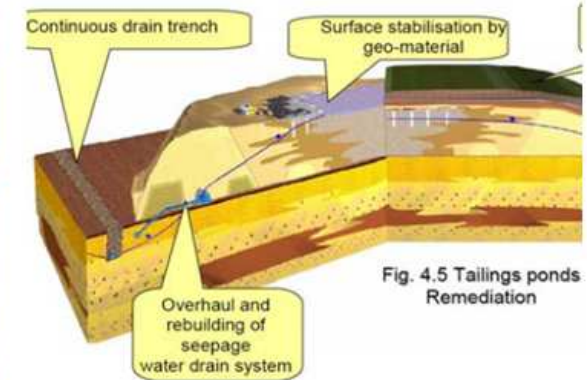


# Training on Institutional Strengthening Ust-Kamenogorsk Environmental Remediation Project

**Client:** Committee for  
Water Resources,  
Kazakhstan

**Duration:** January 2008 –  
June 2008

**Location:** Austria /  
Kazakhstan



The Republic of Kazakhstan is implementing the World Bank financed “Ust-Kamenogorsk Environmental Remediation Project”. Over the last decades, groundwater resources of the region have been highly polluted from mainly industrial activities and in particular the open disposal of industrial waste at the industrial estates in and around the city. The World Bank Project aims to prevent further migration of groundwater contamination towards residential areas, the city’s drinking water wells and eventually to the Irtysh River; and to strengthen institutional mechanisms for groundwater quality monitoring to enable control of ongoing groundwater pollution from local municipal and industrial sources.

KPC designed and carried out a 1-week study tour for selected experts of the Committee for Water Resources to present modern Western standards in groundwater management and rehabilitation of contaminated sites in Austria and Germany.

The study tour covered a large scope of thematically specific issues regarding groundwater, pollution, waste and contaminated sites including several case studies. Based on the know-how of our experts and the presentations held by representatives of the visited sites, an intense know-how transfer took place with the participants, which was also reflected by lively expert discussions.