15th EFGP Council Meeting

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Adopted resolution on Rosia Montana

The EFGP protests against the project of gold mining by open cyanide processing, in the district Rosia Montana in Romania. The project leads to destruction of a natural, cultural and historic patrimony. We fear a future catastrophe

Once again profit range before people and nature. The Canadian company, Gabriel Resources, has got exploitation licence from the Romanian Government. This sort of mining is forbidden both in Canada and in the EU,

More than 2000 people have to be moved from their homes. The mining has irreversible effects on all environmental factors such as water, air and soil. The project is in contradiction to the European Convention for Landscape Preservation, a convention ratified of the Romanian Government.

This case makes it obvious that the eastern parts of Europe need support, not contradiction, from the international society to realise principles of sustainable development