



GEF GOLD:

Unlocking finance for the Artisanal & Small-scale Gold Mining industry

How can we achieve a cleaner, safer, more sustainable sector?

With over 15 million people involved in Artisanal and Small Scale Gold Mining in 70 countries, producing 15% of the world's gold output, the sector is a key player for rural employment and poverty alleviation.

Unfortunately, lack of training, low awareness of the risks and poor technique also put the sector at the top of the list of users and emitters of mercury to the environment. The Minamata Convention recognize its importance and provide guidance to countries on dealing with this issue.

The Global Opportunities for Long-term Development of the Artisanal and Small-scale Gold Mining sector programme - GEF GOLD - was approved in GEF6. Led by UN Environment and with involvement of Conservation International, UNDP and UNIDO, GEF GOLD will work in 8 countries to unlock finance opportunities and shorten the value chain to ensure a sustainable switch to cleaner and more efficient practices.

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16:30-18:00
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Conference Centre



Join our panel of experts as we explore:

- Current and past efforts in the participating countries
- Opportunities for the sector
- **Support of the gold-consuming industry to implement change**

Panelists

- Laksmi Dhewanthi, Indonesia
- Kemraj Pasram, Guyana
- Ariuntuya Dorjsuren, Mongolia
- Emla Eleria, Philippines
- Anil Sookdeo, GEF Secretariat
- Virgnie Bahun, Valcambi

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