

***Compelling
Investment in
Support of
Rebuilding Ukraine***

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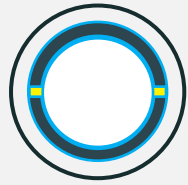
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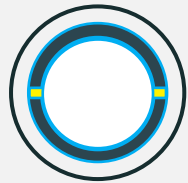
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Premium Quality Iron Ore - Critical to Rebuild Ukraine



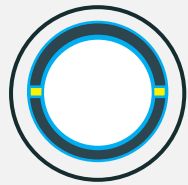
Annual Production of 8 Million Tonnes of 68% Grade Iron Close to Customers

- 68% purity pellet feed with the ability to manufacture higher grade Direct Reduction product
- **Located close to high demand regions**



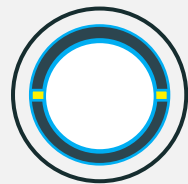
Proximity to Existing Infrastructure with & Financing Plan in Place

- Seven operating iron ore mines within 40km, two of which are directly adjacent
- **Ore body located near skilled labour, power, rail & 5 deep seaports** driving strong economics ⁽³⁾
- Expressions of Interest for bulk of construction funding required obtained prior to war



Economics De-risked with Defensible Margins & Offtake Agreement

- **Annual EBITDA > US\$500M** at full production with cash costs ~ US\$33 / tonne FOB port
- **Anglo American** has committed to an offtake and is **funding ~15% of project construction**



Highly Experienced Team Consisting of Mine Builders & Operators

- **Project has been endorsed by the President of Ukraine**
- **Management team have collective experience working for majors including Rio Tinto and Hatch**
- Board has deep relationships with Ukrainian government through political work experience

(1) Source: World Steel Association, 2021

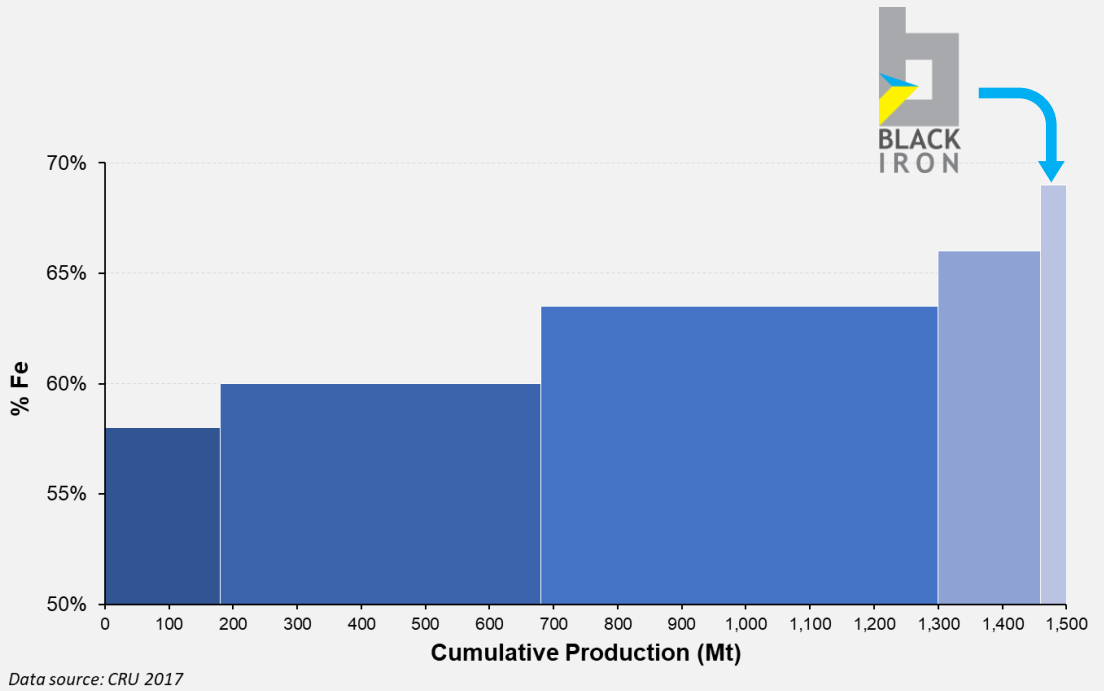
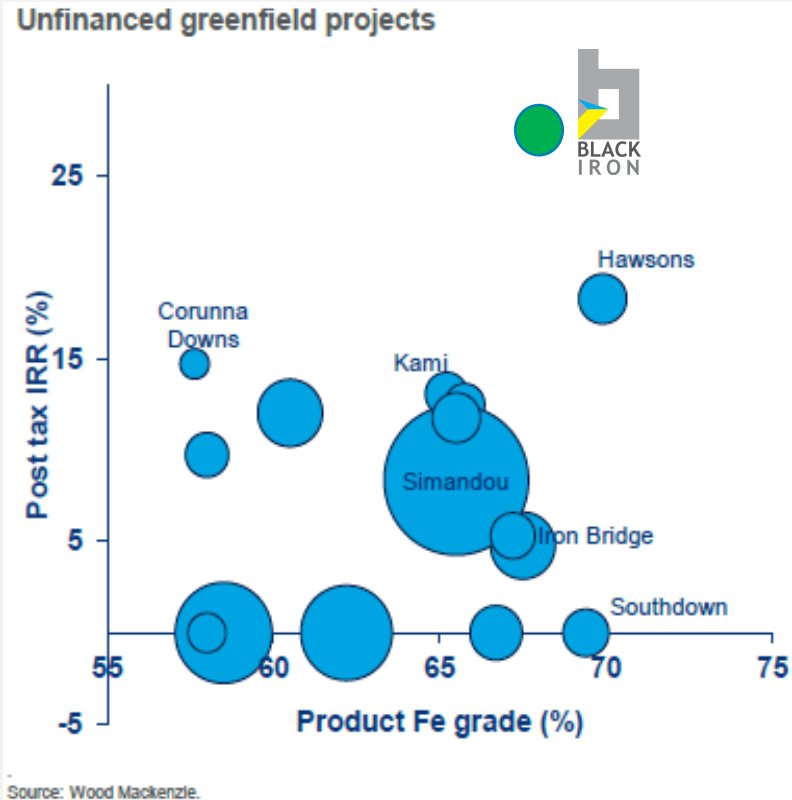
(2) Source: Bloomberg Intelligence, CRU

