



**RESPONSIBLE MINING
INITIATIVE FOR SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT**





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Background, Experiences and Challenges

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OUTLINE

- Historical Background
- Vision and Mission
- Definition of Responsible Mining, 8 Principles
- Activity Areas
- Some Experiences of Collaborative Efforts

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

- **Since 1995:** Challenges related to mining sector development
- **November 2006:** First Multi-Stakeholder Forums (MSF) to discuss responsible mining, comprising of representatives from government, civil society, industry, and academia
- **End of 2007:** Participants of the Multi-Stakeholder Forum developed a **Definition of responsible mining** and its **8 principles**.
- **Declaration on Responsible Mining** to be followed by stakeholders served as basis for establishment of the RMI NGO
- **April 2008:** RMI started its operation with the aim to implement the Declaration
- **2009:** Concrete activities implemented and tools developed in order to implement the 8 Principles of RM.

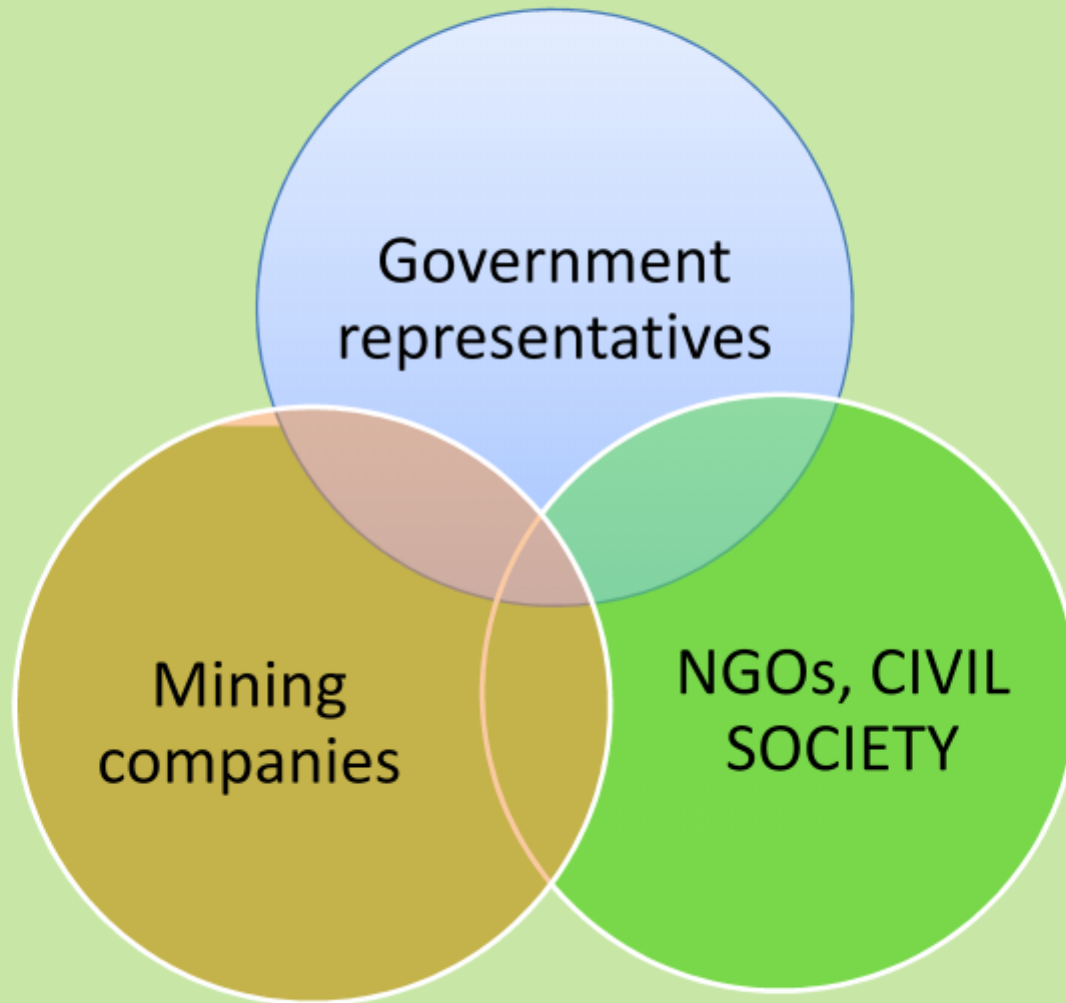
VISION:

A prosperous Mongolia through responsible mining.

