# EUROPEAN LITHIUM LIMITED ACN 141 450 624

# **CLEANSING PROSPECTUS**

For an offer of up to 20,000 Shares at an issue price of \$0.05 per Share to raise up to \$1,000 (before expenses) (**Offer**).

This Prospectus has been prepared primarily for the purpose of Section 708A(11) of the Corporations Act to remove any trading restrictions on the sale of Shares issued by the Company prior to the Closing Date.

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

This is an important document that should be read in its entirety. If you do not understand it you should consult your professional advisers without delay. The Shares offered by this Prospectus should be considered highly speculative.

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# 1. CORPORATE DIRECTORY

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\* These entities have not been involved in the preparation of this Prospectus and have not consented to being named in this Prospectus. Their names are included for information purposes only.

# 2. SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT DATES AND IMPORTANT NOTES

# 2.1 Indicative Timetable

Action	Date
Lodgement of Prospectus with the ASIC and ASX	23 December 2016
Opening Date	23 December 2016
Closing Date*	3 January 2017
Expected date for quotation of Shares issued under the Offer on ASX*	5 January 2017

\* The above dates are indicative only and may change without notice. The Directors reserve the right to vary these dates, including the Closing Date, without notice. The Company also reserves the right not to proceed with the Offer at any time before the issue of Shares to applicants.

# 2.2 Important Notes

This Prospectus is dated 23 December 2016 and was lodged with the ASIC on that date. The ASIC and its officers take no responsibility for the contents of this Prospectus or the merits of the investment to which this Prospectus relates.

No Shares may be issued on the basis of this Prospectus later than 13 months after the date of this Prospectus.

The Offer is only available to those who are personally invited to accept the Offer. Applications for Shares offered pursuant to this Prospectus can only be submitted on an original Application Form which accompanies this Prospectus.

This Prospectus is a transaction specific prospectus for an offer of continuously quoted securities (as defined in the Corporations Act) and has been prepared in accordance with Section 713 of the Corporations Act. It does not contain the same level of disclosure as an initial public offering prospectus. In making representations in this Prospectus, regard has been had to the fact that the Company is a disclosing entity for the purposes of the Corporations Act and certain matters may reasonably be expected to be known to investors and professional advisers whom potential investors may consult.

#### 2.3 Investment Advice

This Prospectus does not provide investment advice and has been prepared without taking account of your financial objectives, financial situation or particular needs (including financial or taxation issues). You should seek professional investment advice before subscribing for Shares under this Prospectus.

#### 2.4 Risk factors

Potential investors should be aware that subscribing for Shares in the Company involves a number of risks. The key risk factors of which investors should be aware are set out in the Section 6 of this Prospectus. These risks together with other general risks applicable to all investments in listed securities not specifically referred to, may affect the value of the Shares in the future. Accordingly, an investment in the Company should be considered highly speculative. Investors should consider consulting their professional advisers before deciding whether to apply for Shares pursuant to this Prospectus.

# 2.5 Applicants outside Australia

The distribution of this Prospectus in jurisdictions outside Australia may be restricted by law and persons who come into possession of this Prospectus should seek advice on and observe any of these restrictions. Any failure to comply with such restrictions may constitute a violation of applicable securities laws. This Prospectus does not constitute an offer of Shares in any jurisdiction where, or to any person to whom, it would be unlawful to issue in this Prospectus.

# 2.6 Disclaimer

No person is authorised to give information or to make any representation in connection with the Offer described in this Prospectus, which is not contained in the Prospectus. Any information or representation not so contained may not be relied on as having been authorised by the Company in connection with the Offer. You should rely only on information in this Prospectus.

# 2.7 Forward-looking statements

This Prospectus contains forward-looking statements which are identified by words such as 'may', 'could', 'believes', 'estimates', 'targets', 'expects', or 'intends' and other similar words that involve risks and uncertainties.

These statements are based on an assessment of present economic and operating conditions, and on a number of assumptions regarding future events and actions that, as at the date of this Prospectus, are expected to take place.

Such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other important factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Company, the Directors and our management.

The Company cannot and do not give any assurance that the results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements contained in this prospectus will actually occur and investors are cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements.

The Company have no intention to update or revise forward-looking statements, or to publish prospective financial information in the future, regardless of whether new information, future events or any other factors affect the information contained in this prospectus, except where required by law.

These forward looking statements are subject to various risk factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from the results expressed or anticipated in these statements. These risk factors are set out in Section 6 of this Prospectus.

# 2.8 Website

No document or information included on the Company's website is incorporated by reference into this Prospectus.

# 3. DETAILS OF THE OFFER

# 3.1 The Offer

Pursuant to this Prospectus, the Company invites investors identified by the Directors to apply for up to 20,000 Shares at an issue price of \$0.05 per Share, to raise up to \$1,000 (before expenses).

The Offer will only be extended to specific parties on invitation from the Directors. Application Forms will only be provided by the Company to these parties.

The Shares offered under this Prospectus will rank equally with the existing Shares on issue. A high-level summary of the material rights and liabilities attaching to the Shares is set out in Section 5.

#### 3.2 Minimum subscription

There is no minimum subscription.

#### 3.3 Oversubscriptions

No oversubscriptions will be accepted by the Company.

#### 3.4 Purpose of the Offer

The primary purpose of this Prospectus is to remove any trading restrictions that may have attached to Shares issued by the Company prior to the Closing Date (including prior to the date of this Prospectus).

Relevantly, Section 708A(11) of the Corporations Act provides that a sale offer does not need disclosure to investors if:

- (a) the relevant securities are in a class of securities that are quoted securities of the body; and
- (b) either:
  - (i) a prospectus is lodged with the ASIC on or after the day on which the relevant securities were issued but before the day on which the sale offer is made; or
  - (ii) a prospectus is lodged with ASIC before the day on which the relevant securities are issued and offers of securities that have been made under the prospectus are still open for acceptance on the day on which the relevant securities were issued; and
- (c) the prospectus is for an offer of securities issued by the body that are in the same class of securities as the relevant securities.

