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ResourceContracts.org is an online database of natural resource contracts. The site is designed for easy use by readers with slower Internet connections. With this tool, policy-makers, campaigners and companies can better understand existing contracts and use this knowledge to inform future deals.

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A searchable database of contracts, agreements and key terms

This database provides annotated examples to help inform officials and citizens in resource-rich countries.

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Use *ResourceContracts.org* to:

- View **mining and hydrocarbon contracts** from all over the world (forestry and agriculture contracts coming soon!)
- Select contracts by **country**, by **natural resource** or by **contract type**
- Search and read summaries of **key provisions** for each contract
- **Download** full contract documents
- Stay updated as **more contracts** continue to be added!



ResourceContracts.org is also a tool and service for governments to disclose contracts and related documents and data, with customizable features. For example, see the linked database created in cooperation with the government of the Republic of Guinea at <http://www.contratsminiersguinee.org>.

What does the ResourceContracts.org user experience feel like?

Following are screen shots of the global database. The features of the pages can be tailored to preference, but these screen shots provide a good guide for what the overall user experience will resemble.

ResourceContracts.org – the cover page

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Contracts between governments and mining and oil companies can be difficult to locate and to understand.



The entirety of the database when there is no search criteria entered


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Mauritania	10
Republic of Congo	10
Democratic Republic of Congo	5
Burkina Faso	4
Peru	3
Republic of Liberia	3
Timor-Leste	2
Afghanistan	2
Ghana	2
Mexico	2
Australia	1
Niger	1

120 Documents

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 **4M Energy Blocs24,31 - Mauritania, 2006**
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 **AGIP - Congo-Brazzaville, 1997**
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ANNOTATIONS: [Country](#) [Type of resources](#) [Name of company executing the document](#) [Type of mining title associated with the contract](#) [Year of contract signature](#)

 **AGIP Hydro-Congo - Congo-Brazzaville, 1995**
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Example: 3 Liberian Contracts already on the global site

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Countries

- Republic of Liberia 3

Year of Signature

- 2005 3

Mining Title Type

- Exploration Permit/License 3

Resource

- Gold 3
- Diamonds 3
- Other Minerals 3

3 Documents

Liberia Deveton Mining
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ANNOTATIONS: [Country](#) [Name of company executing the document and composition of the shareholders](#)
State agency, national company, ministry executing the document [Type of mining title associated with the contract](#) [Type of resources](#) [Term](#) [PLUS 18 MORE.](#)

Liberia Golden Ventures
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State agency, national company, ministry executing the document [Local company name](#) [Type of resources](#) [Construction and maintenance of infrastructure](#) [PLUS 37 MORE.](#)

Liberia Magma Mineral Resources
Updated on Wed Oct 30 2013
ANNOTATIONS: [Country](#) [Local company name](#) [Name of company executing the document and composition of the shareholders](#)
State agency, national company, ministry executing the document [Type of resources](#) [Construction and maintenance of infrastructure](#) [PLUS 38 MORE.](#)

More have been summarized but they are not yet showing on the database

You can search by provision type – here we look for “royalty”

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Countries

Republic of Liberia	2
Democratic Republic of Congo	1

Year of Signature

2005	2
2010	1

Mining Title Type

Exploration Permit/License	2
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Resource

Other Minerals	3
Gold	2
Diamonds	2

3 Documents

DRC Fortune Ahead Ltd
Updated on Mon Jul 29 2013
ANNOTATIONS: [Country](#) [Local company name](#) [Type of mining title associated with the contract](#) [Name and/or composition of the company created or anticipated](#) [State agency, national company, ministry executing the document](#) [Name of company executing the document and composition of the shareholders](#) [PLUS 23 MORE.](#)

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The summary page after clicking on one contract – plain-language explanation of each key term

The screenshot shows a web interface for a contract summary. At the top, it says 'China Union' and 'Updated on Sun Jun 9, 2013'. Below that, there are filters for 'Annotations', 'Date of contract signature', 'Year of contract signature', and 'Country'. The main title is 'Amlib United Minerals Mineral Development Agreement', updated on 'Mon Mar 11 2013'. There are language options 'EN | FR' and a 'Download pdf' link. A large blue button says 'Read Document'. The summary is divided into two columns. The left column lists key terms: 'Republic of Liberia--Parties', 'Local company name' (Amlib United Mineral Incorporated--Parties), 'Type of mining title associated with the contract' (Exploration License, Agreement seems to contain provisions for granting of Class A Mining License as well (per Table of Contents), but associated page is missing.--Art. 4.1, Table of Contents), and 'Term' (25 years, Operator may extend the term by additional 25 year terms by providing the government with notice and an updated Feasibility Report for approval prior to expiry of applicable term. --Art. 3). The right column lists: 'Liberia', 'Year of Signature' (2002), and 'Mining Title Type' (Exploration Permit/License). A 'Description' section at the bottom right says 'For more information on the terms below, please see our [glossary of contract terminology](#)'.

