

Overview of the planetGOLD **Programme**

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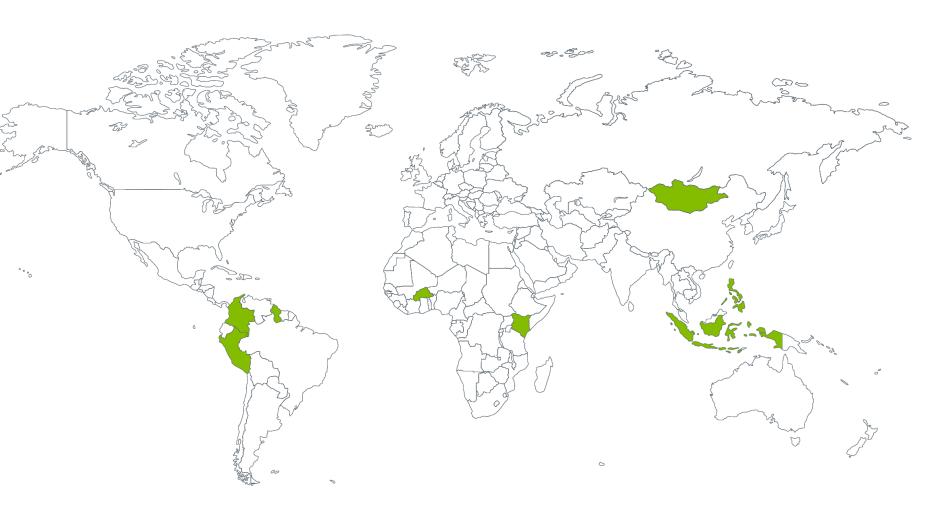
ASGM countries "shall take steps to reduce, and where feasible eliminate, mercury" in ASGM



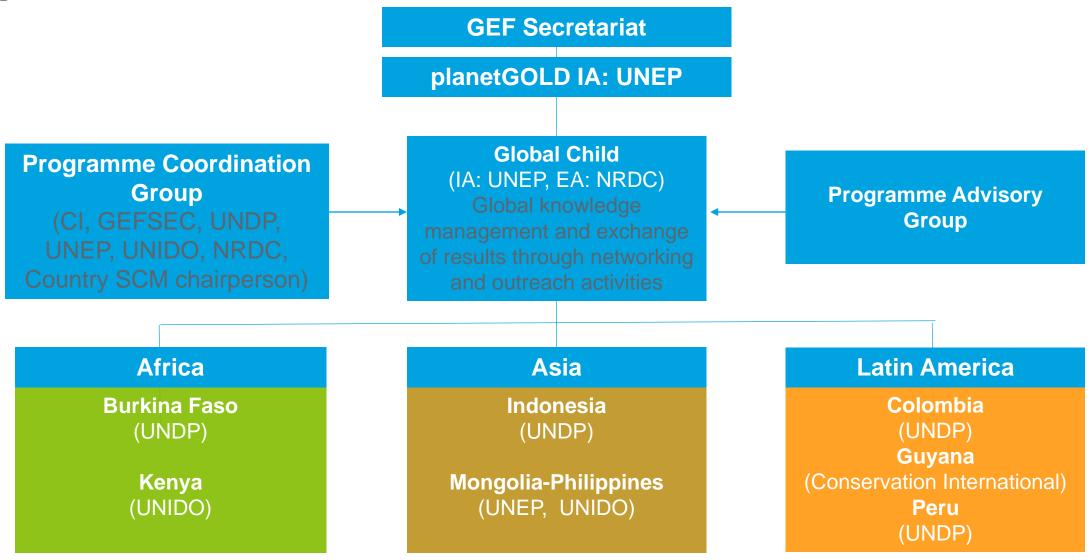
GEF: \$45 million Co-financing: \$135 million

8 Countries:

- Burkina Faso
- Colombia
- Guyana
- Indonesia
- Kenya
- Mongolia
- Peru
- Philippines









Country projects components

1. Formalisation

► Annex C of the Minamata Convention indicates that "countries shall take steps to facilitate the formalization or regulation of the sector"

2. Access to finance and markets

- ► Replication of past local successes has been limited due to the lack of finance. Different options will be tested and documented.
- Value chain of gold must be reduced to ensure better income for the miners







Country projects components

3. Technology transfer

Focus on non-mercury techniques which lead to higher productivity –
 Cleaner and more Efficient

4. Knowledge management & communications

- Documentation of results and dissemination at the national level
- Reporting through the Global Project, especially on the financing options implemented







Components of the Global Project

Educating and promoting investment

- Financial community
- Downstream gold buyers

Providing information

- ► Collection, curation, synthesis
- Dissemination

Changing perceptions

- General public
- ► Thought leaders, decision makers



Cooperation on Finance / Supply Chain



National Projects

Outreach to financial community



Assist with efforts to mobilize finance/investment

Create database to link opportunities to investors



Contribute promising opportunities to the database

Engage gold buyers



Work with buyers to offtake gold

Create responsible gold criteria



Agree / adhere to criteria



Cooperation on Knowledge Management

Global Project

Disseminate information

National Projects

Identify in-country amplifiers

Create website & knowledge repository

Use programme website as project website

Answer questions; facilitate contact with experts

Communicate information needs; contribute new learning

Identify gaps; give feedback on usefulness of products



External **Communications**

- Help global communications team to:
 - Identify stories
 - Create videos
 - Promote country results through global channels
- Communications network (calls, periodic in-person meetings, WhatsApp group)

Exclusive: Gold worth billions smuggled out of Africa

David Lewis, Rvan McNeill, Zandi Shabalala

NAIROBI, (Reuters) - Billions of dollars' worth of gold is being smuggled out of Africa every year through the United Arab Emirates in the Middle East - a gateway to markets in Europe, the United States and beyond - a Reuters analysis has found.







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Investigating DR Congo's illegal gold trade

The conflict-ridden African nation is rich in gold - and gold smugglers, who are often linked to rebel groups. But tracing commercially available gold back to illegal mining operations is easier said than done.









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