## **ASX ANNOUNCEMENT**

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Adriatic Metals Plc is focused on the development of the 100% owned, high-grade zinc polymetallic Vareš Project in Bosnia & Herzegovina.

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# VARES CONCESSION ANNEXE UPDATE

Adriatic Metals PLC (ASX:ADT & FSE:3FN) ('Adriatic' or the 'Company') is pleased to announce that the Company is now in receipt of the signed Concession Annexe agreement from the Premier and the Ministry of Economy of Zenica-Doboj Canton. This process has also paved the way for Adriatic to further enlarge its concession area in the future, as required.

Furthermore, the new Annexe will allow the Company to continue drilling along the trend of the thick and high grade mineralisation defined as the Northern Plunge. Access tracks and drill sites are now being constructed. Drilling will therefore be able to start immediately with finalisation of the urban planning and exploration permits; which are expected in the very near term.

In addition to Rupice, the Concession Annexe gives Adriatic the ability to explore over land which includes seven areas where historic exploration intersected mineralisation and these represent new exploration targets for the company. Also in the expanded concession area, the Company has utilised geophysics and soil geochemistry to define a number of anomalies to the south of Rupice and sub-parallel to the mineralised trend. Starting in Q4 2018 a follow-up geophysical and soils program will be conducted to help better define drilling targets for an aggressive and enlarged drilling campaign at Jurasavec-Brestic, Borovica and the other areas throughout 2019, see Figure 1.

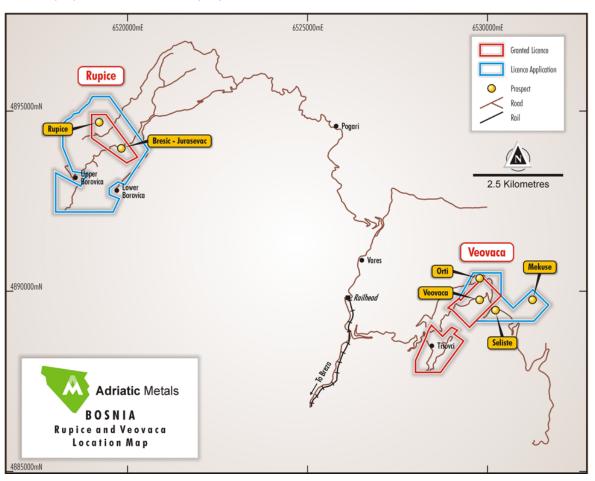
As a result of the 584 ha extension, the Company has paid a concession fee of KM 876,489 (A\$ 701,191), 70% of which will be transferred from the Zenica-Doboj Canton to the budget of the Municipality of Vareš, therefore directly benefitting the communities where the Company operates

Adriatic's CEO, Geraint Harris commented "I am very pleased that not only has this Concession Annexe allowed us access to a very significant and prospective land package, but the process has also helped pave the way for future concession expansions and helps clarify our permitting route. Of equal importance, the distribution of a large portion of our concession payment directly into Vareš Municipality and by extension into the communities which help to support our operations is a very significant positive for the Company and demonstrates how progressive the Bosnian system is for investors in the country and the local population alike."





Figure 1 – Previous (Red) and New Concession Areas (Blue)



The new concession is an annexure to the original Concession Agreement for the Company's projects, that agreement was founded on basis of the historic Veovaca mine; defined as a lead, zinc and barite mine, which also commercially produced silver. This concession annexe therefore reinforces the ability of Adriatic to not only explore for, but also to exploit metallic minerals - lead, zinc and barite on the entire expanded concession. Exploitation can only take place after receipt of an Exploitation Permit and an Operating Permit, the application for the former being well underway

In addition to this, the Federal Exploration regulations make it an obligation for the Company to analyse and assay for all associated metallic minerals, including copper, silver and gold and to report these to the Federal Ministry of Mining. Under Bosnian law, once economic quantities of any metal are defined it will be an obligation for Adriatic to make application to add those to the existing concession by way of a further Concession Annexe. It should be noted that any additions to the Concession, via Annexe will automatically apply to all of the exploration fields owned by Adriatic. The recent approval of an Elaborate (equivalent to an expanded Resource statement) for the Veovaca project, which contained the Company's exploration results, stated the quantities of lead, zinc, barite, copper, gold and silver; which is a material step to inclusion of these metals in the Exploitation Permit.

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#### **ABOUT ADRIATIC METALS**

Adriatic Metals PLC (ASX:ADT) ("Adriatic" or "Company") is an ASX-listed zinc polymetallic explorer and developer via its 100% interest in the Vareš Project in Bosnia & Herzegovina. The Project comprises a historic open cut zinc/lead/barite and silver mine at Veovaca and Rupice, an advanced proximal deposit which exhibits exceptionally high grades of base and precious metals. Adriatic's short-term aim is to expand the current JORC resource at Veovaca and to complete an in-fill drilling programme at the high-grade Rupice deposit. Adriatic has attracted a world class team to expedite its exploration efforts and to rapidly advance the Company into the development phase and utilise its first mover advantage and strategic assets in Bosnia.



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