



Media Release

METS Ignited CEO commends Minister King for her support of the sector

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The Hon Madeleine King MP, Minister for Resources and Minister for Northern Australia, recognised the important role of innovation and Australia's METS sector in sustaining the future of the resources sector and the Australian economy.

In her speech to the IMARC 2022 delegates in Sydney, Minister King outlined the continued contribution of the Australian resources sector to the country's economic stability and key role in achieving net zero targets.

METS Ignited CEO Adrian Beer supports the Minister's comments on the importance of collaboration as the sector and the world undertake the decarbonisation transition.

"We were pleased the Minister and her team were able to visit IMARC and learn more about the broader contribution of the resources sector, beyond the export of commodities. Australia's METS companies are globally recognised and have a critical role for the resources sector now and into the future," Mr Beer said.

"Recognition from the Minister confirms that we need to prioritise innovation in mining, as part of our economic and sustainability future. There is an abundance of capability within the companies who are developing, trialling and commercialising solutions to decarbonise the mining sector, improving safety, delivering clean energy, to create lasting skills and long-term value beyond the orebody alone.

"We look forward to continuing to work with Minister King, her staff and Department as we support Australian companies to promote these solutions and enhance the long-term future of the sector."

Background

METS Ignited is the Industry Growth Centre (IGC) for the Mining Equipment, Technology and Services sector. In operation for six years, METS Ignited successfully supported the commercialisation of technology addressing the needs of the resources sector:

- \$16 million investment into 35 projects.
- 76 Industry participants, bringing more than 20 new Australian innovations to market.
- Creating over 1000 local jobs with a combined revenue estimate of \$900 million by 2025.

METS Ignited supported the establishment of CRC's including the Future Battery Industries (FBI-CRC), the formation of the Electric Mine Consortium (EMC) and the newly formed enviroMETS (Qld) Limited; established to find sustainable ways to make mining impacted land valuable to its future custodians.

METS Ignited is translating Australia's research and innovations into products and services, to serve global markets across multiple industries, delivered by Australian technology companies, from within our national economy.

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