Importance of Establishing Mineral Resource Database

-Case Study: China Mineral Resources Potential Assessment Project

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Mineral resource is the important natural resource which is formed through thousands or hundreds of millions of years' changes. It is the primary substance foundation for social production and development and a must necessity of our production and life.



Purposes for Establishing Mineral Resources Database

- 1. predict mineral resources, and establish the solid mineral regional prediction and assessment system which can satisfy the national or regional dynamic resources assessment.
- 2. predict the prospecting trend, developing energy growth trend, and the strategic deployment of developing base of future important mineral resources.
- 3. provide scientific basis for researching and making national mineral resource strategy and social economy medium-long term growth plan.
- 4. identify the advantageous minerals of one region to instruct the reasonable development and utilization of mineral resources, perfect the resources allocation and achieve the optimal exhaust of resources.
- 5. restrain the unreasonable destructive mining and extraction, and prevent the loss, waste or destruction of mineral resources.
- 6. control all procedures of development and utilization for mineral resources to reduce the environment destruction and protect the eco-environment.

China Mineral Resources Potential Assessment Data Base Establishment

From 2007 to 2012, led by Ministry of Land and Resources of China, mineral resources potential prediction and assessment have been undertaken throughout the country. The uniformed geological, mineral, geophysical, geochemical, and remote sensing data bases have been established in China. Based on these, prediction and assessment of China unproven mineral resources has been made through the comprehensive analysis of geological, mineral, geophysical, geochemical and remote sensing data. Nationwide prospecting and exploration have been implemented reasonably according to the prediction and assessment results.

Basic Content of Mineral Resource Database Establishment

- Mineral deposits and proven resource deserves
- Regional geological survey documents
- Geophysical results
- Geochemical results
- Remote sensing documents
- Heavy concentrated sample documents
- Predicted mineral resource reserves

 China mineral resources prediction: fully utilizes data information from geological survey, mineral, geophysics, geochemistry, remote sensing and heavy concentrated samples. Make analogy prediction for mineral resources from unknown regions based on the typical deposit characters and regional metallogenic rules research of some kind or type of minerals or deposits to identify metallogenic prospective blocks and make prediction and assessment for the mineral resources reserves.

	Geophysical information	Conclusions and explanations of Geological structures	Regional structure Rock spatial features Location
comprehensive information		Comprehensive anomalies	Quantitative prediction
	Geochemical information	Conclusions and explanations of Geological structures	Spatial range of minerogenetic structure Spatial range of minerogenetic construction
		Comprehensive anomalies	Location prediction Quantitative
	Remote sensing information	Conclusions and explanations of Geological structures	prediction Comprehensive geological structure
		anomalies	Alteration symbols
	Natural heavy concentration samples	Comprehensive anomalies	Location prediction

- Processing Technology of Comprehensive Information and Data
- 1. Comprehensive Information and Data Processing:
 - Process geological, geophysical, geochemical, remote sensing and natural heavy concentration sample data.
- 2. Comprehensive Information Utilization:
- Comprehensive Information Analysis
 - geological, geophysical, geochemical, remote sensing and natural heavy concentration sample documents analysis
- Documents' Function in Comprehensive Information Analysis
 - Utilize geological, geophysical, geochemical, remote sensing documents to infer the interpretation of geological structures: concealed rocks, concealed structures, hidden structures, orebearing geological bodies
 - Utilize geological, geophysical, geochemical, remote sensing and natural heavy concentration anomalies to identify metallogencal prospective areas
 - Evaluate the resource reserves of prospective areas by analogy

- Computer Technology Utilization
- 1. computer map making
 - Make computer maps with GIS figure data
- 2.database technology
 - Based on the established spatial databases, make the data processing and spatial analysis to achieve research results effectively, precisely and quickly.
- 3.application software development
 - Process geophysical, geochemical and remote sensing data
 - Process other basic data

