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## **New Non-executive Directors**

ALS Limited (ASX: ALQ) (**ALS or the Company**) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Charles Sartain as a non-executive director effective 1 February 2015. Additionally, the Company advises that Mr Bruce Phillips will be nominated for election as a non-executive director, with the full support of the ALS Board, at this year's ALS AGM to be held in July [1].

The appointments follow the announcement made at the ALS AGM on 29 July 2014 that Mr Bruce Brown and Mr Ray Hill will be retiring from their ALS directorships at the 2015 AGM.

ALS Chairman Mrs Nerolie Withnall said that both gentlemen have extensive and high level global experience in critical areas which the Company provides services; Mr Sartain in mining and resources and Mr Phillips in oil and gas.

### **Charles Sartain**

Mr Sartain, a qualified Mining Engineer (University of Melbourne, 1983), brings a substantial track record in senior corporate and non-executive director roles. Commencing as a Mining Engineer, he spent more than 30 years with MIM Holdings and then Xstrata after it acquired MIM. He led Xstrata's global copper business as Chief Executive of Xstrata Copper for nine years from 2004 and prior to that held senior executive positions with the company in Latin America and Australia.

His current board appointments with the University of Queensland are as Chairman for the Advisory Board of the Sustainable Minerals Institute and as a member of the UQ Senate. He is also a Board Member of the Wesley St Andrews Research Institute. Previously he was Chairman of the International Copper Association, a Member of the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade's Council on Australian Latin American Relations and a Director of Xstrata Schweiz Limited.

### **Bruce Phillips**

Mr Phillips is a qualified Petroleum Geologist with more than 35 years of technical, financial and managerial experience in the energy sector.

Mr Phillips founded Australian Worldwide Exploration Limited (ASX: AWE) in 1997 and was its managing director until his retirement in 2007. He re-joined as a non-executive director in 2009 and is currently AWE's Chairman.

He is also Chairman of Platinum Capital Limited and a non-executive director of AGL Energy Limited. Previous board experience includes as a non-executive director of Sunshine Gas Limited.

Prior to AWE, he held significant roles with Command Petroleum and Petroleum Securities Australia Limited.

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[1] The appointment of Mr Sartain takes the number of directors to maximum of 8 until the conclusion of the 2015 AGM.



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**About ALS Limited**

ALS is a global Testing, Inspection & Certification business. The company's strategy is to broaden its exposure into new sectors and geographies.