(3) Source: CRU

Top Ranked Development Iron Ore Project – Projected Economics & Grade

High-grade projects expect to have higher returns⁽¹⁾

Black Iron's 68% iron is in the top 4% grade of all current production⁽²⁾



Black Iron's Shymanivske Project has the highest economic return for an unfinanced greenfield project⁽¹⁾

Black Iron's 68% product is the top Seaborne Iron Ore Product by Grade and Black Iron can further increase purity to 70%⁽²⁾

(1) Source: Wood Mackenzie, 2019

(2) Source: CRU, 2017

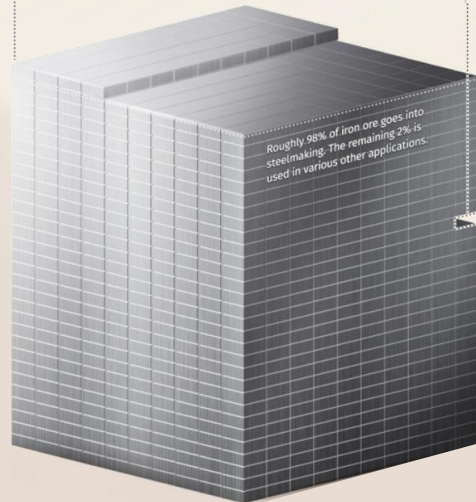
Global Steel Production is Significant & Remains Carbon Intensive



Total Metals 3,248,814,334 tonnes

Metals are the building blocks of the global economy. From iron ore to rare earths, here are all the metals we mined in 2019.

