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AUROPEAN TO EARN 100% INTEREST IN SPANISH GOLD PROJECT

OTTAWA, ONTARIO, January 18, 2011: Auropean Ventures Inc. ("Auropean") today announced that it has reached an agreement to earn a 100% interest in the 58 km² Andiñuela Gold Project (Andiñuela) in Leon Province, northwestern Spain. Management believes that Andiñuela has many similarities to the geological and structural environments hosting the El Valle, Carlés and Salave mining projects in nearby Asturias Province.

Andiñuela Project

From 19 B.C. onward, the Romans extracted over 7 million cubic metres of bedrock material from more than 20 pits and workings within and around Andiñuela. Gold mineralization at Andiñuela is associated with quartz veins and breccias within metamorphosed and hydrothermally altered Paleozoic sediments. The Romans also worked over 34 million cubic metres of Tertiary and Quaternary alluvial material 10 to 20 kilometres downstream from Andiñuela. More recently defined anomalous gold and arsenic soil sample anomalies from the central part of Andiñuela and grab samples up to 15 g Au/t support the presence of broad zones of gold mineralization within Andiñuela. Auropean plans a program of regional surface soil and rock sampling plus geophysics to quickly delineate the most prospective mineralized structures. This will be followed by trenching and drilling to confirm the three dimensional extent of the mineralization.

Low population density in combination with sparse surface cover at Andiñuela lends itself to cost effective and minimal social and environmental impact exploration. This coupled with mining friendly municipal and provincial governments, extensive infrastructure and favourable exchange rates would provide Auropean a distinct advantage in developing a gold deposit at Andiñuela.

Dr. Vern Rampton, President and CEO of Auropean observed that: "The presence of numerous large Roman pits superimposed on a structural setting known to host mineable gold deposits at El Valle, Carles and Salave certainly points to the economic potential of mineralization at Andiñuela. It is Auropean's intent to unlock this potential in a timely fashion."

Under the terms of the agreement, over a five year period, Auropean will pay the Optionee a total of 285,000€ plus the equivalent of 330,000€ in Auropean stock and expend a total of 3,000,000€ on the project. The property is subject to a 2% NSR with a 1% buyback. In year one, Auropean will pay the Optionee 10,000€ plus the equivalent of 10,000€ in stock and expend 200,000€ on the project.

This press release has been prepared under the supervision of Dr. V. N. Rampton, P. Eng in his capacity as a qualified person under the guidelines of NI 43-101.

About Auropean Ventures Inc:

Auropean is a private company focussed on the rapid development of gold/polymetallic projects in Europe. Its primary focus is to upgrade resources at its 62 square kilometre copper/gold Slovinky-Gelnica Project in east central Slovakia. It currently has 3,980,000 common shares issued and outstanding.

This press release contains certain forward-looking statements, which are based on the opinions and estimates of management at the date the statements are made, and are subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual events or results to differ materially from those projected. Auropean undertakes no obligation to update forward-looking statements if circumstances or management's estimates or opinions should change. The reader is cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.

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