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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Directors of Ariadne Australia Limited (“the Company”) have approved the release of the Notice of Meeting and associated documents in respect of the Company’s upcoming Annual General Meeting (“AGM”) of shareholders. The Company advises shareholders that the AGM is to be held on Friday, 27 October 2023 at the premises of The Work Project (“TWP”), Level 2, 50 Bridge Street, Quay Quarter Tower, Sydney at 11.00am AEDT.

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Authorised for release by: The Board of Ariadne Australia Limited

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given that the Annual General Meeting ("AGM") of Ariadne Australia Limited ("Ariadne" or "the Company") will be held at 11:00am AEDT on Friday, 27 October 2023 at the premises of The Work Project ("TWP"), Level 2, 50 Bridge Street, Quay Quarter Tower, Sydney.

ORDINARY BUSINESS

Financial Statements and Reports for the year ended 30 June 2023

To receive and consider the Financial Report, the Directors' Report and the Auditor's Report for the financial year ended 30 June 2023.

Item 1 - Remuneration Report

To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"That the Remuneration Report contained in the Directors' Report provided to shareholders as part of the 2023 Annual Report be adopted".

Item 2 – Re-election of Mr John Murphy as a Director

To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"That Mr John Murphy, who retires by rotation in accordance with Rule 19 of the Company's Constitution, and being eligible, be re-elected as a Director of the Company".

Item 3 – Election of Mr David Hancock as a Director

To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"That Mr David Hancock, who was appointed in accordance with Rule 19 of the Company's Constitution on 1 March 2023, and being eligible, be elected as a Director of the Company".

Item 4 – Election of Mr Dean Smorgon as a Director

To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"That Mr Dean Smorgon, who was appointed in accordance with Rule 19 of the Company's Constitution on 1 March 2023, and being eligible, be elected as a Director of the Company".

Item 5 – Election of Mr Benjamin Seymour as a Director

To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolution as an ordinary resolution:

"That Mr Benjamin Seymour, who was appointed in accordance with Rule 19 of the Company's Constitution on 1 March 2023, and being eligible, be elected as a Director of the Company".

By order of the Board:

Natt McMahon

Company Secretary

15 September 2023

NOTES

Entitlement to Vote

For the purposes of the AGM, in accordance with Regulation 7.11.37 of the *Corporations Regulations 2001*, the Board of Directors ("Board") has determined that all shares in the Company will be taken to be held by the persons set out in the register of shareholders at 7:00pm AEDT on Wednesday, 25 October 2023. Accordingly, transactions registered after that time will be disregarded in determining shareholders entitled to attend and vote at the AGM of the Company. You may vote online during the AGM, by proxy or by authorised representative.

Voting in Person

To vote in person, attend the AGM on the date and at the place set out above.

Voting by Proxy

A shareholder entitled to attend and vote at the AGM has the right to appoint a proxy to attend and vote on behalf of the shareholders. A proxy need not be a shareholder of the Company. A proxy form (containing details of how to complete and sign the form) accompanies this Notice of AGM.

Any shareholder who is entitled to cast two or more votes may appoint two proxies and may specify the proportion or number of votes each proxy is appointed to exercise. If the shareholder appoints two proxies and the appointment does not specify the proportion or number of the shareholder's votes each proxy may exercise, each proxy may exercise one half of the shareholder's votes. Any shareholder wishing to appoint two proxies will need to use two proxy forms and may obtain an additional form from the Company.

To be valid, a proxy form must be signed by the shareholder. Proxies given by corporations must be signed in accordance with the constituent documents of the corporation or the laws in force in its place of incorporation, or by a duly appointed attorney. For Australian corporations, it is sufficient if the proxy is signed by two directors, a director and the secretary, or (in the case of a proprietary company) a person who is the sole director and secretary.

If you wish to appoint a proxy, the completed and signed proxy form (and, where relevant, the original or a certified copy of a power of attorney under which it is signed) must be received by the Company's Share Registrar, Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited, **no later than** 11:00 am AEDT on Wednesday, 25 October 2023. Any proxy form received after that time will not be valid for the scheduled AGM.

