

Senior Hydrogeologist

Expertise Hydrogeology, water resources, tailings storage, mine dewatering and

geotechnical tasks. Numerical and conceptual hydrogeological models.

Education Geologist, 2003

Universidad Complutense de Madrid, España

Máster en Ingeniería Geológica, 2006 Complutense University of Madrid, Spain

Geologist Engineer, 2012

Polytechnic University of Madrid, Spain

Mining Engineer 2015

Polytechnic University of Madrid, Spain

International Course in Underground Hydrogeology, 2020

FCIHS Cataluña, Spain.

Water in Mine Operations and Slope Stability. Professional Development

Course 2024

The Geotechnical Center of Excellence. The University of Arizona

Professional Affiliations Society of Soil Mechanics and Society of Rocks Mechanics

International Mine Water Association (IMWA)

International Association of Hydrogeologists (IAH).

Honors Gómez Pardo-Schulz Award, Polytechnic University of Madrid, Spain (2013)

Professional Experience

2013 – Presente Itasca S.A., Santiago de Chile, Chile

Senior Hydrogeologist

2010 – 2012 Polytechnic University of Madrid, Spain

Hydrogeologist

2007 – 2009 Intemac S.A., Madrid, Spain

Geotechnical Engineer

2006 – 2007 Besland S.A., Madrid, Spain

Geotechnical Engineer

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José Luis Villa - ITASCA Chile



2004 - 2006

Ideyco S.A., Toledo. España Geotechnical Engineer

Project Experience

Specialist in numerical modeling of groundwater flow with over 15 years of experience in water and environmental management, developed in mining industry operations. His work includes the planning and management of water resources through 3D hydrogeological numerical models for mine dewatering and water supply, as well as support in the preparation of studies to assess the effects of pore pressure on slope stability in both open-pit and underground mines. He has also led the execution of hydrogeological exploration and monitoring campaigns. José Luis holds a specialization in Applied Geological Engineering and academic degrees in Mining Engineering and Geological Engineering from the Technical University of Madrid, as well as a bachelor's degree in Geology from the Complutense University of Madrid (Spain).

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