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# Profile

## Executive Summary



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The leap from idea to reality starts with a single element. At UNAWEZA Mining Cooperative, we provide the essential minerals that make modern life possible—from advanced technology to resilient infrastructure. We believe this vital foundation must be strong, ethical, and enduring.

Sourced responsibly from the DRC, our Tin, Tantalum, and Tungsten power global industries and pave the way to the a futuristic world we all long for. Our commitment runs deeper than supply chains. We are dedicated to powering local development, advancing sustainable mining, and ensuring the industries we support are built on principles that last.

We are more than miners. We are partners in progress, proving that the true measure of a resource is the future it creates.



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# Our Vision

What if mining could build a better future? We believe it can.

Here is what we see: Critical minerals are essential for progress, but their greatest worth is unlocked through responsible action. At UNAWEZA, we go beyond the ore—we mine with integrity, innovate with purpose, and ensure that the value we create empowers communities and sustains our world for generations.

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## Our Mission

To become a reliable partner and steady supplier of conflict-free minerals while ensuring community development and environmental stewardship.

## Our Advantages

For us, safety is not a rulebook—it's a responsibility. We start every day with the belief that protecting our team is our most important work. That means taking no shortcuts, leaving nothing to chance, and empowering every person to speak up and act when something isn't right. Safety shapes every decision, every system, and every protocol we build. It's a discipline we live by, because everyone deserves to return home safely.



### Reliable Partnership

Build long-term trust with global buyers through consistent, traceable, and certified mineral supply.



### Community Benefits

Ensure fair economic opportunities, social development, and improved livelihoods for mining communities.



### Environmental Alignment

Implement responsible mining practices that minimize ecological impact and promote rehabilitation.



### Formalization

Transition artisanal miners toward safer, more productive, and legally compliant operations.

# Operations & Structure

We have devised ways to operate by designing a simple but yet effective methods based on the geographical land and local variables on the ground.

## Mineral Reserves

UNAWEZA operates on deposits containing:

1. **Tungsten (Wolframite)** – Primary focus
2. **Tin (Cassiterite)** – Primary focus
3. **Tantalum (Coltan)** – Primary focus
4. **Gold** – Secondary/associated mineral

Note: Reserves are currently unmeasured but show promising geological potential. A formal exploration and quantification program is planned.

## Mining Approach

1. **Artisanal Mining Groups:** Organized, trained, and supported cooperatives of local miners.
2. **Semi-Industrial Operations:** Mechanized support for washing, crushing, and primary concentration.
3. **Buying Center:** Established in Luena, with secure weighing, tagging, and documentation.
4. **Traceability System:** Implemented from pit-to-export in line with OECD and ITSCI/RMI standards.



# Our commitments

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## Ethical & Responsible Sourcing

**Zero Tolerance:** No conflict minerals, no child labor, no forced labor.

**Transparency:** Full traceability from mine to buyer.

**Certification:** Working toward ITSCI, RMI, or equivalent certification.

**Due Diligence:** OECD-aligned risk assessment and mitigation.



## Community Benefits

**Fair Pricing:** Above-market rates for miners' production.

**Capacity Building:** Training in safe mining, financial literacy, and alternative livelihoods.

**Social Projects:** A percentage of revenue allocated to:

- o Health clinics and mobile medical units
- o School support and vocational training
- o Clean water access and sanitation

**Gender Inclusion:** Specific programs for women in mining and mining-affected communities.



## Environmental Stewardship

**Reduced Impact:** Promotion of mercury-free gold processing, water recycling, and erosion control.

**Rehabilitation:** Site restoration and reforestation initiatives.

**Environmental Monitoring:** Regular assessments and reporting.





# Supply Chain & Market Approach

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## From Mine to Market

1. **Local Buying:** Certified buying center in Luena.
2. **Secure Transport:** Tagged and sealed bags to Lubumbashi warehouse.
3. **Processing & Sorting:** Upgrading and quality control in Lubumbashi.
4. **Export:** Through approved trading partners to international smelters.

## Target Markets

1. **Tin, Tungsten, Tantalum:** Electronics, aerospace, and automotive industries.
2. **Gold:** Jewelry and investment markets.
3. **Buyer Profile:** Responsible sourcing programs of multinational corporations, dedicated ethical smelters, and specialty chemical manufacturers.

## Current Projects & Initiatives

1. **Formalization Program:** Registering artisanal miners, providing protective equipment, and introducing mechanized aids.
2. **Traceability Implementation:** Digital tagging and blockchain pilot for enhanced transparency.
3. **Community Needs Assessment:** Ongoing survey to align social investments with local priorities.
4. **Reserve Assessment Plan:** Engaging geologists for preliminary resource estimation.

## Partnerships & Certifications (Planned/Achieved)

1. **National:** Compliant with Congolese mining code (Code Minier) and authorized by SAEMAPE.
2. **International:** Working toward ITSCI/RMI compliance; interested in Fairmined, Fairtrade, or equivalent ethical labels.
3. **NGO Collaboration:** Seeking partnerships with Pact, Impact, or Better Sourcing Program for capacity building.
4. **Buyer Partnerships:** Engaging with responsible sourcing initiatives of electronics and automotive companies.

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# SOCIETE COOPERATIVE MINIERE UNAWEZA

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## Partners

**Legal Name:**

Société Coopérative Minière UNAWEZA

**Registration Number:**

N°. 00298/CAB.MIN/MINES/01/2025

**Founded:**

May 28, 2025

**Headquarters:**

Lubumbashi, Haut-Katanga Province, DR Congo

**Operations Base:**

Luena, Haut-Lomami Province, DR Congo

**Management:**

GDIS SARL (Advisory & Consulting Firm)

**Sector:**

Mining & Mineral Trading

**Specialization:**

3TG Minerals (Tin, Tungsten, Tantalum, Gold)

Artisanal and Semi-Industrial Mining



# Site location

The mining site is located at 43km SouthEast from the city of Luena, near the Kyenze Village in the Bukama Territory, Haut-Lomami Province. It falls under the ZEA (Zone Economique Artisanale/Artisanal Economical Zone) with the follow geographical location.

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# Site Activities Limits

The site belonging to UNAWWEZA extends on a 170 Hectares of mining land all included in the Artisanal Economical Zone.

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S2	09	24	00	26	10	00	
S3	09	25	00	26	10	00	
S4	09	25	00	26	10	30	

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