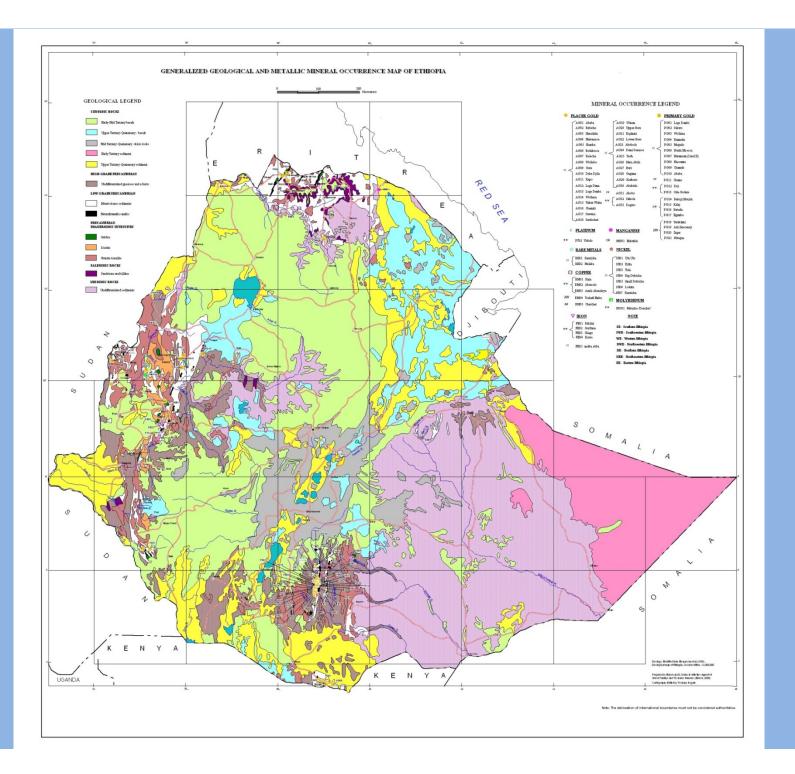
 The potential prediction and assessment of China important mineral resources has fully concluded the work results of basic geological survey, geophysics, geochemistry, remote sense, natural heavy concentration sample and mineral exploration based on the existing geological work. It has applied modern mineral resources prediction and assessment theories and methods, and fully utilized GIS assessment technology to make mineral resource potential prediction and assessment of coal, uranium, iron, cooper, aluminum, lead, zinc, manganese, nickel, wolfram, tin, sodium, gold, chrome, molybdenum, antimony, rare earth, silver, boron, lithium, phosphorus, sulfur, fluorite, magnesite, barite etc.

Significance of Establishing China Mineral Resources Potential Assessment Database

- Conducive to search and utilize information
- Conducive to government's deployment and decisions' making
- Conducive to scientific research
- Conducive to mineral exploration
- Conducive to develop mineral resources properly
- Conducive to protect the environment when developing minerals

Mineral Resources in Ethiopia

- there are relatively rich mineral resources in Ethiopia:
- minerals which are related to pre-cambrian meta-morphic-intrusive complexion mainly are following: gold, platium, niobium, tantalum, nickel, cooper, iron, chrome, maganese, molybdenum, lead, zinc, kaolin, feldspar, clay, asbestos, talc, marble, granite etc.
- minerals which are related to mesozoic sedimentary rocks mainly are following: limestone, sandstone, gypsum, clay, oil, gas etc.
- minerals which are related to cenozoic vocalnic or vocalnic-sedimentary rocks mainly are following: lignite, opal, oil shale, laterite iron ore, bentonite, clay, perlite, diatomite, potash, halite, oil, gas etc.
- minerals which are related to the rift valley mainly are following: geothermal resource, alkali, epithermal gold, diamite, bentonite, halite, sulphur, pumice etc.
- among the energy minerals, coals mainly are lignite, which is existing in the cenozoic sedimentary rocks.
- rich geothermal resources are in the rifty valley.
- oil and gas resources are mainly in Ogaden Basin which is the border with Somalia with definite resource potential.



