



# Market Release

## Newcrest Mining Limited

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### New senior appointment at Newcrest Mining Limited

Newcrest Mining Limited announced today that it has appointed Stephen Creese, currently Managing Director, Rio Tinto Australia, as General Counsel and Company Secretary.

Mr Creese will succeed Bernard Lavery, Newcrest's Executive General Manager, Corporate Services, who is retiring after 14 years with the company.

Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Ian Smith, welcomed the appointment of Mr Creese, which followed a comprehensive search process.

"On behalf of the Board and management of Newcrest, I am delighted that Stephen has agreed to join the senior executive team. He is extremely experienced and well-regarded, and his credentials are unmatched. He will play a significant role in the future growth and development of the company."

Mr Creese is joining Newcrest after some 29 years with the Rio Tinto group where he worked in a variety of legal and commercial roles, including that of General Counsel of Rio Tinto Limited between 1995 and 2008. Mr Creese is a part time member of the Australian Takeovers Panel and independent Chair of the National Employment Services Association.

Mr Smith also thanked Bernard Lavery for his dedicated and professional service to the company over many years, and wished him and his family well in his retirement.

Newcrest Mining Limited is Australia's largest gold miner and third largest mining company. One of the top 10 gold mining companies in the world, Newcrest has seven operating mines in Australia, Indonesia and Papua New Guinea. With a market capitalisation of over A\$15 billion, Newcrest is a Top 20 company listed on the Australian Stock Exchange.

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