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## Sound management of mercury-containing tailings in artisanal and small-scale gold mining

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### AGENDA

NAP guidance document update in relation to ASGM tailings management

#### Global Mercury Partnership

Best practices and recommendations for management of ASGM tailings

#### Malgorzata Stylo, UNEP

Managing ASGM tailings in **Zimbabwe** national experience sharing

#### Christopher Mushava, Environmental Management Agency of Zimbabwe

Removing mercury from tailings experience from **Colombia**

#### Alfonso Rodriguez, Pure Earth Colombia

**Moderated by** Kenneth Davis, UNEP



### BACKGROUND

The Third Conference of the Parties of the Minamata Convention requested the Secretariat, in cooperation with the Global Mercury Partnership to improve the guidance on the preparation of national action plans for ASGM regarding management of tailings from such mining.

The revised version of the NAP guidance is to be presented for consideration and possible adoption by the Conference at its fourth meeting. To further guide the Parties in their efforts to soundly manage ASGM tailings, UNEP in collaboration with the Minamata Secretariat and Global Mercury Partnership developed a complementary technical document, highlighting best practices for ASGM tailings management.

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