“MINERIA PERUANA”

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Peru is a leading mineral producing country

Among the top 10 producers in Latin America and globally (2\textsuperscript{nd} in silver and copper, 3\textsuperscript{rd} in zinc and tin, 4\textsuperscript{th} on lead and molybdenum , 6\textsuperscript{th} in gold)
Artisanal mining also very important

Started in the 1980s: high gold price, economic and political crisis

Today about 100,000 artisanal miners
Main regions of artisanal and small-scale mining (ASM)
Legal framework for ASM created in 2002; defines:

Artisanal mining: up to 1,000 ha | up to 25 t/d (or 200 m³ alluvial)

Small scale mining: up to 2,000 ha | up to 350 t/d (or 3,000 m³ alluvial)
Formalization advanced initially well, several ASM companies progressed well.

Overall progress was however slow, for a series of reasons.
In 2010:

Technical Multi-sector Commission on ASM Formalization established
In 2011:

National ASM Formalization Plan elaborated and approved
The National ASM Formalization Plan in detail:
Baseline > Goals > Expected results > Plan (2 components: formalization & promotion of ASM) > Responsibilities > Proposed Laws
In 2012: Congress delegates legislative power on ASM Formalization to Ministry of Mines, with mandate to:

1. Take legal action against illegal mining
2. Combat criminal activities related to illegal mining
2012 Laws enacted:

1099: Legal action against contamination of Ramis and Suches rivers
1100: Legal actions and strengthening of formalization process in Madre de Dios
1101: Strengthening of environmental control as measure against illegal mining
2012 Laws enacted:

1102: Defining illegal mining as an offense, punishable with 8-10 years
1103: Control of distribution transport and trade of chemicals used in ASM
1104: Modification of Law on decommissioning of property
2012 Laws enacted:

1105: Actions for formalization: Commitments, Steps and Timelines for formalization
2012 Laws enacted:

1106: Measures against money laundering, organized crime and other related offenses
2012 Laws enacted:

1107: Measures for control of mining equipment
012-2012: Decree on strengthening the formalization process and commercialization of gold from ASM
Formalization steps:
1. declaration of commitment
2. obtain the right to mine (concession or contract)
3. obtain the right to land use
4. obtain the right of water use
5. obtain environmental permit

→ Ongoing process during 2013!
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