

SIMSA and BHP events keep growing

Over 250 SIMSA members met with over 40 BHP persons – for an entire day – at SIMSA’s Roundtable event with BHP on November 6, 2025! And there was some big SIMSA news during the event as well.

SIMSA’s growth is largely attributable to the cooperation they receive in events such as this – as they provide outstanding value to the membership.



BHP’s Karina Gistelinck, Asset President, Potash addresses the audience

As with all SIMSA Roundtable events, attendees from the producer company (BHP) are assigned seating individually at a banquet table of 6-persons for the day. Upon entry, SIMSA members can choose with whom they sit. The full list of BHP attendees is below.

However, over half of the event time was spent in free-flow networking and break-out sessions, giving SIMSA members ample access to key BHP persons, and an opportunity to connect with fellow members.

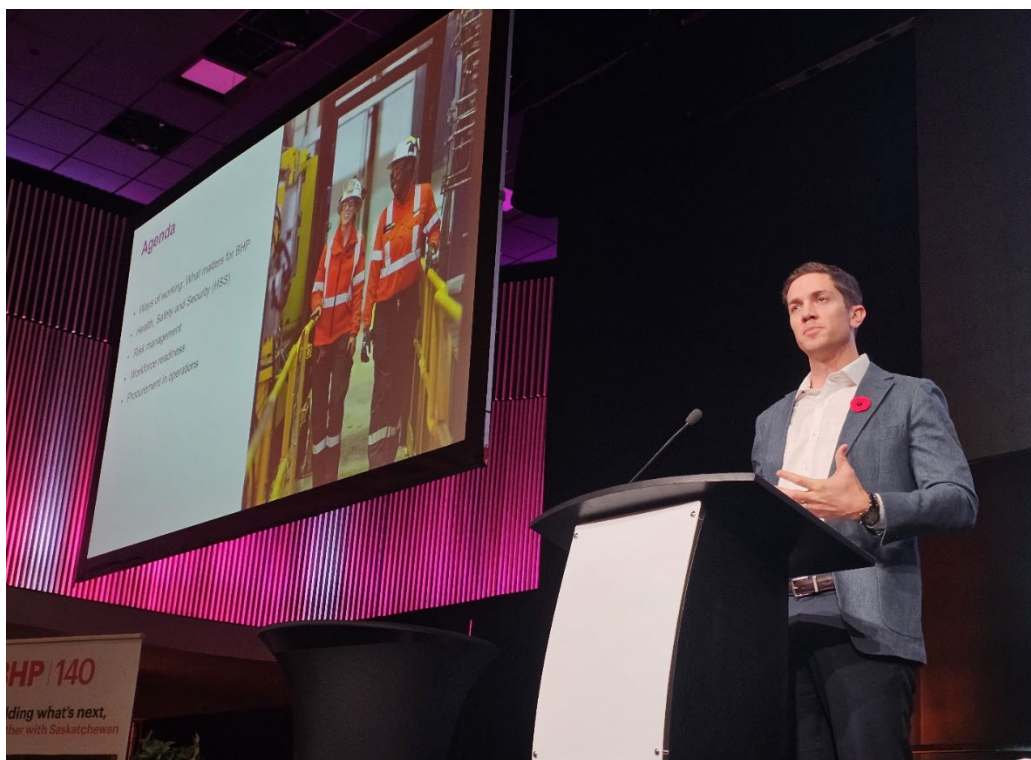
The event was sponsored by Weber Supply Company and Davis Machine.

The core event began with Karina Gistelinck, Asset President Potash presenting a “BHP Update.”



Karina Gistelinck

Following Karina’s presentation, the event shifted to Mike Moscarda, General Manager Integrated Operations presenting on “Working with BHP. Operational Readiness.”



Mike Moscarda

After a subsequent networking session, the “Gallery Walks” session or break-out rooms began. There were 4 rooms set up at the back of the main speaking hall. Each room saw a 30-minute presentation, that was then repeated. Members picked their first room, listened, then went to their second, third, and fourth. Two rounds were held before lunch and two after lunch.

The breakout rooms were:

1. Maintenance - a look into how BHP operates and maintains our assets
2. GBS Procurement (Global Business Services) - an overview on how their GBS team supports the end-to-end process for procurement
3. SAP Ariba – a presentation directly from SAP to walk through Ariba and how BHP intends on using it
4. Frequently Asked Questions - a review of FAQs heard by BHP

All presentations used during the event, were shared with attendees as PDFs the following day.

Also, during the event, SIMSA presented that they had heard, that liability insurance is sometimes difficult to secure and that even when you can, it can be expensive.

