





## ICGLR-OECD-UN Meeting on implementing due diligence recommendations for responsible mineral supply chains

## 5-6 May 2011

## **Key Outcomes**

- 1. Participants approved the <u>Terms of Reference</u> and launched the implementation phase through the establishment of the OECD-hosted peer learning forum to report on how companies implement the OECD Due Diligence Guidance throughout the supply chain, share best practices and learn by doing.
- 2. The UN Group of Experts on the DRC will continue to collaborate with the OECD during the implementation phase pursuant to UN Security Council Resolution 1952/2010.
- 3. Participants recognised the progress made to ensure the harmonisation of the normative framework through the effective integration of the recommended OECD due diligence processes and standards into on-going certification and traceability initiatives which operationalise the OECD Due Diligence Guidance in the Great Lakes Region at national and regional level.
- 4. Participants learnt about new industry tools to implement due diligence and explored ways to overcome possible challenges, including those related to the disclosure requirements under the US Dodd-Frank Section 1502 on conflict minerals.
- 5. The development dimension of the OECD Due Diligence Initiative was strongly recognized as a concrete example of the "aid and beyond" agenda. The OECD and World Bank agreed to carry out a stocktaking to look into donor-supported programs in the Great Lakes' region (mapping, traceability, certification, training of customs officials and security forces, and more broadly infrastructure and professionalisation/formalisation of the artisanal sector). The study will clarify what donors are already doing, which programs could be better coordinated to maximise impact and what remains to be done to create the enabling conditions for the successful implementation of the OECD Due Diligence Guidance.
- 6. The International Conference on the Great Lakes Region, the OECD and the World Bank further agreed to carry out a feasibility study on the establishment of an institutionalised mechanism to monitor the implementation of the due diligence recommendations and audits under the ICGLR regional certification mechanism, drawing lessons from the successful experience of the EITI.