To appoint a proxy online, visit www.investorvote.com.au and follow the instructions on your personalised proxy form (online voting). Online voting is now mobile compatible so you can readily appoint a proxy straight from your device. To do this, enter www.investorvote.com.au directly into your mobile device and follow the instructions on your personalised proxy form or scanning the QR Code on the front of your proxy form. To scan the QR code you will need to download and install a QR Code Scanner application for your device.

Under the Company's Constitution, the Chairman of the Board will act as Chairman of the AGM. Where the Chairman is appointed as proxy, he intends voting undirected proxies in favour of all resolutions set out in the Notice of AGM.

Voting by Authorised Representative

A corporation may elect to appoint a representative in accordance with the *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth) ("Corporations Act"), in which case the Company will require written evidence of the representative's appointment which must be lodged with or presented to the Company before the meeting.

Documents may be lodged:

- Online at www.investorvote.com.au, and for Intermediary Online subscribers only (custodians) at www.intermediaryonline.com;
- By mail to Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited, GPO Box 242, Melbourne, VIC, 3001 Australia; or
- By facsimile to 1800 783 447 (within Australia) or + 61 3 9473 2555 (outside of Australia).

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Explanatory Memorandum accompanies the Notice of AGM of Ariadne to be held at the premises of The Work Project ("TWP"), Level 2, 50 Bridge Street, Quay Quarter Tower, Sydney on Friday, 27 October 2023 at 11:00am AEDT. The Explanatory Memorandum has been prepared to assist shareholders in determining how to vote on the resolutions set out in the Notice of AGM and is intended to be read in conjunction with the Notice of AGM.

BUSINESS

Financial Statements and Reports

The Corporations Act requires the Directors to present to the AGM the Financial Report, the Directors' Report, and the Auditor's Report for the last financial year ending before the AGM. Apart from the matters involving remuneration, which are required to be voted upon, neither the Corporations Act nor the Company's Constitution requires a vote of shareholders at the AGM on such reports or statements.

In accordance with section 250S of the Corporations Act, shareholders will be given a reasonable opportunity to ask questions about, and make comments on, the management of the Company.

In addition to asking questions at the AGM, shareholders may address written questions to the Company's auditor which are relevant to:

- (a) the content of the Auditor's Report to be considered at the AGM; or
- (b) the conduct of the audit of the Financial Report to be considered at the AGM.

You are encouraged to direct questions to the Chairman or auditor by email at info@ariadne.com.au so that they are received not later than 5.00pm on Monday, 23 October 2023. Please use the email subject "2023 AGM Question." Questions may also be asked during the meeting.

All questions will be passed on to the Company's auditor who will prepare a question list setting out the questions that are considered relevant to the matters specified in (a) or (b) above. At, or prior to the start of the AGM, the Company will make copies of the question list reasonably available to the shareholders attending the AGM. The auditor will be provided with a reasonable opportunity at the AGM to answer the questions or table written answers. Where a written answer is tabled, the Company will make the written answer reasonably available to shareholders as soon as practicable after the AGM.

In accordance with section 250T of the Corporations Act, shareholders will be given a reasonable opportunity at the AGM of asking the auditor, or the auditor's representative, questions relevant to the conduct of the audit, the preparation and content of the Auditor's Report, the accounting policies adopted by the Company in relation to the preparation of the financial statements, and the independence of the auditor in relation to the conduct of the audit.

Item 1 – Remuneration Report

In accordance with section 250R of the Corporations Act the Company must put to a vote a resolution that the Remuneration Report be adopted. The Remuneration Report forms part of the Directors' Report contained in the Annual Report.

Voting exclusion statement

Under the Corporations Act, voting restrictions apply to the Company's Key Management Personnel ("KMP") and their closely related parties for this resolution. The term "closely related parties" in relation to a member of KMP includes a spouse, dependent and certain other close family members, as well as companies controlled by the KMP. The Chairman intends to vote any proxies held by him in favour of this resolution (unless specifically directed otherwise).

