

## CHANGES IN BIO-GENE BOARD

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Bio-Gene Technology Limited (**Bio-Gene** or the **Company**), an agtech development company enabling the next generation of novel insecticides, announces the following changes to the Board and management:

- **Non-Executive Director and Chairman, Mr Robert Klupacs will retire from the Board, effective from July 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023.**
- **Mr Alex Ding and Mr Christopher Ramsay have been appointed to the Board, effective immediately.**
- **The Board continues to review requirements for potential open Non-Executive Director positions.**

Due to significantly increased commitments associated with his other roles, Mr Robert Klupacs has advised the Board that he will be retiring from the Board effective 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023. Before that time he will continue to act as Chair of the Company, and will be heavily involved in strategic negotiations for the company alongside the Bio-Gene management team. Robert joined Bio-Gene in 2015 as CEO and led the Company to IPO in 2017, before becoming a Non-Executive Director in January 2018. Robert became Chair of the Company in November 2019.

During his time on the Board, Bio-Gene has successfully secured multiple commercial agreements, significantly enhanced its intellectual property and proprietary know-how and, as shown by its recent announcement regarding synergy, further developed its proprietary technology. Robert has been a vital member of the Company's Board since the IPO and we thank him for his service.

The Company also announces that Mr Alex Ding and Mr Chris Ramsay will join the Bio-Gene Board, effective immediately.

Alex Ding was a partner at two leading Australian law firms, and is a recognised expert in mergers and acquisitions, capital markets, and general corporate and governance law. He has advised many large ASX, LSE and US listed companies, foreign government controlled entities and substantial private companies and funds on acquisitions, divestments, corporate finance transactions, joint venture arrangements, restructurings, corporate governance and disputes strategy. He has been named on The Best Lawyers in Australia™ list.

Christopher Ramsay has over 30 years experience in the agricultural sector across business development, marketing and broader agronomy. He has held leadership roles in BASF and Nufarm among others, operating in both technical and managerial roles. Chris brings with him significant experience across customer engagement and product marketing and has a history of partnership development and sourcing after having spent the earlier years of his career in technical agricultural roles. Chris currently acts as non-executive director of North West Phosphate, a phosphate exploration and production business and principal director of a boutique agribusiness consulting firm. Chris holds a BSc (Honours) in Rural Sciences and a GradDip in Agribusiness.

These appointments are the result of the Company's review of its skills matrix and future skills needs.

Bio-Gene CEO, Richard Jagger, commented: "The Company would like to sincerely thank Robert for his dedication to the Company over the past eight years. His knowledge and experience will be missed. We also wish to welcome Alex and Chris to the Board, and are delighted they will be joining us, bringing their particular skills at a time when we see the Company making some significant advancements."

Approved for release by the Board of Directors

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**About Bio-Gene Technology Ltd**

Bio-Gene is an Australian agtech company enabling the next generation of novel insecticides. Bio-Gene's novel platform technology is based on a naturally occurring class of chemicals known as beta-triketones.

Beta-triketone compounds have demonstrated insecticidal activity (e.g. kill or knock down insects) via a novel mode of action in testing performed to date. This platform may provide multiple potential new solutions for insecticide manufacturers in applications across crop protection and storage, public health, animal health and consumer applications. The Company's aim is to develop and commercialise a broad portfolio of targeted insect control and management solutions.

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