



ASX ANNOUNCEMENT | FOR PERIOD ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2023

# QUARTERLY REPORT

## QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS

### UIS LITHIUM PROJECT

- Large-scale exploration trenching plans completed, targeting four high priority pegmatites
- Detailed mapping and channel sampling work begins
- Acquisition of EPL 7626 strategically located along strike to Uis Lithium Project
- Exploration team strengthened with three highly experienced geoscientists
- Strategic footprint increased across the Uis pegmatite belt to more than 380km<sup>2</sup>

### AUSTRALIAN EXPLORATION PORTFOLIO

- High-grade REE results returned from sampling at Barrow Creek REE and Lithium Project
- Gold values up to 24.5 g/t identified from soil and rock sampling at Myrnas Hill Project
- Several nickel results also returned from Myrnas Hill Project including values above 1,000ppm
- Encouraging gold results including 56.7 g/t and 49.8 g/t from Springdale Project in NSW
- Three exploration licences progress towards approval for Yarrie Lithium Project

### ABOUT ASKARI METALS

- Perth-based global lithium exploration and development company focused on key battery metals markets
- Portfolio of battery and precious metals projects across Namibia, Western Australia, New South Wales and the Northern Territory
- High-grade spodumene hosted lithium mineralisation identified at surface at flagship Uis Project in Namibia
- Uis Project gives early mover advantage into emerging African lithium play
- Assets strategically located in close proximity to other major projects and operations with existing infrastructure

### ASKARI METALS

Shares on issue (@31 Dec 2023)	78.4M
Price (Last Traded)	A\$0.135
Average Daily Trading Volume – 3 months to Dec 2023	140,000
Market Cap (Current)	A\$10.6M
Cash (31 Dec 2023)	A\$0.7M

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Robert Downey	Chairman
Gino D'Anna	Executive Director
Chris Evans	Technical Director - Lithium

Askari Metals Limited (ASX: AS2) (“Askari Metals” or “Company”) is pleased to provide an update on its operational performance for the quarter ended 31 December 2023.

## OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES

### UIS LITHIUM PROJECT

#### EXPLORATION UPDATE

Askari undertook a vast range of exploration activity at its flagship Uis Lithium Project in Namibia during the quarter, as the Company further uncovers the lithium potential of the prospective site.

The Uis Lithium Project comprises of three exploration licences covering more than 380km<sup>2</sup> across a highly mineralised, spodumene rich pegmatite belt.

The Company launched a major trenching and sampling program targeting four highly prospective lithium mineralisation targets at EPL 7345, as announced in the [ASX release](#) from 24 October 2023.

The OP, PS, DP and K9 targets are all located within the previously identified “corridor of interest”, where a total of 137 trenches were created, spanning more than 4,200m.

Detailed mapping and channel sampling of these trenches are expected to provide details on the surface extent and mineralisation potential of the targets and inform follow-up trenching and future drill testing.

This mapping and channel sampling activity continued during the quarter, while samples were continuously being dispatched to the laboratory for analysis.

Assay results from drilling at EPL 7345 and EPL 8535 were also received at the end of December and provided geochemical data which will assist with future targeting of additional mineralised pegmatites.

Future exploration activity at the Uis Lithium project includes stream sediment and soil geochemical programs, which were being planned to further delineate anomalous target areas.

#### ASKARI'S FOOTPRINT EXPANDS

The Company successfully completed the 100 per cent strategic acquisition of Namibian company Green Lithium Pty Ltd (“Green Lithium”), expanding Askari’s footprint by more than 68km<sup>2</sup>.

This agreement resulted in Askari receiving EPL 7626, which is strategically located along strike of the Company’s flagship Uis Lithium Project, with a number of mapped pegmatites identified during initial site reconnaissance.

Planning of initial field work, including project-wide detailed mapping and sampling, has begun for EPL 7626, as announced in the [ASX release](#) from 10 October 2023.

The Company also continues to assess other acquisitions to compliment and build Askari’s growing portfolio in the prospective Cape Cross – Uis pegmatite belt.

