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Minerals policy governance	
<u>Horizontal policy integration</u>	
Mechanisms for ministerial coordination	Ad-hoc Committee
<u>Vertical policy integration</u>	
Mechanisms for governmental organisation coordination	There exists no formal mechanism for the involvement of regional or local level of government. However, there exists communication between regional authorities and YPEN on a regular basis regarding different technical and legal subjects. However, other levels of government have the opportunity to take part in the public consultation where their feedback is taken into consideration.
<u>Stakeholder Integration</u>	
Mechanisms for stakeholder involvement	National Committee for Mineral Resources; Public consultation
<u>Policy evaluation</u>	
Mechanisms for policy evaluation	There is no formal procedure for policy evaluation or monitoring. YPEN is evaluating its policies in relation to data of mineral producing companies.

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		POLICY 1
		Mining Code
Title (original language)		N.Δ. 210/73Περί Μεταλλευτικού Κώδικος (ΦΕΚ 277/Α/1973)
Title (translation in english)		Legislative Decree 210/1973 'The Mining Code' (Government Gazette 277/A/1973)
Year (and identification number if available)		Decree 210/1973
Short description		The Mining Code (legislative Decree 210/1973, amended by Law 274/1976), main piece of law on mining activity, classifies mineral commodities in two general categories (metalliferous ores and quarry products) mainly with respect to their importance for national economy. Only the first category, i.e. ores, is covered by the Code's dispositions; the other minerals are regulated by special legislations lasted amendment Law 4280/2014
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Access to document (hyperlink IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE)		
Access to document (document name providing information on the policy)		
Responsible for the design of the policy		Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources
Responsible for the implementation of the policy		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources o Regional and local Authorities (Decentralized Administrations, Prefectures, Municipalities)
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level		Minister of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources
Policy instrument type		Legislation
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		Yes
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	1
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	1
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	1
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	1
	DEEP SEA MINING	0
	DATA and knowledge base	0

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		POLICY 2
		Law on the quarries exploitation
Title (original language)	Νόμος 669/1977 "Περί εκμεταλλεύσεως λατομείων" (ΦΕΚ 241/Α/1977)	
Title (translation in english)	Law 669/1977 "on the quarries exploitation" (Government Gazette 241/A/1977)	
Year (and identification number if available)	Law 669/1977	
Short description	Law on the exploitation of ornamental rocks (marble) and industrial minerals (as amended by Law 4254/2014). Industrial minerals, marbles and aggregates are considered by this legislations as of minor importance for the national economy; they merely contribute to local economies. It takes place in market conditions and is vulnerable to the competition of other land uses. The landowner is entitled to transfer his extraction rights to any person or company after agreement sanctioned by notary act.	
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Access to document (hyperlink IN ENGLISH LANGUAGE)		
Access to document (document name providing information on the policy)		
Responsible for the design of the policy	Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources	
Responsible for the implementation of the policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources o Regional and local Authorities (Decentralized Administrations, Prefectures, Municipalities) 	
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level	Minister of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources	
Policy instrument type	Legislation	
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)	Yes	
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	1
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	1
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	1
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	1
	DEEP SEA MINING	0
	DATA and knowledge base	0

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		POLICY 3
		Law on the exploitation of aggregates
Title (original language)	Νόμος 1428/1984 - Εκμετάλλευση λατομείων αδρανών υλικών (ΦΕΚ 43/Α/1984)	
Title (translation in english)	Law 1428/84 on the exploitation of aggregates (Government Gazette 43/A/1984)	
Year (and identification number if available)	Law 1428/84	
Short description	Law (as amended by Law 1428/84) on the exploitation of aggregate quarries (construction minerals).The main difference of the aggregates law lies on the fact that aggregates extraction shall take place mainly (if not exclusively) in special zones. A reason for the exception of aggregates extraction to the general exploitation pattern, is the abundance of the materials in Greece.	
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)	http://www.elinyae.gr/el/lib_file_upload/43-84.1110113168465.pdf	
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Access to document (document name providing information on the policy)		
Responsible for the design of the policy	Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources	
Responsible for the implementation of the policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources o Regional and local Authorities (Decentralized Administrations, Prefectures, Municipalities) 	
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level	Minister of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources	
Policy instrument type	Legislation	
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)	Yes	
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	1
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	1
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	1
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	1
	DEEP SEA MINING	0
	DATA and knowledge base	0