Ministry of Mines, Geological Survey of Ethiopia, Chongqing Bureau of Geology and Mineral Exploration & Development of China Cooperation Project

From December of 2011 to August of 2012, Ministry of Mines • (MoM), Geological Survey of Ethiopia(GSE), Chongqing Bureau of Geology and Mineral Exploration & Development of China have signed Memerandom of Understanding of Cooperation Project(MOU) and Project Proposal which haved speculated the 5 years' cooperation project program(2012-2017) in southern and western Ethiopia(area: 148,000 km²), including basic geological survey, mineral exploration and development, technical research, geochemical survey, geophysical exploration, remote sense, laboratory construction, geoscientific database establishment, personnnel trainning and inspection. Among these, an important task is database establishment.

Signing Cooperation Project Agreement

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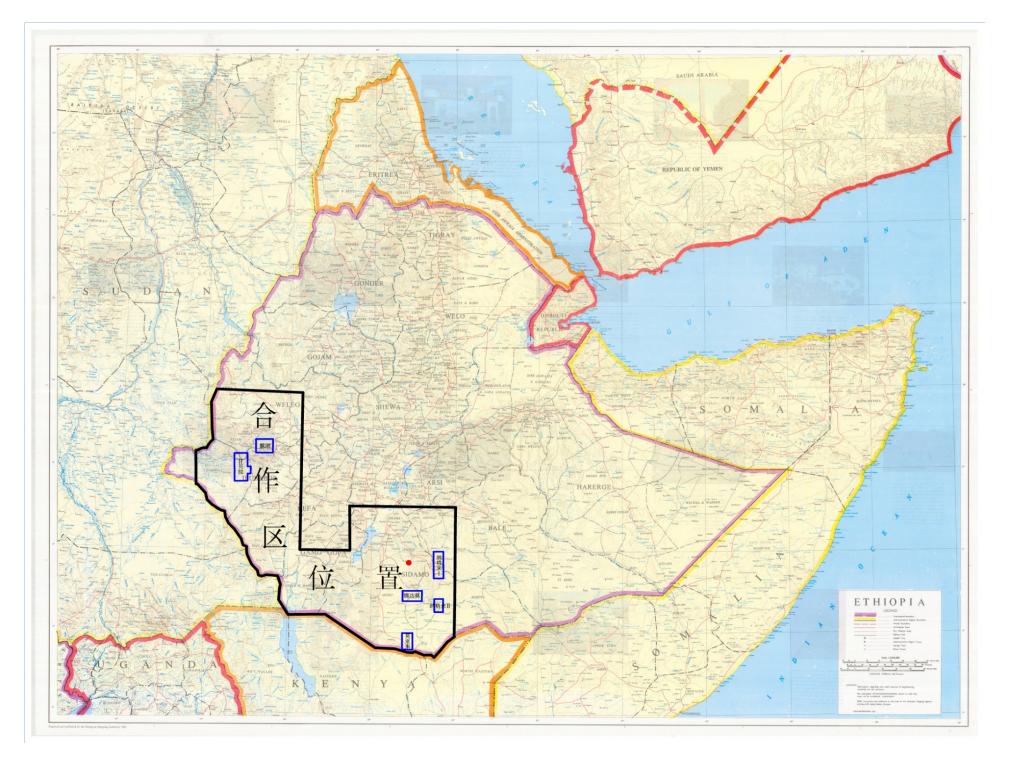
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Technical Content of Cooperation Project

- GSE personnel training
- database establishment
- remote sensing
- geological survey
- geophysical survey
- geochemical survey
- trentching and pitting
- laboratary establishment, tests and analysis
- data processing and report submit

