

ProMESS 2

n Cameroon, artisanal and semi-mechanized mining is in flagrant violation of the regulations in force. Almost all companies active in semi-mechanization do not respect the environmental, social and health and safety clauses. The environmental liabilities left by these companies are becoming increasingly important. The Mines, Environment, Health & Society Phase 2 Project (ProMESS 2) is a result of the convincing and successful results obtained during phase 1. For this phase, the project will contribute to the improvement of mining governance in Cameroon through participatory monitoring of mining activities and the promotion of transparency. For 4 years (2019-2023), the project team will focus on :

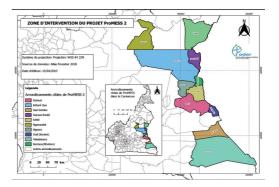
- improving the knowledge and the involvement of the public on legislation, the fight against fraud and corruption in the mining sector in order to limit illegal practices;
- increasing the capacities of non-State, State actors and Local council in the monitoring of mining legality;
- Accompanying mining craftsmen including women and youth in the formalization process of their mining activities and adopting good practices.

Implementing Partners and Donors

The project is implemented by the association Forêts et Développement Rural (FODER) in partnership with Transparency International - Cameroon (TI-C) with the financial support of the European Union. The overall budget of the project is 869040,34 Euro.

Intervention area

The intervention area covers the Bétaré Oya, Ngoura, Garoua-Boulaï, Batouri, Kette, Ouli, Kentzou, Yokadouma, Gari-Gombo (East Region), Meiganga and Ngaoundal (Adamawa Region) subdivisions.



Target groups and final beneficiaries of the project

Target groups and final beneficiaries consist of:

Target groups	Final beneficiaries
Local and indigenous communities	Schools
Journalists and the media	Supreme audit Institutions and members of par-
Mining artisans including women and youth	liament
Civil society organisations	Private sector stakeholders
Local councils	Academic and research institutions
Local and national governments.	EITI

Methodology

The participatory methodological approach and proximity to the target groups will be used in the implementation of the project. Target groups and final beneficiaries will be involved at different levels during project implementation. Their involvement will consist in the participation and consultation of beneficiaries at the local, divisional, regional and national levels. In order to allow the target groups (indigenous communities, artisanal miners and LAs) to take ownership of the project and effectively participate in its implementation, proximity will be developed and maintained between the project team and the beneficiaries. The research-action approach will also be adop-

ted during project implementation. Scientific and participatory research tools will be used to collect field data from communities and directly in the natural environment. The reciprocal interaction between research and the communities will make it possible to better understand the phenomena in a systemic way. Data analysis and the production of relevant studies and information will enable information, awareness-raising, advocacy, lobbying and influence communication to be carried out effectively.

Expected outcomes of project

Phase 2 of the Project targets three outcomes:

R1: Public knowledge of the causes and manifestations of illegalities, fraud and corruption in the gold and diamond value chain is improved, and participation in the fight against this scourge is strengthened,

R2: Non-State actors and Local Councils are better equipped to monitor mining activities and make relevant disclosures about non-compliance with regulations and the environmental impacts of mining activities with regulatory bodies,

R3: Traditional mining craftsmen are better organised, join the formal mining circuit, adopt good artisanal mining practices and alternative livelihoods .

To achieve these results, several activities will be carried out, among others:

• Conduct of thematic studies on legality, fraud and corruption in the mining sector,

- Capacity building of the target groups through training workshops on issues related to independent mining observation, rehabilitation of mining sites and the use of mercury, control and monitoring of activities, tax and environmental monitoring ...
- The organisation, support and structuring of mining craftsmen in groups and/or cooperatives and support for legislation and management,
- Support for the functioning of community watchdog committees (CWC),
- conduct independent monitoring of mining activities (monitoring the legality of mining operations and monitoring the environmental and social impact indicators of mining operations...),
- Support to alternative income generating activities/hydrides.

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