So, SIMSA did some homework and at the event, announced that SIMSA is now proud to offer members access, to a purpose-built liability insurance program, through [BFL CANADA](#). It is designed specifically for industrial suppliers, operating in mining and related sectors.

This program meets the strict requirements of leading mine operators across Canada, ensuring coverage aligns with industry standards and contractual obligations. With rates approximately 20% below the insurer’s open market pricing, SIMSA members benefit from exceptional value, tailored protection, and fast access to quotes.

Why did SIMSA choose BFL?

BFL CANADA brings unmatched expertise to the mining sector, with over 30 dedicated mining specialists, three mining-focused offices across Canada, and more than 200 unique mine visits conducted by its risk control engineers.

BFL is a privately owned, 100% Canadian, independent firm, with global reach across 140+ countries. In short, they can ensure SIMSA members receive industry-aligned protection backed by mining-specific experience.

To learn more about the program, go [HERE](#).

The event's agenda was:

Topic	Who	Time
Registration and Continental Breakfast		07:30
Welcome		08:15
BHP Update	Karina Gistelinck - Asset President	08:30
BHP – Working with us	Mike Moscarda - General Manager, Integrated Operations	09:00
Networking Break		09:30
Gallery Walk Introduction & Kick off		10:15
Gallery Walk – Session 1		10:30
Gallery Walk – Session 2		11:00
Lunch Break		11:30
Big SIMSA news at noon!		
Gallery Walk – Session 3		12:30
Gallery Walk – Session 4		13:00
Event Wrap up and Networking		13:30

Attending from BHP were:

<u>Last Name</u>	<u>First Name</u>	<u>Role</u>	<u>Company</u>
Anaman	Tammy	Specialist Communications	BHP Potash
Bradburry	Colin	Principal Maintenance Readiness	BHP Potash
Brown	Daisy	Principal HSS	BHP Potash
Calayan	Vanessa	Lead Process Engineer Surface Production	BHP Potash
Christopher	Alan	Specialist Procurement	BHP Potash
Currie	Glen	Lead Procurement	BHP Potash
De Beer	Riian	Lead Projects Commercial	BHP Potash
Elke	Charlie	Superintendent Camp and Logistics	BHP Potash

Gistelinck	Karina	Asset President	BHP Potash
Harding	Kieran	Superintendent Process	BHP Potash
Holinsky	Brittney	Specialist Procurement	BHP Potash
Jansen van Vuuren	Anette	Manager Procurement Operations	BHP Potash
Kahovec	Mark	Superintendent Warehouse and Logistics	BHP Potash
Kaur	Kishpreet	PMO Coordinator	BHP Potash
Kierath	Tamahra	Manager Infrastructure and Services	BHP Potash
Lamoureux	Justin	Superintendent Electrical and Instrumentation	BHP Potash
Lufi	Fabian	Principal GBS Integration Procure to Pay	BHP Potash
Marcelino	Claudia	Specialist Procurement	BHP Potash
Marsh	Jeff	Manager Projects Procurement	BHP Potash
Mau	Lucila	Lead Project Procurement	BHP Potash
McGee	Stacy	Manager Projects Contracts	BHP Potash
McGrady	Susan	Head of Corporate Affairs	BHP Potash
Meriño	Paula	Manager GBS Integration Procure to Pay	BHP Potash
Moscarda	Mike	General Manager Operations	BHP Potash
O'Hagan	Connor	Specialist Contractor Management	BHP Potash
Patel	Ken	Specialist Procure to Pay	BHP Potash
Philips	Abraham	Principal Procurement	BHP Potash
Pickett	Mark	Head of Projects Commercial	BHP Potash
Rempel	Danielle	Principal Procurement	BHP Potash
Russel	Tavis	Superintendent Asset Maintenance	BHP Potash
Sharman	Helen	Manager Projects Contracts	BHP Potash
Sieminski	Miles		SAP
Suarez	Viani	Principal Inventory Integration	BHP Potash
Tapia	Alvaro	Lead Procurement	BHP Potash
Thiessen	Eric	Principal Communication	BHP Potash
Tysoe	Phillip	Lead Training Development	BHP Potash
Uzoma	Uchenna	Specialist Procurement	BHP Potash
Wheler	Jessica	Lead HSS	BHP Potash
Winterfield	Andrew	Manager Maintenance	BHP Potash
Zedonek	Mark	Manager Program Services	SAP

SIMSA is a non-profit organization representing 372 Saskatchewan-based supplier-members, who provide goods and services to the industrial, mining, and energy sectors. SIMSA is currently the only organization that represents suppliers that have a physical presence in Saskatchewan, with most also having their global headquarters in the province. SIMSA's membership represents over 36,000 employees in Saskatchewan and over \$17-billion in annual sales.