Major Content of Database Establishment for Cooperation Project

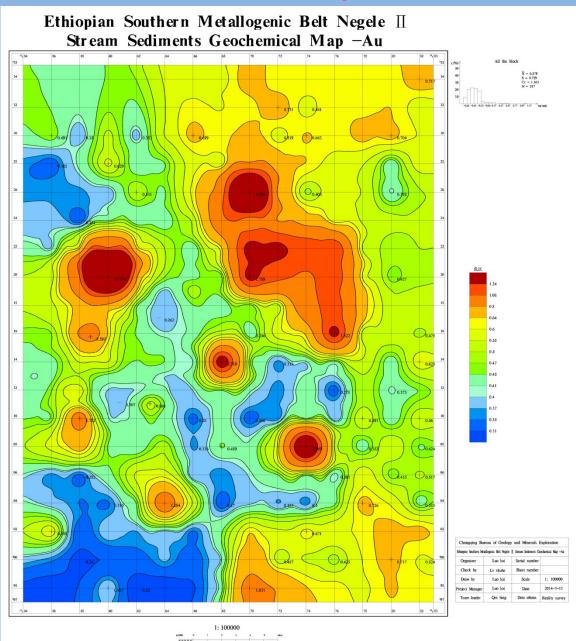
- database of geological survey
- database of remote sensing interpretation
- database of geophysical survey
- database of geochemical survey
- database of minerals
- database of sample analysis