The Company will disregard any votes cast on Item 1 by, or on behalf of;

- a member of the KMP whose remuneration is disclosed in the Remuneration Report (and their closely related parties) in any capacity; and
- a member of the KMP at the date of the AGM (and their closely related parties) acting as proxy.

Unless the vote is cast:

- as a proxy for a person entitled to vote in accordance with a direction on the proxy form, or
- by the Chairman of the AGM as proxy for a person entitled to vote and the Chairman has received express authority to vote undirected proxies as the Chairman sees fit.

The vote on this resolution is advisory only and does not bind the Directors or the Company; however, the Directors may take into future consideration the shareholders' vote on this matter. A reasonable opportunity will be provided to shareholders to ask questions or make comments on the Remuneration Report at the AGM.

Item 2 – Re-election of Mr John Murphy as a Director

Mr Murphy was appointed as a Director of Ariadne on 6 December 2006. He retires by rotation in accordance with Rule 19 of the Company's Constitution and, being eligible, offers himself for re-election.

Mr Murphy was a partner in international accounting firm Arthur Andersen where he specialised in merger and acquisition and insolvency and reconstruction. He held management positions in that firm at the Australian, regional and global level. He has also spent

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twenty years as the founder and managing director of various private equity funds including Investec Wentworth Private Equity Limited and Adexum Capital limited. He was a Director of Investec Bank Australia Limited from 2004 until 2013. Mr Murphy is currently the Chairman of Alloggio Group Limited (appointed 6 August 2021) and director of Shriro Holdings Limited (appointed 23 May 2022). Mr Murphy has extensive public company experience having been a Director of listed companies Southcorp Limited, Specialty Fashion Group Limited, Vocus Communications Limited, Gale Pacific Limited, Redflex Limited, and Australian Pharmaceutical Industries Limited. Mr Murphy was appointed to the Ariadne Audit and Risk Management Committee on 6 December 2006 and was elected Committee Chairman on 18 March 2008.

All other Directors believe that Mr Murphy, an independent director makes a valuable contribution to the Company and recommend that shareholders vote in favour of the re-election of Mr Murphy as a Director.

Item 3 – Election of Mr David Hancock as a Director

Mr Hancock was appointed as a Director of Ariadne on 1 March 2023. He retires in accordance with Rule 19 of the Company's Constitution and, being eligible, offers himself for election.

Mr Hancock is the Chairman of FinClear Ltd, Australia's leading independent provider of technology, wholesale execution and clearing services as well as Chairman of Geometrica Funds Management Pty Ltd. Mr Hancock has over 30 years of broad experience in financial services. This experience includes being Group Head and an Executive Director of Afterpay Limited, Chief Executive Officer of listed Tower Limited, Executive General Manager at the Commonwealth Bank of Australia, with a variety of roles including capital markets, fixed income and equities. Prior to that, he served in senior investment banking roles at JPMorgan where he was a Managing Director, and Citi (formerly County Natwest) where he was Managing Director and Co-Head of Investment Banking. Mr Hancock also serves on a number of mentoring programmes, has established an incubator and works with young start-up founders. He is actively involved in a number of investments across a variety of technology and industries both locally and globally. Together with his wife, he has established a Foundation focussed upon giving back to a variety of marginalised groups and causes. Mr Hancock holds a Bachelor of Business (Econ/Marketing) and is a graduate member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

Mr Hancock was appointed as a member of the Ariadne Audit and Risk Management Committee on 26 April 2023.

All other Directors believe that Mr Hancock, an independent director, makes a valuable contribution to the Company and recommend that shareholders vote in favour of the election of Mr Hancock as a Director.

Item 4 – Election of Mr Dean Smorgon as a Director

Mr Smorgon was appointed as a Director of Ariadne on 1 March 2023. He retires in accordance with Rule 19 of the Company's Constitution and, being eligible, offers himself for election.

