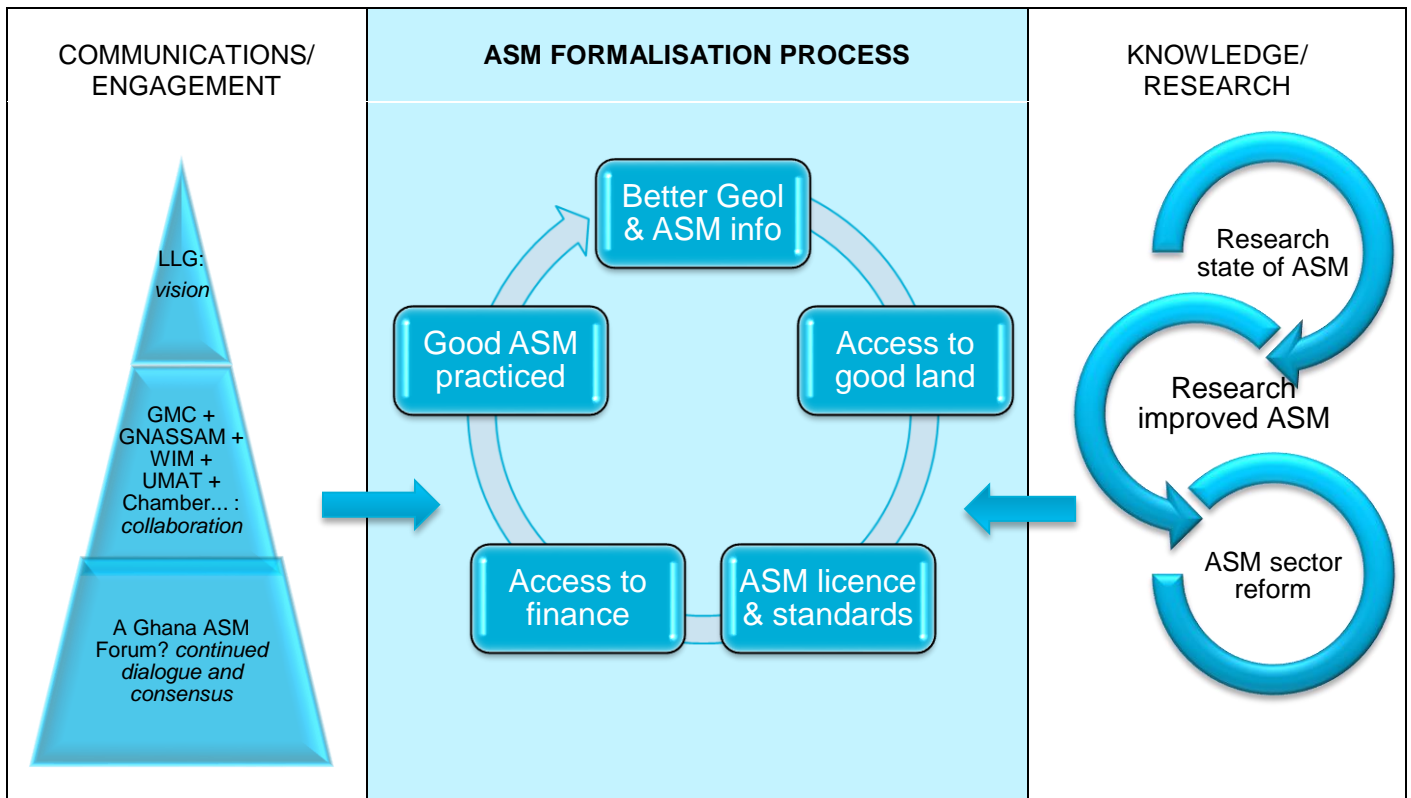


## ASM SECTOR REFORM IN GHANA

- prosperous, sustainable, equitable ASM
- recognised and supported within an inclusive Mining Sector
- realising high value from Ghana's Mineral Resources
  - contributing to sustainable Land Use
  - helping to reduce poverty