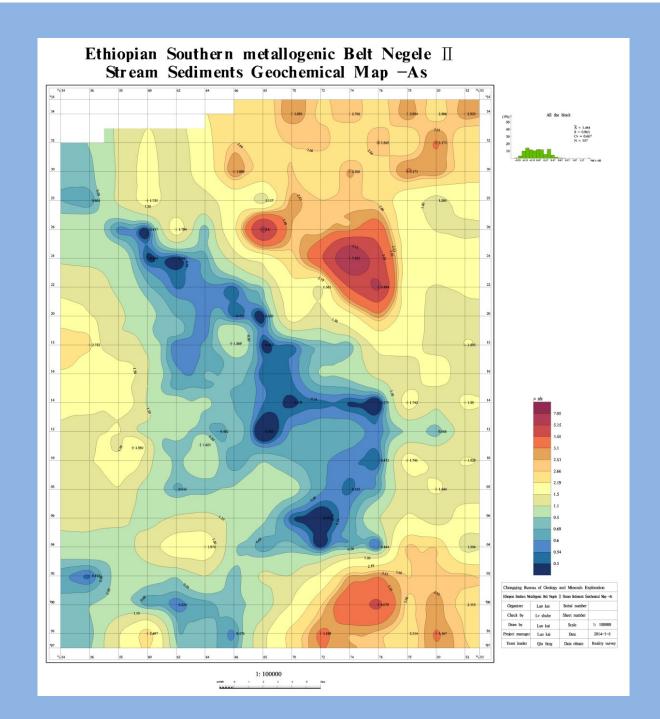


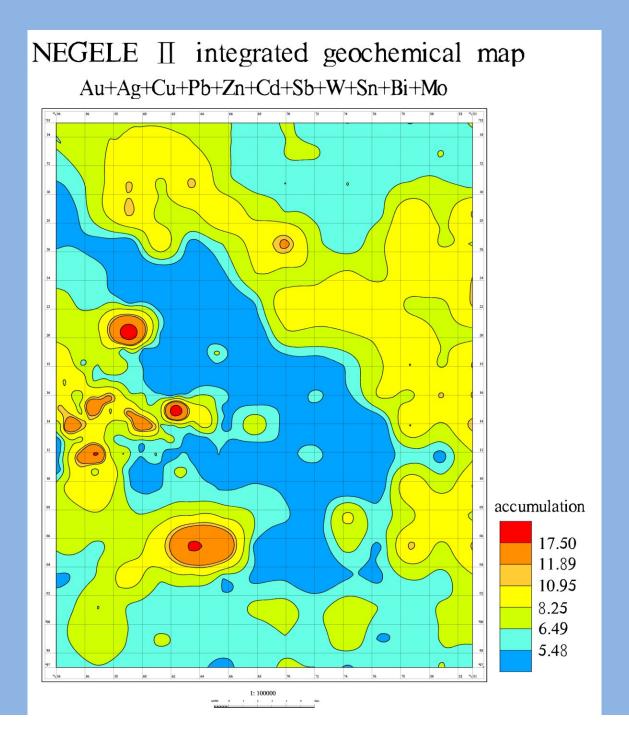
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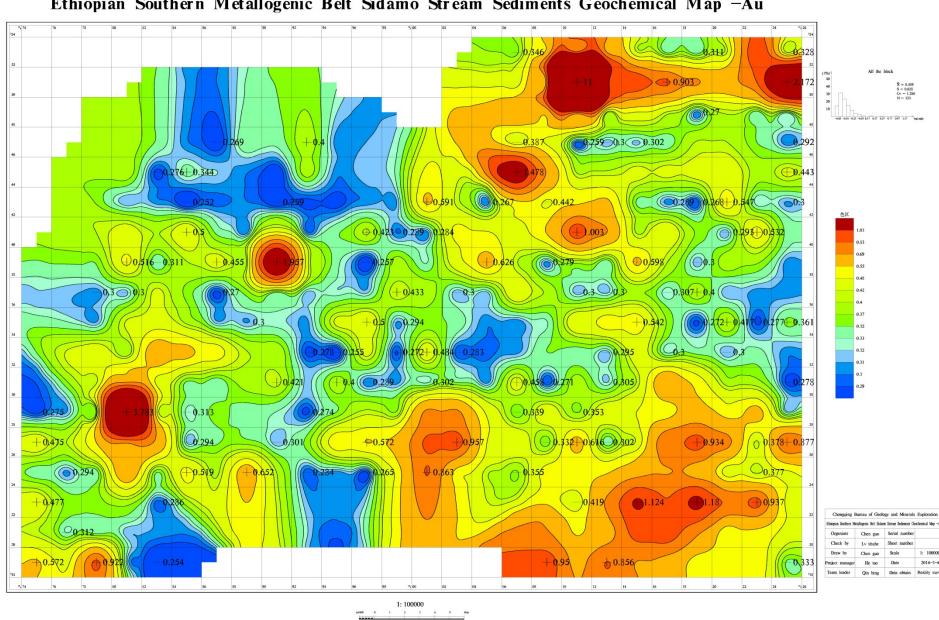
- Great progress has been achieved during 2 years through mutual close cooperation by professionals from China and Ethiopia. Around 9000km2's geological survey and geochemical survey have been finished in Negele, Moyale, and Sidamo of southern Ethiopia through field geology, remote sensing, geochemistry, geophysics, laboratory and personnel trainning. Up to now, gold and cooper potential blocks have been discovered.
- With the forming valuable geo-science and mineral resource data, a good fundation will be laid for mineral resource assessment and prospecting breakthrough in the next step.

