

Environmental baseline studies regarding the biodiversity of Kirazlı Gold and Silver Project Area and its surrounding were initiated in 2006. Çanakkale 18 March University & Trakya University professors were involved in the study.

Following this initial study, five biologic and ecologic site survey were completed by below mentioned experts in the period of 2010-2011. Same experts conducted another survey within the scope of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) studies in August 2012 under coordination of environmental consultancy company of ENCON Çevre Danışmanlık Ltd. Şti. Prof. Dr. Zeki Çamur from Geological Engineering Department of Middle East Technical University was also involved in Kirazlı Gold and Silver Mine Project EIA studies in the area of Acid Rock Drainage Characterization. An expert in the area of ARD characterization was requested by related Ministry in the scoping of meeting of EIA process.

2010-2011: Biology & Zoology Departments of Gazi, Hacettepe and Ankara Universities

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During Çanakkale Administrative Court's review on Kirazlı Gold and Silver Mine Project EIA, below listed subject matter experts were assigned in the area of civil engineering, mining engineering, geological engineering, environmental engineering, forestry, survey engineering, water resources and agriculture. Following a site visit on 21 September 2018, SME team verified that EIA positive decision granted for Kirazlı Gold and Silver Mine Projects is appropriate in their report submitted to Çanakkale Administrative Court on 07 November 2018.

- Prof. Dr. Salim Serkan Nas – Gümüşhane University – Engineering and Nature Sciences Faculty Civil Engineering Department
  - Water Resources and Water Structures, Fluid Mechanics
- Prof. Dr. Turan Karadeniz – Abant İzzet Baysal University Department of Agriculture and Nature Sciences Faculty

- Prof. Dr. Gökhan Ekrem Üstün - Uludağ University – Department of Environmental Engineering
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- Doç. Dr. Enver Akaryalı – Gümüşhane University – Engineering and Nature Sciences Faculty Geological Engineering Department
  - Ore deposits and Geochemistry, General Geology
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- Doç. Dr. Barış Bani - Kastamonu University – Department of Biology
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  - Mining methods and mining system analyses, rock mechanics, mine design, operations and economics
- Ömer Seven (Chemical Engineer)