CENTRAL DESERT NATIVE TITLE SERVICES DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT

Central Desert Native Title Services (CDNTS) is excited to welcome Dr Guy Singleton to the CDNTS Board of Directors, to contribute his rare combination of skills, experience, and interest in advancing Traditional Owners' rights.

Guy is an experienced multidisciplinary leader and strategic thinker with practical applications across Indigenous people's development, natural resource management, political engagement, and the resources sector. He brings 20 years of professional experience across academic, not for profit and corporate sectors.

Guy will have his feet in familiar country having previously held director roles at Central Desert Native Title Services, Desert Support Services, and the Gold Industry Group.

"I began my journey with traditional owners in the Central Desert region some 20 years ago as a fresh university graduate, and it's a genuine privilege to continue to work alongside these groups. Native Title and advancing those rights for meaningful and practical benefit of both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal peoples are what excites me about re-joining CDNTS," Guy said.

Prior to his international roles, Guy worked for a decade with and for a range of Aboriginal corporations on community development projects across remote Australia, and as a university researcher. He has a PhD in Indigenous people's development and a first-class Honours degree in biological science from Curtin University.

Guy is currently the Chief External Affairs Officer at DEVELOP (ASX:DVP), leading the sustainability, Indigenous peoples, environment, and external relations functions. He is also the managing director of a consultancy company that specialises in developing and maintaining meaningful and ethical partnerships between land use proponents and Traditional Owners, and a non-executive director of Asthma WA.

Guy said as the landscape of native title evolves, so to must the organisations who choose to work in this sector.

"Indigenous peoples' rights in Australia are at a genuine crossroad. A number of social and political issues along with increased investor ESG scrutiny have all combined to create a very unique, powerful and positive social and policy landscape for native title holders and Australia more broadly.

"CDNTS has strong record of determination success over many years. With that comes many invaluable and trusted relationships between our staff and clients, and we need to ensure these relationships are used to full positive effect as we embark on the era of post determination."

CDNTS is a recognised native title service provider for the native title claimants and holders of the central desert region of Western Australia; And has supported more than 30 determinations since incorporation in 2007. CDNTS has since developed its focus to work with clients in the post determination phase, including compensation claims and advancing sustainability.

Johanna Ramsay was appointed Chief Executive Officer in March 2023 to lead this focus of CDNTS. Johanna has lived experience and understanding of challenges PBCs manage, including three years as CEO of Banjima Native Title Aboriginal Corporation (BNTAC).

Prior to her BNTAC role, Johanna had broad experience in both the not-for-profit and corporate sectors. This included several years consulting for a range of industries and five years working with Skywest Airlines, initially as Chief Operating Officer before being appointed as CEO.

Johanna has a master's degree in business administration, a Graduate Diploma in Applied Corporate Governance, and recently completed a Certificate in Sustainable Business Strategy with Harvard Business School.

About Central Desert Native Title Services
Central Desert Native Title Services Ltd (**CDNTS**) is a recognised native title service provider for the native title claimants and holders of the central desert region of Western Australia. CDNTS is funded by the National Indigenous Australians Agency (NIAA) to carry out functions under the *Native Title Act 1993* (Cth) (**NTA**).