Some Results of Cooperation Project

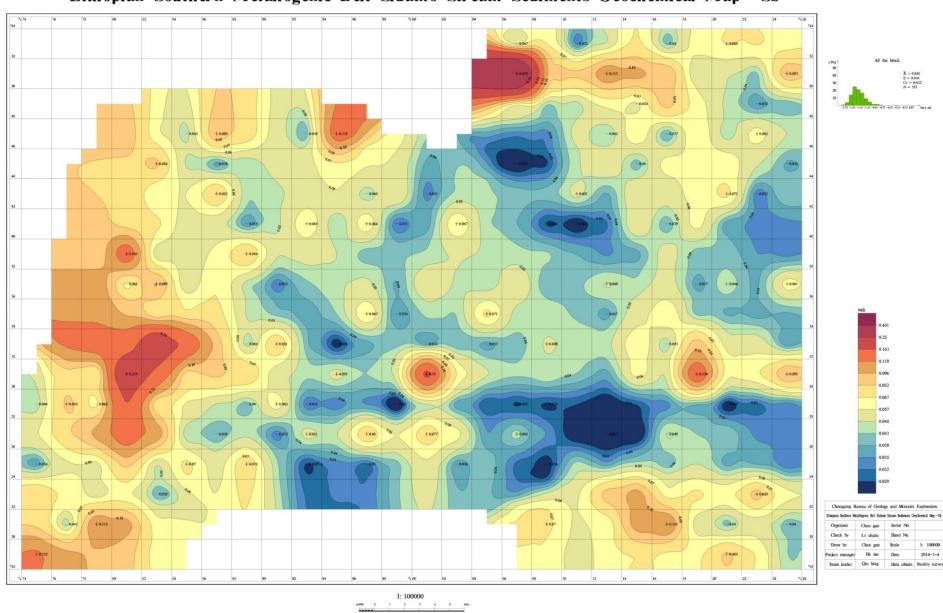




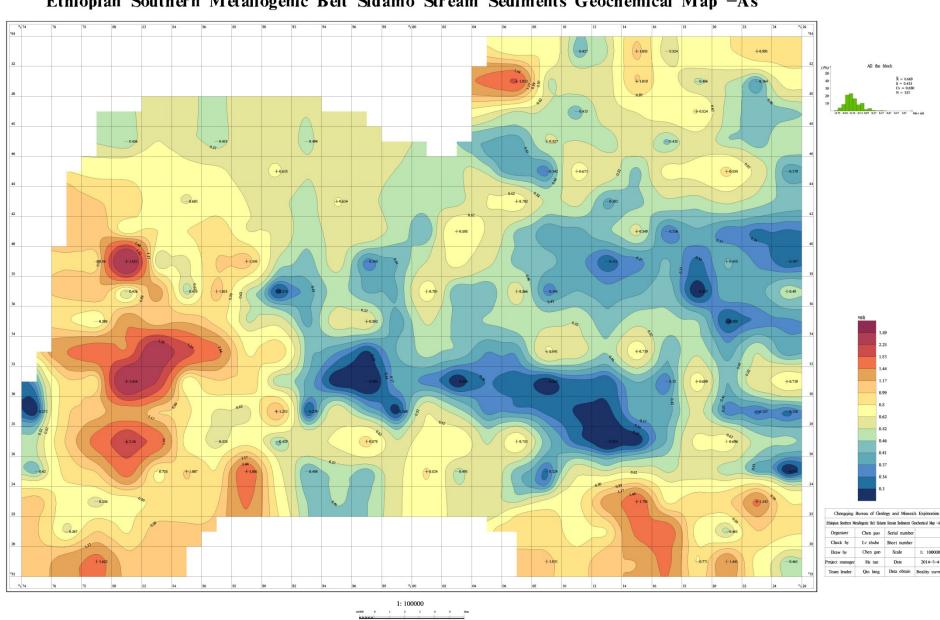




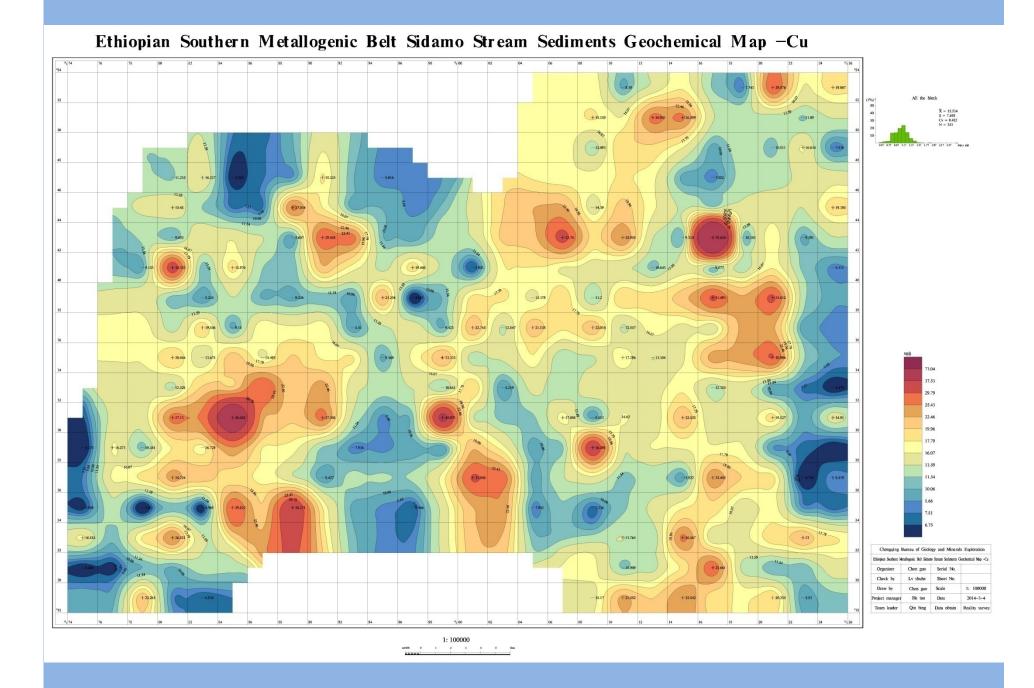