Iron ore
3,040,000,000 tonnes



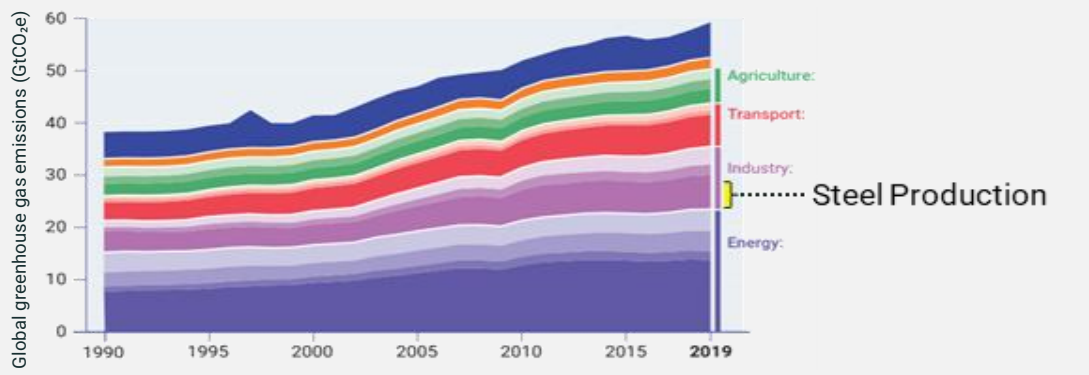
Industrial metals
207,478,486 tonnes



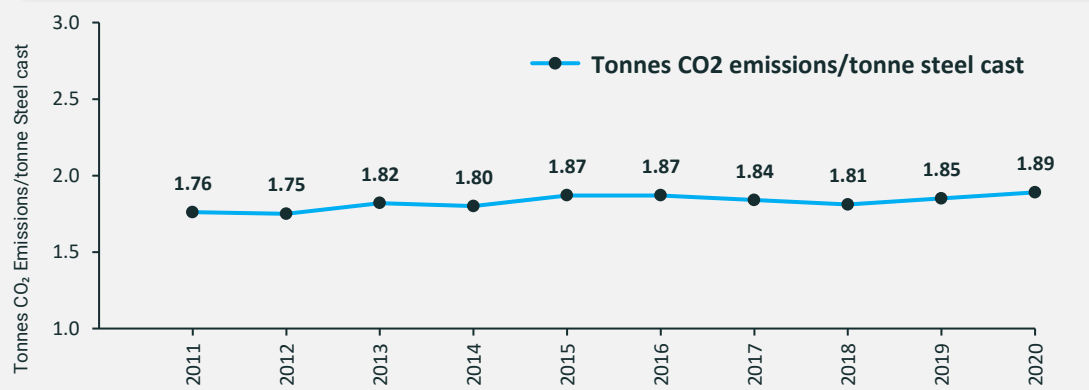
Tech and precious metals
1,335,848 tonnes



Steel production accounts for ~7% of humanity's greenhouse-gas emissions⁽²⁾:



Carbon intensity of steel has not changed over the past decade and needs to decline:



(1) Iron Image Source: Visual Capitalist, 2021 <https://www.visualcapitalist.com/all-the-metals-we-mined-in-one-visualization/>
 (2) UN Emissions Gap Report 2020: <https://www.unep.org/emissions-gap-report-2020>
 (3) World Steel Association, 2020: <https://worldsteel.org/steel-by-topic/sustainability/sustainability-indicators/>

High-Grade Iron Provides Near-Term Carbon Relief from Existing Process

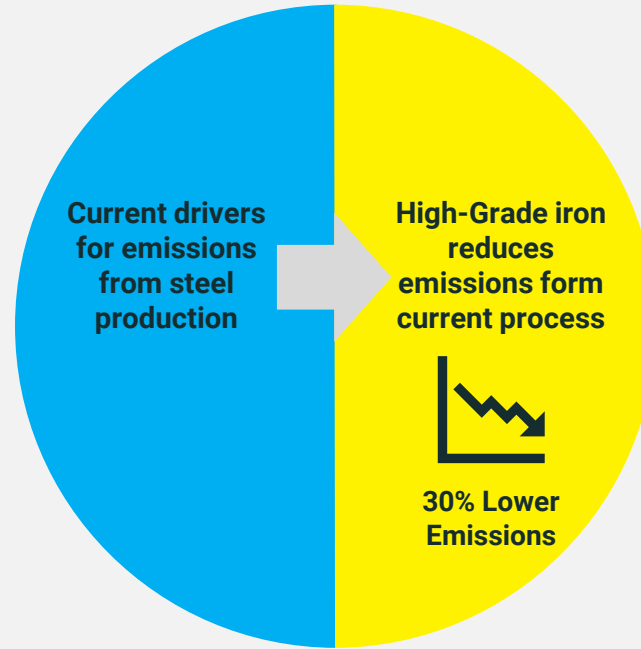
Energy Intensity of Steel Production
Iron ore must be heated to high temperatures of up to 1,480°C to be reduced to iron and subsequently processed



