



TECTERRA Announces Change in Organizational Leadership

May 16, 2016 (Calgary, Alberta) – Today, TECTERRA’s Board of Directors is announcing a change in organizational leadership. Effective May 16, 2016, Mr. Jonathan Neufeld, currently the Director of Commercialization Programs, will step in as Interim Chief Executive Officer (CEO) following Dr. Mohamed Abousalem’s resignation from the organization.

After serving as TECTERRA’s CEO since its inception in 2010, Dr. Abousalem has decided to pursue a new opportunity. During his tenure with the organization, Dr. Abousalem was integral in the establishment and maintenance of TECTERRA’s success. Through his vision and dedicated commitment, he was able to build a solid and impactful organization that continues to stand strong and bring value across Alberta and throughout the country.

“We are sad to see Dr. Mohamed Abousalem move on and wish him much success,” says Heather Herring, Chair of TECTERRA’s Board of Directors. “He created a superb team who delivers on the vision and mission of the organization, and we are confident that through the leadership he instilled, TECTERRA will be able to continue to have a positive impact on the companies and stakeholders we serve.”

“We are pleased to appoint Mr. Neufeld as the Interim CEO for the organization. Jonathan’s senior management experience within the organization for the past few years will allow for the continued success of TECTERRA,” adds Ms. Herring.

Mr. Neufeld joined TECTERRA in 2011 as the Technical Manager, and in 2013 he took on the role of Director of Commercialization Programs where he provides direction and leadership in the definition, execution and management of TECTERRA’s investment and support programs. Mr. Neufeld received B.Sc. in Geomatics Engineering and MBA from the University of Calgary.

As the hub for geospatial technology innovation support across Canada, TECTERRA continues to offer to small and medium technology companies a suite of investment and support programs to help accelerate the commercialization of new technology.

About TECTERRA

TECTERRA is a geomatics technology innovation support centre that supports the Canadian development and commercialization of geomatics technologies. The first centre of its kind, TECTERRA works with industry, entrepreneurs, researchers, and government affiliates to enable the use of geomatics technologies in addressing local, national and global challenges. Since its inception in 2010, TECTERRA has supported 195 companies, including 80 start-ups; and has placed over 300 highly qualified professionals into jobs across Canada. Overall, the organization has generated \$168.6 million in actual economic impact to date.

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