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		POLICY 4
		Regulation on Mining and Quarrying Activities
Title (original language)		Υπουργική Απόφαση Δ7/Α/οικ.12050/2223/23.5.2011 - Κανονισμός Μεταλλευτικών και Λατομικών Εργασιών (Κ.Μ.Λ.Ε.) (ΦΕΚ 1227/Β/2011)
Title (translation in english)		Ministerial Decision Δ7/Α/οικ.12050/2223/23.5.2011 - Regulation on Mining and Quarrying Activities (Government Gazette 1227/Β/2011)
Year (and identification number if available)		Ministerial Decision Δ7/Α/οικ.12050/2223/23.5.2011
Short description		Health and Safety Regulation on Mining and Quarrying. All provisions concerning the technical rules of exploitation of mining, energy and industrial minerals as well as aggregates and marble and covering all the health and safety issues, are defined by the Regulations on Mining and Quarrying Activities.
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Access to document (document name providing information on the policy)		
Responsible for the design of the policy		Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources
Responsible for the implementation of the policy		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources o Inspectorate of Mines
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level		Minister of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources
Policy instrument type		Legislation
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		Yes
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	1
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	1
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	1
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	1
	DEEP SEA MINING	0
	DATA and knowledge base	1

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		POLICY 5
		Legislative Decree on the rights of the State to explore for mineral ores
Title (original language)	Ν.Δ. 4433/1964 Περί μεταλλευτικών ερευνών του Δημοσίου και άλλων τινών μεταλλευτικών διατάξεων. (ΦΕΚ 219/Α/1964)	
Title (translation in english)	Legislative Decree 4433/1964 on the rights of the State to explore for mineral ores (Government Gazette 219/A/1964)	
Year (and identification number if available)	Law 273/1976	
Short description	Legislative Decree 4433/1964 as amended by Law 273/1976 defines the rights of the State to explore for mineral ores on both its own behalf and for private enterprises. (as amended by Law 273, Amendment of Legislative Deerece 273 of 1976)	
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)	http://www.et.gr/idocs-nph/search/pdfViewerForm.html?args=5C7QrtC22wFtG1hLmXKMFHdtvSoClrL899BPB_U8p_x5MXD0LzQLWPU9yLzB8V68knBzLCmTXKaO6fpVZ6Lx3UnKl3nP8NxdnJ5r9cmWyjWelDvWS_18kAEhATUkJb0x1LIIdQ163nV9K--td6SluepmXdfdfGg5veUaFZLGpwjnRBcsUWbcnNjXNdwAyhbm	
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Access to document (document name providing information on the policy)		
Responsible for the design of the policy	Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate: Department of Energy and Natural Resources	
Responsible for the implementation of the policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources o Regional and local Authorities (Decentralized Administrations, Prefectures, Municipalities) 	
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level	Minister of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources	
Policy instrument type	Legislation	
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)	Yes	
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	1
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	0
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	0
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	0
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	DATA and knowledge base	0