#### **Background**

As part of the acquisition of European Lithium AT (Investments) Limited, and as set out in the Company's Second Replacement Prospectus, the Company agreed to issue the EL Shareholders (or their nominees):

(a) 187,500,000 Shares (which were issued at settlement of the Company's acquisition of ELA); and

(b) 62,500,000 Shares upon ELA (which means any company in the ELA group post settlement of the Company's acquisition of ELA) upgrading the JORC resource for the Project to a minimum of 4,500,000 tonnes inferred resource of 1.3% Li<sub>2</sub>O (**Tranche 2 Consideration Shares**).

On 21 November 2016 the Company announced to ASX that it had upgraded the JORC Code (2012) compliant resource tonnes by 75% and the contained lithium by 33% for the Project. This satisfies the milestone for the issue of the Tranche 2 Consideration Shares.

The following trading restrictions apply to the Tranche 2 Consideration Shares:

- (a) 43,101,591 Shares are escrowed until 20 September 2017;
- (b) 17,682,205 Shares are escrowed until 20 September 2018; and
- (c) 1,716,204 Shares are not subject to any escrow period.

Further, pursuant to the Lead Manager Mandate, summarised in the Company's Second Replacement Prospectus, the Company agreed to issue EverBlu Capital Pty Ltd (or its nominees) a total of 31,250,000 Shares as part of the fees for EverBlu Capital Pty Ltd acting as lead manager to the capital raising the subject of the Second Replacement Prospectus. 23,437,500 Shares were issued at settlement of the acquisition of ELA and 7,812,500 Shares are to be issued in accordance with the terms of the Tranche 2 Consideration Shares. The 7,812,500 Shares to be issued to EverBlu Capital Pty Ltd (or its nominees) are escrowed until 20 September 2018.

Further, pursuant to agreements entered into between the Company and various historic creditors, the Company will issue approximately 1,898,770 Shares to these entities in satisfaction of fees owed to them. These Share issues will occur on 30 December 2016 and will be based on the volume-weighted average price of Shares for the previous five days.

# 3.5 Applications

Applications for Shares under the Offer must only be made by investors at the direction of the Company and using the Application Form accompanying this Prospectus. By completing an Application Form, you will be taken to have declared that all details and statements made by you are complete and accurate and that you have received personally the Application Form together with a complete and unaltered copy of the Prospectus.

Payment for Shares must be made in full at the issue price of \$0.05 per Share.

Completed Application Forms and accompanying cheques, made payable to "EUROPEAN LITHIUM LIMITED" and crossed "Not Negotiable", must be mailed or delivered to the address set out on the Application Form by no later than the Closing Date.

The Company reserves the right to close the Offer early.

# 3.6 Not underwritten

The Offer is not underwritten.

# 3.7 ASX listing

Application for Official Quotation by ASX of the Shares offered pursuant to this Prospectus will be made within 7 days after the date of this Prospectus. If the Shares are not admitted to Official Quotation by ASX before the expiration of 3 months after the date of issue of this Prospectus, or such period as varied by the ASIC, the Company will not issue any Shares and will repay all application monies for the Shares within the time prescribed under the Corporations Act, without interest.

The fact that ASX may grant Official Quotation to the Shares is not to be taken in any way as an indication of the merits of the Company or the Shares now offered for subscription.

#### 3.8 Issue

The issue of Shares offered by this Prospectus will take place as soon as practicable after the Closing Date. Pending the issue of the Shares or payment of refunds pursuant to this Prospectus, all application monies will be held by the Company in trust for the Applicants in a separate bank account as required by the Corporations Act. The Company, however, will be entitled to retain all interest that accrues on the bank account and each Applicant waives the right to claim interest.

The Directors will determine the recipients of all the Shares. The Directors reserve the right to reject any application or to allocate any applicant fewer Shares than the number applied for. Where the number of Shares issued is less than the number applied for, or where no issue is made, surplus application monies will be refunded without any interest to the applicant as soon as practicable after the Closing Date. Interest will not be paid on moneys refunded.

The Company's decision on the number of Shares to be allocated to an Applicant will be final.

# 3.9 Defects in Applications

If an Application Form is not completed correctly or if the accompanying payment is the wrong amount, the Company may, in its discretion, still treat the Application Form to be valid. The Company's decision to treat an application as valid, or how to construe, amend or complete it, will be final.

# 3.10 Applicants outside Australia

The distribution of this Prospectus outside the Commonwealth of Australia may be restricted by law.

This Offer does not, and is not intended to, constitute an offer in any place or jurisdiction in which, or to any person to whom, it would not be lawful to make such an offer or to issue this Prospectus.

Residents of countries outside Australia should consult their professional advisers as to whether any government or other consents are required, or whether any formalities need to be observed should they wish to make an application to take up Shares on the basis of this Prospectus. The return of a duly completed Application Form will be taken to constitute a representation and warranty that there has been no breach of such laws and that all approvals and consents have been obtained.

# 3.11 Enquiries

Any questions concerning the Offer should be directed to Ms Amy Fink, Company Secretary, on +61 8 6181 9792.

# 4. PURPOSE AND EFFECT OF THE OFFER

# 4.1 Purpose of the Offer

The primary purpose of this Prospectus is to remove any trading restrictions that may have attached to Shares issued by the Company prior to the Closing Date, (including prior to the date of this Prospectus).

Under the Offer, an amount of approximately \$1,000 (before expenses) may be raised. All of the funds raised (if any) from the Offer will be applied towards the expenses of the Offer. Refer to Section 7.8 for further details relating to the estimated expenses of the Offer.

# 4.2 Effect on capital structure

The effect of the Offer on the capital structure of the Company is set out below.

#### Shares

	Number
Shares currently on issue	361,884,750
Tranche 2 Consideration Shares to be issued to EL Shareholders <sup>1</sup>	62,500,000
Shares to be issued to EverBlu Capital Pty Ltd (or its nominees) <sup>2</sup>	7,812,500
Approximate number of Shares to be issued to historic creditors <sup>3</sup>	1,898,770
Shares offered pursuant to the Offer	20,000
Total Shares on completion of the Offer	434,116,020

#### Notes:

<sup>1</sup> To be issued on the date of this Prospectus. Refer to Section 3.4 for further details of this Share issue. 43,101,591 of these Shares are escrowed until 20 September 2017, 17,682,205 of these Shares are escrowed until 20 September 2018 and 1,716,204 are not subject to any escrow period.

