



ASM Knowledge Hub Board

The ASM Knowledge Hub Board is the primary decision-making body for the Knowledge Hub. It represents the KH externally and provides advisory guidance, strategic thinking and recommendations for the sustainability of the KH beyond the implementation.

The Board responsibilities are:

- approve ASM KH strategic plan and review its implementation
- steer the Secretariat to improve its operation and sustainability
- monitor and evaluate ASM KH operations as a whole
- ensure quality assurance and accountability of the ASM KH

The Board will be elected every two years. The Board members will be leaders in ASM thematic areas. The members, who will serve in a voluntary capacity, must be well-integrated into national networks and have the knowledge and skills to review and approve key KH tools.

If needed, the members will commit to raising funds for the ASM KH to ensure sustainability beyond SDC support. The Board will hold meetings every quarter to provide guidance on key issues, such as the ASM KH's policies, budgetary control, annual plan, resource allocation, and monitoring and evaluation of progress.

Board members

The Board is composed of 9 members and chaired by the MMHI. The ASM NF will act as a Deputy Chair.

1. Ministry of Mining and Heavy Industry
2. ASM National Federation
3. Ministry of Environment and Tourism
4. Bank of Mongolia
5. Mineral Resources and Petroleum Authority
6. National Human Rights Commission
7. Development Solutions NGO
8. MERIT project
9. Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation/SAM project*

Thematic Groups

The thematic groups will facilitate the production and gathering of material for publication on the KH. They will be composed of specialists in the four areas listed below, and will be led by a Board member. The thematic groups will be supported by the Secretariat to organize meetings and discussions. In 2018, two thematic groups (ASM policy and legal framework;

* until end of 2019

human rights based approach and formalization) will be established and two more groups will be established in 2018.

- ASM policy and legal framework (led by the Ministry of Mining and Heavy Industry)
 - Land issues, mineral rights
 - Access to national geo-data
 - Collaboration with national and local authorities
 - Legislation and policy making
 - Large Scale Mining - ASM relations
- Human rights-based approach and formalization (led by ASM National Federation)
 - Human rights and gender equality
 - Organization and formalization of miners
 - Empowerment and participation of miners
 - Empowerment of other local/rural actors who interact with miners and communities
 - Professionalization and labor diversification
- Responsible supply chain and economic development (led by Bank of Mongolia)
 - Economic strengthening through the ASM value chain
 - Responsible mining initiatives such as Fairmined and OECD Due Diligence guideline
 - Local economic development
 - Access to reliable, long term and business
 - Economic diversification and Productivity
- Environment, safety and health (led by Ministry of Environment and Tourism)
 - Introduction and upscaling of mercury-free technologies
 - Environmental protection (planning, rehabilitation and monitoring)
 - Occupational safety and health