

Zoï Environment Network BETTER MINING

Information, Consultation, Mediation

What We Do

We identify risks and opportunities and present information visually so that stakeholders can engage in informed negotiations.

This service includes:

Environmental assessment

of mining-relevant environmental and policy risk factors for informed decision-making



Participatory mapping

and stakeholder consultation at mining sites to assess community issues related to mining



Process facilitation

that is credible, neutral and informative, and that promotes better mining and eases potential conflicts



"If we had applied the Zoï toolkit for conflict prevention earlier, we may have avoided some of the present conflicts in Kyrgyzstan" – Karybek Ibraev EITI

Zoï Environment Network

Independent, non-profit consultancy based in Geneva, Switzerland

Credible

Information based on technical and scientific analysis and supported by wide consultation of local resources and international standards



Neutral

Information brokered through stakeholder consultation by uninvolved party



Communicative

Clear and attractive information understandable to a wide audience of non-professionals and policymakers

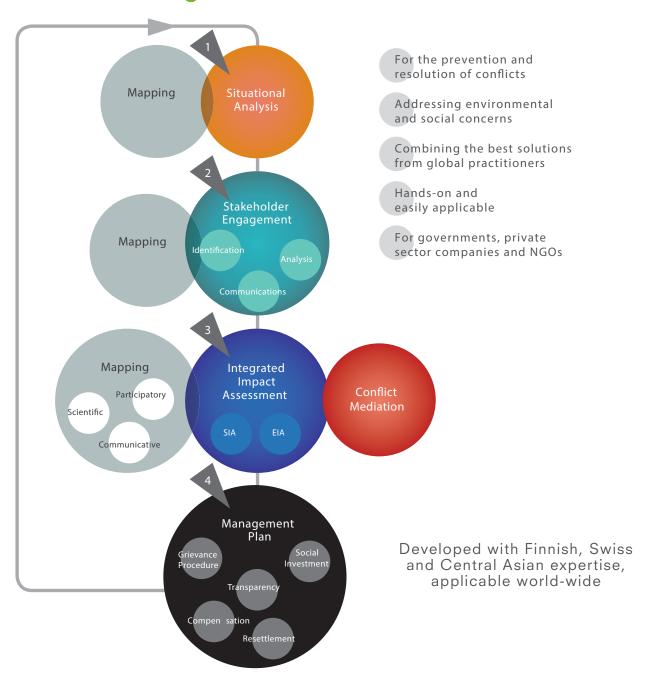


Local

More than 20 years of field experience and extensive expert networks across Eastern Europe, the Balkans, Central Asia and the Caucasus



Zoï toolkit for the prevention and mediation of conflicts in the development of the mining sector



Mining conflicts can cause severe problems for mining companies, local communities, and even national economies. Implementation schedules and operational interruptions can become long and expensive while local communities can suffer from uncertainties and conflict potential. Environmental and social risks associated with mining must be managed so that operations move forward into a stable environment.

Zoï Environment Network's Better Mining is designed to help parties to mining activities express their interests and concerns in a constructive manner and to identify areas of mutual benefit.



Kyrgyzstan

Zoï provided environmental and health assessments and trainings to create common ground for collaboration between ministries, locally active gold mining companies and communities. Assessments make creative use of participatory mapping and visualization techniques to increase understanding between interest groups.



Mining for Closure

Zoï has developed guidelines for sustainable mining and closure of mines tailored to the Western Balkan region.

In addition, Zoï has provided regional trainings and helped design and implement cost-efficient technical solutions for risk reduction at abandoned mine sites.



Donetsk Environment and Security Assessment

Zoï facilitated cooperation through linking environment and security opportunities. This included implementing an environmental risk assessment of mining waste heaps, media tours, and journalist trainings in Southern Ukraine.

Our collaborators

Research and Development







International Cooperation











National Governments

Finland, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Ukraine, Belarus, Moldova, Serbia, Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Albania, Macedonia, Kosovo, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, Kazakhstan

Private Sector Participation

Z-Explorer company, Andash Mining Company, Kutisay Mining Limited, Talas Copper Gold, LLC/Gold Fields, Kyrgyz Republic LLC, Manas Resources Limited