<sup>2</sup> To be issued on the date of this Prospectus. Refer to Section 3.4 for further details of this Share issue. All of these Shares are escrowed until 20 September 2018.

<sup>3</sup> To be issued on 30 December 2016. Refer to Section 3.4 for further details of this Share issue.

# Options

	Number
Unquoted; exercise price \$0.10 each; expiry date 30 June 2020	200,000,000
Unquoted; exercise price \$0.125; expiry date 27 February 2020	8,000,000
Total Options on issue	208,000,000

# 4.3 Financial effect of the Offer

After paying for the expenses of the Offer of approximately \$12,000, there will be no proceeds from the Offer. The expenses of the Offer (exceeding \$1,000) will be met from the Company's existing cash reserves. The Offer will have an effect on the Company's financial position, being receipt of funds of \$1,000 less expenses of the Offer of \$12,000.

# 5. RIGHTS ATTACHING TO SHARES

The following is a summary of the more significant rights attaching to Shares to be issued pursuant to this Prospectus. This summary is not exhaustive and does not constitute a definitive statement of the rights and liabilities of Shareholders. To obtain such a statement, persons should seek independent legal advice.

Full details of the rights attaching to Shares are set out in the Constitution, a copy of which is available for inspection at the Company's registered office during normal business hours.

# 5.1 General meetings

Shareholders are entitled to be present in person, or by proxy, attorney or representative to attend and vote at general meetings of the Company.

Shareholders may requisition meetings in accordance with Section 249D of the Corporations Act and the Constitution.

# 5.2 Voting rights

Subject to any rights or restrictions for the time being attached to any class or classes of Shares, at general meetings of Shareholders or classes of Shareholders:

- (a) each Shareholder entitled to vote may vote in person or by proxy, attorney or representative;
- (b) on a show of hands, every person present who is a Shareholder or a proxy, attorney or representative of a Shareholder has one vote; and
- (c) on a poll, every person present who is a Shareholder or a proxy, attorney or representative of a Shareholder shall, in respect of each fully paid Share held by him, or in respect of which he is appointed a proxy, attorney or representative, have one vote for the Share, but in respect of partly paid Shares shall have such number of votes as bears the same proportion to the total of such Shares registered in the Shareholder's name as the amount paid (not credited) bears to the total amounts paid and payable (excluding amounts credited).

# 5.3 Dividend rights

Subject to the rights of any preference Shareholders and to the rights of the holders of any shares created or raised under any special arrangement as to dividend, the Directors may from time to time declare a dividend to be paid to the Shareholders entitled to the dividend which shall be payable on all Shares according to the proportion that the amount paid (not credited) is of the total amounts paid and payable (excluding amounts credited) in respect of such Shares.

The Directors may from time to time pay to the Shareholders any interim dividends as they may determine. No dividend shall carry interest as against the Company. The Directors may set aside out of the profits of the Company any amounts that they may determine as reserves, to be applied at the discretion of the Directors, for any purpose for which the profits of the Company may be properly applied.

Subject to the ASX Listing Rules and the Corporations Act, the Company may, by resolution of the Directors, implement a dividend reinvestment plan on such terms and conditions as the Directors think fit and which provides for any dividend which

the Directors may declare from time to time payable on Shares which are participating Shares in the dividend reinvestment plan, less any amount which the Company shall either pursuant to the Constitution or any law be entitled or obliged to retain, be applied by the Company to the payment of the subscription price of Shares.

# 5.4 Winding-up

If the Company is wound up, the liquidator may, with the authority of a special resolution of the Company, divide among the shareholders in kind the whole or any part of the property of the Company, and may for that purpose set such value as he considers fair upon any property to be so divided, and may determine how the division is to be carried out as between the Shareholders or different classes of Shareholders.

The liquidator may, with the authority of a special resolution of the Company, vest the whole or any part of any such property in trustees upon such trusts for the benefit of the contributories as the liquidator thinks fit, but so that no Shareholder is compelled to accept any Shares or other securities in respect of which there is any liability.

# 5.5 Shareholder liability

As the Shares under the Prospectus are fully paid shares, they are not subject to any calls for money by the Directors and will therefore not become liable for forfeiture.

# 5.6 Transfer of Shares

Generally, Shares are freely transferable, subject to formal requirements, the registration of the transfer not resulting in a contravention of or failure to observe the provisions of a law of Australia and the transfer not being in breach of the Corporations Act or the ASX Listing Rules.

# 5.7 Variation of rights

Pursuant to Section 246B of the Corporations Act, the Company may, with the sanction of a special resolution passed at a meeting of Shareholders vary or abrogate the rights attaching to Shares.

If at any time the share capital is divided into different classes of Shares, the rights attached to any class (unless otherwise provided by the terms of issue of the shares of that class), whether or not the Company is being wound up, may be varied or abrogated with the consent in writing of the holders of three-quarters of the issued shares of that class, or if authorised by a special resolution passed at a separate meeting of the holders of the shares of that class.

# 5.8 Alteration of Constitution

The Constitution can only be amended by a special resolution passed by at least three quarters of Shareholders present and voting at the general meeting. In addition, at least 28 days written notice specifying the intention to propose the resolution as a special resolution must be given.

#### 6. **RISK FACTORS**

### 6.1 Introduction

The Shares offered under this Prospectus are considered highly speculative. An investment in the Company is not risk free and the Directors strongly recommend potential investors to consider the key specific risk factors described below, together with information contained elsewhere in this Prospectus and to consult their professional advisers before deciding whether to apply for Shares pursuant to this Prospectus.

There are specific risks which relate directly to the Company's business. In addition, there are other general risks, many of which are largely beyond the control of the Company and the Directors. The risks identified in this Section, or other risk factors, may have a material impact on the financial performance of the Company and the market price of the Shares.

