

VANCOUVER, BC--(Marketwired - August 14, 2017) - [East Africa Metals Inc.](#) (TSX VENTURE: EAM) ("East Africa" or the "Company") is pleased to announce final diamond drill hole results from the most recent infill diamond drilling program at the Mato Bula deposit, part of the Company's Adyabo Project in Ethiopia.

Highlight intersections include:

- 5.89 metres grading 53.32 grams per tonne gold, 0.51 % copper, and 2.6 grams per tonne silver from 54.56 metres drill depth, and 10.26 metres grading 8.90 grams gold, 0.05 % copper, and 3.7 grams per tonne silver from 20.54 metres drill depth (WMD097), and;
- 4.33 metres grading 38.94 grams per tonne gold, 0.24% copper, and 2.6 grams per tonne silver, from 160.60 metres drill depth (WMD090).

#### Adyabo Project Mato Bula Work Program

Trenching and diamond drill hole supplemental sampling was completed to assist in planned resource update work. Additional metallurgical samples from Mato Bula were also collected and have now been received by the Blue Coast Metallurgical Group in B.C. Canada. Results for the metallurgical work and resource update are anticipated for Q4 2017. In accordance with project advancement, in July 2017 East Africa also initiated an independent Environmental and Social Impact Assessment study for the Adyabo resource area, with completion estimated for Q4 2017.

#### Mato Bula infill diamond drill intercepts

Hole ID	From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m)	<sup>1</sup> Gold g/t <sup>2,3</sup>	Copper %	Silver g/t	Zinc %	Local Azimuth	Dip	
WMD089	31.00	41.23	10.23	6.46	0.25	0.9	0.02	270	-47	
	including 36.30	39.55	3.25	17.73	0.59	1.7	0.03			
	60.00	62.86	2.86	1.17	1.65	17.1	1.46			
WMD090	160.60	164.93	4.33	38.94	0.24	2.6	0.01	270	-49	
	including 161.51	163.33	1.82	91.95	0.48	5.6	0.01			
WMD091	52.00	53.00	1.00	1.21	0.05	0.6	0.00	270	-48	
WMD092	22.80	25.80	3.00	0.44	0.26	0.5	0.00	270	-46	
WMD093	32.94	42.81	9.87	1.59	0.76	7.2	0.04	90	-47	
WMD094	182.68	183.68	1.00	2.32	0.54	0.9	0.01	90	-49	
WMD095	191.25	193.10	1.85	1.34	2.42	38.5	0.02	90	-60	
	210.20	212.80	2.60	1.11	0.83	0.9	0.00			
WMD096	96.37	102.00	5.63	1.30	0.45	2.4	0.08	90	-49	
	118.96	120.05	1.09	19.10	0.76	5.2	0.00			
WMD097	20.54	30.80	10.26	8.90	0.05	3.7	0.02	90	-47	
	54.56	60.45	5.89	53.32	0.51	2.6	0.01			
WMD098	26.55	34.80	8.25	2.62	0.10	1.4	0.01	90	-58	
WMD099	106.85	107.80	0.95	1.88	0.15	0.8	0.00	90	-49	
WMD100	No Significant Results								90	-49
WMD101	No Significant Results								271	-49
WMD102	51.00	52.00	1.00	3.90	0.08	0.0	0.00	270	-51	
	119.15	137.26	18.11	0.70	1.30	9.2	0.20			
WMD103	No Significant Results								90	-52
WMD104A	237.31	251.80	14.49	1.91	0.08	1.2	0.00	90	-55	
	264.60	274.00	9.40	0.68	0.08	1.1	0.00			
WMD105	200.00	232.75	32.75	0.92	0.11	1.0	0.00	90	-53	
	including 201.60	205.00	3.40	3.00	0.12	1.4	0.01			
	247.00	254.00	7.00	0.49	0.02	0.4	0.00			
WMD106	169.64	188.00	18.36	0.77	0.02	2.2	0.00	90	-63	
	including 182.00	185.00	3.00	1.74	0.02	0.6	0.00			
WMD107	9.07	20.47	11.40	0.41	0.00	0.0	0.00	90	-46	
WMD108	66.25	72.60	6.35	1.26	0.58	8.4	0.77	90	-48	

<sup>1</sup>True thicknesses are interpreted as 60-90% of stated intervals.

