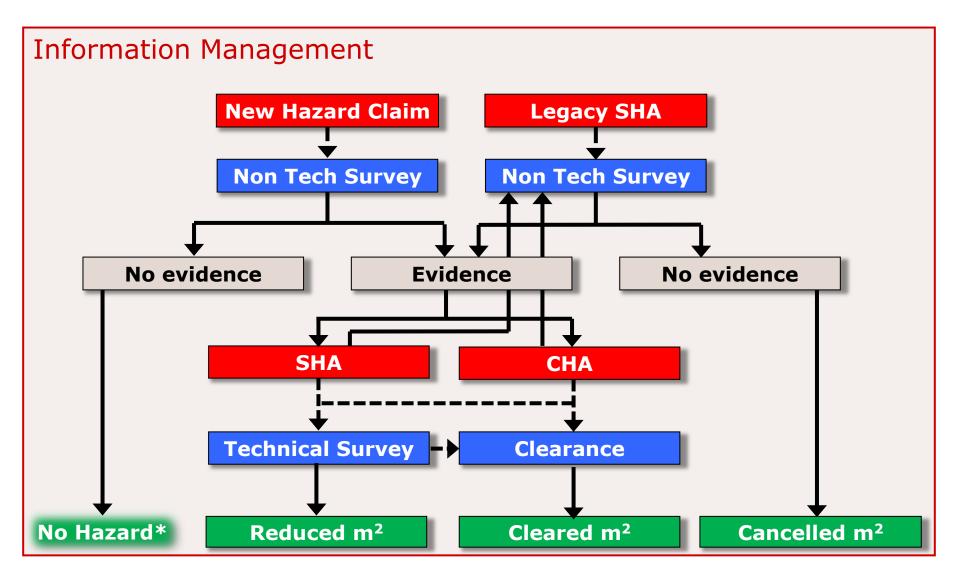
To enable organisations to leverage information towards evidence-based decision-making and results-based management



Why an IM system in mine action?

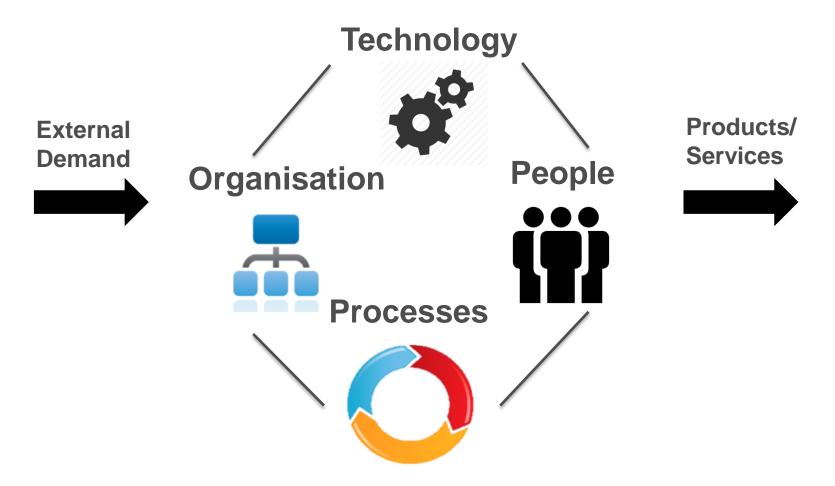
- Disciplined documentation is needed for:
 - Who did the process
 - When
 - Where
 - Method(s) used
 - What was the result
- Mine action is a long-term activity, therefore IM should be planned and implemented carefully.







Essential elements of an IM system





Recent IM activities

- IM stakeholder workshop in May 2018
 - General discussion on IM
 - Stakeholder analysis
 - Process mapping
- Requirements definition in August 2018
 - In-depth interviews
 - IM specification report containing 10 general, 6 non-functional and 2 other requirements



General requirements

- Data products / MA activities
- Consistent terminology
- Configurable workflows
- New modules/attributes
- One integrated system

- Direct data entry
- Consistent and integrated reporting
- Real-time access
- Public access for selected components
- GIS requirements



Non-functional and other requirements

- System architecture
- User interface
- Change tracking
- Multi-language support
- Interactive workflows
- Data migration

- QA/QC SOP
- Storage of country assessment data



Conclusions

To achieve an efficient IM:

- Understand users, their roles and their needs
- Users understand their role in IM
- Processes are clear
- Standards, methods and tools are up to date and appropriate

Project recommendations:

- Investigate best architecture based on requirements
- COTS vs. development
- Testing, training, data migration





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