

DEM is ESG Certified by DIGBEE and was able to improve rating

In November 2022, we started our ESG certification, which was successfully completed in spring 2023. We are pleased to announce that we have since been successfully recertified and were able to improve our rating from B to BB

We decided to have the certification carried out by the market leader Digbee. This includes an audit of our corporate concept, our corporate structure and, of course, our lighthouse project, the Carachi Blanco Lithium Project in Catamarca / Argentina. The aim of such a certification is, on the one hand, to provide those involved and interested in our company with an independent evaluation as a decision-making aid and, on the other hand, to obtain feedback from an independent party as to where action is needed. This provides us with a roadmap of the activities that we need to prioritize in order to further develop and strengthen our ESG efforts on our way to sustainable lithium production.



ESG stands for **E**nvironmental - assessment based on environmental protection aspects, **S**ocial - assessment based on social and community aspects, and **G**overnance - assessment based on type of corporate management and stakeholder interaction.

In an intensive and independent review process, accompanied by the staff of the English company Digbee, we were asked to present the company, the project and the decision-making processes by answering a variety of targeted and in-depth questions and to provide supporting documents. This allowed us to receive valuable comments and feedback on our company and the Carachi Blanco lithium project through regular feedback loops.

In summary, we can state that we have been able to independently verify our ESG efforts and that our further development has been certified. We are very proud to have been awarded an ESG certificate after a successful evaluation!



We would like to thank all our local partners and stakeholders for making this possible – especially at this early stage of exploration!

Jamie Strauss, CEO and Chairman of DIGBEE Ltd., comments: “DEM – Deutsche E Metalle AG has shown its commitment to developing sustainable lithium extraction in the heart of the "Lithium triangle" in Argentina. Embarking on this journey so early in its development will underpin the company culture, reduce risk and help to be better equipped to serve its different stakeholders. The company benefits from its intention to mitigate impact through direct lithium extraction and has clearly indicated various ESG-related improvements, such as baseline studies, in the coming year.”