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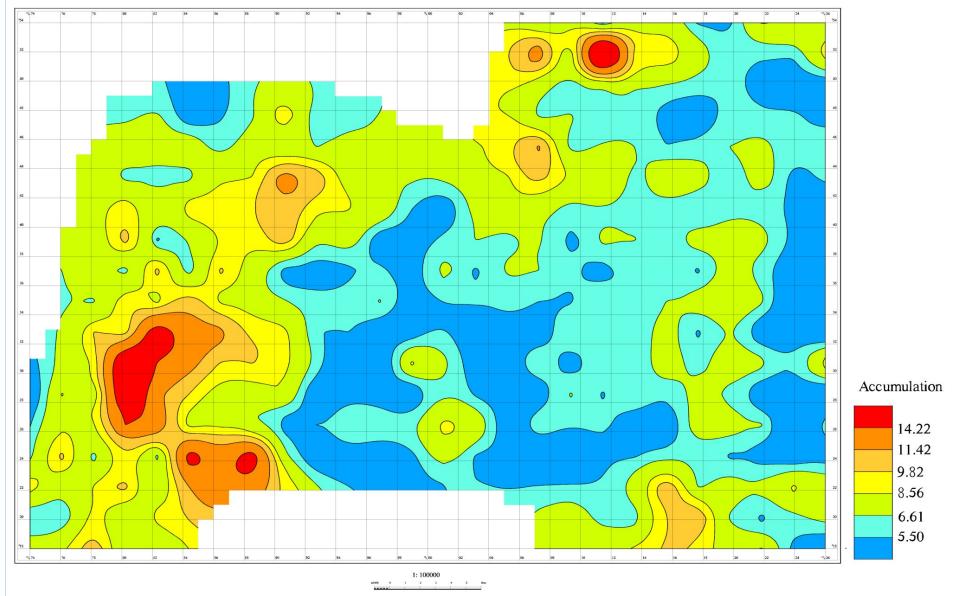
Ethiopian Southern Metallogenic Belt Sidamo Stream Sediments Geochemical Map –Sb