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		POLICY 6	
		Law on the establishment of the Greek Institute of Geology and Mineral Exploration	
Title (original language)		N. 272/1975 «Ίδρυση Ινστιτούτου Γεωλογικών– Μεταλλευτικών Ερευνών– ΙΓΜΕ (ΦΕΚ 50/Α/1975)	
Title (translation in english)		Law 272/1975 - Establishment of the Greek Institute of Geology and Mineral Exploration -I. G.M.E. (Government Gazette 50/A/1976)	
Year (and identification number if available)		Law 272/1975	
Short description		Establishment of the Greek Institute of Geology and Mineral Exploration (as amended by Law 3734/2009)	
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)		http://www.et.gr/idocs-nph/search/pdfViewerForm.html?args=5C7QrtC22wEE8HdDZpIXTHdtvSoClrL8J6SqdSFK_HtlI9LGdkF53Ulx942CdyqxSQYnuqAGCF0lfB9HI6qSYtMQEkEHLwnFqmgJSA5WlsluV-nRwO1oKqSe4BIOTSpEWYhszF8P8UqWb_zFijMkVJQwBicWLWpNn3jlv8pMUd6_NHJnQzp7KslwtBC-Z	
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Access to document (document name providing information on the policy)			
Responsible for the design of the policy		Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate: Department of Energy and Natural Resources	
Responsible for the implementation of the policy		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources o Regional and local Authorities (Decentralized Administrations, Prefectures, Municipalities) 	
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level		Minister of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources	
Policy instrument type		Legislation	
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		Yes	
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)		1
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)		0
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)		0
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)		0
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		POLICY 7	
		National Policy for the Strategic Planning and Exploitation of Mineral Resources	
Title (original language)		National Policy for the Exploitation of Mineral Resources	
Title (translation in english)		National Policy for the Strategic Planning and Exploitation of Mineral Resources	
Year (and identification number if available)		2012	
Short description		<p>The National Policy (Declaration of intentions - unofficial) for the strategic planning and exploitation of the mineral resources has been announced in 2012. It has the overall strategic goal to ensure the supply of MRM to the society in a sustainable way and in compliance with other national sectoral development policies by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. promoting and revealing mineral resources and assign their exploitation through international tenders in order to maximize the benefits for the national economy. 2. valorizing the mineral resources through rational exploitation processes and apply the principles of sustainable development. 3. ensuring significant offsets for the local society and socially fair allocation in conformity with the relevant national revenue. 	
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Responsible for the design of the policy		Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate: Department of Energy and Natural Resources	
Responsible for the implementation of the policy		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources o Regional and local Authorities (Decentralized Administrations, Prefectures, Municipalities) 	
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level		Minister of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources	
Policy instrument type		Policy Strategy	
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		Yes	
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)		0
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)		0
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)		0
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)		0
	DEEP SEA MINING		0
	DATA and knowledge base		0

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		POLICY 8	
		Ministerial Decision on measures and regulations for the management of waste from the extractive industry	
Title (original language)		ΚΥΑ Αριθμ. 39624/2209/Ε103 - Μέτρα, όροι και περιορισμοί για τη διαχείριση των αποβλήτων της εξορυκτικής βιομηχανίας, σε συμμόρφωση με τις διατάξεις της οδηγίας 2006/21/ΕΚ της 15ης Μαρτίου 2006 «σχετικά με τη διαχείριση των αποβλήτων της εξορυκτικής βιομηχανίας και την τροποποίηση της οδηγίας 2004/35/ΕΚ» του Συμβουλίου της 15ης Μαρτίου 2006. (ΦΕΚ 2076/Β/2009)	
Title (translation in english)		ΚΥΑ Αριθμ. 39624/2209/Ε103 - Measures and regulations for the management of waste from the extractive industry in accordance with Directive 2006/21/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2006 on the management of waste from extractive industries and amending Directive 2004/35/EC (Government Gazette 2076/B/2009)	
Year (and identification number if available)		Ministerial Decision οικ.170225/2014	
Short description		Measures and regulations for the management of waste from the extractive industry in accordance with Directive 2006/21/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 15 March 2006 on the management of waste from extractive industries and amending Directive 2004/35/EC (Government Gazette 2076/B/2009)	
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)		http://www.elinyae.gr/el/lib_file_upload/2076b_09.1254401107218.pdf	
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Access to document (document name providing information on the policy)			
Responsible for the design of the policy		Ministry of Environment, Energy and Climate: Department of Energy and Natural Resources	
Responsible for the implementation of the policy		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ministry of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources o Inspectorate of Environment 	
Responsible person / policy maker at the ministerial level		Minister of Environment and Energy: General Directorate of Mineral Resources	
Policy instrument type		Legislation	
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		Yes	
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)		0
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)		0
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)		1
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)		0
	DEEP SEA MINING		0
	DATA and knowledge base		0

