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Bananghilig maiden boosts Medusa

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MEDUSA Mining has unveiled a maiden resource of 650,000 ounces of gold at its Bananghilig gold deposit in the Tambis district in the Philippines.

Perth-based Medusa said the resource of 15 million tonnes at a grade of 1.3 grams per tonne for 650,000oz of gold would boost the company's total resource inventory to around 2.03 million ounces of gold.



The company will now focus on expanding the resource and setting up other disseminated gold deposits along the Barobo Fault Corridor for 18 kilometres to the southeast where scout drillhole results include 7.3m at 2.72gpt gold.

Medusa managing director Geoff Davis said the maiden resource at Bananghilig had the potential to propel the company to upper mid-tier gold producer status through the development of a second mine.

"It also further strengthens the company's belief in the enormous prospectivity of its substantial tenement package," he said.

Davis said Bananghilig was possibly the first of a number of potential disseminated deposits that may be found either to the northern section of the company's tenements or to the south of Bananghilig.

"Together with the highly profitable Co-O Mine, with its resource base of 1.38 million ounces and the existing copper potential at Lingig, the company is very well positioned for future growth," he added.

The Tambis project is operated under a mining agreement with Philex Gold Philippines.

The global inferred resource estimation for Bananghilig was undertaken by Cube Consulting and was based on historical and more recent Philsaga drillhole data.

Shares in Medusa have gained 8c to \$2.74 in morning trade.

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