



NEWS RELEASE

Ryan Matthews Appointed Senior Advisor and Counsel, Africa and the Middle East

Washington DC/October 20, 2017 – The New West Opportunities (NWO) Partnership is extremely pleased and excited to announce the appointment of Mr. Ryan Matthews as Senior Advisor and Counsel, Africa and the Middle East. Mr. Matthews will also assume the role of Co-Chair of the firm’s *Export Market Development* and *Energy Sector Strategy and Supply Chain Optimization* practice groups.

“New West continues to expand its project management and consulting activities within Africa and the Middle East,” said Shane Pospisil, NWO’s Chief Operating Officer. “Mr. Matthews’ appointment reflects our ongoing commitment to having senior-level project management expertise on the ground, and available on a real-time basis, to meet the needs of our many valued regional and multinational clients. Ryan is a great addition to an already strong team and will certainly hit the ground running with the depth and diversity of his experience and expertise.”

Jim Padilla, Senior Partner USA and Latin America added, “Mr. Matthews’ business reputation is built around highly-successful project management, innovation and continuous improvement in business execution, and business and export market development successes across Africa and the Middle East. Ryan’s results-oriented business experience in oil and gas, renewable energy, mining and extractives, and construction and infrastructure will only further strengthen the value proposition NWO offers its clients.”

Mr. Matthews, a former Deputy Director for Africa at *The Oil and Gas Council*, has long been recognized as one of South Africa’s leading business and community development consultants.

Over the years, Mr. Matthews has worked on a wide range of resource extraction, value-added service and supply chain optimization, and higher-profile trade promotion and investment attraction initiatives across South Africa, the African continent and the Middle East.

Mr. Matthews is a graduate of the University of Cape Town, with a Bachelor of Arts in Business and Social Sciences and an advanced postgraduate Merit List Diploma in Industrial Strategy and Marketing Management.

Individual video conference call sessions are currently being set-up with all existing African and Middle Eastern clients to formally introduce Mr. Matthews, the expanded NWO consulting and project management capabilities now available across the region, and to ensure a smooth transition in NWO's ongoing project execution leadership.

Mr. Matthews will be based out of our new Regional Office in Cape Town, South Africa and can be contacted directly at +27 79 939 9705, or by email at Ryan@NWOpportunities.com

On behalf of the entire New West Opportunities (NWO) North American and – now – truly global network of Partners and Associates...**Welcome to the Team Mr. Ryan Matthews!**

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