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AGENDA

WORKSHOP ON ARTISANAL AND SMALL SCALE MINING

**How can the sector better contribute to Sustainable
Development?**

London, UK
Hilton Hotel, Kensington, London

Monday 19 November – Tuesday 20 November 2001

Workshop Objectives

This workshop is being hosted by the Mining, Minerals and Sustainable Development (MMSD) Project of the International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED). ***The goal of the MMSD research activity on artisanal and small scale mining (ASM) is to develop an understanding of how the ASM sector can better contribute to sustainable development.*** This work, and all of MMSD's research activities, will be reflected into MMSD's Final Report, scheduled for completion in March 2002.

MMSD's research activity on artisanal and small-scale mining (ASM) is based on several components;

- The Global Report on ASM is a baseline assessment on the importance and nature of ASM being compiled by Projekt-Consult GmbH
- This study is drawing on a number of MMSD commissioned country and regional studies from different areas in the world where the ASM sector represents an important source of livelihoods. These include Malawi, Mozambique, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe, Brazil, Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru, China, India, Indonesia, the Philippines, Papua New Guinea, Ghana, Mali, and Burkina Faso
- This participatory researchers workshop

The workshop will bring together approximately 40 participants including the researchers who have compiled the various reports. Representatives from non-governmental and community-based organisations, small-scale miners, government representatives, and international organisations will be attending.

The ***specific objectives of the workshop*** are to:

1. Discuss lessons learned from initiatives designed to improve the contribution of the sector to SD (for example through improving environmental performance or improving access to credit). Identify good practice through case study presentations and discussion/analysis of key factors which help the sector contribute to sustainable development
2. Discuss the findings from the global, regional and country reports on ASM
3. Identify regional priorities and experiences that need to be reflected in the global report on ASM
4. Consider how the outputs (global, regional and country studies, databases, network of researchers) of the MMSD ASM research activities can be best used. Particular consideration will be given to how these can feed into CASM
5. Provide an opportunity for researchers on ASM from different countries to meet and exchange experiences

Expected outputs from workshop will include:

- A Workshop Report to reflect the discussions and findings of the workshop
- The workshop discussion will inform the Global Report on Artisanal and Small Scale mining and be reflected in the Final MMSD Project Report

Expected outputs from the entire ASM Research Activity will include:

- The Global Report on Artisanal and Small Scale Mining
- A series of Country Study Reports and Case Studies

Monday 19th November

9.00 Coffee and registration

9:30 Welcome

Welcome by Richard Sandbrook, MMSD Project Coordinator and workshop chair. Richard will describe how the ASM research and workshop feeds into the overall MMSD project.

9:40 Update on MMSD ASM work

Brief review of MMSD research on artisanal and small-scale mining and discussion of workshop objectives.

9:50 Introduction

Researchers and other participants introduce one another

10:30 Refreshments

11:00 Keynote address

Namakau Kaingu, small-scale miner, will discuss the importance of the ASM sector.

11:10 The Global ASM Report

Thomas Hentschel and Felix Hruschka will lead the discussion on the draft global ASM report focusing on general content, regional perspectives and report findings.

12:00 Learning from the country studies

General discussion on what was learned through the research and what were the difficulties identified by the researchers. Discussion of the critical issues facing the ASM sector.

13:00 Lunch

14:00 Case studies from around the world

Several of the MMSD researchers will present case studies on how ASM issues have been addressed in their respective countries, analysing success and problem factors. Each presentation will be followed by a discussion period.

Speakers:

- The Shamva Mining Centre in Zimbabwe by Alex Mugova, ITDG
- Credit Schemes for ASM miners in Bolivia by Danilo Bocangel, MEDMIN
- Milne Bay Province in PNG by Blasius Susapu, Department of Mining, Papua New Guinea Government

15:30 Refreshments

16:00 Case studies from around the world (*continued*)

Speakers:

- The Sadiola ASM poverty reduction and community development project in Mali by Dr. Seydou Keita, PAMPE (Promotion de l'Artisanat Minier)
- The Ozizweni Project in Kwa Zulu Natal, South Africa by Grant Mitchel, MEPC (Minerals and Energy Policy Centre)

17:30 End of Day

19:00 Welcome Drinks

19:30 Dinner

Tuesday 20th November

9:30 Introduction to break out groups

The specific design of the breakout sessions will be finalised at the workshop.
The groups will focus on several broad themes; the short and long term viability of the ASM sector in the context of sustainable development, the effectiveness of assistance projects to the sector, the relationship between large and small-scale mining, and the role of donor agencies.

9:45 Break out groups

Three or four break out groups will be formed; each group will have an appointed chair that will report back to the plenary.

10:45 Refreshments

11:15 Feedback from break out groups

Each group will discuss the key elements and findings from the break out groups.

12:30 Lunch

13:30 The role of CASM – the Collaborative Group on Artisanal and Small-Scale Mining

Jeffrey Davidson will discuss the role of CASM.

14:30 Refreshments

15:00 Next Steps

A general discussion on what the next steps are in the short and long term for the ASM sector to better contribute to sustainable development.

16:30 Closure