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		Law on the protection of the country's forests and other forest areas	Decree on air emissions limit values of certain activities
Title (original language)		N. 998/1979 Περί προστασίας των δασών και των δασικών εν γένει εκτάσεων της Χώρας (ΦΕΚ 289/Α/1979)	Π.Δ. 1180/1981 - Περί ρυθμίσεως θεμάτων αναγομένων εις τα της ιδρύσεως και λειτουργίας βιομηχανιών, βιοτεχνιών πάσης φύσης μηχανολογικών εγκαταστάσεων και αποθηκών και της εκ τούτων διασφαλίσεως περιβάλλοντος εν γένει (ΦΕΚ 293/Α/1981)
Title (translation in english)		Law on the protection of the country's forests and other forest areas	Decree on air emissions limit values of certain activities
Year (and identification number if available)		Law 998/79; Government Gazette 289/A/1979	Presidential Decree 1180/1981 (Government Gazette 293/A/1981)
Short description		Law 998, Protection of forest lands concerning mining activity (later cornplenrened by Joint Ministerial Deecision 1 3037/-80)	Limit values for all kinds of pollutants emitted from industrial installations and activities in general are also provided for by Presidential Decree 1180/1981.
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)		https://www.google.gr/url?sa=t&rct=j&q=&esrc=s&source=web&cd=4&cad=rja&uact=8&sqj=2&ved=0ahUKewiXuYrho53MAhUrKsAKHa3CBm0QFggnMAM&url=http%3A%2F%2Fusers.uoa.gr%2F~gdellis%2F%2F1_n_998_79_dasi.doc&usg=AFQjCNFsz8ZLfHlrrFjMKifWPhKhF-ZvA&bvm=bv.119745492,d.bGs	http://www.elinyae.gr/el/lib_file_upload/293-81.1113378960319.pdf
Policy instrument type		Legislation	Legislation
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		Yes	Yes
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	-	-
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	-	-
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	-	-
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	-	-
	DEEP SEA MINING	-	-
	DATA and knowledge base	-	-

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		POLICY 3	POLICY 4	POLICY 5
		Law on protection of the environment	Law on the administration of forest areas	Law on the management of water resources
Title (original language)		N. 1650/1986 - Για την προστασία του περιβάλλοντος(ΦΕΚ 160/Α/1986)		
Title (translation in english)		Law on protection of the environment	Law on the administration of forest areas	Law on the management of water resources
Year (and identification number if available)		Law 4315/2014 (Government Gazette 160/Α/1986)	Law 126 (1986)	Law 1739 (1987)
Short description		<p>Law 1650/1986 requires all mineral extraction applications to be accompanied by an environmental impact assessment (EIA), with specific provisions taking into account the dynamic character of mining activities. The assessment should provide the best possible data for decision guidance in relation to the project, from the point of view of environmental protection, natural resource management and health.</p> <p>(later amended by legislative deerees and ministerial decisions)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - amendment on articles 3 and 4 by Joint Ministerial Decision 69 269/5387, Environmental impact assessment studies (based on EC Directive 85/337) - amendment on article 5, Joint Ministerial Decision 75 308/5512 on Environmental assessment studies - Water management and environmental issues: Harmonization with European Directives 97/11 and 96/61 according to 3010 (2002). - Amendment for environmental impact assessment studies according to Joint Ministerial Decision 11 014 (2003) 		
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)		http://www.elinyae.gr/el/lib_file_upload/160-86.1111230803158.pdf	-	
Policy instrument type		Legislation	Legislation	Legislation
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		Yes	Yes	Yes
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	-	-	-
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-
	DEEP SEA MINING	-	-	-
	DATA and knowledge base	-	-	-

