



ESGold Appoints Veteran Capital Markets Executive Jason Tong as Chief Financial Officer

CFO with TSX, TSXV and Nasdaq experience joins leadership team as ESGold strengthens corporate structure ahead of planned gold and silver production in 2026

Vancouver, BC — March 13, 2026 — ESGold Corp. (CSE: ESAU | OTCQB: ESAUF | FSE: Z7D) (“ESGold” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Jason Tong, CPA, CA, CFA, as Chief Financial Officer, effective immediately.

Mr. Tong brings more than 15 years of experience working with publicly listed companies across the TSX, TSXV, and Nasdaq exchanges, serving in senior financial leadership and advisory roles across the mining, finance, and venture capital sectors. His appointment further strengthens ESGold’s executive leadership team as the Company continues to advance its fully permitted Montauban Gold-Silver Project in Québec toward planned production in 2026.

Mr. Tong previously served as Chief Financial Officer of Pathway Capital Ltd., a venture capital firm managing a portfolio of early-stage companies with market capitalizations ranging from approximately \$5 million to \$100 million. Earlier in his career, he worked as a senior auditor with Deloitte & Touche LLP.

He holds both the Chartered Professional Accountant (CPA, CA) designation and the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) charter.

“Jason joins ESGold at a pivotal stage in the Company’s evolution,” said Gordon Robb, Chief Executive Officer of ESGold. *“As we move from development toward production at Montauban, strengthening the financial leadership and corporate infrastructure of the Company is a critical priority. Jason’s experience working with publicly listed companies and his deep understanding of capital markets, financial reporting, and corporate governance make him an excellent addition to our leadership team as we continue building ESGold into a producing mining company.”*

Mr. Robb added, *“We are assembling the operational and financial framework required to support ESGold’s next phase of growth, including production, expansion of exploration activities, and continued engagement with the capital markets. Jason’s appointment represents another important step in that process.”*

Mr. Tong commented: *“I am pleased to be joining ESGold at such an exciting time in the Company’s development. With a fully permitted project, a clear path toward production, and*

expanding exploration potential at Montauban, ESGold is entering an important stage of growth. I look forward to working with the management team and Board to support the Company's financial strategy as it transitions toward becoming a producing gold and silver company."

The Company announces Mr. Tony Giuliano is no longer with the company. The Company wishes Mr. Giuliano the best in his future endeavors.

AXINO Capital Engagement Disclosures

Further to the Company's previously announced engagement of AXINO Capital GmbH ("AXINO") for investor relations and corporate communications in Europe, the Company provides the following additional disclosures pursuant to the Canadian Securities Exchange ("CSE") Policy 7.3 and will file the requisite CSE forms for this matter. The investor relation activities and promotional activities by AXINO will be conducted by AXINO Capital GmbH, Eugenie-von-Soden-Strasse 24/1, 73728 Esslingen, Germany; email: office@axino.com; telephone: +49 (711) 82097210. AXINO's Managing Director is Wolfgang Seybold and AXINO is an arm's-length service provider to the Company.

Under the 12-month agreement between the Company and AXINO commencing March 1, 2026, AXINO will receive total cash compensation of €60,000, payable €15,000 in advance on March 1, June 1, September 1 and December 1, 2026, plus €500 per press release for German newswire dissemination (if used). The compensation includes no options or other securities-based compensation.

About ESGold Corp.

[ESGold Corp.](#) (CSE: ESAU | OTCQB: ESAUF | FSE: Z7D) is a fully permitted, fully funded, pre-production mining company advancing a scalable clean mining model across North and South America. The Company's flagship Montauban Gold-Silver Project in Quebec is under construction with production anticipated in 2026. With a dual-track strategy of cash flow today and discovery tomorrow, ESGold is building a platform for clean, sustainable growth and long-term shareholder value.

For more information, please contact ESGold Corp. at **+1-888-370-1059** or visit esgold.com for additional resources, including a French version of this press release, past news releases, a 3D model of the Montauban processing plant, media interviews, and opinion-editorial pieces.

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For further information please contact ir@esgold.com or 604-885-1348, or to connect directly, please reach out to Gordon Robb, CEO of ESGold Corp. at gordon@esgold.com or **250-217-2321**.

On behalf of the Board of Directors

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Forward Looking Statements

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These forward-looking statements reflect the Company's current views with respect to future events and are necessarily based upon a number of assumptions that, while considered reasonable by the Company, are inherently subject to significant operational, business, economic and regulatory uncertainties and contingencies. These assumptions include, among other things: conditions in general economic and financial markets; accuracy of assay results; geological interpretations from drilling results, timing and amount of capital expenditures; performance of available laboratory and other related services; future operating costs; the historical basis for current estimates of potential quantities and grades of target zones; the availability of skilled labour and no labour related disruptions at any of the Company's operations; no unplanned delays or interruptions in scheduled activities; all necessary permits, licenses and regulatory approvals for operations are received in a timely manner; the ability to secure and maintain title and ownership to properties and the surface rights necessary for operations; and the Company's ability to comply with environmental, health and safety laws. The foregoing list of assumptions is not exhaustive.

The Company cautions the reader that forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause actual results and developments to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements contained in this news release and the Company has made assumptions and estimates based on or related to many of these factors. Such factors include, without limitation: the timing and content of work programs; results of exploration activities and development of mineral properties; the interpretation and uncertainties of drilling results and other geological data; receipt, maintenance and security of permits and mineral property titles; environmental and other regulatory risks; project costs overruns or unanticipated costs and expenses; availability of funds; failure to delineate potential quantities and grades of the target zones based on historical data; general market and industry conditions; and those factors identified under the caption "Risks Factors" in the Company's continuous disclosure documents filed on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.com.

Forward-looking statements are based on the expectations and opinions of the Company's management on the date the statements are made. The assumptions used in the preparation of such statements, although considered reasonable at the time of preparation, may prove to be imprecise and, as such, readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date the statements were made. The Company undertakes no obligation to update or revise any forward-looking statements included in this news release if these beliefs, estimates and opinions or other circumstances should change, except as otherwise required by applicable law.

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