



WORKING GROUP ON ARTISANAL AND ALLUVIAL PRODUCTION (WGAAP)



REGIONAL COOPERATION IN CENTRAL AFRICA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTION PLAN

N°	NATIONAL PRIORITIES	SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES TO IMPLEMENT	TIMELINE	RESPONSIBLE/ LEAD AGENCY	KEY STAKEHOLDERS
1	Strengthening the collaboration between the structures responsible for the fight against fraud and smuggling related to the mining sector	<p><i>At the national level:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Strengthening a multi-stakeholder consultation framework ('taskforce') where it already exists; - Creating taskforces involving all relevant stakeholders where they do not yet exist. 	2022	- KP Focal Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Relevant Government institutions - Law Enforcement Agencies
		<p><i>At the regional level:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Creating a regional consultation framework that integrates national taskforces. 	2023	- Focal points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Relevant Government institutions - Law Enforcement Agencies
		<p><i>At the national and/or regional levels:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Promoting to share sensitive information in real time, through an early-warning-system at the national and regional level; - Carrying out concerted actions both at the national and regional level; 	2022-2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Focal points - Partners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Relevant Government institutions - Law Enforcement Agencies - IPIS/CSC - Donors



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Exchanging data on licensed and/or registered buyers such as buying houses¹, depending on the system in place, with the aim to facilitate access to information on persons involved in diamond sales and purchases ('Know your customer');- Disseminating quarterly reports to the KP Working Group on Artisanal and Alluvial Production that highlight achievements concerning the fight against diamond fraud and smuggling;- Promoting, under the tutelage of the Working Group on Artisanal and Alluvial Production, the signature of Memoranda of Understanding between Central African countries and diamond importing countries in order to ensure the follow-up of cases of declarations of suspicion and the identification of mafia-like networks;- Conducting investigative missions in the neighbouring countries of the Central African Republic that are not members of the Kimberley Process in order to combat the illicit diamond trade that is developing there;			
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¹ In French: bureaux d'achat or comptoirs.



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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Establishing a secured regional database. 			
2	Strengthening the capacity and skills of taskforce members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Organizing general trainings on the requirements of the Kimberley Process in relation to the monitoring and control of material and financial flows; - Strengthening the skills of law enforcement officers and other taskforce members in investigative techniques; - Evaluating the risks associated with the diamond sector at the national level; - Training border control officials in the identification of precious stones, particularly diamonds; - Providing the services controlling and monitoring the mining sector and the actors in the penal system with the necessary working tools (IT-equipment, means of transport, mission fees, etcetera). 	2022-2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IPIS - Relevant External - Organisations (Interpol, FATF...) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Relevant Government Institutions - Law Enforcement Agencies



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3	Strengthening the implementation of the requirements pertaining to KP internal controls	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Facilitating access to information on actors in the diamond supply chain; - Establishing credible tools to capture production figures and strengthening the traceability of diamonds to the point of exit; - Encouraging companies in the diamond supply-chain to apply the OECD due diligence guidelines. 	2022-2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WGAAP - IPIS 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Relevant Government Institutions - CSC - Customs office - Law Enforcement Agencies
4	Obtaining the political support required for the activities of the Regional Cooperation in Central Africa	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Advocating with government authorities to combat the interference of non-eligible services in diamond sector activities; - Seeking sponsorship for the creation of a commission of Mining Ministers of the member countries of the Regional Cooperation in Central Africa to provide a framework for the activities of the Kimberley Process Regional Cooperation; - Soliciting political support from the Ministers of Mines with the objective of obtaining institutional tutelage from the Economic Community of Central African States (ECCAS); - Encouraging the government of Gabon to accelerate the procedure leading to the export of its diamonds. 	2022-2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WGAAP 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Member States - ECCAS