

*Strengthening the Institutional Capacities for Rwanda to implement the Minamata Convention on Mercury*

**PROJECT OBJECTIVE**

To increase national institutional capacity to implement the Minamata Convention by establishing an information management system and adopting measures to implement Articles 8 and 9 of the Convention

**PROJECT SUMMARY**

The project aims at strengthening the national capacity to implement the Minamata Convention by supporting the establishment of an information management system for mercury, mercury compounds and mercury-containing wastes; enhancing the capacity of various stakeholders on safe handling, storage, management, transport and disposal of mercury and mercury-containing wastes; and contributing to the implementation of measures for control/reduction of sources of mercury emissions and releases. The project also supports gender mainstreaming in implementation of the Minamata Convention as well as stakeholder awareness raising and education on health and environmental risks associated with mercury, mercury compounds and mercury-containing wastes.

**BUDGET**



USD 220,000

Applicant contribution  
USD 100,000

**DURATION**



5 September 2022 -  
4 September 2025  
(36 months)

**RELEVANT ARTICLES**



Article 7 - Artisanal and Small-Scale Gold Mining  
Article 8 - Emissions  
Article 9 - Releases  
Article 10 - Environmentally Sound Interim Storage of Mercury other than Waste Mercury  
Article 11 - Mercury Wastes  
Article 16 - Health Aspects  
Article 18 - Public Information, Awareness and Education  
Article 19 - Research, Development and Monitoring

**PARTNERS**



Ministry of Environment; Ministry of Health; Ministry of Agriculture and Animal Resources; Ministry of Trade and Industry; Ministry of Education; University of Rwanda/College of Science and Technology (UR-CST); Rwanda Private Sector Federation (PSF)/Chamber of Industries; Rwanda Mining Board (RMB); Gender Monitoring Office (GMO); Water and Sanitation Corporation (WASAC)

**PROJECT RESULTS**



**OUTPUT 1**

National Mercury, Mercury Compounds and Mercury-containing Wastes information management system to collect data on mercury supply, use, storage, emissions, and releases developed and operationalized



**OUTPUT 2**

Capacity of laboratories technicians, mercury containing waste producers and waste operators, as well as other relevant stakeholders on safe handling, clean-up, storage, treatment, transport and disposal of mercury and mercury containing wastes enhanced



**OUTPUT 3**

Mercury emissions and releases from relevant point sources controlled, where feasible, or reduced through regular monitoring and inspections and Technical Guidelines for the Environmentally Sound Management of mercury wastes applied



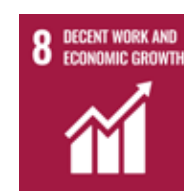
**OUTPUT 4**

Stakeholder awareness raising and education on understanding of the health and environmental risks of mercury and mercury-containing wastes conducted

**PROJECT MANAGEMENT**

Rwanda Environment Management Authority (REMA)

**RELEVANT SDGs**



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