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ASKARI RAISES \$1.6 MILLION TO EXPAND EXPLORATION ACTIVITY IN AFRICA



HIGHLIGHTS

- Askari Metals successfully raises AUD\$1.6 million in well-supported Share Placement
- Existing and new shareholders supported the raise with Managing Director Gino D'Anna also participating
- Fully paid ordinary shares were issued at 6.5 cents per share with a 1-for-2 free attaching option, subject to shareholder approval
- BW Equities and Alpine Capital acted as Joint Lead Managers to the Placement with ongoing support from key shareholder Peak Asset Management
- Funding will go towards continued exploration and development of Uis Lithium Project in Namibia and the Company's planned expansion into uranium exploration in Tanzania
- Share Purchase Plan (SPP) to be undertaken to provide existing shareholders the opportunity to top-up on the same terms as the Placement

Askari Metals Limited (ASX: AS2) ("**Askari**" or "**Company**") is pleased to announce the Company has completed a well-supported Share Placement, successfully raising AUD\$1.6 million at an issue price of A\$0.065 per share ("**Placement**").

Participants in the Placement will also receive a 1-for-2 free attaching option (subject to shareholder approval) exercisable at 13 cents with a three year term ("**Placement Options**").

Subject to the ASX Listing Rules, the Company will apply for quotation of the Placement Options at the appropriate time.

The Placement was strongly supported by new investors and existing major shareholders supporting the vision and strategy of the Company to become a focused Southern African explorer with lithium assets in Namibia and uranium assets in Tanzania, both of which are identified as low-risk operating jurisdictions.



The funds raised from the Placement will be allocated towards the continued exploration and development of the Uis Lithium Project in Namibia as well as the Company's planned expansion into in-demand uranium in Tanzania.

Askari is actively exploring and developing its Uis Lithium Project in Namibia located along the Cape-Cross – Uis Pegmatite Belt of Central Western Namibia. The Uis project is located within 2.5 km from the operating Uis Tin-Tantalum-Lithium Mine (Andrada Mining Ltd) and is favourably located with the deep water port of Walvis Bay being less than 230 km away from the Uis project, serviced by all-weather sealed roads. In March 2023, the Company welcomed Lithium industry giant Huayou Cobalt onto the register who remains supportive of the Company's ongoing exploration initiatives.

The Company has also recently acquired the Matemanga Uranium Project in Southern Tanzania which is strategically located less than 70km south of the world-class Nyota Uranium Mine. Askari Metals is actively engaged in due diligence to acquire further uranium projects in this emerging tier-1 uranium province.

The Company is also working to develop an appropriate spin-out divestment strategy for its Australian exploration portfolio, which contains prospective gold, copper, REE and lithium projects.

Commenting on the Placement, Managing Director Mr Gino D'Anna stated:

"I thank our existing shareholders for their ongoing support for Askari's vision for exploration in Africa, and welcome new investors to our register."

"Funds raised from this Placement will allow the Company to continue exploring the prospective Uis Lithium Project in Namibia as well as expand our footprint for in-demand uranium in Southern Tanzania."

"The next few months will be a busy period for Askari and this capital will allow the Company to continue its strong momentum and further the advancement of our exploration and acquisition strategy."

"Accelerating exploration efforts at Uis supports our goal to deliver a maiden resource during 2024 whilst also conducting low-cost and high-impact exploration campaigns at our Matemanga Uranium Project."

"I look forward to keeping our loyal shareholders updated as we enter an exciting time of growth for Askari."

Completion of Share Placement

The Placement will result in the issue of 24,615,393 Shares and 12,307,697 Options and will be completed in two tranches.

Tranche 1 will be made of up 18,103,178 shares using the Company's existing ASX Listing Rule 7.1 and 7.1A share placement capacity. A total of 10,141,907 shares will be placed using ASX Listing Rule 7.1 capacity and a further 7,961,271 shares will be placed using ASX Listing Rule 7.1A capacity.

