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**Amaero International Limited (ASX:3DA)**

## **Amaero Announces Key Executive Hires for U.S. Leadership**

### **Investment highlights**

- Eric Bono joins as President and Chief Technical Officer
- Fred Yolton joins as Technical Fellow, Powder Metallurgy and Materials Engineering
- Dr. David Schmidt joins as Director of Computational Analysis

**Amaero International Limited (ASX:3DA) (“Amaero” or “the Company”)** is pleased to announce the hiring of key U.S.-based executives as we continue to build world-leading titanium and specialty alloy powder business. The team will lead technical development and commercialisation efforts at Amaero’s flagship titanium and specialty alloy powder manufacturing facility located in Tennessee, U.S.

### **Technical expertise at new U.S. plant materially enhanced**

Eric Bono brings extensive experience and relationships in powder metallurgy and additive/alternative manufacturing. Over the past 28 years, Eric has held leadership roles across technical and sales functions for various industry leaders, including 6K, Carpenter Technology, Puris, Summit Materials and Crucible Research. His education includes a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Science in Mechanical Engineering from University of Pittsburgh, and an MBA from Carnegie Mellon.

As Amaero’s President and Chief Technical Officer, Eric will lead corporate strategy, project planning / management, process development and equipment procurement for the McDonald, Tennessee facility. Mr. Bono has been nominated to join the Board of Directors, subject to predicate regulatory approval.

Fred Yolton will lead Amaero’s powder metallurgy and materials engineering, including titanium and specialty alloy powder production and consolidated HIP manufacturing. He is a well-respected authority in these specialised industrial sectors. Fred pioneered the development and production of advanced powder metallurgy and invented the atomization process for producing titanium alloy powder. He has published over 50 peer-reviewed papers in the areas of powder metallurgy and advanced materials and is registered as an inventor or co-inventor on 12 patents. Mr. Yolton is a Fellow of ASM International. He received a Bachelor of Science in Metallurgical and Materials Engineering from the University of Pittsburgh.

Dr. David Schmidt will lead Amaero’s simulation-driven design and computational analysis efforts. Dr. Schmidt has over 20 years of invaluable industry experience across aerospace & defense, automotive and

power generation. His expertise in blending simulation tools with traditional engineering design will aid Amaero's alloy powder production, as well as its manufacturing of near net shape parts via consolidated hot isostatic pressing. Dr. Schmidt received a PhD in Computational Mechanics from Carnegie Mellon University and Bachelor of Science and Master of Science degrees in Civil Engineering from University of Pittsburgh.

**Amaero Chairman and CEO Hank J. Holland said:** *"Amaero is fortunate to have attracted some of the pioneering and leading minds in the industry just as the Company shifts its focus to operational execution and excellence. Attracting talent of this caliber to join Amaero at this exciting juncture is another important milestone for the Company. I'm confident that Eric Bono's longstanding and industry leading experience, along with Fred Yolton's renown as a pioneer in the industry, Dr. David Schmidt expertise and the collective skillsets of the rest of our existing team, will help Amaero deliver one of the most advanced titanium and speciality alloy powder manufacturing facilities in the world."*

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**About Amaero International Limited (ASX:3DA)**

Amaero International Limited is an ASX-listed company focused on becoming a global leader in titanium and speciality alloy powder production and advanced manufacturing applications that utilise titanium and speciality alloy powder for aerospace & defence, medical and other industries.

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