



COBALT

THE SOCIAL EXPERIMENT FOR RESPONSIBLE PRACTICES

A POWERFUL TOOL TO FOSTER COOPERATION



Are you interested in organizing a **unique, tailor-made event** that aims to **foster dialogue and cooperation** between the stakeholders from the mining sector to **enhance responsible mining/value chains**?

Collectif Cobalt proposes a participatory and interactive experience at the intersection **between reality and fiction** that immerses the participants in the shoes of a **community and the intricate dynamics of the mining sector**: the Cobalt Social Experiment.



Based on the book *République démocratique du Cobalt* and **real stories from artisanal and industrial mining sites**, this innovative experience highlights the individual and collective interests and constraints at stake and creates **space for all stakeholders' perspectives to be heard**.

THE SOCIAL EXPERIMENT FOR

✓ The private sector

- Support responsible mining/value chain initiatives
- Raise awareness and build staff capacity
- Reinforce **cooperation and dialogue** with stakeholders



✓ Communities

- Better understand **legislation, norms and procedures**
- Strengthen communities' **voices, position, message** and **cohesion**
- Foster **collective intelligence, dialogue** and **co-construction**

✓ Civil society and cooperation organisations

- Support **awareness raising** efforts
- Encourage responsible **mining and remediation** initiatives
- Support **strategic thinking** and **stakeholder engagement**



✓ International and academic institutions

- Stimulate **strategic thinking and discussion** on responsible mining/value chain
- **Narrow the gap between theory and practice**
- **Share knowledge** in an interactive and accessible way



TAILOR-MADE

Adapted to the audience and the context

The experiment is built and rooted in the reality of your audience, field, languages, commitments and location to ensure active participation and interaction and leave a lasting impression.

IN PRACTICE

Capacity

10 to 200 people

Duration

1h30 to 2h (+possible debriefing).

Possible reception areas

Meeting room, lobby, outdoor space, tent, performance hall, other venues...

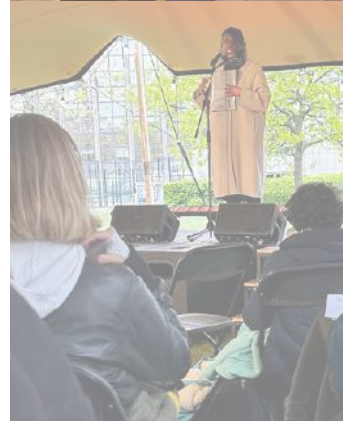
Technical requirements

Chairs, projection screen, 2-3 microphones, and sound control room.

OTHER OPTIONS

Additional or alternative activities to the social experiment

- Short presentation or interactive session on the role of cultural mediation to foster responsible mining/value chains,
- Tailor-made workshops to explore the topics covered in greater depth,
- Networking session,
- ...



OUR REFERENCES

**16 SOCIAL EXPERIMENTS, 14 LOCATIONS, 5 CITIES, 2
CONTINENTS AND MORE THAN 2000 PARTICIPANTS SINCE 2024**

Rencontres Mingi Wingi Brussels - March 2024	FestiJuste ULB Brussels - April 2024	Festival 'Rêve Général' Liège - June 2024	Résidence du Consulat de Belgique Lubumbashi - June 2024
UNILU Lubumbashi - June 2024	The Shift Brussels - October 2024	ESA St-Luc Bruxelles - March 2025	Académie Royale des Beaux-Arts Brussels - April 2025
OECD Forum for Responsible Mineral Supply Chains Paris - May 2025	Ukamili Lubumbashi - Juin 2025	UNILU Lubumbashi - Juin 2025	EU Raw Material Week Brussels - November 2025
Institut Egmont Brussels - January 2026	VO Group Brussels - January 2026	Mining Indaba Cape Town - February 2026	Africa Museum Tervuren - March 2026



OUR IMPACT

*"It was an unforgettable experience for me!
Thank you again..."*

Sasha, Enabel - Lubumbashi 2024

*"I would like to congratulate you once again on
the work you have done and, above all, on the
positive psychological and mental impact your
performance has had on the participants. Well
done, it's great work."*

Cheikh, Ukamili - Lubumbashi 2025

*"When fiction plays along with reality, it breaks
with convention and leads the audience to no
longer see what is happening before their eyes
as theater, but as an event rooted in reality."*

Trésor, Journalist - Lubumbashi 2024

*"I already miss the energy and power of the
group. But the week ends with a smile, thanks to
you. Thank you."*

Gloria, CEC - Brussels 2025

*"It was an eye opener to put you in the shoes of
people who are often forgotten. The more I think
back on this experience, the more poignant it
becomes."*

Liam, M&C SAATCHI - Cape Town 2026

This session wasn't just an event—it was the
start of a deeper conversation about justice,
inclusion, and transformation in the mining
sector.

Titus, EPRM - Paris 2025

*Thank you for taking us along for the ride. I
am delighted and touched; I haven't
discovered the subject, experienced and
recounted by so many partners in my work,
but felt it like never before.*

Hervé, Fondation Roi Baudoin - Liège 2024

*"This project is incredible! YOU are incredible!
I wish you all the best for the future..."*

Nicole, Artist & accomplice - Brussels 2024

*"Well done to the whole team! Excellent work,
keep up the good work and continue to have
such a creative impact."*

Delphine, The Shift - Brussels 2024

*"Thank you very much to the entire team. I
think many people really had a great time and
enjoyed an enlightening experience!"*

Elisabetta, EU DG INTPA - Brussels 2025

ABOUT COLLECTIF COBALT



Collectif COBALT was created by four individuals at the intersection of the worlds of arts and culture, journalism, mining, sustainability and international cooperation, driven by their desire to build bridges between them. For more information :

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"In a world where power relations are increasing, resources are dwindling, relationships are hardening, issues are becoming more complex and yet interdependence is increasing, Collectif Cobalt develops cultural mediation approaches in order to bring about new forms of cooperation and jointly build a more just, sustainable and peaceful society."

THEY TRUSTED US



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Partnership
for Responsible
Minerals



Coopération
Education
Culture



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DIGITAL CITY



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-LUC
BRUXELLES



VO

communication
group



FÉDÉRATION
WALLONIE-BRUXELLES



ULB



International
Partnerships

the
Shift

Young Thinkers



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of Antwerp



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de
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