



GECOMIN

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OLAMI AND CYTED

- OLAMI (Latin American Mining Organization) was founded in 1984. It is integrated by 16 countries and each national unit represents companies, workers, government, universities, professionals, etc
- CYTED (Iberoamerican Science and Technology for Development Program) involves all the National Agencies of Science and Technology of Latin America, Spain and Portugal



What is GECOMIN?

- It is a network related with prevention and management of conflicts in the latin american mining industry
- In early 2007, OLAMI proposed this project to (CYTED) and it was aproved in december 2007.
- The coordinator is Ana María Aranibar (La Paz – Bolivia)



Challenges of GECOMIN



- To develop prevention and resolving tools to be applied in mining conflicts.
- To apply those tools for a better relationship between mining companies, communities, indigenous peoples and government



Who is participating in GECOMIN



- **160 members from** Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Cuba, Ecuador, Spain, Honduras, Guatemala, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Portugal, Dominican Republic and Venezuela
- They represent communities, mining companies, government, universities, research centres, indigenous peoples, NGO's, etc.



Activities 2008/2009

- **First GECOMIN Meeting, Santiago de Chile, May 2008.**
- **Seminar Mining Clusters and relationship with communities as tools to prevent conflicts. La Paz, Bolivia, October 2008.**
- **II Technical Meeting of GECOMIN, La Paz – Bolivia, December 2008.**
- **Meeting of the Instruments for Prevention and Resolution of Conflicts Committee, Guatemala, February 2009.**
- **Presentation of the book “Conflictos Mineros: una realidad actual en América Latina y el Caribe” in ARMINERA VII Exposición Internacional de Minería -Asamblea General de OLAMI(Buenos Aires, April 2009) and V Congreso Internacional de Minería, Petróleo y Energía.(Cartagena, de Indias, Colombia, June 2009.**
- **Seminar Perceptions Analysis: an answer for conflicts prevention. La Paz, July 2009**
- **III Technical Meeting: “Vision of Communities and Indigenous Peoples of mining extractive industry”. Medellín – Colombia del August 2009**



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