Reliance on Coal as Main Energy Source
Carbon-based fuels are used in blast furnaces to heat the iron emitting more than 3 billion tons of CO₂ annually



Large Volume of Steel Produced
According to some estimates, global demand for steel will nearly double by 2050



Immediate Impact

Black Iron's 68% iron content magnetite pellet feed vs. benchmark 62% sintered iron reduces roughly 30% of the emissions to produce steel without further investment!¹



Pellets Lower Emissions

Uniform sized iron pellets melt more evenly and efficiently as compared to sinter or lump reducing energy consumed and emissions generated



Less Impurities Improve Productivity

Black Iron's low impurities, such as alumina and phosphorus, reduce the duration of heating and therefore emissions



**Future Production of Zero Emission Green Steel Only Possible with High-Grade Iron
Black Iron's 68% Magnetite Pellet Feed Cuts GHG Emissions by ~30%!¹**

1) 2011 J. Herbertson and L. Strezov "Implications for the Australian Magnetite Industry of the Introduction of a Price/Tax on Carbon"

Asset Profile

Shymanivske Project

Size

~448.2 Million Tonnes of Proven Reserves

- Average annual production of 8 Mtpa of high grade 68% iron ore concentrate for at least 17 years
- Ability to increase resources at depth and to the south

Cost

Cash Cost < US\$33/tonne FOB OPEX

- Low unit cost of production, ranked as lowest cost undeveloped pellet feed project globally¹
- First quartile on capital intensity with capital intensity < \$100 / tonne¹

Community Benefits

Social

Project brings Foreign Direct Investment to Ukraine

- Ukraine is a highly educated country but GDP per Capita remains below \$4,000⁽²⁾
- Foreign Direct Investment brings opportunity for Ukrainians to monetize their education

Community Support

- Programs to supply computers to schools to help educate the population
- Upgrading roads and improving transit to schools

Geographic Location Makes Project Highly Economic

Paved road provides easy commute for labour

- 12km from city of Kryvyi Rih, major city surrounded by 7 operating iron ore mines with expertise at a fraction of the cost of Canadian & Australian projects

2km from government owned Ukrainian National Rail system significantly cuts costs

- 1km of rail is US\$3M to construct

20km from existing local power utility with spare capacity

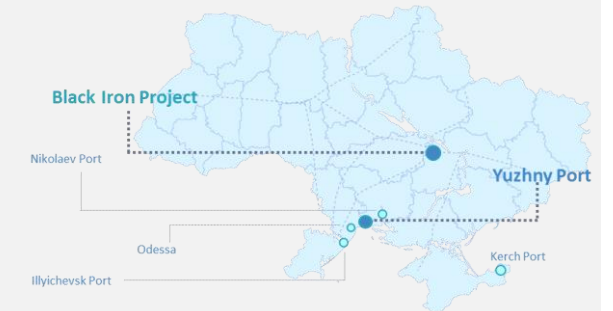
- Currently only 30% of full capacity

Inland location with optionality of 5 different ports all less than 450km away

- 20% to 25% shorter distance to steel mills in Europe, Asia & Middle East
- No fighting on the ground in vicinity

Iron is critical to make steel

- A substantial part of Ukraine's rebuilding will entail the use of steel



(1) Source: CRU, 2018

(2) Source: World Bank, 2020

Low Cost to Build with Attractive Returns in Base Case

Lowest cost undeveloped pellet feed project globally with low capital intensity to commence operations⁽¹⁾

Uses:	US\$m	Sources:	US\$m
Capex	450	Senior Debt	~300 - 350
Working Capital	10	Offtake	~75
VAT	30	EPC	~65
Financing Costs	15	Royalty	0 - 100
Total	505	Equity	0 - 135
+ Cost Overrun Reserve (IF REQUIRED)	0-70		
Total (with COR)	505 - 575	Total	505 - 575

Bulk of construction funding was secured prior to the war.



