THE HISTORY OF MINING – THE REVIEW OF SELECTED ORGANISATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS

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For many centuries miners have developed various techniques of deposit exploitation. They often risked their health or even lives over it. This article presents different ways of commemoration of their hard work and sacrifice, e.g. museums, tours in underground mines and open pits, organisations and Internet forums. Some of them are known only locally but there are also many institutions of international fame. The total number of such establishments is unknown; however, it is expected to be unusually high as many closed mines open their own museums and other tourist attractions. Those places enable new generations to acquaint themselves with knowledge of the history and mining traditions.