

InvestorIntel Appoints Publisher & Editor In Chief Stephen Lautens As Director

InvestorIntel Corp. is pleased to announce the appointment of Stephen Lautens as its new Director. He will continue to serve as InvestorIntel's Publisher and Editor In Chief. As Publisher and Editor In Chief Mr. Lautens is responsible for overseeing content creation, maintaining editorial independence, and expanding InvestorIntel's online presence as a trusted and number one source of capital market news.

"I am extremely excited to join the board of InvestorIntel," Mr. Lautens said. "I have worked with InvestorIntel for the past three months as Publisher and Editor In Chief and am always impressed by our world-renown expert writers and the stories they cover. InvestorIntel has grown to be the leader in online news and analysis about critical materials, rare earths, ESG and emerging technologies."

InvestorIntel Founder, CEO & Director Tracy Weslosky adds: "Authenticity, depth of knowledge and experience are criteria that our audience demands from us, and Stephen delivers all these qualities plus. The long game here is a commitment to performance through well-written independent content and intelligent video interviews that our audience can trust. Stephen joins ESG and Critical Minerals expert Jack Lifton as a Director."



InvestorIntel Publisher & Editor in Chief Stephen Lautens (right) at a recent event with Northern Graphite Inc. CEO Hugues Jacquemin

Mr. Lautens has a wide range of experience in communications, investor relations and business development as part of executive management teams of both private and public companies. He has previously served as VP Corporate Development for a TSXV-listed Canadian exploration company with gold and oil projects in Cambodia. Before that, Mr. Lautens was VP Corporate Communications of Inter-Citic Minerals Inc. for almost eight years. Inter-Citic was a TSX-listed gold exploration company with a large project in western China that sold for \$260 million in cash in a friendly takeover in November 2012 to Western Mining Co Ltd, a \$5.5B mining company based in China, at a 123% premium to market share price.

Previously, Mr. Lautens worked as Executive VP of a company developing a project in partnership with China Minmetals Non-Ferrous Metals Co. Ltd., then one of China's largest State Owned Enterprises. He also served as VP Business Development of The Workflow Automation Corporation, a private Canadian software technology company acquired by BEA Systems, Inc. (since acquired by Oracle) in 2000 for \$46 million.

Stephen Lautens has been Governor of The National Newspaper Awards for over 10 years and is a past president of The National Club. Mr. Lautens was also president of the Lawyers Club and served two terms as president of the Toronto Press Club. He wrote a syndicated weekly column for almost 20 years, and his articles have appeared in numerous publications, including Canadian Lawyer Magazine, The National Post, The Calgary Sun, The London Free Press and The Toronto Sun. Prior to entering business, Mr. Lautens had his own law practice for over 10 years.

In 2012 Stephen Lautens was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for his community and charity work. Among his other international honours, he was granted the Freedom of the City of London (UK) in 2008 and received the "Flame of Mercy" award from the CSLI – an international

humanitarian NGO with Consultative Status at the United Nations, ECOSOC.

He earned a J.D. degree from Queen's Law School, Kingston, and a history B.A. degree from Victoria College at the University of Toronto. Mr. Lautens lives in and will be based in Toronto.

About InvestorIntel Corp.

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