



# A New Benchmark for Responsible Mining in Mongolia

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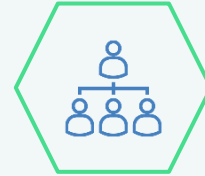




## MERIT'S VISION

A strengthened and empowered public sector that results in social and economic development that is sustainable and equitable, leading to a better quality of life for Mongolians.

# ABOUT US



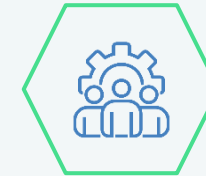
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**8 years**  
(2016-2024)



**\$16.9M**



**CESO 308 TAs**



Mongolia office:  
**15 staff**  
**4 regional offices**



# Project Outcomes

**ULTIMATE OUTCOME – ENHANCED PUBLIC SECTOR MANAGEMENT OF THE MONGOLIAN MINING AND PETROLEUM SECTOR TO MAXIMIZE ITS CONTRIBUTION TO SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT.**



Enhanced gender sensitive, **public sector management practices** of key national Mongolian public sector partners involved in the mining and petroleum sector.

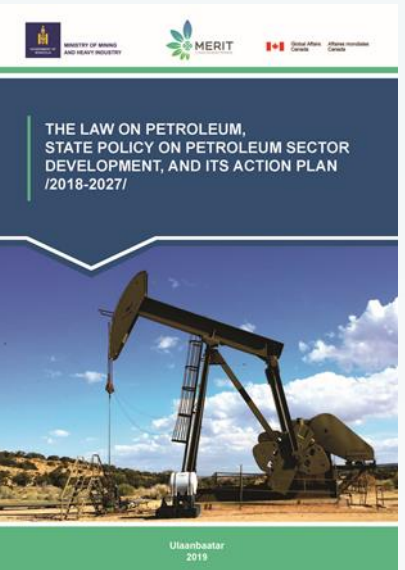
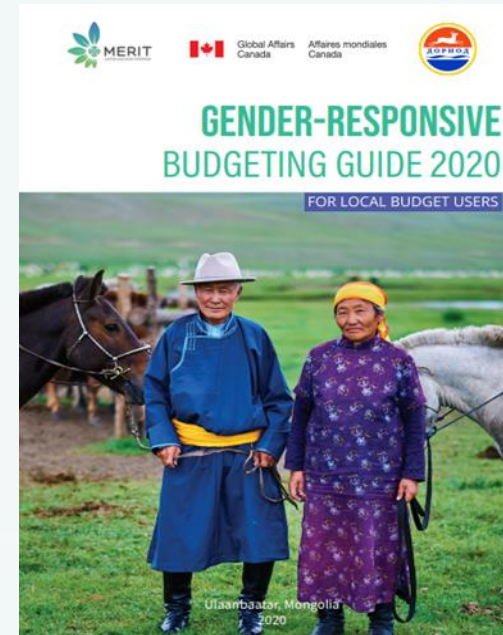
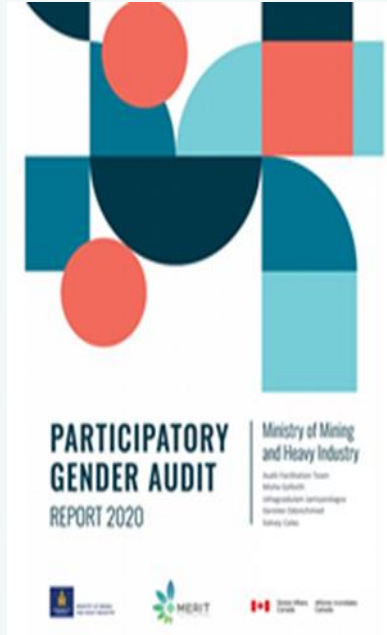
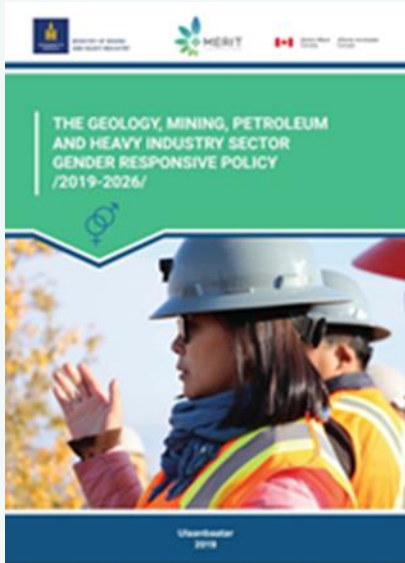


Enhanced **collaboration** and **relationship management** of national and local level Mongolian public sector partners with key stakeholders impacted by mining and petroleum sector activity.



