

## Plan of Action for Mining Sector: Towards the Next International Validation in 2022

After much progress in compliance and transparency, Afghanistan was successfully re-validated.

On the 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> of February, Afghanistan's Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (AEITI) looked towards the future. With support, AEITI developed an action plan to ensure it is again successfully validated in 2022.

H.E. Deputy Minister Ateeq Zaki said, 'The implementation of EITI standards is a priority for the Government of Afghanistan. We expect collaboration from all parties to make it possible.'

The Afghan-German Cooperation's Programme for Promoting Good Governance in the Extractive Sector held the two-day planning event for 25 men and women in Herat Province. The participants came from parliament, the Ministry of Mines and Petroleum, the Ministry of Finance, AEITI, EITI, civil society organisations and included representatives from the Revenue Development Foundation and the World Bank.

Together, the participants reviewed changes in the EITI Validation Process, AEITI's 2019/2020 Action Plans, previous progress reports and EITI requirements for a comprehensive work plan.

The Action Plan presents the direction and steps needed in 2021 to accomplish validation in 2022.

For more information on the Programme for Promoting Good Governance in the Extractive Sector, visit:

<https://www.ez-afghanistan.de/en/project/transparency-mining-industry>

For more information on AEITI, visit: <https://momp.gov.af/index.php/aeiti>

Teaser text:

For three years, Afghanistan was suspended from the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI). The country's governance of its oil, gas and mineral resources was not held at the same standard as other mining industries around the world. In 2020, that changed.

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