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## **International Gold Exploration IGE AB (publ)**

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### **INTERNATIONAL GOLD EXPLORATION TO ANNOUNCE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED PRIVATE PLACEMENT**

Reference is made to the stock exchange notice dated 15 September 2009 regarding the contemplated private placement of shares (the "**Private Placement**") in International Gold Exploration IGE AB (publ) ("**IGE**" or the "**Company**").

The Board of Directors (the "**Board**") of IGE will propose to the Company's extraordinary general meeting (the "**EGM**") to issue a total of 290,000,000 new shares in IGE at a subscription price of NOK 0.25 per share (the "**Subscription Price**") representing a gross proceed of NOK 72.5 million (including conversion of SEK 20 million in debt). The Private Placement was directed against Norwegian and Swedish investors and international institutional investors. The minimum order in the Private Placement was set to a number of shares that equals an aggregate subscription price of at least the NOK equivalent of EUR 50,000. The applicants in the Private Placement will receive notification of allocation today.

The Board of Directors will also propose to the EGM to conduct a subsequent repair offering (the "**Subsequent Offering**") directed at shareholders of the Company as of 15 September 2009 that did not participate in the Private Placement. The Subsequent Offering will comprise of up to 70,000,000 new shares. The number of shares in the Subsequent Offering has been set taken into account the dilution resulting from the Private Placement and IGE's large shareholder base of approximately 5,600 shareholders. The minimum application amount in the Private Placement set pursuant to prospectus exemption rules in effect excluded a large group of the IGE from participating in the Private Placement. The subscription price in the Subsequent Offering will be equal to the Subscription Price in the Private Placement. Timing and further conditions for the proposed Subsequent Offering will be included in the prospectus to be issued in connection with the Subsequent Offering and the listing of the shares issued in the Private Placement and the Debt Conversion (see below).

The proceeds of the Private Placement and the Subsequent Offering will mainly be used to finance the Company's exploration program aiming to identify targets for exploratory drilling programs within the Kimberlite licences in Angola and for additional exploration to increase the Rönnbäcken Nickel resource. A part of the proceeds will also be used for small scale exploration within the Group's gold licences in south western Kenya in order to identify targets for diamond drilling programs. The private placement will strengthen the position of IGE and enable further growth by advancing the Company's portfolio of mineral licenses.

The Subscription Price in the Private Placement was set by the Board after market close on 15 September 2009 and represents a 40.5 % discount compared to the trading price as of end of day 15 September 2009. A total of 360,000,000 shares were offered to potential investors in the Private Placement.

The Private Placement was conducted by Argo Securities AS, Handelsbanken Capital Markets and First Securities AS (collectively referred to as the "**Managers**").

Following previous capitalization during 2009, the Company has outstanding loans (together the "**Loan**") in the total amount of SEK 20 million plus accumulated interest. In order to further strengthen



the capital base, the Company has been in contact with the lenders in question and they will set off the Loan against newly issued shares on the same terms as in the Private Placement (the “**Debt Conversion**”).

The new shares to be issued in the Private Placement and the Debt Conversion will not be tradable until the share capital increases have been resolved by the EGM, the shares have been fully paid, the share capital increases have been registered in the Swedish Companies Register and a listing prospectus has been approved by Oslo Stock Exchange, expected to be on or about 9 October 2009.

The Private Placement, the Subsequent Offering and the Debt Conversion are subject to the approval by the EGM expected to be held on or about 2 October 2009.

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*International Gold Exploration IGE AB (publ), is a Swedish exploration and mining group focused on diamonds, nickel and gold. The Company started production of alluvial diamonds in Angola and gold in Kenya in the beginning of 2009. IGE has a portfolio of projects in Angola, Kenya, Sweden and Norway. Its shares are listed on the Oslo Stock Exchange.*

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