The following is not intended to be an exhaustive list of the risk factors to which the Company is exposed.

#### 6.2 Specific Risks

#### (a) Access Risk

As previously disclosed by the Company, there is an ongoing dispute with the landowner of the property where ECM AT's exploration and mining licenses are situated, Glock Gut-und Forstverwaltung (**Glock Gut**), regarding the interpretation of a 2011 waiver agreement between the Company and Glock Gut. The dispute has been referred to arbitration and the tribunal hearing date is scheduled for 14 February 2017.

During this dispute Glock Gut lodged objections to the Company's applications for the permits required to undertake its surface drilling programme. Following a court hearing in Wolfsberg, a settlement agreement was reached between the Company and Glock Gut whereby the latter withdrew all objections and accepted compensation payments of €2,000/month for use of forest roads whilst the Company agreed to furnish a bank guarantee of €150,000 to remedy any damage caused to Glock Gut property and not repaired by the Company in the course of its exploration activities. This agreement became effective on 9 November 2016 and is valid until 30 June 2017.

In November 2016, Glock Gut served notice on ECM AT stating that the 2011 waiver agreement is terminated for cause alleging that ECM AT does not have the financial resources to remedy damage to Glock Gut property. ECM AT has responded that it rejects the termination on the basis that there are no grounds for 'cause'. The validity of the 2011 waiver agreement is a main item for the arbitration proceedings.

The Company confirms that all required permits have been received and the surface drilling programme is in progress. The Company expects that the drilling programme will be completed before the expiration of the settlement agreement (30 June 2017). The Company also expects that the arbitration proceedings will be concluded before the expiration of the settlement agreement. The Company is confident that the outcome of the arbitration will be positive, but cannot guarantee this. There is a risk that if the arbitration proceedings are not finalised in favour of the Company, ECM AT may be inhibited from undertaking further exploration work on the property after expiration of the settlement agreement.

# (b) Early stages of operations

The Company's wholly-owned subsidiary, European Lithium AT (Investments) Limited's operations are at an early stage of development and success will depend on the Company's ability to implement their strategy and generate cash flow from its lithium projects. There can be no guarantee that the Company can or will be able, or that it will be commercially advantageous for the Company, to develop the Project. The Company will not generate any material income until its excavation, processing and production facilities have been developed and have successfully commenced operating.

# (c) Laws and regulations

The Company's subsidiaries are subject to laws in various jurisdictions, including the British Virgin Islands (where ELA is registered) and Austria (where ELA's wholly owned subsidiary ECM Lithium AT GmbH and holder of the Project is located). Existing and future legislation, regulation and actions could cause additional expense, capital expenditure and restrictions and delays in the activities of the Company, the extent of which cannot be predicted. No assurance can be given that new laws, rules and regulations will not be enacted or existing laws, rules and regulations will not be applied in a manner which could limit or curtail certain of the Company's activities or services.

# (d) Further Exploration Costs

The exploration costs of the Company are based on certain assumptions with respect to the method and timing of exploration. By their nature, these estimates and assumptions are subject to significant uncertainties and, accordingly, the actual costs may materially differ from these estimates and assumptions. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that the cost estimates and the underlying assumptions will be realised in practice, which may materially and adversely affect the Company's viability.

# (e) Reserve and Resource Estimates

No assurance can be given that any estimated reserves and resources that are estimated by the Company will be recovered or that they will be recovered at the rates estimated. Mineral and reserve and resource estimates are based on limited sampling, and, consequently, are uncertain because the samples may not be representative. Mineral and reserve and resource estimates may require revision (either up or down) based on actual production experience. Any future reserve and/or resource figures will be estimates and there can be no assurance that the minerals are present, will be recovered or that it can be brought into profitable production. Furthermore, a decline in the market price for natural resources that the Company may discover or invest in could render reserves containing relatively lower grades of these resources uneconomic to recover and may ultimately result in a restatement of reserves.

# (f) Operational risk

The operations of the Company may be affected by various factors, including failure to locate or identify mineral deposits, failure to achieve predicted grades in exploration and mining, operational and technical difficulties encountered in mining, difficulties in commissioning and operating plant and equipment, mechanical failure or plant breakdown, unanticipated metallurgical problems which may affect extraction costs, adverse weather conditions, industrial and environmental accidents, industrial disputes and unexpected shortages or increases in the costs of consumables, spare parts, plant and equipment.

No assurances can be given that the Company will achieve commercial viability through the successful exploration and/or mining of its tenement interests. Until the Company is able to realise value from its projects, it is likely to incur ongoing operating losses.

# (g) Risks associated with operations in Austria

# (i) Government regulation and political risk

ELA's operating activities are subject to laws and regulations governing expropriation of property, health and worker safety, employment standards, waste disposal, protection of the environment, mine development, land and water use, mineral production, exports, taxes, prospecting, labour standards, occupational health standards, toxic wastes, the protection of endangered and protected species and other matters. While ELA believes that it is in substantial compliance with all material current laws and regulations affecting its activities, future changes in applicable laws, regulations, agreements or changes in their enforcement or regulatory interpretation could result in changes in legal requirements or in the terms of existing permits and agreements applicable to the Company or its subsidiaries or its properties, which could have a material adverse impact on ELA's current operations or planned development projects. Where required, obtaining necessary permits and licences can be a complex, time consuming process and the Company cannot be sure whether any necessary permits will be obtainable on acceptable terms, in a timely manner or at all. The costs and delays associated with obtaining necessary permits and complying with these permits and applicable laws and regulations could stop or materially delay or restrict the Company or its subsidiaries from proceeding with any future exploration or development of its properties. Any failure to comply with applicable laws and regulations or permits, even if inadvertent, could result in interruption or closure of exploration, development or mining operations or material fines, penalties or other liabilities.