MISSION:

To build a common framework of understanding of responsible mining in Mongolia among the public, government, industry, and investors; to provide open and transparent information; and to secure equal participation of the multi-stakeholders in these activities.

Multi-stakeholders of Responsible mining Initiative



DEFINITION OF RESPONSIBLE MINING

Responsible Mining is

- a comprehensive and transparent minerals activity respecting the rights of all stakeholders, especially of local people,
- environmentally friendly and free of human health impacts,
- embracing the best international practices and
- upholding rule of law whilst generating a sustainable stream of benefits for Mongolia.

8 PRINCIPLES OF RESPONSIBLE MINING



ACTIVITY AREAS

- Incorporate Responsible Mining principles into policy documents and standards:
 - Governments Action Plan 2008-2012
 - Contribution to Development of Reclamation Standards
 - Development of environmental impact assessment law amendment
 - Development of Responsible Mining Criteria
- Build capacity for all stakeholders:
 - Building data base through accumulating, sharing and disseminating knowledge and information
 - Conducting Multi Stakeholders Forums and Panel Discussion
 - Facilitating Advisory Meetings
 - Training stakeholders to communicate and collaborate

EXPERIENCES OF COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS

- **Unique:** the concept of Responsible Mining is relatively new worldwide (ca. 15 years), the model of multi-stakeholders NGO unique – first in Mongolia
- **Challenge:** ensuring that this seed of great multi stakeholder efforts grows into a strong and stable institution
- **Basis:** constructive, pro-active dialogue and engagement benefiting all stakeholders – based on realistic information and knowledge



Initial Steps:

- Build knowledge to all stakeholders ensuring the same level of information;
- Build common ground of understanding by training all stakeholders to cooperate and communicate;
- Development of responsible mining criteria and standards;

EXPERIENCES OF COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS: Multi Stakeholder Meeting

Build knowledge to all stakeholders ensuring the same level of information such as :

- Regular meetings of stakeholders from Government, Parliament, industry and civic society;
- Decisions or suggestions from meeting to be promoted among policy and decision makers and the public;
- MSF on “Brining Transparency to the OT, TT Negotiation Process”: Ministry of Minerals and Energy, companies like Ivanhoe Mines, civic society organizations, January 2009;
- Challenge: ensuring legitimate representation of stakeholders, especially of civic society;



EXPERIENCES OF COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS:

Community Relations Training

Build common ground of understanding by training all stakeholders to cooperate and communicate such as:

- In cooperation with the University of Queensland's Centre of Social Responsibility;
- Learning to understand communities point of view;
- Concrete strategies and tools for constructive engagement: from relationships to partnerships;
- Network for community relations practitioners to exchange experience;
- Initiated and organized by NGOs – unique example worldwide;



EXPERIENCES OF COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS:

Development of responsible mining criteria and standards

Development of Responsible mining criteria:

- No comprehensive international legal framework to measure implementation of RM
- Adjusting these different codes and standards to Mongolian context
- Engaging Mongolian experts and researchers
- Final discussion and approval by multi stakeholders
- **Partnership with World Economic Forum RMDI** (Pilot project) & MOU with MMRE



SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY IN EXTRACTIVE IINDUSTRY

- EITI
- RMC (MMRE & RMI)
- TAN coalition
- CSR standard

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT FUND

- Election campaign in 2008 promise MNT1-1.5million for citizen
- November 2009
- Mining dividends, royalty payments to the budget
- Cash handouts, pensions, health care, education and housing
- Contribute to reducing inequality
- Reduction in work incentives (Dutch disease)
- New amendment of the SWL effective from July 1st 2012:

Targeting poor households

MNT15,000 for children

MNT10,000 for adults

Food program for poorest households(MNT10,000 & MNT5,000)



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THANK YOU FOR ATTENTION!

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