<sup>2</sup>No topcut has been used on analyses

<sup>3</sup>Intervals use a 0.3 gram per tonne gold cutoff value

Diagrams illustrating recent drilling and IP results are attached and available on the website.

## Adyabo I.P. Survey Results

An initial eight (8) line Induced Polarization (I.P.)/Resistivity and Magnetic survey was planned for the Mato Bula deposit area, however favourable drill results to depth at the southern extent of planned drilling resulted in additional coverage.

A ten (10) line, 22.4 km I.P./Resistivity/Magnetic survey was conducted over the Mato Bula area from May 8 through June 4, 2017, and was carried out by Scott Geophysics of Vancouver, Canada, with follow-up section Inversion and 3D modelling carried out by Jules Lajoie of Comtech Enterprises (see compilation map link).

The survey clearly identifies an I.P. Chargeability high associated with the Mato Bula deposit mineralized trend, and a corresponding Resistivity low. On all but two central lines, this Chargeability anomaly remains open at depth. Of additional note, the anomaly remains open to the north and south, and is observed to build strongly to depth southward, beyond both the current Mato Bula resource, and the most recent drill campaign intersections hosting distinctive Cu, Zn, Au, Ag mineralization to depth.

## Ethiopia Tenure Update

On August 11, 2016, East Africa announced it had filed a mine permitting application for the Terakimti Oxide Gold Project at the Harvest Project. East Africa management continues to engage in discussion and negotiation meetings with representatives of the Ethiopian Ministry of Mines, Petroleum and Natural Gas (MoMPNG) to finalize the Harvest Terakimti Oxide Mining Licence Agreement, and in addition, to ensuring the retention of key prospects within the Harvest Exploration Licence area. Currently, the MoMPNG is assessing, for purposes of adherence to Mining Regulations, that the prospects be included in an expanded Harvest Terakimti Mining Licence area.

## Quality Control

The planning, execution, and monitoring of East Africa's drilling and quality control programs at the Harvest and Adyabo Projects has been conducted under the supervision of Jeff Heidema, P.Geo., East Africa's Vice President Exploration. Mr. Heidema is a "Qualified Person" as defined by NI 43-101, and has reviewed and approved the geological information contained in this news release. Diamond drilling was coordinated by East Africa's contract geologists who also managed the preparation, logging, and sampling of core and rock samples, in addition to carrying out bulk density measurements. During sampling, quality control standards and blanks were introduced at pre-determined intervals to monitor laboratory performance. A system of field, reject, and pulp sample duplicates was also incorporated, as were specific programs of re-assaying and umpire lab assaying to both monitor laboratory performance and also characterize potential mineralization; all consistent with industry best practice.

Drill core samples have undergone preliminary preparation at the Bureau Veritas Mineral Laboratories facility in Ankara, Turkey, and are crushed to 80% passing 10 mesh, and pulverized to 85% passing 200 mesh (PRP70-1KG package). Analyses are conducted at both the Turkey facility and the Bureau Veritas Mineral Laboratories in Vancouver, Canada, with diamond drill core analyses utilizing Aqua Regia digestion and ICP-ES for base metal and silver analyses (AQ370 package), and Infill sample program utilizing Aqua Regia digestion and ICP-MS/ICP-ES (AQ270 package) for base metal and silver analyses. Gold analyses are conducted at the Turkey Bureau Veritas Mineral Laboratories facility via Fire Assay Fusion with AA finish, and gravimetric analyses are completed for over-limit samples (FA430, FA530-Au packages).

Information recorded from diamond drill core assaying was integrated using industry standard data management software (Maxwell Datashed).

More information on the Company can be viewed at the Company's website: [www.eastafricametals.com](http://www.eastafricametals.com)

On behalf of the Board of Directors:

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