The strategic growth to a landholding of more than 380km<sup>2</sup> allows the Company to develop a multi-stream exploration approach as it advances the Uis Lithium Project into a tier-1 battery metals project.

## AUSTRALIAN ASSETS

Askari received results from multiple sampling campaigns at its Australian projects across the Northern Territory, Western Australia and New South Wales that show potential for multiple commodities.

In the Northern Territory, results from an extensive exploration program at the Company's 100 per cent owned Barrow Creek REE and Lithium Project returned significant high-grade REE values.

The rock sampling campaign results included 11,610ppm TREO, 2,507ppm TREO and 2,446ppm TREO, reinforcing the projects potential to host extensive high-grade REE mineralisation.

Planning for a follow-up exploration program has begun, including drilling to test for extensions of REE mineralisation below surface, as announced in the [ASX release](#) from 12 December 2023.

In Western Australia, high-grade values of up to 24.5 g/t gold were identified from soil and rock sampling at Askari's 100 per cent owned Myrnas Hill Project in the East Pilbara.

More than 800 samples were collected during the extensive multi-commodity campaign which covered 75% of the total project area.

Several anomalous nickel results above 500ppm were also received from this campaign, with some samples returning results greater than 1,000ppm Ni.

In New South Wales, Askari received encouraging gold results from its Phase 2 field exploration program at its 100 per cent owned Springdale Project.

More than 200 rock samples were collected in this campaign, with results delivering gold values up to and including 56.7 g/t gold and 49.8 g/t gold.

As announced in the [ASX release](#) from 2 November 2023, this data was under review to determine future exploration activities, which would potentially investigate specific targets.

Furthering Askari's exploration activities in Western Australia was the execution of relevant deeds and agreements for nine exploration licence applications at the Yarrie Lithium Project in the Pilbara.

Spanning more than 1,710km<sup>2</sup> across one contiguous project area, the Yarrie Lithium Project contains 11 lithium and LCT-type pathfinder mineralisation target areas with five considered high-priority.

These five targets were determined during the Phase 1 field campaign and will remain the initial focus of the Phase 2 exploration campaign which includes auger soil sampling and aircore drilling.

Three exploration licences applications were submitted, with exploration planned to commence as soon as approval is received, as announced in the [ASX release](#) from 13 November 2023.

This exploration work is expected to occur concurrent to exploration activities at the Uis Lithium Project in Namibia.

Results will be used to further refine future exploration programs, with the Company endeavouring to advance the Yarrie Lithium Project towards RC drilling.

## CORPORATE

- As at 31 December 2023, the Company had \$700,000 in cash and cash equivalents with no debt
- Supporting Askari's balance sheet was a Redeemable (non-convertible) Note investment of \$500,000, which was allocated towards ongoing exploration at the Uis Lithium Project in Namibia
- The Company continues to evaluate additional complementary opportunities in the battery metals space within Namibia, across Australia and globally.
- Askari strengthened its Namibian exploration team with the appointment of three highly experienced geoscientists

The Company looks forward to providing shareholders with further updates as planned exploration at the projects continues.

### APPENDIX 5B CASHFLOW COMMENTARY

In Payments to related parties of the entity and their associates (refer to 6.1), the \$63,000 payment refers to the payment of non-executive fees and director consulting fees.

Cash outflows from operating activities for the quarter were \$366,000. Cash outflows from investing activities for the quarter were \$734,000. Cash inflows from financing activities for the quarter were \$500,000.

Cash and cash equivalents as at 31 December 2023 were approximately \$700,000.

**This announcement is authorised for release by the executive board**

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**CAUTIONARY STATEMENT**

Visual estimates of mineral abundance should never be considered a proxy or substitute for laboratory analyses where concentrations or grades are the factor of principal economic interest. Visual estimates also potentially provide no information regarding impurities or deleterious physical properties relevant to valuations.

