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# Rio Tinto



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### Challenge

Rio Tinto needed a strategic network partner to develop a flexible relationship that provides expert technical advisory, analytical and field testing, and laboratory outsourcing services to high quality companies across Australia and Asia.

#### Solution

In alignment with Rio Tinto's strategy to focus on core capability supplemented by trusted network partnerships, HRL offered to provide analytical services to its T&I operation in Bundoora strengthening the existing relationship HRL has with other Rio Tinto sites.

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#### Results

As a result of engaging HRL Rio Tinto is able to focus on its core capabilities whilst still maintaining full exclusive access to the laboratory facility in Bundoora. HRL provides Rio Tinto with an exclusive arrangement that provides high quality analytical results in support of major exploration, mining and refining activities, together with expert interpretation. The strategic network partnership also provides Rio Tinto access to other technical, process, chemical, and engineering resources and knowledge.

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