

ANGLOGOLD ASHANTI LTD

Form 6-K

March 14, 2013

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Report on Form 6-K dated March 14, 2013

Commission File Number 1-14846

AngloGold Ashanti Limited

(Name of registrant)

76 Jeppe Street

Newtown, 2001

(P.O. Box 62117, Marshalltown, 2107)

South Africa

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F **Form 40-F**

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No

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Yes **No**

Enclosure: Press release : **Granting of Option Awards to Directors and Company Secretary of AngloGold Ashanti**

AngloGold Ashanti Limited

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa \ Reg. No. 1944/017354/06)

ISIN No. ZAE000043485 – JSE share code: ANG \ CUSIP: 035128206 – NYSE share code: AU

Website: www.anglogoldashanti.com

News Release

14 March 2013

In terms of JSE Listings Requirement 3.63 we hereby provide the following information regarding the granting of options by the Company under the AngloGold Share Incentive Scheme to directors and company secretary.

Date of notification : 14 March 2013

Date

of

grant : 13 March 2013

Key terms of the awards as approved by shareholders on 11 March 2013:

Bonus Share Plan (BSP): The executives' BSP cash bonus are matched at 150% with share options which provides for vesting of awards in two tranches, 50% after 12 months and the remaining 50% after 24 months.

Long-Term Incentive Plan (LTIP): The executives are awarded LTIP's at 140% of the annual basic salary and they vest after three years from the date of grant, to the extent that the performance conditions, under which the awards were granted, are met.

Share Retention Bonus (SRB): The SRB is a performance based plan awarded to executives at 60% of their base pay as at 1 January 2013. The shares will vest at the end of August 2014, subject to performance conditions.

Clearance was obtained in terms of 3.66 of the JSE Listings Requirements.

Strike price

NIL cost to participant in accordance with the rules of the above

plans

Market value per award at date of grant

R226.46

Class of security

Awards to acquire ordinary shares

Type of interest

Direct beneficial

NAME

BSP

LTIP

60% Retention

Awards

Total

Awards

Total Value of

Awards

S Venkatakrisshnan

(

Executive Director)

17 071

55 271
23 687 96 029
21 746 727.34

AM O'Neill

(

Executive Director

17 788

74 054

31 737 123 579

27 985 700.34

ME Sanz Perez

(

Company Secretary

5 497

28 413

12 177 46 087

10 436 862.02

40 356

157 738

67 601 265 695

60 169 289.70

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These forward-looking statements or forecasts involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause AngloGold Ashanti's actual results, performance or achievements to differ materially from the anticipated results, performance or achievements expressed or implied in these forward-looking statements.

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government actions including environmental approvals, fluctuations in gold prices and exchange rates, and business and operational risk management. For a discussion of certain of these and other factors, refer to AngloGold Ashanti's annual report for the year ended 31 December 2011, which was distributed to shareholders on 4 April 2012, the company's 2011 annual report on Form 20-F, which was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission in the United States on 23 April 2012 and the prospectus supplement to the company's prospectus dated 17 July 2012 that was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on 25 July 2012. These factors are not necessarily all of the important factors that could cause AngloGold Ashanti's actual results to differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements. Other unknown or unpredictable factors could also have material adverse effects on future results. Consequently, stakeholders are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. AngloGold Ashanti undertakes no obligation to update publicly or release any revisions to these forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after today's date or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, except to the extent required by applicable law. All subsequent written or oral forward-looking statements attributable to AngloGold Ashanti or any person acting on its behalf are qualified by the cautionary statements herein.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

AngloGold Ashanti Limited

Date: March 14, 2013

By:

/s/ M E SANZ PEREZ

Name: M E Sanz Perez

Title: Group General Counsel and Company
Secretary