

TORONTO, ONTARIO--(Marketwire - Oct 5, 2017) - Fura Gems Inc. ("Fura" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE:FUR) has commenced a major auger (non-core) and core drilling program after an extensive multi disciplinary desktop study. The desktop study used high resolution satellite imagery (LANDSAT and ASTER), SRTM digital elevation model and geophysical and geological data analysis with elevation and drainage analysis in conjunction with a field study by Fura's team of geologists.

The Company expects to obtain the following information from its drilling program:

1. The top soil thickness or the overburden to give an estimate of the stripping ratio
2. The thickness of the ruby bearing gravel bed ("secondary ruby mineralisation")
3. The nature of basement rock and its identification to delineate ruby bearing amphibolite rock in the area ("primary ruby mineralisation")
4. An estimate of the potential grade and mineralisation patterns within the license areas

The drilling campaign has been designed for the exploration of licenses 4392L, 3868L and 3869L to target the prospective mineralised zones (please see figure 1 below for drilling block plan). The exhaustive desktop study and field study based on the stratigraphy, lithology, anticipated soil depth and catchment/drainage study has identified sixteen potential areas which will be subject to approximately 5,000m (400m x 200m grid) of initial drilling in the first phase.

Once the targets are delineated, these areas will be drilled in closer spaced drilling grids by using both core and auger drilling. Core drilling will be used to evaluate the sub surface continuity of the primary ruby mineralisation and auger drilling will help to evaluate the secondary ruby mineralisation. The data obtained from drilling will be used for determining the area for bulk sampling and the future calculation of mineral resource and reserve estimates.

Fura will treat the gravel samples derived from the drilling with a Bushman jig which is due to arrive on site on or before October 31, 2017. This treatment process will determine an estimate of the grades for ruby mineralization at different size fractions.

Dev Shetty, President and CEO of Fura, commented: "We are pleased to commence drilling on the licensed areas within a month after agreeing to purchase these ruby licences. The licences, located in the Montepuez District of Mozambique, are strategically located close to one of the world's single largest ruby deposits, and Fura is excited about the potential impact they may have on the Company and its shareholders."

The Mozambican Ruby Licences

On September 19, 2017, Fura entered into an agreement to acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of Cobadale Ltd., which owns an 80% effective interest in four ruby licences and has applied for an additional ruby licence (collectively, the "Ruby Licences") in the Montepuez District of Cabo Delgado province in Mozambique (the "Transaction"). Please see the Company's press release dated September 19, 2017 for further details regarding the Transaction.

Mozambican rubies have been historically found in the northeastern part of Mozambique in the Montepuez District. The Ruby Licences are strategically located in the Montepuez District and are comprised of 394.24 sq. km (39,424.51 hectares in four concessions) of highly prospective ground. The initial finding from the artisanal pits shows the occurrence of both primary and secondary ruby mineralization consisting of both higher and lower quality rubies. Closing of the Transaction is subject to the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange. The Company has applied to the TSX Venture Exchange for such approval and will provide an update regarding the closing of the Transaction in due course.

To view Figure 1: Location of Ruby Licenses and proposed drilling block plan, please visit the following link:
<http://media3.marketwire.com/docs/1103138a.pdf>.

About Fura Gems Inc.

[Fura Gems Inc.](#) is a gemstone mining and marketing company which is engaged in the mining, exploration and acquisition of gemstone licenses. Fura's headquarters are located in Toronto, Canada and its administrative headquarters are located in the Almas Tower, Dubai. Fura is listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the ticker symbol "FUR".

Fura is engaged in the exploration of resource properties in Colombia and owns a 100% interest in the emerald licence ECH -121. Fura has also entered into a purchase agreement to enter into the exploration and mining of rubies in Mozambique through the proposed acquisition of an 80% effective interest in the four ruby licences (4392, 3868, 3869 and 6811) and the submission of an application for an additional ruby licence.

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