

Trade Project

Baseline study to understand flows of legal and illegal Hg:
who are the actors, gov. institutions, what systems of control exist.

Run workshop for information exchange specifically targeting mercury

- Generate a shared list of contacts regionally and globally

Develop platforms/systems for cooperation, eg:

- Use experience and mechanisms of drug traffic prevention to control contraband Hg
- Transnational cooperation among customs agencies
- Efficient cross-check of documentation presented by importers and exporters of Hg to make sure they are legal
- Develop traceability of sources

Technological alternatives group 1

- Goal: adoption of cleaner tech and creation of financial mechanisms for equipment and training.
- Suggested activities:
 - Creating spaces for dialogue among gov, miners and civil society
 - Identification of social, political, and security barriers to successful execution of interventions
 - Mechanisms for promoting access to technology and financing.
 - Development of robust and reliable networks for equipment supply and technical support
 - communication strategy: 1. Economic benefits 2. Technical information sharing, 3. Health messaging etc.
- strategy for control of mercury sales (related to trade project)

Technological alternatives group 2

Goal: Self replicating and sustainable transition away from mercury use in ASGM

Activities:

- Evaluation of best practices relative to type of ore... what equipment?
- Develop pilot plants, technical assistance through local universities, financing models for plants
- Miner to miner training based on and taking place in actual mine sites
- Monitoring? Local environment? Mercury use? Effectiveness of interventions?
- Epidemiological studies of populations at risk

Techological alternatives group 2 part 2

Goal: Elimination of mercury use in alluvial mining practices in the Amazon basin.

Outcomes:

- 10000 miners trained across the amazon basin in 4 years.
- 300 professionals from various amazon nations trained and equipped to operate field training and interventions.
- Quarterly convention of field personnel for evaluation of progress and experience exchange among national expert teams.

Activities:

- Identification of sources of experts and trainers from universities, vocational colleges, mining communities, NGO's
- Formation of a group of exemplary miners and technical experts (mining engineering students?) that can operate in the field to promote best practices.
- Development of training and trainer training manuals and lesson support materials.

Science

- Mapping in each country
- International certification
- Standardization of methods
- Standardization of platforms
- Training and equipment
 - Specialized labs – centres of excellence? Or in each country?
- Public knowledge networks to minimize politicization

Considerations for breakout

- What are modes of financing?
 - GEF: EA, MSP, FSP, programmatic
 - Bilateral
 - other
- Main entity in charge of carrying out the project?
- Which stakeholders (other ministries, miners, civil society)?
- Institutional capacity needs?
- Baseline information needed?
- Existing activities and initiatives to build on?
- Political support needed?
- Budget? timeline? (S-M-L)
- Geographic focus?
- How will you address : local engineering resources, and equipment supply/support; financing/ better/direct access to markets
- National or transnational? If regional, how to coordinate?

Consideraciones para sesiones de trabajo en grupo

- Quien podría dar los fondos para iniciativas?
 - GEF, EA, FSP, programático?
 - bilateral
 - otros?
- Cual es la entidad principal encargada del proyecto?
- ¿Cuáles entidades de interés directo (otros ministerios, los mineros, la sociedad civil)?
- Las necesidades de capacidad institucional?
- La información de línea de base necesaria?
- Actividades e iniciativas existentes para fortalecer?
- El apoyo político necesario?
- Presupuesto? línea de tiempo? (pequeños-medianos-largos)
- Enfoque geográfico?
- ¿Cómo van a abordar: los recursos locales de ingeniería y suministro de equipos / apoyo; financiación / mejor acceso / acceso directo a los mercados
- Nacional o transnacional? Si regional, cómo coordinar?

Trade

- Model or common import/export licensing systems or forms, including common application of GHS codes
- Enhanced PIC procedures and data sharing to discourage illegal trade (i.e., exporter registration/licensing)
- Joint customs training materials and workshops
- Sharing of information on smuggling trends and case studies of smuggling

Comercio

- Modelo o sistemas de licencias comunes o formas
- Procedimientos enriquecidos de consentimiento informado previo (Prior Informed Consent PIC) e intercambio de información para desmotivar el comercio ilegal. (Por ejemplo, registro de exportación, licencias)
- Uso común compartida de materiales de capacitación y talleres en aduanas
- Compartir información sobre tendencias de contrabando y sobre casos de estudio sobre contrabando



Tech Alternatives

- Electronic information platform for exchange among project implementers
- regional registry for connecting producers of mercury free gold with consumers
- Demonstration sites
- Common online curriculum or common curriculum to be taught at linked centers
- financial training modules for miners
- Linked network of mining advisory services
- Regional network of mining associations/professionals
- Create a regional communications strategy

La transición hacia tecnologías libres de mercurio:

- una plataforma de información virtual para el intercambio entre implementadores de proyectos,
- un registro regional para conectar productores y consumidores de oro sin mercurio
- sitios y proyectos que funjan como sitios demostrativos para otros mineros
- un currículo en línea en común
- módulos de entrenamiento/capacitación financieros para mineros
- una red regional articulada de servicios de asesoría minera
- una red regional de asociaciones/profesionales mineros
- una estrategia de comunicación regional