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Polymetal International plc

Polymetal recognised as a leader in environmental responsibility by the WWF

Polymetal International plc (LSE, MOEX: POLY, ADR: AUCOY) (together with its subsidiaries – "Polymetal", the "Company", or the "Group") is pleased to announce that it was awarded the top rating in environmental responsibility among Russian metals and mining companies.

The World Wildlife Fund (WWF), in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Global Environmental Facility, and the Ministry of Natural Resources and Environment of the Russian Federation published the results of their environmental responsibility assessment for Russian metals and mining companies.

Among the 33 companies included in the rating, Polymetal is tied for the 1st place with Kinross Gold, based on three categories: Environmental Management, Environmental Impact and Disclosure/Transparency. This is a major improvement from the previous rating where Polymetal was ranked 7th.

"1st place in this rating is the result of our multi-year effort to improve sustainability at Polymetal," said Chief Sustainability Officer, Daria Goncharova. "The result reaffirms our approach in favour of complex and best-practice measures that form a crucial part of our strategy."

To learn more about Polymetal's sustainability initiatives please <u>https://www.polymetalinternational.com/en/sustainabili</u> ty/ and find in the Company's annual sustainability report "Sustainable business. Sustainable future".

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