

# EXPLORATION SUCCESS IN MEXICO RECOGNISED WITH TOP AWARD

Azure Minerals Limited (**ASX: AZS**) (**Azure** or the **Company**) is pleased to advise that Managing Director, Mr Tony Rovira, has been awarded the prestigious 2018 Ostotakani Award for outstanding exploration success and his contribution to the mining industry in Mexico.

The award is made annually on behalf of the Mexican Mining Industry by Mundo Minero at the International Drilling and Mineral Exploration Seminar in Hermosillo, Sonora.



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## Tony Rovira recibirá Ostotakani

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Anthony Paul Rovira, Director y CEO de Azure Minerals, recibirá el premio Ostotakani el próximo 24 de mayo, en el marco del Sexto Seminario Internacional de Perforación y Exploración Minera.

Tony Rovira es un Geólogo egresado de la Flinders University de Australia del Sur que cuenta con más de 30 años de experiencia en la industria minera, en ámbitos que van desde lo técnico y gerencial hasta cargos ejecutivos.

Es responsable del descubrimiento de varios depósitos minerales en Australia, los cuales se han convertido en minas. Uno de estos descubrimientos fue Cosmos, que en su momento llegó a ser la mina a cielo abierto con las leyes más altas de níquel en el mundo.

El hallazgo de Cosmos le valió a Tony Rovira el premio "Prospector of the Year", otorgado por la Australian Association of Mining and Exploration Companies for this discovery.

Desde el 2003 se unió a Azure Minerals como Director Gerencial, del 2007 al 2012 ocupó el cargo de Presidente Ejecutivo de la empresa, y actualmente funge como CEO y Director. A él se le atribuye la decisión de que la compañía australiana explorara en México, lo que dio pie a que ahora la compañía cuente con atractivos proyectos de metales preciosos o base, tales como Oposura, Sara Alicia, Alacrán y Promontorio.

Tony Rovira / Cortesía

Mr Peter Ingram, Chairman of Azure, congratulated Mr Rovira and said the award was well deserved. *"Tony has founded a first-class team of technical and administrative personnel in Mexico, almost all of whom are locals. He and the team have established a significant track-record of exploration success in Mexico, with discoveries at Promontorio and Alacrán and the acquisition of two important projects currently being worked upon - Oposura and Sara Alicia."*

Mr Rovira is credited with steering Azure's exploration push into Mexico, which led to his team discovering two mineral deposits hosting 32 million ounces of silver and 150,000oz of gold at the Alacrán Project, and identifying and acquiring the spectacular high-grade gold and cobalt Sara Alicia

Project which has delivered some of the highest-grade cobalt drill intersections reported anywhere in the world in 2017.

Azure is also currently progressing the Oposura Project, an advanced stage, high grade, zinc-lead-silver project, for which a maiden mineral resource and scoping study will be delivered in 2018.

Mr Rovira said the award was recognition of the entire Azure team.

*"We have an amazing team of geologists and support staff in Mexico. This award is a reflection of their hard work and technical excellence which, over several years, has delivered many significant exploration successes. I take this opportunity to thank them all for their efforts and achievements and I'm looking forward to more successes in the coming years,"* he said.

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