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Polymetal International plc

Polymetal selected to join the Dow Jones Sustainability Index

Polymetal International plc (LSE, MOEX: POLY, ADR: AUCOY) (together with its subsidiaries – "Polymetal", the "Company", or the "Group") has been included into the Dow Jones Sustainability Emerging Markets Index ("DJSI") for the first time.

"I am proud that Polymetal has successfully met the stringent criteria of Dow Jones Sustainability Indices. It should send a strong message to investors worldwide," said Group CEO, Vitaly Nesis. "This achievement is a testament of our strategic commitment to sustainability as a defining characteristic of the Company."

Polymetal becomes the first Russian company to join the Dow Jones Sustainability Index effective from September 24, 2018. The Company is ranked 8th among other mining companies included in the index series.

The Dow Jones Sustainability Emerging Markets Index comprises emerging-market sustainability leaders as identified by RobecoSAM. It aims to represent the top 10% of the largest 800 companies in 20 emerging markets based on long-term economic, environmental and social criteria. For more information on DJSI, visit <u>www.sustainability-indices.com</u>.

Manjit Jus, Head of ESG Ratings, RobecoSAM: "I congratulate Polymetal for being included in the DJSI Emerging Markets. Companies that compete for a coveted place in the DJSI challenge themselves to continuously improve their sustainability practices and we are pleased to see that the number of companies that commit to achieving measurable positive impacts continues to rise."

About Polymetal

Polymetal International is the top-20 global gold producer and top-5 global silver producer with assets in Russia, Kazakhstan and Armenia. The Company combines strong growth with a robust dividend yield.

Polymetal supports the UN Global Compact, EITI, CDP, Cyanide Code and Global Reporting Initiative. The Company is ranked 1st in the environmental responsibility for metals and mining companies in Russia by WWF and UNDP and is part of the following leading sustainability ratings:

- MSCI ESG
- Euronext-Vigeo
- STOXX Global ESG Leaders
- FTSE4Good

To learn more about Polymetal's sustainability initiatives, please visit <u>https://www.polymetalinternational.com/en/sustai</u> <u>nability</u> and find in the Company's annual sustainability report "20 years of sustainable development".

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