

Fernando E. Porcile

Fernando E. Porcile has 45 years experience in mining. He has been in charge of developing and implementing new projects and has also had to manage world-class mining operations. Most of his experience is in copper mining, but also includes experience in saltpetre, iodine and iron mining. Has also had vast experience in engineering companies both as a client and as a consultant. He is currently Project Manager at Yamana Gold, Director of Chariot (a Junior Canadian mining company), and has previously held other positions such as Chairman of the Board of Antamina and Collahuasi.

F. Porcile is currently Manager of Yamana Gold's Argentinean Project in Agua Rica; he assumed this position after withdrawing as President and CEO of Compañía Minera Doña Ines de Collahuasi. Previously for five years he was President of Falconbridge Copper Division in charge of Falconbridge's copper operations in Canada. Falconbridge was acquired by Xstrata in September 2006 and at the time Falconbridge had copper operations in Chile and Peru and projects in Argentina. Prior to this position he was Vice President of Project Development at BHP-Billiton Base Metals and President of Compañía Minera Cerro Colorado. Before the Canadian company Rio Algom was acquired by Billiton he was Vice President of Engineering and Development for Rio Algom and in charge of developing the Antamina mega-project in Peru and the initial stages of the Spence project in Chile.

From 1989 to 1991, he was Operations Manager at Soquimich in charge of operations at the nitrate production plant in the 2nd Region.

F. Porcile worked at Codelco-Chile for nine years. He started working at Codelco in 1980 as Engineering Manager at El Teniente Division and then he was promoted in the same Division as Operations Manager. Subsequently in 1985 he was promoted to General Manager of Chuquicamata Division. At El Teniente he was in charge of developing and implementing the expansion programme of facilities. At Chuquicamata he was General Manager during the expansion of the facilities to increase copper production from 500 KTPA to 650 KTPA.

During the late 1970s, he worked for four years in California USA for A.G. McKee (currently Aker-Kvaerner) a leading company in engineering and construction of mining projects, and was involved in projects in the US, Philippines and Chile.

F. Porcile worked for six years in Spain for Río Tinto Patiño where he was in charge of leading the engineering and construction of the Huelva smelter expansion.

His professional career began at Braden Copper Company, a division of Kennecott Copper Corp. that operated El Teniente mine. During his seven years at Braden Copper he had different positions with increasing responsibility where the last position he held was Smelter Superintendent.

F. Porcile studied Mining Engineering at Universidad de Chile and as a fifth-year undergraduate was awarded a scholarship by Universidad de Chile to finish his studies at Columbia University N.Y. where he obtained a Master of Science in Mineral Engineering in 1965.