China Union
Updated on Sun Jun 9, 2013

Annotations [Date of contract signature](#) [Year of contract signature](#) [Country](#)

Amlib United Minerals Mineral Development Agreement
Updated on Mon Mar 11 2013

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Republic of Liberia--Parties

Local company name
Amlib United Mineral Incorporated--Parties

Type of mining title associated with the contract
Exploration License. Agreement seems to contain provisions for granting of Class A Mining License as well (per Table of Contents), but associated page is missing.--Art. 4.1, Table of Contents

Term
25 years. Operator may extend the term by additional 25 year terms by providing the government with notice and an updated Feasibility Report for approval prior to expiry of applicable term. --Art. 3

Liberia

Year of Signature
2002

Mining Title Type
Exploration Permit/License

Description
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REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA)
MONTERRADO COUNTY)

MINERAL DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

THE REPUBLIC OF LIBERIA

AND

AMLIB UNITED MINERALS INCORPORATED

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▼ Description

For more information on the terms below, please see our [glossary of contract terminology](#)

Pays//Country

Nom de la Société locale//Local company name

Type du Titre Minier Associé au Contrat//Type of mining title associated with the contract

Durée//Term

Type du Titre Minier Associé au Contrat//Type of mining title associated with the contract

Date d'Octroi du permis d'exploitation ou concession//Date of issue of title/permit

Ressource(s) minière(s) concernées//Type of resources

Obligations de travaux, d'investissements//Work and investment commitments

Confidentialité//Confidentiality

Construction et entretien d'infrastructure//Construction and maintenance of infrastructure

Emploi du personnel local//Local employment requirements

Achats Locaux//Local procurement requirements

Convention de développement local//Local development

Each annotation will have a link (Example)

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China Union
Updated on Sun Jun 9 2013

Annotations | Date of contract signature | Year of contract signature | Country

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Republic of Liberia--Parties

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Amlib United Mineral Incorporated--Parties

Type of mining title associated with the contract
Exploration License. Agreement seems to contain provisions for granting of Class A Mining License as well (per Table of Contents), but associated page is missing.--Art. 4.1, Table of Contents

Year of Signature
2002

Mining Title Type
Exploration Permit/License

Description
For more information on the terms below, please see our [glossary of contract terminology](#)

Term
25 years. Operator may extend the term by additional 25 year terms by providing the government with notice and an updated Feasibility Report for approval prior to expiry of applicable term. --Art. 3

Annotation in contract view

Durée//Term

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SECTION 3: TERM OF THE AGREEMENT

25 years. Operator may extend the term by additional 25 year terms by providing the government with notice and an updated Feasibility Report for approval prior to expiry of applicable term. --Art. 3

3.2 Extended Term.

a Notwithstanding the provisions of Section 3.1 above, the Operator shall have the right to extend the term of this Agreement for additional terms not exceeding twenty-five (25) years each (the "Extended Terms") upon providing the Government with Notice, at least one year prior to the termination of the original term or any extended term, of its intention to seek such extension and, within ninety (90) days after such Notice, by providing the Government with a Feasibility Report which shall set forth the type and quantity of Minerals that are estimated to exist in the Contract Area, or any part thereof, and describe in reasonable detail a proposed plan for the efficient and economic Production of such Minerals (in accordance with International Standards and the provisions of this Agreement), including a detailed description of the proposed mining and processing methods, the design, cost and construction schedules for the proposed facilities and equipment, the financing arrangements contemplated, and the Operator's best estimate in good faith of the date upon which Production of such

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The Guinea website provides an example of a country-specific application of the core technology



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COMITÉ TECHNIQUE DE REVUE DES TITRES ET CONVENTIONS MINIERS



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Comprendre la législation minière guinéenne





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Mission du CTRTCM

Membres du CTRTCM

Documentation

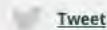
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Sur ce site, vous trouverez l'intégralité des conventions minières signées par la République de Guinée depuis son indépendance le 2 octobre 1958, leurs annexes et amendements éventuels. Sélectionnez l'une des conventions ci-dessous pour lire son résumé, ou télécharger une copie électronique du document original.

Alliance Mining Commodities Guinée (AMC), Projet d'exploitation des bauxites de Koumbia

[Convention](#) | [Convention Annexes](#)

Bellzone, Projet d'exploitation des minerais de fer de Kalia

[Convention](#) | [Convention Annexes 1, 2, 5, 6](#) | [Convention Annexe 4](#) | [Convention Annexe 7](#) | [Convention English](#) | [Convention ordonnance 11PRG2010](#)

Compagnie des Bauxites de Guinée (CBG), République de Guinée & Halco (Rio Tinto-Alcan, Alcoa, Dadco)

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Similarly, we could develop a X specific site tailored to needs

Moving Forward!

- Stay updated as more contracts continue to be added
- More countries to adopt the database

Questions

- How the contract database can be linked to the cadastre systems?
- How this tool is or can be useful to your work?