

PRESENTATION

The Mining and Energy Planning Unit - UPME hereby presents the National Mining Management Plan - NMMP: principles, guidelines and strategic actions, in compliance with the provisions of the National Development Plan (Article 109 of Law 1450 of 2011) and the Interadministrative Delegation Convention No. 0005, 2013, signed between the National Agency of Mining and the Unit.

This project identified conflicts or problems faced by the mining industry and formulates proposals to achieve organized and responsible use of mining, by promoting the conversion of mining capital into other forms of capital that result in greater welfare and development for the producing regions and for the country at large. The plan considers ongoing actions by industry and Government, as well as institutional reforms recently adopted.

The content of twenty thematic papers, prepared by independent mining experts and organizations, were used as input for the preparation of the Plan. There was also contribution from nine regional workshops and feedback from several technical meetings held between UPME and entities in the mining sector (Ministry of Mines and Energy, National Agency of Mining, Colombian Geological Service) and related (National Planning Department through the coordination of the Commission of Land Management, Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, National Agency of Environmental Permits, Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Housing, City and Territory, Rural Agricultural Planning Unit, Agustín Codazzi Geographic Institute, National Parks), trade associations, among others. Likewise, the Plan had the support of Colciencias and Interdisciplinary Center for Development Studies - ICDS, the University of Los Andes.

The NMMP is indicative in nature and it is designed with a medium-term horizon. This Plan identifies lines of work that will create a road map for comprehensive management of the sector and for other entities to follow. This NMMP is designed with a broad vision that goes beyond the purely spatial and it is certainly not be understood as the sole instrument, that from a sectoral approach, sets the patterns of land use planning; on the contrary, its greatest challenge is to integrate the General Land Management Policy, currently under construction. It will also help overcome barriers of interagency coordination, impediments of structure and industry regulations and information sharing, hindrance of human capital and innovation that the mining industry currently faces in Colombia.

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