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	POLICY 6	POLICY 7	POLICY 8	POLICY 9	POLICY 10
	Law on permitting of development of water resources by private bodies	Ministerial Decision on environmental impact assessment studies	Ministerial Decision on extension for permitting for quarrying	Ministerial Decision on administrative issues	Ministerial Decision on environmental impact assessment for specific public works
Title (original language)					
Title (translation in english)	Law on permitting of development of water resources by private bodies	Ministerial Decision on environmental impact assessment studies	Ministerial Decision on extension for permitting for quarrying	Ministerial Decision on administrative issues	Ministerial Decision on environmental impact assessment for specific public works
Year (and identification number if available)	Law 5813 (1989)	Joint Ministerial Decision 69 269/5387	Ministerial Decision 6812 (1993)	Joint Ministerial Decision 95209 (1994)	Joint Ministerial Decision 84229 (1996)
Short description		other important legislation: - Ministerial Document 17 (1994)			
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)					
Policy instrument type	Legislation	Legislation	Legislation	Legislation	Legislation
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	-	-	-	-
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-	-
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-	-
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-	-
	DEEP SEA MINING	-	-	-	-
	DATA and knowledge base	-	-	-	-

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		POLICY 11	POLICY 12	POLICY 13	POLICY 14
		Ministerial Decision on the pre-approval of siting	Ministerial Decision on on specifications and management of solid wastes	Amendment to Presidential Decree for additional environmental assessment study categories	Law on land planning and sustainable development
Title (original language)					
Title (translation in english)		Ministerial Decision on the pre-approval of siting	Ministerial Decision on on specifications and management of solid wastes	Amendment to Presidential Decree for additional environmental assessment study categories	Law on land planning and sustainable development
Year (and identification number if available)		Ministerial Document 9 (1996)	Joint Ministerial Decision 114 218 (1997)	Presidential Decree 256 (1998)	Law 2742 (1999)
Short description					
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)					
Policy instrument type		Legislation	Legislation	Legislation	Legislation
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	-	-	-	-
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-	-
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-	-
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-	-
	DEEP SEA MINING	-	-	-	-
	DATA and knowledge base	-	-	-	-

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		POLICY 15	POLICY 16	POLICY 17
		Ministerial Decision on the environmental impact and assessment for permitting of power generating stations using renewable resources	Law on the protection of forests' ecosystems	Law on the reform of the environmental licensing procedures for projects and activities.
Title (original language)				
Title (translation in english)		Ministerial Decision on the environmental impact and assessment for permitting of power generating stations using renewable resources	Law on the protection of forests' ecosystems	Law on the reform of the environmental licensing procedures for projects and activities.
Year (and identification number if available)		Joint Ministerial Decision 1726 (2003)	Law 3208 (2003)	Law 4014 (2011)
Short description			Law 3208/2003 is basically the new Forest Protection Law or Forest Code. It should be noted that the definition of forest is very loose, since it includes areas of scrub and heath and effectively covers approximately 80% of the country. The rules regarding mineral extraction are stricter in such areas.	The law's strategic goal is to facilitate environmental licensing while ensuring a high level of environmental protection
Access to document (hyperlink IN NATIONAL LANGUAGES)				
Policy instrument type		Legislation	Legislation	Legislation
Stand-alone policy (or to which policy it is subordinate or ancillary)		Yes	Yes	Yes
Value chain relevance (1=relevant; 0=not relevant)	EXPLORATION (including permitting)	-	-	-
	EXTRACTION (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-
	mineral and metallurgical PROCESSING (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-
	MINE CLOSURE / WASTE management (incl. Permitting)	-	-	-
	DEEP SEA MINING	-	-	-
	DATA and knowledge base	-	-	-

