











INNOVATION AND THE LAW IN MINE REHABILITATION:

THE CASE OF FIBROUS PLANTS IN THE MINING INDUSTRY

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RESILIENT FUTURES PROJECT





Promises

Pitfalls







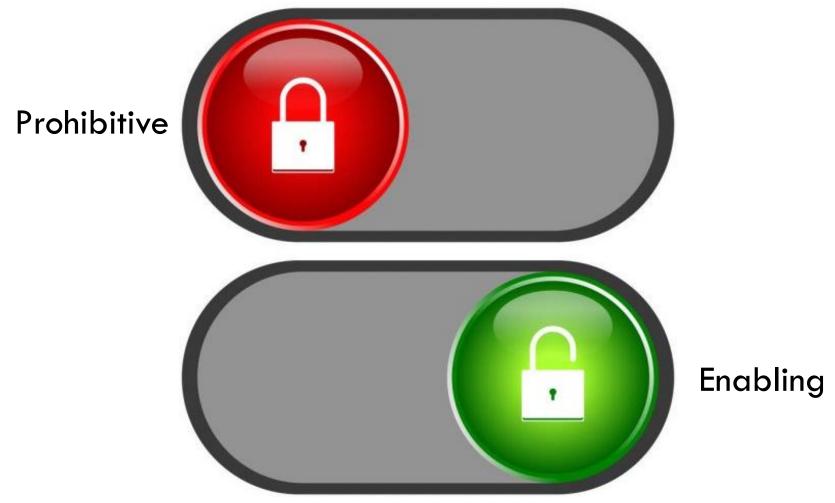
Project Focus







Legal Team's Focus







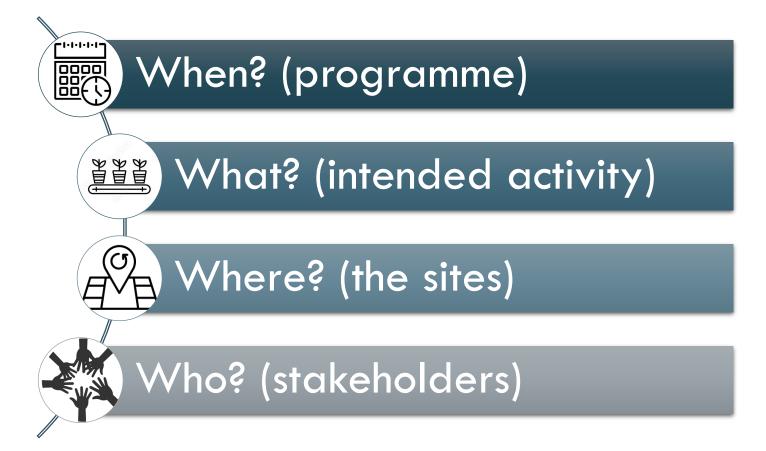
Themes of Legal Framework







Determining Questions







- During mining rehabilitation process
- After mine closure

When? (programme)







Producing	Processing
What is planted	Nature of the process
Water & fertiliser needs	Raw materials
Pest control	End product
	Waste outputs

What? (intended activity)







- Applicable zoning and environmental provisions
- Water availability
- Contamination levels

Where? (the site)







- Mining company
- Landowner
- Fibre-farmer
- Neighbours
- Community
- State

Who? (stakeholder)







Scoping the Legal Framework









Accountable Party

Mining right holder = landowner	Mining right holder ≠ landowner
Focus on mining, not agriculture	Land returned to owner obligation-free
 Sell the land to invested purchaser 	Project relies on settlement agreement
 State expropriation for public interest 	• Incentives: profits / tax rebates





Environmental Governance



Environmental Impact Assessment



Environmental Management Programme



Rehabilitation Plan



Water Use Licence

Environmental Authorisation







Land Use Management

- Zoning categories
- Including mining & agriculture
- Cannot use land for other purposes
- Rezoning application required

Land use scheme



- Single, inclusive strategic plan
- Guides decisions
- Long-term development vision & priorities
- Must reflect strategic fibre farming projects

Integrated development plan









Social Responsibility

Social & Labour Plan to align with IDP

3 Objectives

- Stimulate job creation & advance socioeconomic wellbeing
- Improve inclusivity & equality in mining industry
- Compels mining companies to contribute to socio-economic development

Fibre farming meets all objectives







Incentives

Tax deduction: cash payment to mine rehabilitation company

Proposed tax
deduction: land
donation to mine
rehabilitation
company

Proposed tax deduction: expenditure for sustainable development

Proposed: transfer duty & estate duty exemption











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