

# Lundin Gold Achieves Completion Milestone Under Its Project Finance Debt

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VANCOUVER, Dec. 22, 2021 - [Lundin Gold Inc.](#) (TSX: LUG) (Nasdaq Stockholm: LUG) ("Lundin Gold" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that it has achieved Project Completion, as defined under its senior debt facilities, at the Fruta del Norte gold mine in Ecuador. Under these facilities, Lundin Gold's operating subsidiary, Aurelian Ecuador S.A., was required, among other things, to effectively complete construction at Fruta del Norte, operate the mine and plant for a 90-day period at specified production levels, and maintain a predetermined quality of concentrate for sale under its offtake contracts. PDF version.

Ron Hochstein, President and CEO commented, "Reaching completion represents a key operational accomplishment, a testament to the excellence of our team. Starting in 2022, it will allow us to accelerate the scheduled repayment of the debt through the Cash Sweep mechanism. By achieving this milestone we can now pursue a variety of opportunities, including debt growth, further debt reduction, and shareholders' distributions as we continue to generate strong free cash flow at forecasted production levels and current gold prices."

## Qualified Persons

The technical information relating to Fruta del Norte contained in this News Release has been reviewed and approved by Ron Hochstein P. Eng, Lundin Gold's President and CEO who is a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101.

## About Lundin Gold

Lundin Gold, headquartered in Vancouver, Canada, owns the Fruta del Norte gold mine in southeast Ecuador. Fruta del Norte is among the highest-grade operating gold mines in the world.

The Company's board and management team have extensive expertise in mine operations and are dedicated to operating Fruta del Norte responsibly. The Company operates with transparency and in accordance with international best practices. Lundin Gold is committed to delivering value to its shareholders, while simultaneously providing economic and social benefits to impacted communities, fostering a healthy and safe workplace and minimizing the environmental impact. The Company believes the value created through the development of Fruta del Norte will benefit its shareholders, the Government and the citizens of Ecuador.

## Additional Information

The information in this release is subject to the disclosure requirements of Lundin Gold under the EU Market Abuse Regulation. This information was publicly communicated on December 22, 2021 at 2:30 p.m. Pacific Time through the contact persons listed below.

## Caution Regarding Forward-Looking Information and Statements

Certain of the information and statements in this press release are considered "forward-looking information" or "forward-looking statements" as those terms are defined under Canadian securities laws (collectively referred to as "forward-looking statements"). Any statements that express or involve discussions with respect to predictions, expectations, beliefs, plans, projections, intentions, objectives, assumptions or future events or performance (often, but not always, identified by words or phrases such as "anticipates", "expects", "is expected", "scheduled", "estimates", "pending", "intends", "plans", "forecasts", "targets", or "may", or variations of such words and phrases or statements that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "will", "might", "will be taken", or "occur" and similar expressions) are not statements of historical fact and may be forward-looking statements. By their nature, forward looking statements and information involve assumptions, inherent risks and uncertainties, many of which are difficult to predict, and are usually beyond the control of management, that could cause actual results to materially differ from those expressed by these forward-looking statements and information. Lundin Gold believes that

expectations reflected in this forward-looking information are reasonable, but no assurance can be given that these expectations will prove to be correct. Forward-looking information should not be unduly relied upon. This information speaks only as of this press release, and the Company will not necessarily update this information, unless required to do so by securities laws.

This press release contains forward-looking information in a number of places, such as in statements relating to its 2022 production outlook and free cash flow. There can be no assurance that such statements will prove to be accurate, as Lundin Gold's actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in this forward-looking information. A list of the factors discussed in the "Risk Factors" section in Lundin Gold's Annual Information Form dated March 2, 2021, is available at [www.lundingold.com](http://www.lundingold.com) or on SEDAR.

Lundin Gold's actual results could differ materially from those anticipated. Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from any forward-looking statement or that could have a material impact on the Company or the trading price of its shares include: risks relating to the impacts of a pandemic virus outbreak, political and economic instability in Ecuador, mineral resource estimates, mining operations, the Company's community relationships, ability to maintain obligations or comply with debt financing requirements, volatility in the price of gold, shortages of critical supplies, compliance with environmental laws and regulations for environmental contamination, lack of availability of infrastructure, the Company's reliance on one mine, deficient or no title to concessions, easements and surface rights, uncertainty with the tax regime in Ecuador, the Company's workforce and labour relations, inherent safety hazards and risks to the health and safety of the Company's employees and contractors, the Company's ability to obtain, maintain or renew regulatory approvals, permits and licenses, the imprecision of mineral resource estimates, key talent recruitment and retention of key personnel, volatility in the market price of the shares, the influence of the Company's largest shareholders, measures to protect endangered species and critical habitats, the Company's reliance on its information systems and the risk of cyber-attacks on those systems, the cost of non-compliance and compliance costs, exploration and development risks, risks related to illegal mining, the adequacy of the Company's insurance, uncertainty related to reclamation and decommissioning, the ability of Lundin Gold to ensure compliance with anti-bribery and anti-corruption laws, the uncertainty regarding risks posed by climate change, the potential for litigation, limits of disclosure and internal controls, security risks to the Company, its assets and its personnel, conflicts of interest, risks that the Company will not declare its interests and social media and reputation.

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