(1) Note: The cost values shown have been normalised to a 62% Fe fines product (CFR China) in order to allow for comparison. Source: CRU

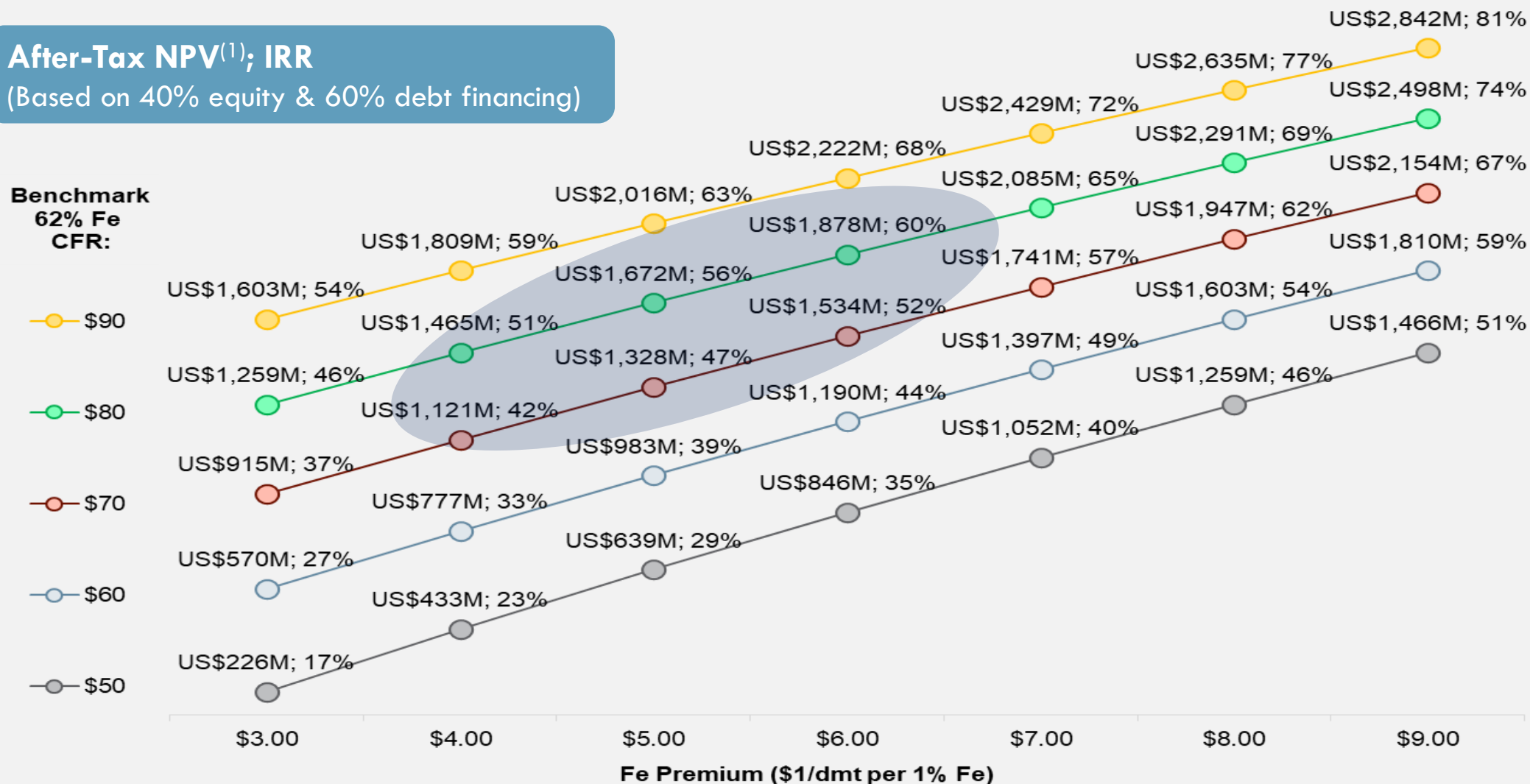
Strong Investment Returns in ALL Iron Ore Pricing Scenarios

