



Struggles of small-scale gold mining communities in Colombia

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the Global Development Policy (GDP) Center
with the authors of *La Batea*

Fruit of a six-year collaboration between photographer **Stephen Ferry** and his sister, the anthropologist **Elizabeth Emma Ferry**, *La Batea* documents the struggles of gold mining communities in Colombia to defend their way of life against armed criminal organizations and multinational corporations seeking their gold.

Colombia reflects the situation of local communities worldwide who face violent repression for opposing large-scale mining projects in their territories.



Stephen Ferry has won honors from World Press Photo, Picture of the Year, and Best of Photojournalism contests. He has also received grants from the National Geographic Expeditions Council, the Fund for Investigative Journalism, the Alicia Patterson Foundation, the Howard Chapnick Fund, the Knight International Press Fellowship, the Getty Images Grant for Good, Open Society Foundations and the Magnum Foundation



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