# (ii) Permits

The Company's operations are subject to receiving and maintaining licences and permits from appropriate governmental authorities. These is no assurance that delays will not occur in connection with obtaining all necessary renewals of licences/permits from the existing operations, additional licences/permits for any possible future changes to operations, or additional permits associated with new legislation. Prior to any development on any of its properties, subsidiaries of the Company must receive licences/permits from appropriate Governmental authorities. There is no certainty that ECM AT will continue to hold all licences/permits necessary to develop or continue operating at any particular property.

# (iii) Governmental regulation of the mining industry

The activities of ELA are subject to various laws governing prospecting, development, production, taxes, labour standards and occupational health, mine safety, toxic substances and other matters. Mining and exploration activities are also subject to various laws and regulations relating to the protection of the environment. Although ELA believes that its activities are currently carried out in accordance with all applicable rules and regulations, no assurance can be given that new rules and regulations will not be enacted or that existing rules and regulations will not be applied in a manner that could limit or curtail production or development of the Company's properties. Amendments to current laws and regulations governing the operations and activities of the Company or more stringent implementation thereof could have a material adverse effect on the Company's business, financial condition and results of operations. Failure to comply strictly with applicable laws, regulations and local practices relating to mineral right application and tenure, could result in loss, reduction or expropriation of entitlements, or the imposition of additional local or foreign parties as joint venture partners with carried or other interests. The occurrence of these various factors and uncertainties cannot be accurately predicted and could have an adverse effect on the Company's operations or profitability.

# (h) Exploration risks

Mining exploration and development is a high risk undertaking. The success of the Company depends on the delineation of economically minable reserves and resources, access to required development capital, movement in the price of commodities, securing and maintaining title to the Company's exploration and mining tenements and obtaining all consents and approvals necessary for the conduct of its exploration activities. Exploration of EL AT's existing licences may be unsuccessful, resulting in a reduction of the value of those licences, diminution in the cash reserves of the Company. The exploration costs of the Company are based on certain assumptions with respect to the method and timing of exploration. By their nature, these estimates and assumptions are subject to significant uncertainties and, accordingly, the actual costs may materially differ from these estimates and assumptions. Accordingly, no assurance can be given that cost estimates and underlying assumptions will be realised in practice, which may materially and adversely affect the Company's viability.

# (i) Environmental

The operations and proposed activities of the Company are subject to laws and regulations concerning the environment. As with most exploration projects and mining operations, the Company's activities are expected to have an impact on the environment, particularly if advanced exploration or mine development proceeds. It is the Company's intention to conduct its activities to the highest standard of environmental obligation, including compliance with all environmental laws.

Mining operations have inherent risks and liabilities associated with safety and damage to the environment and the disposal of waste products occurring as a result of mineral exploration and production. The occurrence of any such safety or environmental incident could delay production or increase production costs. Events, such as unpredictable rainfall or bushfires may impact on the Company's ongoing compliance with environmental legislation, regulations and licences. Significant liabilities could be imposed on the Company for damages, clean-up costs or penalties in the event of certain discharges into the environment, environmental damage caused by previous operations or noncompliance with environmental laws or regulations.

The disposal of mining and process waste and mine water discharge are under constant legislative scrutiny and regulation. There is a risk that environmental laws and regulations become more onerous making the Company's operations more expensive.

Approvals are required for land clearing and for ground disturbing activities. Delays in obtaining such approvals can result in the delay to anticipated exploration programmes or mining activities.

# (j) Mine development

Possible future development of a mining operation at any of the Company's projects is dependent on a number of factors including, but not limited to, the acquisition and/or delineation of economically recoverable mineralisation, favourable geological conditions, receiving the necessary approvals from all relevant authorities and parties, seasonal weather patterns, unanticipated technical and operational difficulties encountered in extraction and production activities, mechanical failure of operating plant and equipment, shortages or increases in the price of consumables, spare parts and plant and equipment, cost overruns, access to the required level of funding and contracting risk from third parties providing essential services.

If the Company commences production, its operations may be disrupted by a variety of risks and hazards which are beyond its control, including environmental hazards, industrial accidents, technical failures, labour disputes, unusual or unexpected rock formations, flooding and extended interruptions due to inclement of hazardous weather conditions and fires, explosions or accidents. No assurance can be given that the Company will achieve commercial viability through the development or mining of its projects and treatment of ore.

# (k) Insurance risks

There are significant exploration and operating risks associated with exploring for lithium, including adverse weather conditions, environmental risks and fire, all of which can result in injury to persons as well as damage to or destruction of the extraction plant, equipment, production facilities and other property. In addition, the Company's subsidiaries will be subject to liability for environmental risks such as pollution and abuse of the environment. The occurrences of a significant event against which the Company is not fully insured could have a material adverse effect on its operations and financial performance. In addition, in the future some or all of the Company's insurance coverage may become unavailable or prohibitively expensive.

# (I) Commodity price volatility and exchange rate risks

If the Company achieves success leading to mineral production, the revenue it will derive through the sale of commodities exposes the potential income of the Company to commodity price and exchange rate risks. Commodity prices fluctuate and are affected by many factors beyond the control of the Company. Such factors include supply and demand fluctuations for precious and base metals, technological advancements, forward selling activities and other macro-economic factors.

Furthermore, international prices of various commodities are denominated in United States dollars, whereas the income and expenditure of the Company are and will be taken into account in Australian currency, exposing the Company to the fluctuations and volatility of the rate of exchange between the United States dollar and the Australian dollar as determined in international markets.

# 6.3 General risks

# (a) Trading Price of Shares

The Company's operating results, economic and financial prospects and other factors will affect the trading price of the Shares. In addition, the price of Shares is subject to varied and often unpredictable influences on the market for equities, including, but not limited to general economic conditions including, inflation rates and interest rates, variations in the general market for listed stocks, changes to government policy, legislation or regulation, industrial disputes, general operational and business risks and hedging or arbitrage trading activity that may develop involving the Shares.

In particular, the share prices for many companies have been and may in the future be highly volatile, which in many cases may reflect a diverse range of non-company specific influences such as global hostilities and tensions relating to certain unstable regions of the world, acts of terrorism and the general state of the global economy. No assurances can be made that the Company's market performance will not be adversely affected by any such market fluctuations or factors.

