## MINICOLLECTIONS OF MINERALS – A CONTRIBUTION TO EDUCATING THE YOUNG GENERATION

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Due to many reasons, the collections of minerals have an important role in the education of the young generation. These collections contribute greatly to increasing the knowledge in various fields:

- In chemistry, due to the fact that all minerals represent chemical compounds,
- In geography, due to the fact that a collection involves a clear specification of the location of the sample,
- In history of civilization, because some minerals are part of ore deposits and they have influenced the evolution of people, geographic regions and periods in human history.

Collection of the minerals also involves collecting trips, which lead to new knowledge, better understanding of new areas, and requires spending more time outdoors.

The poster presents several mineral collections as follows:

- No. 1 Volcanic rocks and minerals from the Baia Mare region Romania
- No. 2 Minerals from Baia Mare Romania and Atacama Chile
- No. 3 Copper minerals
- No. 4 Semiprecious and ornamental gems from around the world I
- No. 5 Semiprecious and ornamental gems from around the world II
- No. 6 Native elements
- No. 7 Ore minerals from Romania
- No. 8 Minerals from Romania A field guide
- No. 9 Aesthetic mineral samples from the Baia Mare region – Romania
- No. 11 Natural and synthetic gemstones.