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# From ABC1 to UNFC & Slovenian experience

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#### Brief description of Slovenian "ABC1" mineral reporting system

"Classification and categorisation of reserves and resources" is process for classifying mineral reserves and resources regarding viability and level of geological knowledge / level of exploration works.

1. <u>Classification</u> is ranking of mineral reserves on the basis of technical-economic circumstances of future mining, into following classes:

economic, potential economic and non-economic reserves;

2. <u>Categorisation</u> is ranking of mineral reserves (within classes) on the basis of level of geol. exploration of deposit and knowledge of quantity and quality of mineral commodity,

into following categories:

A, B, C<sub>1</sub> reserves

and

 $C_2$ ,  $D_1$  in  $D_2$  for resources.





#### Legislative background

- Mining Act (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 14/14 official consolidated version, 61/17 BA and 54/22)
- Book of regulation for classification and categorization of solid minerals and their calculation (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 3/20)
- Book of regulation for classification and categorization of hydrocarbons and their calculation (Official Gazette of the Republic of Slovenia, No. 3/20)
- National Mining/Mineral strategy (2018)





## "UNFC" documents in national language:

- > »United nations framework classification for resources -update 2019« Slovenian translation,
- "Introduction into methodology of UNFC classification and bridging document in Slovenia" (2024)
  - GeoZS experts participates in:
    - INSPIRE expert group,
    - EGDI expert team,
    - MREG,
    - UNFC network of practitioners (NoPe),
    - ABC1 group
    - ...





# Mineral inventory

- ✓ Mineral inventory is the base for coherent and successful mineral management in every county
- ✓ Provision of mineral data for national resource management/planning is one of key role of national Geological Surveys







#### Competences of national Geological Survey on mineral data

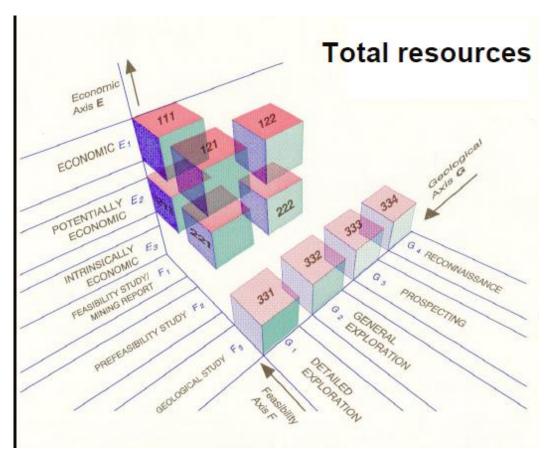
- Primary raw materials data are collected by GeoZS (via ministry)
- Collected data are valuated and put into "Mining Registry Book" (web application) by GeoZS
- The national Mining Act mandates concessionaires/ mineral operators to provide data annually,
- Annual Reporting forms (digital + analogue) are basis for annual concession fees,
  - volume of extracted mineral commodities (t/m³)
  - degraded area (ha)
  - reserves/resources remaining in situ (m³).





#### Data management on Reserves and Resources in Slovenia

- National Mineral Reserves Classification in official use,
- Reserves and resources are reported only for areas under concessions,
- Summarised data on production, reserves and resources are public,
- Bridging documents into UNFC codes are created by GeoZS experts,
- Reserves classifying is **on going process**; data are permanently up-graded.
- applying UNFC system to report into pan-European mineral inventory and MineralYearBook



















#### **Mineral Data accessibility**

- The data is held/owned by the relevant Ministry
- They are stored on a national centralized database (GeoZS)
- The data is spatially referenced and INSPIRE compliant
- summarized data at the national level are open accessed via Bulletin Mineral Resources
- web application "Mining Registry Book"









