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**Avrupa Minerals Signs Exploration Alliance with Callinan Royalties**

- **Potential \$350,000 of exploration funding for three years**
- **Additional funding for selected projects**
- **Project Royalties granted to Callinan for new projects generated**

**Avrupa Minerals Ltd. (AVU:TSXV, 8AM: Frankfurt)** is pleased to announce that it has signed an Exploration Alliance Agreement (the “Agreement”) with Callinan Royalties Corporation (“Callinan”) (CAA:TSXV) to fund exploration for new mineral properties in Portugal and to advance early stage exploration work on certain existing Avrupa projects in order to attract more potential joint venture partners.

Paul Kuhn, President & CEO commented, “This Agreement is a great way for Avrupa to generate new projects and advance them. We are pleased to have a new partner in Callinan and look forward to working closely with their geological team.”

Avrupa and Callinan signed the three-year Agreement which calls for Callinan to fund \$150,000 of generative exploration in Spain and Portugal during the first year of the Agreement and, at Callinan’s option, to fund up to \$100,000 in each of the two subsequent years. In return for such funding, Avrupa will grant Callinan the option to receive a 0.5% NSR royalty on any new projects acquired as a result of the generative exploration work, or, if Callinan funds an additional \$150,000 in further exploration on any of the new projects, an option to receive a 1.5% NSR royalty on such projects. If Avrupa determines that further value can be generated for the new project after spending the additional \$150,000, Callinan has the option to contribute subsequent funding with Avrupa on a joint 50/50 basis, with Callinan’s NSR and interest in the new project unchanged.

Callinan also has the option to fund additional exploration on Avrupa’s existing mineral properties, if proposed by Avrupa, and would earn a 1.5% NSR royalty in return for funding \$150,000 in exploration on those projects.

Both Avrupa and Callinan expect that the results of this Agreement will generate additional mineral properties for Avrupa, advance those mineral properties to attract potential joint venture partners, and allow Callinan to acquire potentially significant royalties in a new mining jurisdiction. Avrupa may also propose additional new prospect areas outside of Portugal, and Callinan will have the option to fund the exploration in those areas in return for the same royalty structure.

**Avrupa Minerals Ltd.** is a growth-oriented junior exploration and development company focused on discovery, using a prospect generator model, of valuable mineral deposits in politically stable and prospective regions of Europe, including Portugal, Kosovo, and Germany.

The Company currently holds 17 exploration licenses in three European countries, including 11 in Portugal covering 3,018 km<sup>2</sup>, five in Kosovo covering 153 km<sup>2</sup>, and one in Germany covering 307 km<sup>2</sup>. Avrupa operates three joint ventures in Portugal, covering five of the licenses, including:

- The **Alvalade JV**, with Antofagasta Minerals SA, covering three licenses in the Iberian Pyrite Belt of southern Portugal, for Cu-rich massive sulfide deposits;
- The **Covas JV**, with Blackheath Resources, covering one license in northern Portugal, for intrusion-related W deposits; and
- The **Arga JV**, also with Blackheath Resources, covering one license located adjacent to the Covas JV, for intrusion-related Au-W deposits.

Avrupa is currently upgrading precious and base metal targets to JV-ready status in a variety of districts on their other licenses, with the idea of attracting potential partners to project-specific and/or regional exploration programs.

For additional information, contact Avrupa Minerals Ltd. at 1-604-687-3520 or visit our website at [www.avrupaminerals.com](http://www.avrupaminerals.com).

On behalf of the Board,

***“Paul W. Kuhn”***

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Paul W. Kuhn, President & Director

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