



# LATEST DRILLING PROVIDES SARTENGA CONFIDENCE FOR WEST AFRICAN RESOURCES

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**THE DRILL SERGEANT:** West African Resources has reported the interception of further gold-copper mineralisation from two drill holes carried out on sections 2 and 3 at the company's 100 per cent-owned Sartenga copper-gold discovery, which is part of the Boulsa project, located in Burkina Faso.

"SDH004 and SDH005 have confirmed a sub-vertical southeast dip for high-grade gold-copper mineralisation at Sartenga, with the high-grade mineralisation returning results over three grams per tonne gold and 1.6 per cent copper," West African Resources managing director Richard Hyde said in the company's announcement to the Australian Securities Exchange.

"This information is critical for targeting sulphide (primary) mineralisation in drilling beneath the oxides over 1.2 kilometres of strike commencing next month."

According to West African diamond core hole SDH004 was drilled on Section 3 and intercepted multiple zones of gold-copper mineralisation including:

- 81 metres at 0.54 grams per tonne gold and 0.25 per cent copper from 54 metres, drilling through the oxide, transition and sulphide (fresh) zones.

This intercept included higher grade zones grading:

- 17m at 1.25g/t gold and 0.65 per cent copper from 62m and 9m at 0.72g/t gold and 0.27 per cent copper from 92m.

Diamond core hole SDH005 on Section 2, 400m southwest of SDH004, intercepted:

- 27m at 0.53g/t gold and 0.21 per cent copper from 42m, drilling through the oxide and transition zones.

This intercept included a higher grade zone of:

- 5m at 1.33g/t gold and 0.56 per cent copper from 50m.

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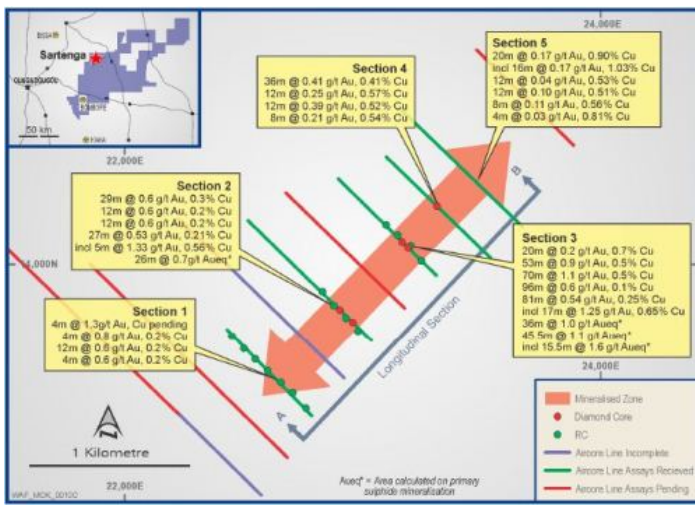
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Sartenga discovery exploration summary plan. Source: Company announcement

West African asserts the results from these two drill holes have confirmed broad zones of gold-copper mineralisation at Sartenga that are sub-vertical and that it considers this information to be critical for planning deeper drilling to target sulphide (primary) mineralisation over 1.2km strike starting next month.

The company indicated it intends fast-tracking the Sartenga discovery to resource status by end of 2012, in parallel with its Moktedu discovery.

West African also has a round of aircore drilling planned to commence in late October that will result in the completion of testing a three kilometre- plus high-tenor portion of a gold-insaprolite anomaly which remains open to the west, southwest and northeast.

The company said it anticipated this program would generate further sulphide targets.

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