# (b) Additional Requirements for Capital

The capital requirements of the Company depend on numerous factors. Depending on the ability of the Company to generate income from its operations, the Company may require further financing in addition to amounts raised under the Capital Raising. Any additional equity financing will dilute shareholdings, and debt financing, if available, may involve restrictions on financing and operating activities. If the Company is unable to obtain additional financing as needed, it may be required to reduce the scope of its operations.

# (c) Litigation Risks

The Company is exposed to possible litigation risks including contractual disputes, occupational health and safety claims and employee claims. Further, the Company may be involved in disputes with other parties in the future which may result in litigation. Any such claim or dispute if proven, may impact adversely on the Company's operations, financial performance and financial position. Neither the Company nor ELA is currently engaged in any litigation.

# (d) Economic Risks

General economic conditions, movements in interest and inflation rates may have an adverse effect on the Company's activities, as well as on its ability to fund those activities.

Further, share market conditions may affect the value of the Company's securities regardless of the Company's operating performance. Share market conditions are affected by many factors such as:

- (i) general economic outlook;
- (ii) interest rates and inflation rates;
- (iii) currency fluctuations;
- (iv) changes in investor sentiment toward particular market sectors (such as the exploration industry or the lithium sector within that industry);
- (v) the demand for, and supply of, capital; and
- (vi) terrorism or other hostilities.

# (e) Force Majeure

The Company, now or in the future may be adversely affected by risks outside the control of the Company including labour unrest, civil disorder, war, subversive activities or sabotage, extreme weather conditions, fires, floods, explosions or other catastrophes, epidemics or quarantine restrictions.

# (f) Acquisitions

As part of its business strategy, the Company may make acquisitions of, or significant investments in, companies, assets or projects complementary to the Company's existing operations. Any such future transactions are accompanied by the risks commonly encountered in making acquisitions of companies, assets and projects, such as integrating cultures and systems of operation, relocation of operations, short term strain on working capital requirements, achieving the short term operational goals and retaining key staff and customer and supplier relationships.

# 6.4 Investment speculative

The above list of risk factors ought not to be taken as exhaustive of the risks faced by the Company or by investors in the Company. The above factors, and others not specifically referred to above, may in the future materially affect the financial performance of the Company and the value of the Shares offered under this Prospectus.

Therefore, the Shares to be issued pursuant to this Prospectus carry no guarantee with respect to the payment of dividends, returns of capital or the market value of those Shares.

Potential investors should consider that the investment in the Company is highly speculative and should consult their professional advisers before deciding whether to apply for Shares pursuant to this Prospectus.

# 7. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

# 7.1 Litigation

As at the date of this Prospectus, the Company is not involved in any legal proceedings and the Directors are not aware of any legal proceedings pending or threatened against the Company.

# 7.2 Continuous Disclosure Obligations

The Company is a "disclosing entity" (as defined in Section 111AC of the Corporations Act) for the purposes of section 713 of the Corporations Act and, as such, is subject to regular reporting and disclosure obligations. Specifically, like all listed companies, the Company is required to continuously disclose any information it has to the market which a reasonable person would expect to have a material effect on the price or the value of the Company's securities.

This Prospectus is a "transaction specific prospectus". In general terms a "transaction specific prospectus" is only required to contain information in relation to the effect of the issue of securities on a company and the rights attaching to the securities. It is not necessary to include general information in relation to all of the assets and liabilities, financial position, profits and losses or prospects of the issuing company.

This Prospectus is intended to be read in conjunction with the publicly available information in relation to the Company which has been notified to ASX and does not include all of the information that would be included in a prospectus for an initial public offering of securities in an entity that is not already listed on a stock exchange. Investors should therefore have regard to the other publicly available information in relation to the Company before making a decision whether or not to invest.

Having taken such precautions and having made such enquires as are reasonable, the Company believes that it has complied with the general and specific requirements of ASX as applicable from time to time throughout the 3 months before the issue of this Prospectus which required the Company to notify ASX of information about specified events or matters as they arise for the purpose of ASX making that information available to the stock market conducted by ASX.

Information that is already in the public domain has not been reported in this Prospectus other than that which is considered necessary to make this Prospectus complete.

The Company, as a disclosing entity under the Corporations Act, states that:

- (a) it is subject to regular reporting and disclosure obligations;
- (b) copies of documents lodged with the ASIC in relation to the Company (not being documents referred to in section 1274(2)(a) of the Corporations Act) may be obtained from, or inspected at, the offices of the ASIC; and
- (c) it will provide a copy of each of the following documents, free of charge, to any person on request between the date of issue of this Prospectus and the Closing Date:
  - (i) the annual financial report most recently lodged by the Company with the ASIC;

- (ii) any half-year financial report lodged by the Company with the ASIC after the lodgement of the annual financial report referred to in (i) and before the lodgement of this Prospectus with the ASIC; and
- (iii) any continuous disclosure documents given by the Company to ASX in accordance with the ASX Listing Rules as referred to in section 674(1) of the Corporations Act after the lodgement of the annual financial report referred to in (i) and before the lodgement of this Prospectus with the ASIC.

Copies of all documents lodged with the ASIC in relation to the Company can be inspected at the registered office of the Company during normal office hours.

Details of documents lodged by the Company with ASX since the date of lodgement of the Company's latest annual financial report and before the lodgement of this Prospectus with the ASIC are set out in the table below.

