



## PRESS RELEASE

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### Managem takes control of the Tri-K Gold Project in Guinea

Managem has taken control of the Tri-K gold project in line with the Group's strategy to increase its gold activities across Africa and to reinforce its footprint in the Republic of Guinea. The remaining 30% stake held in the JV by Managem's partner Avocet Mining has been acquired for 21 M USD.

Managem's stake in the holding company of SMM (Les Sociétés Minières de Mandiana), owner of the Tri-K exploitation permit, now stands at 85% with the remaining 15% owned by SOGUIPAMI (Guinean Mining Estate Company).

In 2016, in the context of the partnership with Avocet Mining, Managem took an equity stake of around 40% in the JV. This was increased to 70% following the finalisation of the project feasibility study in 2018.

In 2019, Managem launched the financing programme for the construction of Tri-K, amounting to an investment of 176m USD.

With reserves exceeding 1 million ounces of gold, Tri-K is one of Managem's major gold projects and will enable the Group to produce 120 KOz (3.5 Tonnes) per year.

*« We are confident in the potential of the TriK project and have the ambition to develop a gold extraction operation of world class standards in the region of Mandiana. With the completion of this transaction, we now enter the construction phase of the project with the objective of starting gold production at the end of 2020. Tri-K places us as a key player in the development of the region bringing 800 jobs overall as well as creating value for our investors and all stakeholders »* commented Mr Imad Toumi, Chairman & CEO of Managem.

#### Tri-K Gold project key figures:

Tri-K is a gold project located 90 km northeast of Kankan in Guinea, within an exploration area of 490km<sup>2</sup>.

- ◆ Total Mineral Resources: 2.3 million ounces of gold
- ◆ Total Reserves: > 1.million ounces of gold
- ◆ Investment: 176 million USD,
- ◆ Average annual gold production target: 120 000 ounces of gold p.a.
- ◆ Employee potential: 800

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#### About Managem

Managem is an industrial mining group with over 90 years of history of operating a diversified metals portfolio. The group is present across the complete mining business cycle from exploration to commodity sales. Managem employs 5660 people and operates in 9 African countries including Morocco. Managem is majority-held by AL-MADA, a pan African private equity fund.

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#### About Avocet Mining PLC

Avocet Mining PLC is a gold mining and exploration company. The Company's principal activities are gold mining and exploration in West Africa.