Low operating & capital costs to ride all market cycles

After-Tax NPV⁽¹⁾; IRR

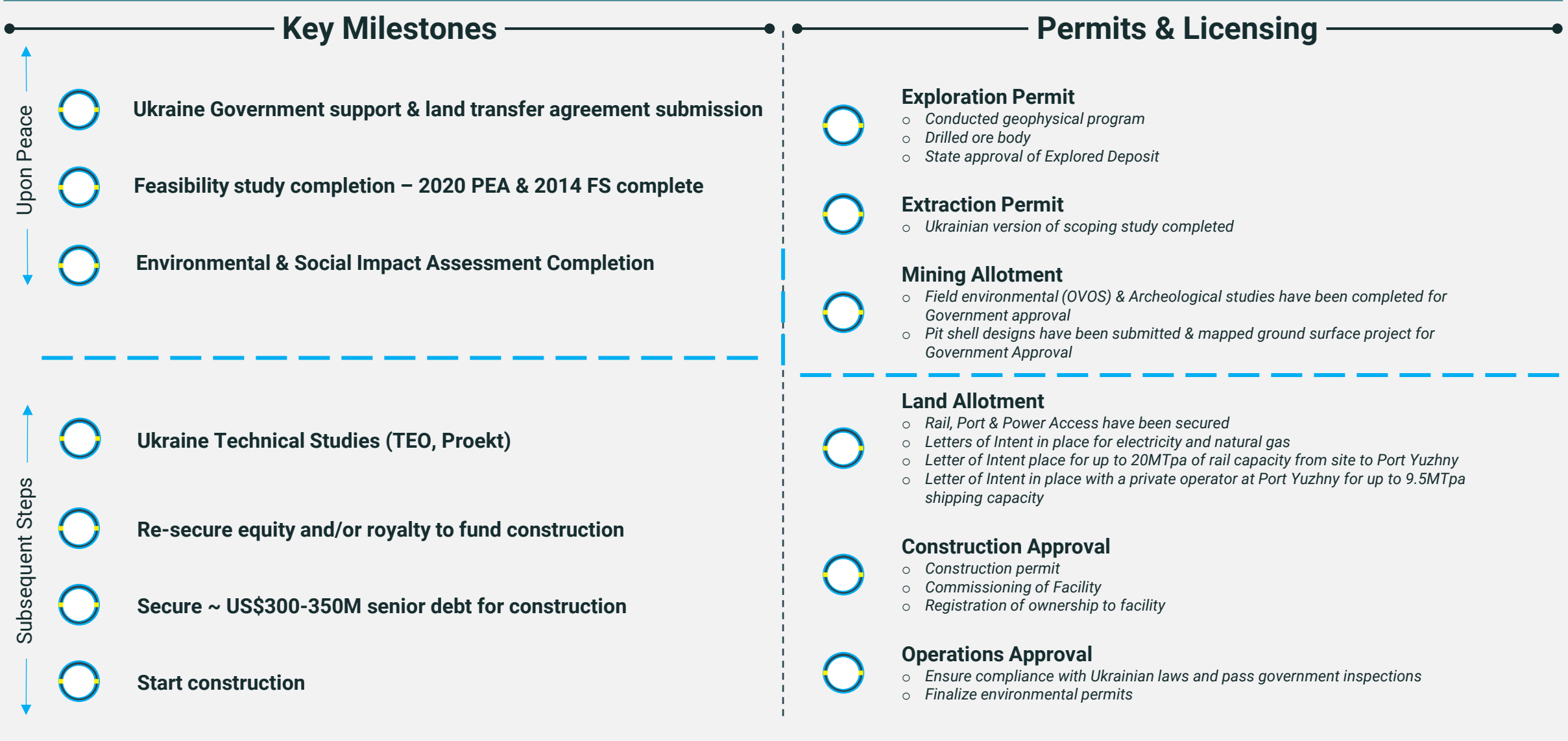
(Based on 40% equity & 60% debt financing)

