

Rio Tinto's Argyle Diamond Mine acquires state-of-the-art Custom Mine Site

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Rio Tinto's Argyle Diamond Mine (ADM), world leader in diamond production, has taken delivery of its Custom Mine Site, a customized visual environment that is integrated with ADM's Series II Advanced Equipment (AE) Simulator.



Simulated Argyle Custom Mine Site

"AE Simulators typically come with a generic visual environment, however, close to 100% of our customers are now choosing to deploy Custom Mine Sites which provide truly spectacular visual environments that enhance operator training experience and increase training benefits by between 30% and 80%," said Oye Obe, Executive Manager Business Development at Immersive Technologies. "This customization enables customers to extract more value for their investment in a Simulator at a fraction of the original capital cost."

"The CMS is absolutely fantastic, amazing. New operators will practically know the mine site back to front before getting [to drive] on site,"

Peter Edwards, Superintendent Operations Training at Argyle Diamond Mine.

Argyle Diamonds' Custom Mine Site features very high levels of clarity and fidelity surpassing some visual environments employed in the aerospace industry. This was achieved by applying state-of-the-art image generating and display products to replicate site topographical and cultural features such as pits, haul trucks, excavators, loading and dumping locations, truck routes, road signs, buildings, landmarks, to a high level of realism.

New Operators trained on AE Simulators featuring Custom Mine Sites are more confident navigating and working in the actual site once training is complete and they hit the circuit in a real machine. Experienced Operators trained on AE Simulators featuring Custom Mine Sites get to address poor operating habits and improve efficiency around the circuit. These result in higher productivity and operational efficiencies, and improved safety for the mine.

About Immersive Technologies

Established in 1993, Immersive Technologies is a provider of advanced training Simulator technologies that improve operational efficiency and reduce risk for defense forces and air rescue fire fighting operations, and improve productivity in the mining and earthmoving sectors. Immersive Technologies employs over 85 people in Australia and the United States with AE Simulators in 12 countries.

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