Mr Smorgon is an Executive Director of Canaccord Genuity Wealth Management Australia, a full-service investment banking and financial services company specialising in wealth management and brokerage in capital markets. Through his extensive network, Mr Smorgon provides clients of Canaccord Genuity Wealth Management a variety of investment opportunities in equities, fixed interest, bonds and property. Mr Smorgon services a diverse client base of private clients, family offices and institutions. With over three decades of investment experience as an active investor and advisor in the stock market, as well as serving on the investment committee of the David Smorgon family office, which invests in equities, property, private equity, venture capital and private debt, Mr Smorgon has significant experience in corporate transactions, financial markets, and trends. Mr Smorgon graduated from Monash University with a Bachelor of Economics before commencing his stockbroking career with ANZ McCaughan Securities. Following this, he joined HSBC James Capel in 1996 where he continued to develop his industry knowledge base. He later took up the role of senior advisor at ABN AMRO in 1998 and then continued on as Associate Director until 2008 at ABN AMRO Morgans. Mr Smorgon currently serves on the Investment Committees of DBR Corporation & Generation Investments (Family Office) and Jewish Care Victoria.

All other Directors believe that Mr Smorgon, an independent director, makes a valuable contribution to the Company and recommend that shareholders vote in favour of the election of Mr Smorgon as a Director.

Item 5 – Election of Mr Benjamin Seymour as a Director

Mr Seymour was appointed as a Director of Ariadne on 1 March 2023. He retires in accordance with Rule 19 of the Company's Constitution and, being eligible, offers himself for election.

Mr Seymour is an Associate Director of Seymour Group, one of Queensland's most prominent privately-owned property development and investment companies established by his grandparents, Kevin and Kay in 1976. On completion of his university studies Mr Seymour spent time in QIC's Global Real Estate business working throughout investment and funds management. He is admitted as a solicitor in the Supreme Court of Queensland and the High Court of Australia, and currently practices as a corporate lawyer at Herbert Smith Freehills specialising in mergers and acquisitions. Mr Seymour's business interests and activities extend into high-end residential and commercial property development through his directorship of Queensland Prime Investments, in conjunction with investments across private equity, venture capital and global equities through his family office, Seymour Private Capital. Mr Seymour obtained a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) and Bachelor of Business Management majoring in Property Development and Real Estate from the University of Queensland, and is currently undertaking a Masters of Science in Global Finance at New York University. He is member of the Australian Institute of Company Directors, the Urban Development Institute of Australia and the Queensland Law Society.

All other Directors believe that Mr Seymour makes a valuable contribution to the Company and recommend that shareholders vote in favour of the election of Mr Seymour as a Director.

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YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT

For your proxy appointment to be effective it must be received by **11:00am (AEDT) on Wednesday, 25 October 2023.**

Proxy Form

How to Vote on Items of Business

All your securities will be voted in accordance with your directions.

APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

Voting 100% of your holding: Direct your proxy how to vote by marking one of the boxes opposite each item of business. If you do not mark a box your proxy may vote or abstain as they choose (to the extent permitted by law). If you mark more than one box on an item your vote will be invalid on that item.

Voting a portion of your holding: Indicate a portion of your voting rights by inserting the percentage or number of securities you wish to vote in the For, Against or Abstain box or boxes. The sum of the votes cast must not exceed your voting entitlement or 100%.

Appointing a second proxy: You are entitled to appoint up to two proxies to attend the meeting and vote on a poll. If you appoint two proxies you must specify the percentage of votes or number of securities for each proxy, otherwise each proxy may exercise half of the votes. When appointing a second proxy write both names and the percentage of votes or number of securities for each in Step 1 overleaf.

A proxy need not be a securityholder of the Company.

SIGNING INSTRUCTIONS FOR POSTAL FORMS

Individual: Where the holding is in one name, the securityholder must sign.

Joint Holding: Where the holding is in more than one name, all of the securityholders should sign.

Power of Attorney: If you have not already lodged the Power of Attorney with the registry, please attach a certified photocopy of the Power of Attorney to this form when you return it.

