London has many major tunnelling works, both underway and planned for construction over the next few years. One of these projects is Cross Rail, a new metro that is expected to increase the London Underground capacity by 10% by 2019 when construction and commissioning of the new metro is completed. The underground works includes 20 km of twin rail tunnels and 6 central underground stations using TBM and SCL methods of tunnelling, costing 28 billion dollars. Mr. Knights will describe general aspects of the mining and civil engineering works of this project and will focus on lessons learned.

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