Tranche 2 will consist of 6,512,215 shares. This will be subject to shareholder approval, as will the Placement Options for both tranches. A notice of General Meeting will be dispatched to shareholders in due course.

The Placement price represents a 22.5% discount to the 15-day VWAP. Participants are sophisticated and professional investors pursuant to section 708 of the *Corporations Act 2001*.



None of the participants in Tranche 1 of the Placement are related parties of the Company. Mr D'Anna will be participating in Tranche 2 of the Placement to an amount of AUD\$50,000 subject to shareholder approval.

The Placement was led by BW Equities and Alpine Capital as Joint Lead Managers with Peak Asset Management facilitating ongoing investment and support from existing shareholders.

The Joint Lead Managers will receive a brokerage fee equal to 6% (plus GST) of the funds raised as well as 5,600,000 options issued on the same terms and conditions as the Placement Options ("**Advisor Options**"). The Advisor Options will be issued subject to shareholder approval.

Share Purchase Plan

A Share Purchase Plan ("**SPP**") will enable existing shareholders who are recorded on the Company's share register at the Record Date to participate on the same terms as the Placement, including the entitlement to the 1-for-2 free attaching option, issued subject to shareholder approval and the issue of a transaction specific prospectus ("**Eligible Shareholder**"). Eligible Shareholders will be permitted to purchase up to AUD\$30,000 worth of ordinary shares in the Company (subject to any scale back), without incurring brokerage or transaction costs.

All shares issued under the SPP will rank equally with existing ordinary shares of the Company. The SPP will be undertaken pursuant to ASX Listing Rule 7.2, exception 5 and as such, the issue will not take up any of the Company's placement capacity and will not require shareholder approval, excluding the free attaching options which will require shareholder approval and the lodgement of a transaction specific prospectus.

The SPP will seek to raise AUD\$500,000 for the Company on the same terms and conditions as the Placement. The Company may, in its absolute discretion, undertake a scale back to the extent and in the manner it sees fit. If a scale back is undertaken, applications will be scaled back having regard to the pro rata shareholdings of Eligible Shareholders as at the Record Date. However, the Company may also, where appropriate, scale back the number of New Shares to be issued at its absolute discretion.

The indicative dates for the SPP are outlined below:

Event	Date
Record Date for Share Purchase Plan	21 March 2024 (5pm AWST)
Announcement of Share Purchase Plan	22 March 2024
Dispatch of Offer Documents to Eligible Shareholders and Opening Date	28 March 2024
Closing Date	18 April 2024
Announcement of results of SPP	23 April 2024
Issue of Shares and quotation of Shares under the Share Purchase Plan	26 April 2024

The above dates are indicative only and are subject to change, subject to compliance with the ASX Listing Rules and the Corporations Act. In particular, the Company may extend or close the SPP offer early, depending on demand. Accordingly, Eligible Shareholders who wish to participate in the SPP offer are encouraged to apply as soon as possible after the offer opens.



Further details in relation to the SPP, including the SPP terms and conditions, will be set out in the Company's offer document which will be made available to shareholders in due course.

This announcement is authorised for release by the executive board of the Company.

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ABOUT ASKARI METALS

Askari Metals is a focused Southern African exploration company. The Company is actively exploring and developing its Uis Lithium Project in Namibia located along the Cape-Cross – Uis Pegmatite Belt of Central Western Namibia. The Uis project is located within 2.5 km from the operating Uis Tin-Tantalum-Lithium Mine which is currently operated by Andradia Mining Ltd and is favourably located with the deep water port of Walvis Bay being less than 230 km away from the Uis project, serviced by all-weather sealed roads. In March 2023, the Company welcomed Lithium industry giant Huayou Cobalt onto the register who remains supportive of the Company's ongoing exploration initiatives.

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The Company is currently assessing its options for a spin-out divestment strategy of the Australian projects which includes highly prospective gold, copper, lithium and REE projects.

For more information please visit: www.askarimetals.com

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