



Press release

Workshop in Dognecea on decontaminating the soil in mining areas

Closing down the mines in Banat mountain region called for the need to cleanse the soils affected by mining activities and also for reconsidering the economic development of the area. Politehnica University Timisoara (Romania) and the Mining and Metallurgy Institute Bor (Serbia) jointly run a project to test green technologies for the remediation of soils polluted with heavy metals and arsenic due to mining activities. 85% of the funding for the project entitled "Forming of network for enhancing environmental protection from pollutants of mining cross border areas"), acronym NETMIN, eMS no. RORS-308, is covered by **Interreg-IPA Cross-border Cooperation Romania-Serbia Programme**.

The workshops organized as part of NETMIN project activities allow local community to explore new opportunities concerning the sustainable use of the soil. Such a workshop takes place on Wednesday, July 15th at 10:00 in Dognecea (Caraş-Severin county), the experts in the project inviting local authorities, public servants, and citizens from this region to discuss these opportunities. Information materials and discussions are part of the effort to extend the education and research network aiming at enhancing environmental protection from pollutants of mining cross-border areas. The Mining and Metallurgy Institute Bor organizes mirroring workshops in Serbia.

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