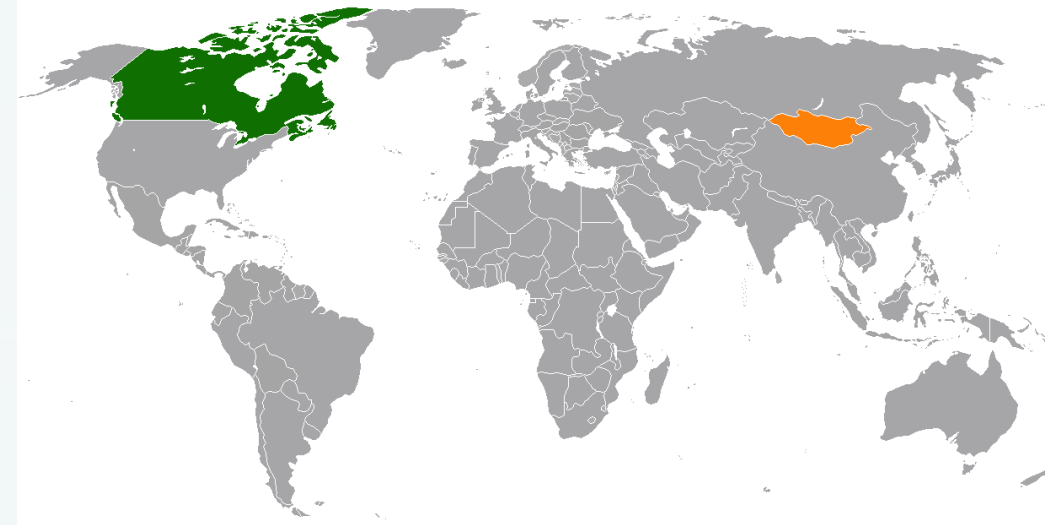
Improved access to quality, gender sensitive, **training and knowledge sharing tools** provided by Mongolian universities and institutions.

# Collaboration with the Regulators

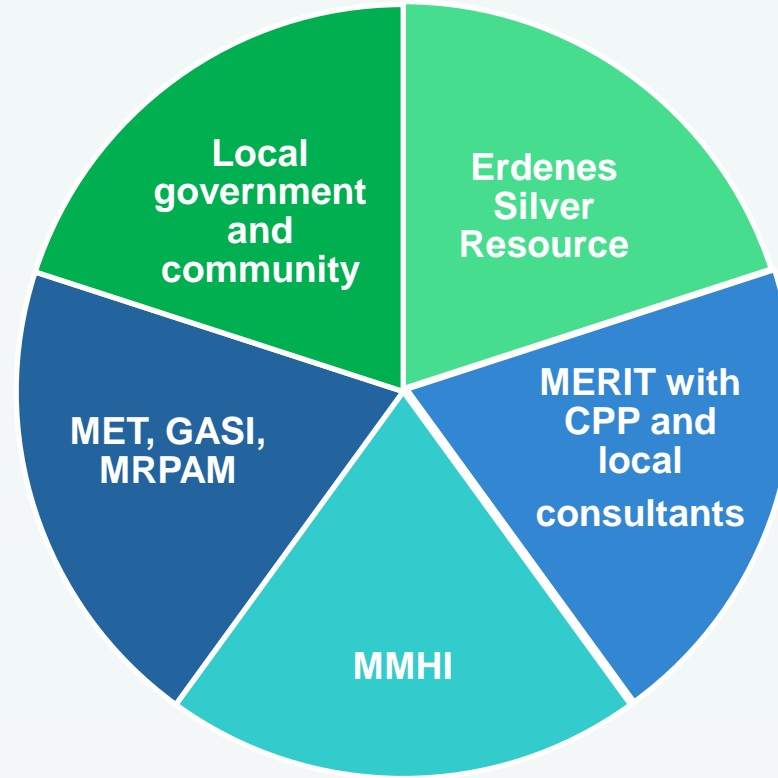


# Mongolia

- Mongolia is strengthening the governance of the mining and environmental sectors through updates and improvements to laws and regulations.



# Key Stakeholders



## Project Stages

*Capacity building is inherent in both Project Stages*

### Stage 1

Sep, 2021-April, 2022

- Regulatory review
- Background information collection
- Baseline environmental sampling, analysis, and mapping
- Stakeholder engagement (Goals and Objectives)
- Risk identification and assessment

### Stage 2

June, 2022-TBD: Prepare Closure Plan for Salkhit Silver Mine

- Significant scientific and engineering effort, and financial commitment, will be required by the mining Company to complete Stage 2.
- Close collaboration between government, industry, consultants, and key stakeholders will be critical during Stage 2



# Goal 1: Write a mine closure plan for Erdenes Silver Resources LLC Salkhit Silver Mine

## Objectives:

- 1.1 Innovative, incorporating international best practice
- 1.2 Includes gender equality principles
- 1.3 Realistic and economically achievable
- 1.4 Supports socio-economic transition after mine closure
- 1.5 Responsive to climate change through adaptation
- 1.6 Supports improvement of laws and regulations guiding mine closure



## Goal 2: Enhance knowledge and competencies of planning team members, stakeholders and local citizens

### Objectives:

- 1.1 Implement learning opportunities, fulfilling team member and stakeholder needs
- 1.2 Improve knowledge of international best practices, new techniques and technologies
- 1.3 Local citizens, herders and community representatives are informed, improving their capability to meaningfully engage



- The evidence-base formed through this experience will inform government and industry of potential areas to strengthen guiding laws and regulations and build capacity for their implementation.

## Project Benefits





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- The final Mine Closure Plan can be used as a model for future closure plans in Mongolia that contributes to efficiency at the company level and reduced liability and costs for government.
- It can showcase the capacity of state-owned mining companies to perform as leaders in mine closure planning.





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- The pilot will create access to cutting-edge climate change work, plying best practice in rehabilitation and climate-resilient vegetation.



- Communication on the pilot can show stakeholders, including communities and civil society, that the government and industry are promoting responsible mine closure
- Consultation with stakeholders from the beginning will keep them informed and updated on the process which will promote buy-in and support towards closure outcomes.



# Conclusion

Timely support for the Mongolian government to:

- Strengthen confidence in the mining sector
- Support the Economic Recovery Policy and the government's long-term plan, Vision 2050
- Identify how the sector can support climate change initiatives



*Study Tour to Oyu Tolgoi LLC, March 2022*



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# Thank you

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