Companies: Where the company has a Sole Director who is also the Sole Company Secretary, this form must be signed by that person. If the company (pursuant to section 204A of the Corporations Act 2001) does not have a Company Secretary, a Sole Director can also sign alone. Otherwise this form must be signed by a Director jointly with either another Director or a Company Secretary. Please sign in the appropriate place to indicate the office held. Delete titles as applicable.

PARTICIPATING IN THE MEETING

Corporate Representative

If a representative of a corporate securityholder or proxy is to participate in the meeting you will need to provide the appropriate "Appointment of Corporate Representative". A form may be obtained from Computershare or online at www.investorcentre.com/au and select "Printable Forms".

Lodge your Proxy Form:

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Online:

Lodge your vote online at www.investorvote.com.au using your secure access information or use your mobile device to scan the personalised QR code.

Your secure access information is



Control Number: 999999
SRN/HIN: I9999999999
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For Intermediary Online subscribers (custodians) go to www.intermediaryonline.com

By Mail:

Computershare Investor Services Pty Limited
GPO Box 242
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By Fax:

1800 783 447 within Australia or
+61 3 9473 2555 outside Australia



PLEASE NOTE: For security reasons it is important that you keep your SRN/HIN confidential.

You may elect to receive meeting-related documents, or request a particular one, in electronic or physical form and may elect not to receive annual reports. To do so, contact Computershare.

MR SAM SAMPLE
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☐ **Change of address.** If incorrect, mark this box and make the correction in the space to the left. Securityholders sponsored by a broker (reference number commences with 'X') should advise your broker of any changes.



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Proxy Form

Please mark ☒ to indicate your directions

Step 1

Appoint a Proxy to Vote on Your Behalf

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I/we being a member/s of Ariadne Australia Limited hereby appoint

☐ the Chairman of the Meeting

OR

PLEASE NOTE: Leave this box blank if you have selected the Chairman of the Meeting. Do not insert your own name(s).

or failing the individual or body corporate named, or if no individual or body corporate is named, the Chairman of the Meeting, as my/our proxy to act generally at the meeting on my/our behalf and to vote in accordance with the following directions (or if no directions have been given, and to the extent permitted by law, as the proxy sees fit) at the Annual General Meeting of Ariadne Australia Limited to be held at The Work Project (TWP), 50 Bridge Street, Quay Quarter Tower, Sydney, NSW 2000 on Friday, 27 October 2023 at 11:00am (AEDT) and at any adjournment or postponement of that meeting.

Chairman authorised to exercise undirected proxies on remuneration related resolutions: Where I/we have appointed the Chairman of the Meeting as my/our proxy (or the Chairman becomes my/our proxy by default), I/we expressly authorise the Chairman to exercise my/our proxy on Item 1 (except where I/we have indicated a different voting intention in step 2) even though Item 1 is connected directly or indirectly with the remuneration of a member of key management personnel, which includes the Chairman.

Important Note: If the Chairman of the Meeting is (or becomes) your proxy you can direct the Chairman to vote for or against or abstain from voting on Item 1 by marking the appropriate box in step 2.

Step 2

Items of Business

PLEASE NOTE: If you mark the **Abstain** box for an item, you are directing your proxy not to vote on your behalf on a show of hands or a poll and your votes will not be counted in computing the required majority.

	For	Against	Abstain
Item 1 Remuneration Report	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Item 2 Re-election of Mr John Murphy as a Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Item 3 Election of Mr David Hancock as a Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Item 4 Election of Mr Dean Smorgon as a Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Item 5 Election of Mr Benjamin Seymour as a Director	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

The Chairman of the Meeting intends to vote undirected proxies in favour of each item of business. In exceptional circumstances, the Chairman of the Meeting may change his/her voting intention on any resolution, in which case an ASX announcement will be made.

Step 3

Signature of Securityholder(s)

This section must be completed.

Individual or Securityholder 1

Sole Director & Sole Company Secretary

Securityholder 2

Director

Securityholder 3

Director/Company Secretary

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Date

Update your communication details (Optional)

Mobile Number

Email Address

By providing your email address, you consent to receive future Notice of Meeting & Proxy communications electronically