Date	Description of Announcement	
23/12/2016	Sale of Paynes Find Gold Project for \$1,000,000	
22/12/2016	CVS: Acquisition of Paynes Find Gold Project	
20/12/2016	Wolfsberg Lithium Project - Progress Report	
08/12/2016	Research Report on European Lithium Limited	
28/11/2016	Transcript of FNN interview with Dr Steve Kesler, CEO	
24/11/2016	Results of Annual General Meeting	
21/11/2016	Company Presentation	
21/11/2016	75% Increase in JORC Code (2012) Compliant Resource Tonnes	
16/11/2016	Verification of Original Minerex Data Complete	
07/11/2016	High Grade Lithium Intersections at Wolfsbergy	
02/11/2016	High Grade Results from Channel Sampling	
02/11/2016	International Precious Metals & Commodities Show	
28/10/2016	30 September 2016 Quarterly Report	
24/10/2016	Notice of Annual General Meeting	
21/10/2016	European Lithium dual lists on the Frankfurt Stock Exchange	
20/10/2016	Commencement of Resource Extension Drilling	
18/10/2016	Trading Halt - Request	
18/10/2016	Trading Halt	
10/10/2016	Transcript of FNN Interview with Dr Steve Kesler, CEO	
04/10/2016	Company Presentation	
30/09/2016	Appendix 4G	

ASX maintains files containing publicly available information for all listed companies. The Company's file is available for inspection at ASX during normal office hours.

The announcements are also available through the Company's website at www.europeanlithium.com.

### 7.3 Market price of shares

The Company is a disclosing entity for the purposes of the Corporations Act and its Shares are enhanced disclosure securities quoted on ASX.

The highest, lowest and last market sale prices of the Shares on ASX during the three months immediately preceding the date of lodgement of this Prospectus with the ASIC and the respective dates of those sales were:

	(\$)	Date
Highest	0.072	15 November 2016
Lowest	est 0.044 7 December 2016	
Last	0.056	22 December 2016

#### 7.4 Substantial Shareholders

Based on substantial shareholder notices lodged prior to the date of this Prospectus, those persons which (together with their associates) have a relevant interest in 5% or more of the Shares on issue are set out below:

Shareholder	Shares	%
Dempsey Resources Pty Ltd / Cape Lambert Resources Limited	49,112,940	13.57
Exchange Minerals Limited	30,853,605	8.53

#### 7.5 Interests of Directors

Other than as set out below or elsewhere in this Prospectus, no Director or proposed Director holds, or has held within the 2 years preceding lodgement of this Prospectus with the ASIC, any interest in:

- (a) the formation or promotion of the Company;
- (b) any property acquired or proposed to be acquired by the Company in connection with:
  - (i) its formation or promotion; or
  - (ii) the Offer; or
- (c) the Offer,

and no amounts have been paid or agreed to be paid and no benefits have been given or agreed to be given to a Director or proposed Director:

- (a) as an inducement to become, or to qualify as, a Director; or
- (b) for services provided in connection with:
  - (i) the formation or promotion of the Company; or
  - (ii) the Offer.

# Security Holdings

Directors are not required under the Company's Constitution to hold any Shares to be eligible to act as a director. The relevant interest of each of the Directors in the securities of the Company as at the date of this Prospectus is set out in the table below:

Director	Shares	Options
Antony Sage	3,859,034 <sup>1</sup>	Nil
Paul Lloyd	Nil	6,000,000 <sup>2</sup>
Malcolm Day	13,708,062 <sup>3</sup>	2,000,0004

#### Notes:

<sup>1</sup> Shares owned by Okewood Pty Ltd, a company in which Mr Sage has a relevant interest. Okewood Pty Ltd will be issued an additional 1,286,345 Shares (in its capacity as an EL Shareholder) as part of the issue of the Tranche 2 Consideration Shares, bringing Mr Sage's total shareholding to 5,145,379 after the issue of the Tranche 2 Consideration Shares.

<sup>2</sup> Unquoted Options exercisable at \$0.125 each on or before 27 February 2020.

<sup>3</sup> 2,708,062 Shares held by Goldshore Investments Pty Ltd ATF The Goldshore Trust and the M R Day Superfund, Hollywood Marketing Pty Ltd, companies of which Mr Day is a director. 11,000,000 Shares held by Delecta Limited, a company in which Mr Day is a director.

<sup>4</sup> Unquoted Options exercisable at \$0.125 each on or before 27 February 2020.

No Director or any of their associates intend to participate in the Offer.

# Remuneration

The remuneration of an executive Director is decided by the Board, without the affected executive Director participating in that decision-making process. The total maximum remuneration of non-executive Directors is determined by ordinary resolution of Shareholders in general meeting in accordance with the Constitution, the Corporations Act and the ASX Listing Rules, as applicable. The determination of non-executive Directors' remuneration within that maximum will be made by the Board having regard to the inputs and value to the Company of the respective contributions by each non-executive Director.

A Director may be paid fees or other amounts (i.e. non-cash performance incentives such as Options, subject to any necessary Shareholder approval) as the other Directors determine where a Director performs special duties or otherwise performs services outside the scope of the ordinary duties of a Director. In addition, Directors are also entitled to be paid reasonable travelling, hotel and other expenses incurred by them respectively in or about the performance of their duties as Directors.

The following table shows the annual remuneration paid to both executive and non-executive Directors inclusive of superannuation for the past financial year and the proposed remuneration for financial year 2017.

	Financial Year 2017 (\$)	Financial Year 2016 (\$)
Antony Sage <sup>1</sup>	120,000	-
Paul Lloyd	48,000	174,500
Malcolm Day	48,000	43,333
TOTAL	216,000	217,833 <sup>2</sup>

Notes:

- 1. Appointed on 9 September 2016.
- 2. \$48,100 was also paid to former director, David Holden, who resigned on 9 September 2016.

#### 7.6 Interests of Experts and Advisers

Other than as set out below or elsewhere in this Prospectus, no:

- (a) person named in this Prospectus as performing a function in a professional, advisory or other capacity in connection with the preparation or distribution of this Prospectus;
- (b) promoter of the Company; or
- (c) underwriter (but not a sub-underwriter) to the issue or a financial services licensee named in this Prospectus as a financial services licensee involved in the issue,

holds, or has held within the 2 years preceding lodgement of this Prospectus with the ASIC, any interest in:

- (a) the formation or promotion of the Company;
- (b) any property acquired or proposed to be acquired by the Company in connection with:
  - (i) its formation or promotion; or
  - (ii) the Offer; or
- (c) the Offer,

and no amounts have been paid or agreed to be paid and no benefits have been given or agreed to be given to any of these persons for services provided in connection with:

- (a) the formation or promotion of the Company; or
- (b) the Offer.

