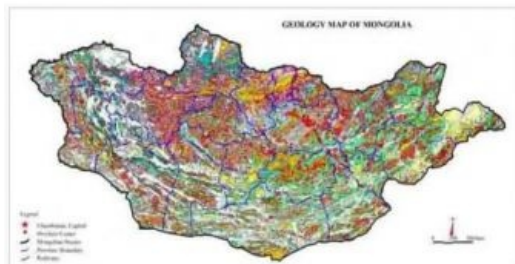


Mining Title Cadastre and Registry for Mongolia



GAF (Germany) has been awarded a contract to design and establish the new automated and countrywide Mining Registry and Cadastre System for Mongolia. After the successful completion of contract negotiations GAF will start work on-site in November 2008. The project under the Governance Assistance Program (GAP) aims to improve governance in the mining sector, through the establishment of a transparent system to grant, manage and cancel permits. The efficient and reliable management of mining titles is considered as a backbone to increase investment and growth in the mining sector of Mongolia.

The Project's objective is to strengthen the property rights and security of tenure within the mining sector; enhance the transparency of the mineral licensing process and government's regulatory capacity through improved efficiency, information availability and

management.

A core element of the Project is the supervision, development, equipping and implementation of a fully computerised mining registry and cadastre system. Existing analogue and digital data will be inventoried and re-organised. Institutional strengthening including focussed training activities and legal advice shall enhance the overall framework created by the new Mineral Law for the benefit of the administration, miners, investors as well as the public.

Works will be performed for the Mineral Resources and Petroleum Authority of Mongolia, MRPAM. The project duration is 24 months, including a maintenance and support phase of 12 months. Activities are funded by the World Bank, International Development Association. The contract value amounts to 0.5 million EUR. The activities in Mongolia follow countries like Nigeria, DRC, Madagascar and Namibia, where GAF has set-up nation-wide computerised mining titling systems, some successful in operation for more than 10 years.

Caption: Geology Map of Mongolia (courtesy www.geo-info.mn)