

## Metals and society : an introduction to economic geology

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### Abstrak

With these sections metals and society deals with issues that pervade much of current science reporting, the rate of exploitation of natural resources, the question of when or if these resources will be exhausted, the pollution and social disturbance that accompanies mining, the compromises and challenges that arise from the explosion of demand from China, India and other rapidly developing countries, and the moral issues that surround mining of metals in lesser developed countries for consumption in the “first-world” countries.