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**AUROPEAN SECURES RIGHTS TO ACQUIRE SPECIAL MINING PERMIT  
AT SLOVINKY**

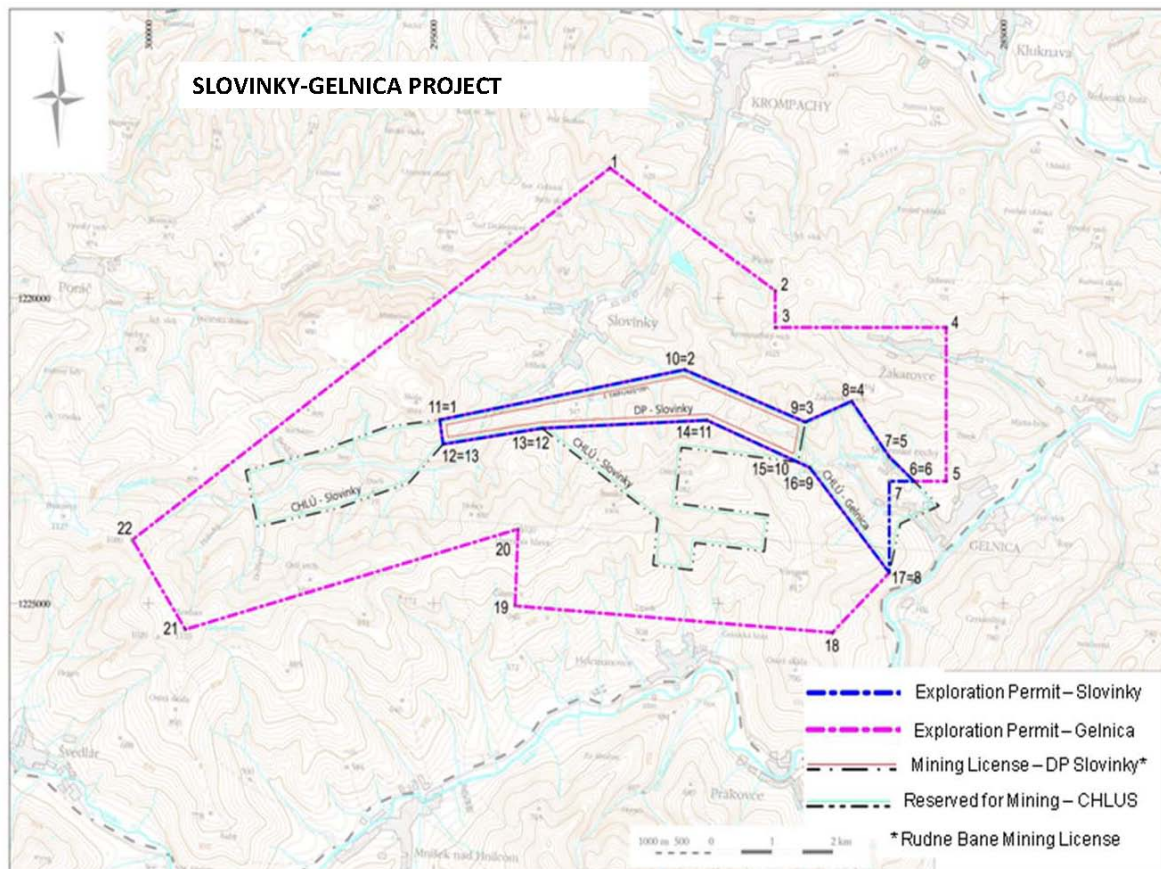
OTTAWA, ONTARIO, January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2011: Auropean Ventures Inc. is pleased to announce that its trustee, Dom Steiner s.r.o. (Dom Steiner), has signed an agreement with Rudné Bane š.p. (R. Bane), the state owned mining reclamation company whereby Dom Steiner, on behalf of Auropean can carry out exploration for copper on R. Bane's Slovinky mining permit (DP-Slovinky-see map below). This agreement for copper supplements Auropean's PU-Slovinky permit which already includes the right to explore for Au, Ag, Sb, Pd and Zn. R. Bane will continue its rehabilitation and reclamation activities on DP-Slovinky with no cost or liability to Dom Steiner or Auropean. Dom Steiner presently holds the 6.4 km<sup>2</sup> PU-Slovinky investigation permit in trust for Auropean. It is scheduled to be transferred to direct ownership on, or shortly after, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

The Agreement with R. Bane also allows Dom Steiner (Auropean) to obtain a Special Mining Permit to mine copper and other metals on R. Bane's DP-Slovinky upon demonstration of the presence of a mineable deposit as required by Slovakian law.

PU-Slovinky, which includes R. Bane's DP-Slovinky, is surrounded by Dom Steiner's 56 km<sup>2</sup> Gelnica (map below) investigation permit (held in trust for Auropean) for all commercially mined metals. It is also slated for transfer to Auropean on, or shortly after, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

Dr. Vern Rampton, President and CEO of Auropean commented: "This is an important milestone. Although our primary gold-copper-silver targets lie outside Rudné Bane's mining permit, it is obvious that additional ground with a high potential for gold-enriched copper ore lies within the mining permit. Having rights to the copper would clearly add to the profitability of mining at Slovinky."

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 European Ventures Inc:

European 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 also plans to develop two highly prospective Au/Ag projects in the growing gold mining district of northwest Spain. It currently has 3,980,000 common shares issued and outstanding.

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