**COMPETENT PERSONS STATEMENT**

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Targets, Exploration Results or Mineral Resources is based on information compiled by Clifford Fitzhenry, a Competent Person who is a Registered Professional Natural Scientist with the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions (SACNASP) as well as a Member of the Geological Society of South Africa (GSSA) and a Member of the Society of Economic Geologists (SEG).

Mr. Fitzhenry is the Chief Project and Exploration Manager (Africa) for Askari Metals Limited, who has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Mr. Fitzhenry consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

## ASX COMPLIANCE

Information contained within this announcement has been prepared based on reliance on ASX announcements as noted in the table below:

<b>29 December 2023</b>	Final assay results received from Uis RC drilling campaigns
<b>20 December 2023</b>	Askari executes funding package to continue rapid exploration at Uis Lithium Project
<b>12 December 2023</b>	Extensive sampling and geophysical program identifies high-grade REE at Barrow Creek
<b>22 November 2023</b>	High-grade gold identified at Myrnas Hill Project in Western Australia
<b>13 November 2023</b>	Permitting and exploration update at Yarrie Lithium Project in Western Australia
<b>02 November 2023</b>	Sampling at Springdale Project delivers further high-grade gold results
<b>24 October 2023</b>	Trenching campaign commences at flagship Uis Lithium Project
<b>19 October 2023</b>	Exploration team strengthened with critical minerals experts
<b>16 October 2023</b>	Targeted trenching campaign to commence at the Uis Lithium Project
<b>10 October 2023</b>	Strategic acquisition expands flagship lithium project and exposure to pegmatite belt

## TENEMENT SUMMARY

TENEMENT ID	TYPE	STATUS	HOLDER	AREA (km <sup>2</sup> )	AS2 INTEREST
E70/5049	Exploration	Active	First Western Gold Pty Ltd	17.6	100%
E70/6127	Exploration	Active	First Western Gold Pty Ltd		100%
E45/5842	Exploration	Active	Springdale Gold Pty Ltd	167	100%
EL9217	Exploration	Active	Springdale Gold Pty Ltd	217	100%
E47/4170	Exploration	Pending	First Western Gold Pty Ltd	9 BL	100%
E52/3718	Exploration	Active	First Western Gold Pty Ltd	2 BL	100%
E52/3719	Exploration	Active	First Western Gold Pty Ltd	2 BL	100%
E80/5313	Exploration	Active	First Western Gold Pty Ltd	3.25	100%
E52/4010	Exploration	Active	First Western Gold Pty Ltd	101 BL	100%
E52/4025	Exploration	Active	First Western Gold Pty Ltd	142 BL	100%
E45/5966	Exploration	Active	Greenstone Lithium Pty Ltd		100%
E45/6224	Exploration	Active	Greenstone Lithium Pty Ltd		100%
E45/6117	Exploration	Pending	First Western Gold Pty Ltd		100%
E45/6118	Exploration	Pending	First Western Gold Pty Ltd		100%
E45/6119	Exploration	Pending	First Western Gold Pty Ltd		100%
E45/6120	Exploration	Pending	First Western Gold Pty Ltd		100%
E45/6121	Exploration	Pending	First Western Gold Pty Ltd		100%
E45/6122	Exploration	Pending	First Western Gold Pty Ltd		100%
E45/6123	Exploration	Pending	First Western Gold Pty Ltd		100%
E45/6124	Exploration	Pending	First Western Gold Pty Ltd		100%
E45/6125	Exploration	Pending	First Western Gold Pty Ltd		100%
EL 32804	Exploration	Active	Consolidate Lithium Trading Pty Ltd	278	Under Option
E45/4907	Exploration	Active	First Western Gold Pty Ltd	35 BL	100%
E45/5982	Exploration	Active	First Western Gold Pty Ltd	5 BL	100%
EPL 7345	Exploration	Active	Kokerboom Mineral Processing (Pty) Ltd	108km <sup>2</sup>	100%
EPL 8535	Exploration	Active	Earth Dimensions Consulting (Pty) Ltd	200km <sup>2</sup>	80%
EPL 7626	Exploration	Active	Green Lithium (Pty) Ltd	68km <sup>2</sup>	100%