Steinepreis Paganin has acted as the solicitors to the Company in relation to the Offer and associated due diligence process. The Company estimates it will pay Steinepreis Paganin \$12,000 (excluding GST and disbursements) for these services.

#### 7.7 Consents

Each of the parties referred to in this Section:

- (a) does not make, or purport to make, any statement in this Prospectus other than those referred to in this section; and
- (b) to the maximum extent permitted by law, expressly disclaim and take no responsibility for any part of this Prospectus other than a reference to its name and a statement included in this Prospectus with the consent of that party as specified in this section.

Steinepreis Paganin has given its written consent to being named as the solicitors to the Company in this Prospectus. Steinepreis Paganin has not withdrawn its consent prior to the lodgement of this Prospectus with the ASIC.

# 7.8 Expenses of the Offer

The total expenses of the Offer are estimated to be approximately \$12,000 (excluding GST) and are expected to comprise legal fees, printing and other administrative expenses, including ASIC fees. The estimated expenses will be paid out of the Company's existing working capital.

# 7.9 Electronic Prospectus

If you have received this Prospectus as an electronic Prospectus, please ensure that you have received the entire Prospectus accompanied by the Application Form. If you have not, please contact the Company and the Company will send you, for free, either a hard copy or a further electronic copy of this Prospectus or both. Alternatively, you may obtain a copy of this Prospectus from the website of the Company at www.europeanlithium.com.

The Company reserves the right not to accept an Application Form from a person if it has reason to believe that when that person was given access to the electronic Application Form, it was not provided together with the electronic Prospectus and any relevant supplementary or replacement prospectus or any of those documents were incomplete or altered.

# 7.10 Clearing House Electronic Sub-Register System (CHESS) and Issuer Sponsorship

The Company will apply to participate in CHESS, for those investors who have, or wish to have, a sponsoring stockbroker. Investors who do not wish to participate through CHESS will be issuer sponsored by the Company.

Electronic sub-registers mean that the Company will not be issuing certificates to investors. Instead, investors will be provided with statements (similar to a bank account statement) that set out the number of Shares issued to them under this Prospectus. The notice will also advise holders of their Holder Identification Number or Security Holder Reference Number and explain, for future reference, the sale and purchase procedures under CHESS and issuer sponsorship.

Electronic sub-registers also mean ownership of securities can be transferred without having to rely upon paper documentation.

Further monthly statements will be provided to holders if there have been any changes in their security holding in the Company during the preceding month.

#### 7.11 Privacy statement

If you complete an Application Form, you will be providing personal information to the Company. The Company collects, holds and will use that information to assess your application, service your needs as a Shareholder and to facilitate distribution payments and corporate communications to you as a Shareholder.

The information may also be used from time to time and disclosed to persons inspecting the register, including bidders for your securities in the context of takeovers, regulatory bodies including the Australian Taxation Office, authorised securities brokers, print service providers, mail houses and the share registry.

You can access, correct and update the personal information that we hold about you. If you wish to do so, please contact the share registry at the relevant contact number set out in this Prospectus.

Collection, maintenance and disclosure of certain personal information is governed by legislation including the Privacy Act 1988 (as amended), the Corporations Act and certain rules such as the ASX Settlement Operating Rules. You should note that if you do not provide the information required on the application for Shares, the Company may not be able to accept or process your application.

# 8. DIRECTORS' AUTHORISATION

This Prospectus is issued by the Company and its issue has been authorised by a resolution of the Directors.

In accordance with Section 720 of the Corporations Act, each Director has consented to the lodgement of this Prospectus with the ASIC.

Antony Sage Non-Executive Chairman For and on behalf of EUROPEAN LITHIUM LIMITED

### 9. GLOSSARY

\$ means an Australian dollar.

**Applicant** means an investor that applies for Shares under the Offer using an Application Form pursuant to this Prospectus.

**Application Form** means the application form attached to or accompanying this Prospectus relating to the Offer.

ASIC means Australian Securities & Investments Commission.

**ASX** means ASX Limited (ACN 008 624 691) or the financial market operated by it as the context requires.

ASX Listing Rules means the official listing rules of ASX.

**ASX Settlement Operating Rules** means the settlement rules of the securities clearing house which operates CHESS.

Board means the board of Directors as constituted from time to time.

**Closing Date** means the closing date of the Offer as set out in the indicative timetable in the Section 2.1 (subject to the Company reserving the right to extend the Closing Date or close the Offer early).

Company means European Lithium Limited (ACN 141 450 624).

Constitution means the constitution of the Company.

Corporations Act means the Corporations Act 2001 (Cth).

Directors means the directors of the Company at the date of this Prospectus.

ECM AT means ECM Lithium AT GmbH, a wholly owned subsidiary of ELA.

**ELA** means means European Lithium AT (Investments) Limited (Company Number 1629395), the Company's wholly owned subsidiary.

**EL Shareholders** means the holders of shares in European Lithium Limited (Company Number 1629378), a company registered in the British Virgin Islands.

Lead Manager Mandate means the mandate between the Company and EverBlu Capital Pty Ltd dated 16 June 2016.

Offer means the offer of Shares referred to in Section 3.

**Official Quotation** means official quotation by ASX in accordance with the ASX Listing Rules.

**Opening Date** means the opening date of the Offer as set out in the indicative timetable in the Section 2.1.

**Option** means an option to acquire a Share.

Project means the Wolfsberg Lithium Project, located in Austria.

Prospectus means this prospectus.

**Second Replacement Prospectus** means the second replacement prospectus lodged by the Company with ASIC and dated 28 July 2016.

Section means a section of this Prospectus.

Share means a fully paid ordinary share in the capital of the Company.

Shareholder means a holder of Shares.

**Term Sheet** means the binding term sheet between the Company and European Lithium Limited (Company Number 1629378), a company registered in the British Virgin Islands dated 5 May 2016 (and any amendments thereto).

Tranche 2 Consideration Shares has the meaning given in Section 3.4.

**WST** means Western Standard Time as observed in Perth, Western Australia.