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Restoring Mineral Sites for Biodiversity, People and the Economy across North-West Europe

Work Package 1 (WP1): Policy into Practice.

This Work Package is designed to place the work of the RESTORE project into its policy context, as well as provide an overarching context and framework for the other three RESTORE Work Packages.

Mineral extraction and restoration is occurring all across North-West Europe (NWE), and there is an opportunity to identify similarities; share common problems or barriers and learn and promote good practice between ourselves.

Put simply, what is the current best practice in mineral restoration and how could we do it better?

The final outcome of this Work Package will be a NWE Mineral Restoration 'Manifesto' detailing the findings and suggesting recommendations for future action to the policy community.



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This Work Package will be delivered through six principle actions:

1. The Current Position

Identifying present policy and legislation from the EU down to the local level. What are the perceived problems, issues and emerging trends?

2. A Policy Expert Group

The creation of a group of experts with mineral restoration, from across NWE and across professions. This Group will advise on and champion the Work Package.

3. National Reference Groups

A local version of the Policy Expert Group in each of the four RESTORE Partner States.

4. Case Studies

A suite of some 20 case studies, demonstrating different examples of identified best practice.

5. International Seminars

A gathering of professionals and practitioners across NWE, to share and discuss mineral restoration issues. These will be held at the start, middle and end of the project in the UK, Germany and Belgium respectively.

6. A NWE Minerals Restoration Manifesto

Presenting the findings of the Work Package, with suggestions for future action.



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