



**ASX Announcement**

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## Drake Retains 100% of Seimana Gold

- Martineau Mining funding option period concluded
- Drake to retain 100% of Guinea and Mauritanian assets
- Drilling at Nordgruva Copper project to commence early June
- Drilling at Løkken to commence early July

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**Drake Resources** advises that Option Agreements with Martineau Mining concerning Drake's Seimana project and Tasiast South project have expired. Under the terms of the Seimana agreement<sup>1</sup>, Martineau had a fixed period to secure 100% of all funding required to fast track this highly prospective target. The period has expired with the target amount not reached and therefore Drake has elected not to proceed with the arrangement. Similar circumstances apply to the Tasiast South agreement<sup>2</sup> with Martineau.

Drake's CEO Jason Stirbinskis said "Seimana has emerged as one of the most exciting gold prospects of recent times and has demonstrated the potential to be a globally significant discovery (fig 1) and therefore Drake welcomed the approach by Martineau to accelerate exploration. Drake will now take responsibility for the advancement of Seimana directly."

The Seimana property adjoins the 3.2 TriK deposit where Avocet Mining plc recently reported that Feasibility study work to date had confirmed the technical viability of a low cash cost operation. Avocet has commenced the Mining licence application process. Drake looks forward to progressing Seimana to reach a similar position.

Recent gold results from previously announced<sup>2</sup> rock chips assays from Seimana include –

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|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 70.8g/t | 42.9g/t | 29.4g/t | 26.7g/t | 15.8g/t | 15.1g/t |
| 15.1g/t | 13.1g/t | 10.9g/t | 9.9g/t  | 9.2g/t  | 7.9g/t  |

Drake recently closed a capital raising via rights issue and will announce the results on 13 May in accordance with the dates set out in the prospectus. Drake is seeking interest in the shortfall placement.

Drake also wishes to advise that drilling contracts have been executed for programs at Nordgruva and Løkken copper / zinc projects to start in early June and July respectively. Please see the announcement dated 25/3/14 for program details<sup>4</sup>.

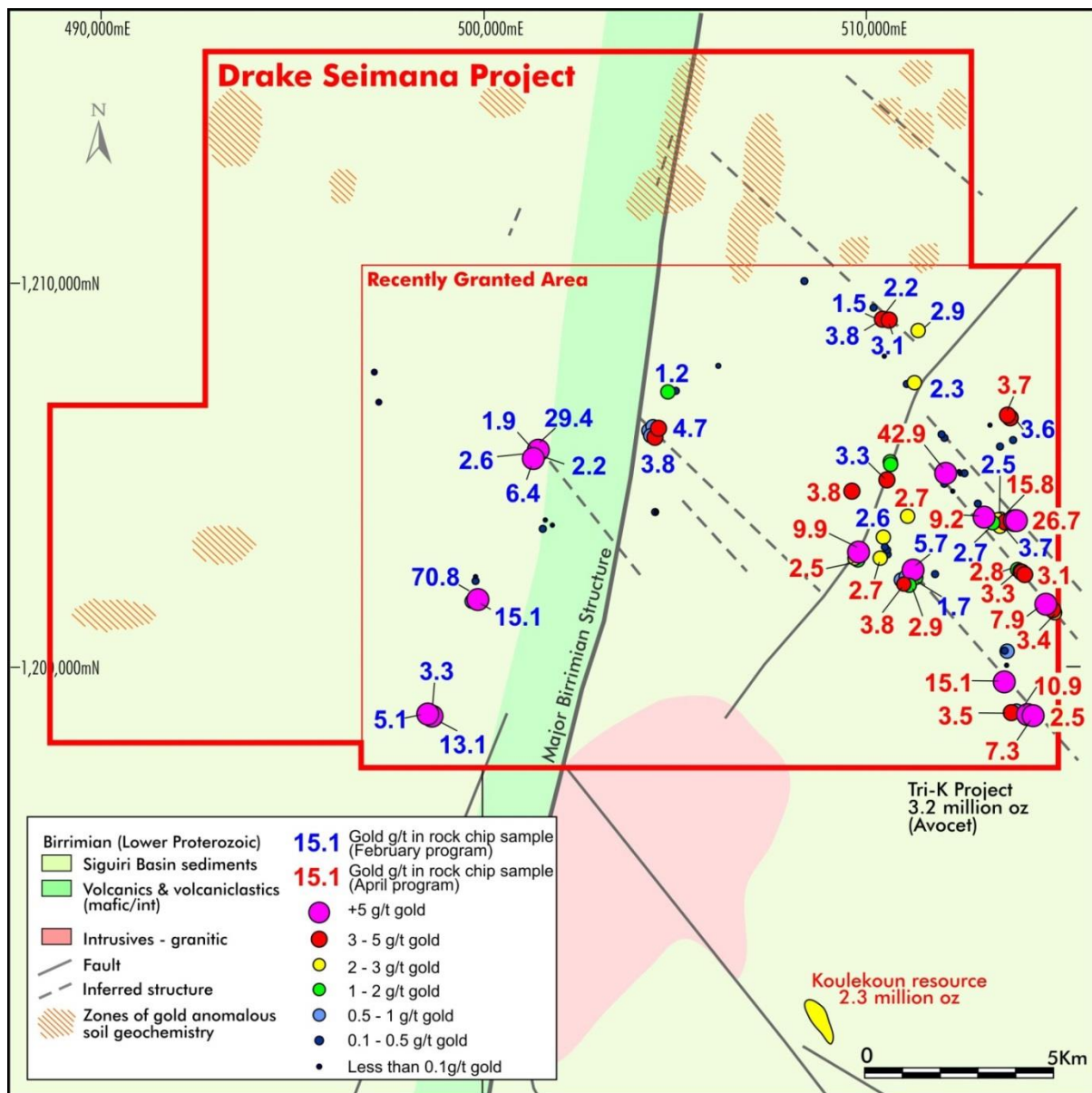


Figure One: Significant gold assay results (>2.5g/t Au) from recent rock chip sampling at Seimana - Guinea

Notes:

- See announcement 28/3/14 "Drake Signs HOA on Guinea Gold" <http://drk.live.irmau.com/IRM/Company/ShowPage.aspx/PDFs/1421-62746499/DrakesignsHOAonGuineagold>
- See announcement 28/3/14 "Drake signs HOA on Mauritanian Gold" <http://drk.live.irmau.com/IRM/Company/ShowPage.aspx/PDFs/1422-31790101/DrakesignsHOAonMauritaniangold>
- See announcement 29/4/14 "Further Spectacular Gold Assays Seimana Project" <http://drk.live.irmau.com/IRM/Company/ShowPage.aspx/PDFs/1430-63890073/FurtherSpectacularGoldAssaysSeimanaProject>
- See announcement 25/3/14 "Drill Testing of 6 exceptional EM copper Zinc Targets Norway" <http://drk.live.irmau.com/IRM/Company/ShowPage.aspx/PDFs/1420-63519574/Drilltestingof6exceptionalEMcopperzinctargetsNorway>

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**Competent Persons Statement**

*The information related to Seimana exploration results is extracted from the report entitled "Further Spectacular gold assays-Seimana Project" created on 29/4/14 and is available to view on [www.drakeresources.com.au](http://www.drakeresources.com.au). The company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcements. The company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcements.*

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