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
Techological 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

• 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? (pequenos-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