ENGAGEMENT/ COMMUNICATIONS	<b>ASM FORMALISATION PROCESS</b>	KNOWLEDGE/ RESEARCH
<i>Aim:</i> improve stakeholder awareness, trust, collaboration to realise ASM potentials	<i>Aim:</i> streamline ASM sector institutions, rules, information flows, incentives; attract investment; to result in sector transformation ***	<i>Aim:</i> support formalisation process with knowledge on ASM status and options
<i>Problem:</i> ASM problems and prejudices pervade media and public perceptions	<i>Problem:</i> ASM is insecure, indebted and often unlicensed; the licensing process is slow and costly; geological assets are unsure; viable lands are not allocated to ASM; and government control is poor	<i>Problem:</i> site-specific contexts and lack of information to make the ASM business case and to focus formalisation
<p><i>Actions:</i> Stakeholder analysis.</p> <p>Support stakeholder dialogue.</p> <p>Improve the "ASM brand":</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Video/testimony of ASM miners</li> <li>➤ Awards for best ASM, stories of change</li> <li>➤ ASM community spokespeople</li> <li>➤ Media campaign &amp; sensitisation strategy</li> <li>➤ ASM information portal, including facts and figures about ASM's contribution</li> </ul>	<p><i>Actions:</i> Develop national ASM business case and action plan to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ 1-stop e-licensing – for individuals, collectives and cooperatives; digitised government database</li> <li>➤ Update ASM law/standards – re new technology, land use</li> <li>➤ Mobilise Dept Geol Survey – to assess geol assets in ASM areas</li> <li>➤ Mobilise LSM – to support or enter partnerships with ASM</li> <li>➤ Empower AS miners - to organise nationally and at mine level, and develop technical, H&amp;S, business skills across the ASM value chain</li> <li>➤ Mobilise (rural) banks – for credit based on license and standards</li> <li>➤ Attract enabling investment – from govt/donors to ASM sector</li> </ul>	<p><i>Actions:</i> Update initial IIED research paper.</p> <p>Identify knowledge needs eg:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ ASM data/technology/business practices</li> <li>➤ ASM economics at national/mine levels</li> <li>➤ ASM (dis)incentives and fiscal choices</li> <li>➤ Distributional issues, notably gender</li> <li>➤ Synergies and clashes between               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ ASM and agriculture/land use</li> <li>○ ASM and LSM</li> <li>○ Branches of government</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<p><i>Roles: 'engage'</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LLG shape debate, help minority voices</li> <li>• GMC/GNASSAM mobilise stakeholders</li> <li>• IIED comms support</li> </ul>	<p><i>Roles: 'drive change'</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Learning/Leadership Group LLG jointly drive formalisation roadmap</li> <li>• Main ASM sector institutions collaborate – govt: GMC, EPA, DGS, Lands, Agric, Local Govt, DAs; civil society; miners inc GNASSAM</li> <li>• Build on existing processes re e-licence, Minamata, child labour, agricultural extension and financing...</li> <li>• Process support: 1 LLG 'secretary', 2 facilitation, 3 decision criteria</li> </ul>	<p><i>Roles: 'assess and inform'</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LLG lead learning programme</li> <li>• UMAT, U. Surrey, U. Ghana, GMA experts</li> <li>• International exchanges of info &amp; people</li> <li>• IIED research support</li> <li>• Cross-country learning with other dialogue countries</li> </ul>



***Transforming sector from:	To.....
Poverty-driven	ASM business/capability-driven
Insecure	Secure rights, jobs, resources
Miners indebted	Investment in ASM by govt, business
Unhealthy and dangerous work	Safe, decent jobs
Rampant migration	Stable, local employment
Weak capacity	Extension and training
Women have worst jobs	Women in ASM value chain
Irresponsible	Responsible, accountable ASM
Harming agriculture	Synergies for food/farm investment
Unscrutinised	Monitored with ASM standards
Unsupported	Accessible finance and services
Institutions clash	Collaboration in responsible ASM
Illegal and invisible	Licensed and recognised
Seen as a problem	Seen as development asset

**Note:** This sketch 'road map' draws on both the research report and the discussions at the four-day January 2016 dialogue. It forms the basis for further work by stakeholders in the ASM sector. It is just a 'placeholder' for key themes. The next step is to turn it into a detailed strategy and work plan: the LLG will lead on this.