Benchmark
62% Fe
CFR:



(1) Based on a 10% discount rate

Project Studies & Permitting Well Advanced



Cap Table & Ukraine President Support

Cap Table

Shares Outstanding	332M
Stock Options	13M
DSU	9M
Warrants	27M
Fully Diluted Shares	353M
Market Cap (C\$M)	\$35M

As at May 12, 2026

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Management & Board Have Track Record of Iron Ore Success

Key Management

Matt Simpson - CEO

- Former GM, Mining for Rio Tinto's Iron Ore Company of Canada
- Worked for Hatch designing global metallurgical refineries

Stephen Woodhead - CFO

- Experienced structuring funding for mine project construction

Kenny Choi – Corporate Secretary / Legal

- Experienced natural resources sector lawyer

Pavlo Komarytsky - General Director Shymanivske Steel

- Extensive network of relationships in Ukraine

Board of Directors

Dave Porter - Chairman

- Former VP for Rio Tinto's Iron Ore Company of Canada and COO of Algoma Steel

Pierre Pettigrew

- Former Canadian Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Trade

John Detmold

- Chairman & Founder of Invecture Group, S.A. de C.V. which owns Frontera Copper Corporation

Zenon Potoczny

- President of the Canada-Ukraine Chamber of Commerce & VP Operations for Ukrainian World Congress

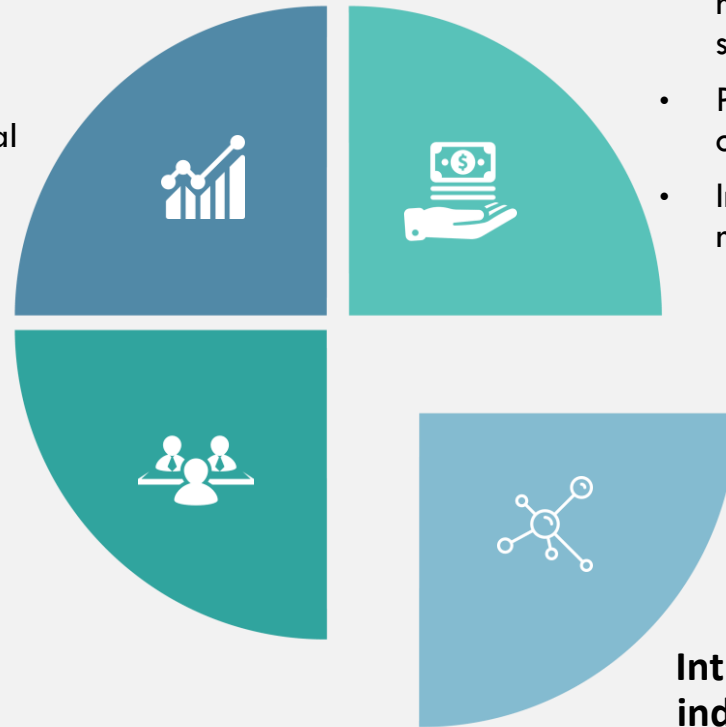
Previous Experience Across Major Companies



Upon Rebuilding, Ukraine Needs FDI Examples of Success to Sustain Recovery

US \$1.2 billion investment over 20 year project life

- US\$70 million already invested
- First development phase US\$452M, second phase expansion US\$364M and US\$348M in sustaining capital



US \$2.2 billion in tax payments over the projects life

- Payments of income and municipal taxes plus social security
- Personal Income taxes paid by company employees.
- Investments continually being made into local community

Project will create several thousand jobs for >20 years

- 700 direct jobs at the mine, process plant and associated facilities
- Over 2000 additional indirect jobs for local contractors and auxiliary service providers

Introduce world class industrial engineering, safety and environmental standards

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