

# Introduction of the Meeting Objectives

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# Project on strengthening tailings safety in Uzbekistan



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Project on strengthening tailings safety and the prevention of accidental water pollution in Uzbekistan and beyond in Central Asia



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## Key Activities

Establishment of an inter-institutional working on tailings safety and the prevention of accidental water pollution, including the conduct of an inception meeting



On-site training in Uzbekistan (with participation of other Central Asian countries) to apply the UNECE Safety guidelines and good practices for tailings management facilities (Sep/Oct 2023)



Sharing experience with other Central Asian countries, notably in the Syr Darya River Basin (2022-23 TMF mapping and report in the SDRB & 25-26 May 2023 Subregional Workshop on Tailings)

## Objectives

- Strengthen national capacity on mine tailings and prevention of accidental water pollution in Uzbekistan
- Support Uzbek authorities and operators in improving the safety of TMFs through identifying short-, medium- and long-term measures to address safety deficiencies in TMFs
- Enhance subregional / transboundary cooperation on tailings safety and the prevention of accidental water pollution, including at the river basin level
- Support Uzbekistan in implementation of the UNECE Industrial Accidents and Water Conventions



The project is being implemented with the financial support of the Swiss Federal Office for the Environment.

# IIWG Inception Meeting: Objectives



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Discuss with all relevant authorities, operators and other stakeholders the benefits, objectives and composition of an IIWG in Uzbekistan



Review experience by other Central Asian countries in strengthening mine tailings safety through the establishment of IIWGs



Consider the possible establishment of an IIWG in Uzbekistan, based on draft ToRs, and agree on next steps to take in this regard

# Please actively participate and share your comments!



Next Steps

Review of Draft  
ToRs



Thank you for your attention.