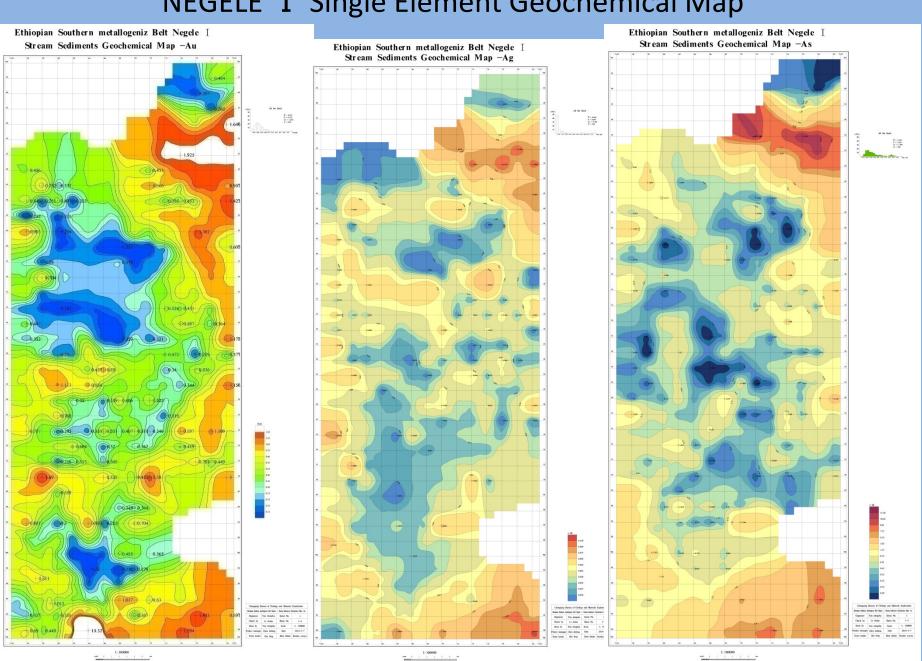


Ethiopian Southern Metallogenic Belt Sidamo Stream Sediments Geochemical Map -As



SIDAMO Integrated Geochemical Map Ag+Au+Cu+Zn+As+Hg+Sb+Bi+Co+Mn+Mo+Ni

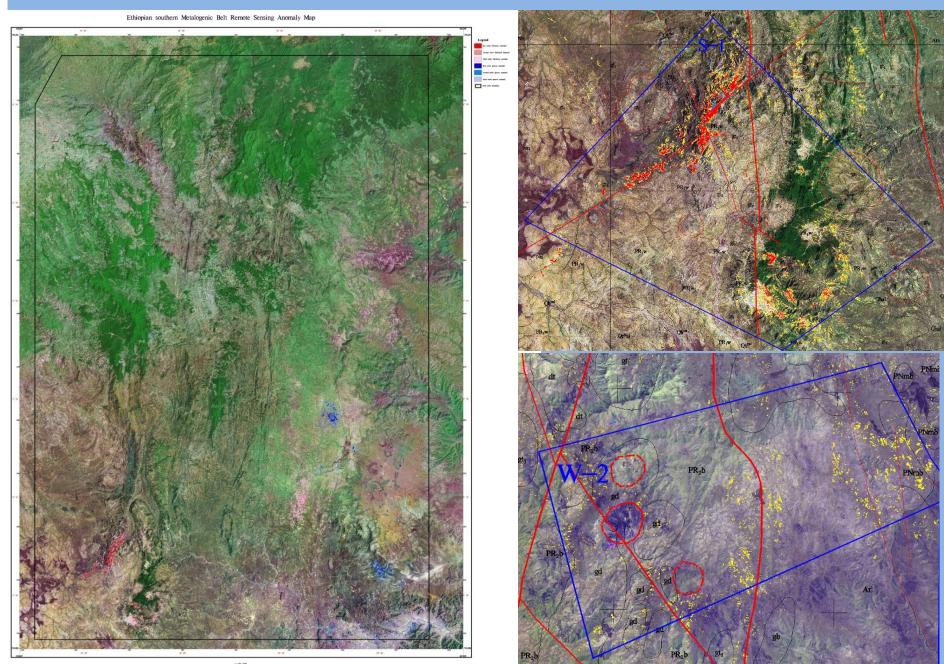




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China Working Group





 The Chinese group is made up with geological, geophysical, geochemical, drilling, remote sensing, test & analysis employees who have higher education degrees and interpreters who know local cultures, customs, geography and laws.







 Directors from National Development Bank, Chongqing Bureau of Land and Resources, Chongqing Bureau of Geology have inspected Zambia Mining Project





We respect local customs and habits when working. We have visited local tribe chiefs frequently, taken part in activities which are organized by the chiefs, and made donations to local schools, which establish a very harmonious relationship with local communities.

Photographs of field work



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Photos of Inspection









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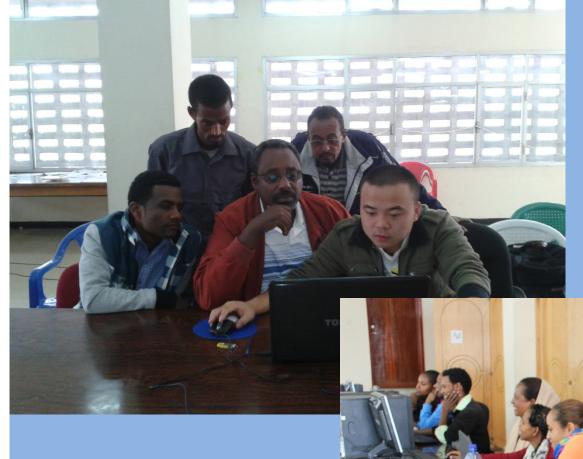


Training photos









Training in Ethiopia



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The laboratory building

• We have constructed labratory rooms and equipped with instruments.



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