#### Mining Registry Book- web application

https://ms.geo-zs.si/en-GB

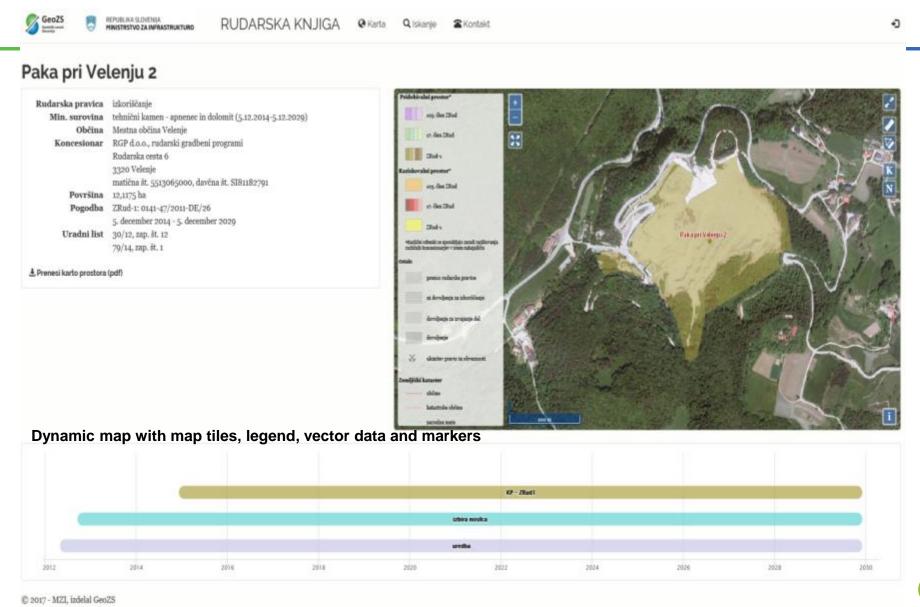
- open access to public data on exploitation and mining areas with concession, expired, abandoned, historical....
- official attributes, documents and cadastre maps of mineral deposits
- national and English language
- no charge for data



#### MINING REGISTRY BOOK (detail)









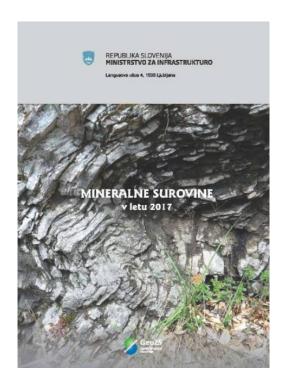


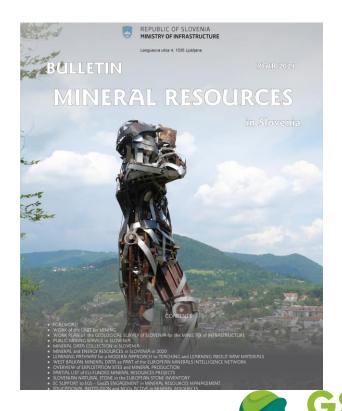


#### **Bulletin Mineral Resource**

https://www.geo-zs.si/index.php/en/products/publications2/periodicals/mineral-resources

- annual publications (EN, SI)
- data on mineral production, reserves and resources summarised on national level







#### **Translation of national ABC1 system to UNFC**

national <b>categories</b>	national classes	economic efficiency (CRIRSCO)	UNFC E <sub>axis</sub>	UNFC F <sub>axis</sub>	UNFC G <sub>axis</sub>	Explanation
economic reserves	A, B, C <sub>1</sub>	proved reserves	1	1	1, 2	Reserves A, B, C <sub>1</sub> , COULD BE EXPLOITED (in economic, environmental and social accepted way)
potentially economic reserves	A, B, C <sub>1</sub>		2	2, 3	1, 2	Reserves A, B, C <sub>1</sub> , could be exploited IN NEAR FUTURE after some changes (in economic, environmental and social accepted way)
non- economic reserves	A, B, C <sub>1</sub>	measured resources	3	3, 4	1, 2	Reserves that could NOT be exploited (due to economic, environmental, social or technical reason)
	C <sub>2</sub>	indicated resources	2	2	2, 3	Prefeasibility Resources
	C <sub>2</sub>	indicated resources	3	2	2, 3	Indicated Resources







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