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Horizontal policy integration	
Mechanisms for ministerial coordination	Ad-hoc Committee
MECHANISM 1	Ad-hoc Committee
1.1 Status	on-going
1.2 Number of ministries involved	variable
1.3 Ministries involved	Ministry of Culture; Ministry of Interior Affairs; Ministry of Economy; etc.
1.4 Practical implications of the process	
1.4.1 Purpose and objective of the mechanism	The purpose of the ad-hoc committee is to discuss in-detail specific issues on the revision of legislation.
1.4.2 Representatives participating	General Director (head of General Directorate/department, high level public administrator), public servants (experts)
1.4.3 Regularity of meetings	on-demand
1.4.4 Process description	The respective YPEN (Ministry of Environment and Energy) General Directorates' Directors form an ad-hoc committee which involves experts (technical experts, high level public administrators) from YPEN or other ministries. Other ministry involvement depends on the subject/circumstance and is often decided by the minister. There are no formal procedural rules.
1.4.5 Effectiveness and Outcomes	Due to the restructuring of the Ministry's departments regarding mining policy, there is less involvement of other ministries and closer cooperation among the competent departments of YPEN. Therefore there are less problems concerning consensus due to same ministry agenda. Since most of the competences for minerals policy has been pooled at YPEKA in several departments, there exists less involvement of other ministries and at the same time more / closer cooperation with different departments than previously. Due to the restructuring there exist much less problems than before, where the process of finding consensus was difficult due to different ministry agenda. The current approach of Ad-hoc Committee's is very much outcome and solution-oriented and leaves sufficient time for discussion among departments.

Vertical policy integration	
Mechanisms for governmental organisation coordination	There exists no formal mechanism for the involvement of regional or local level of government. However, there exists communication between regional authorities and YPEN on a regular basis regarding different technical and legal subjects. However, other levels of government have the opportunity to take part in the public consultation where their feedback is taken into consideration.

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Stakeholder Integration	
Mechanisms for stakeholder involvement	National Committee for Mineral Resources; Public consultation
MECHANISM 1	National Committee for Mineral Resources
3.1 Status	on-going (2012)
3.2 Number of stakeholders involved	variable
3.3 Type of stakeholders involved	General Directorates at YPEN; 5 universities (2 technical universities with department of mining engineering, 3 universities with geology departments); industry association; labour unions; engineer associations; Greek National Geological Survey - IGME; 1 External / independent expert on health and safety;
3.4 Detailed description and practical implications	
3.4.1 Purpose and objective of the mechanism	The purpose of the National Committee for Mineral Resources is to provide general proposals for better exploitation of mineral resources (i.e. new projects/policies/programmes) and, furthermore, give their opinion about new laws or revision of existing ones from an external expert point of view.
3.4.2 Representatives participating	high level public administrators and high level representatives from the non-governmental sector
3.4.3 Regularity of meetings	on-demand
3.4.4 Process description	National Committee is an institutionalised mechanism by Ministerial Decision. The Committee has convened according to the Ministers decision only two times (since 2012) with high level representatives from different organisations so far and stakeholder involvement is decided by the minister.
3.4.5 Effectiveness and Outcomes	-
MECHANISM 2	Public consultation
3.1 Status	on-going
3.2 Number of stakeholders involved	open to anyone
3.3 Type of stakeholders involved	-
3.4 Detailed description and practical implications	
3.4.1 Purpose and objective of the mechanism	The public consultation procedure is the only mechanism beyond the "National Committee" for other stakeholders to bring in their view.
3.4.2 Representatives participating	-
3.4.3 Regularity of meetings	-
3.4.4 Process description	-
3.4.5 Effectiveness and Outcomes	Public consultation provides the opportunity for anyone to bring in their opinion. The ministry found that some of these external opinions are rather helpful for designing or revising the respective policy.

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Policy evaluation	
Mechanisms for policy evaluation	There is no formal procedure for policy evaluation or monitoring. YPEN is evaluating its policies in relation to data of mineral producing companies.
MECHANISM 1	Mineral producing private sector performance data
4.1 Status	on-going
4.2 Practical implications of the process	YPEN is using company data (production figures, economic performance) which are collected every first quarter of the year. However, there exists no regular uptake of this information.