

# Goodman Gold Challenge

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# Meet the Team

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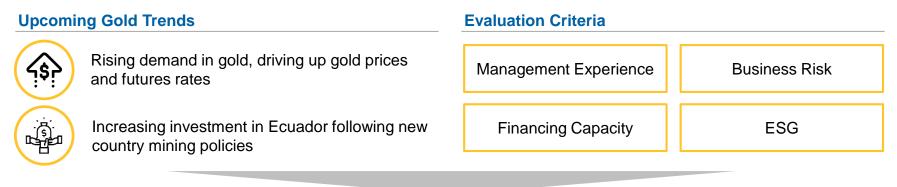
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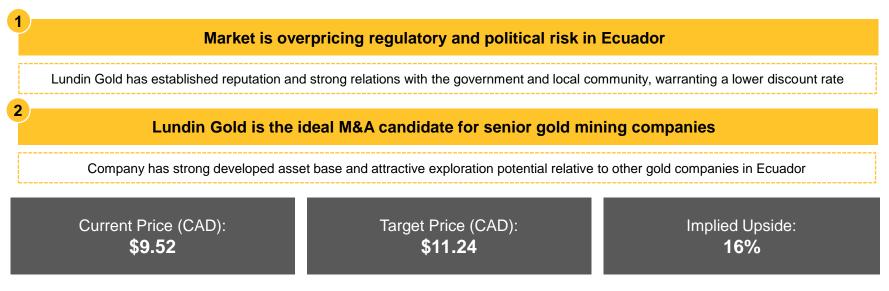
# **Executive Summary**

## TSX: LUG - Attractive fundamentals with significant upside



#### **Investment Thesis and Valuation**





We recommend a **BUY** on Lundin Gold due to high potential upside returns with limited downside risk

# Investment Overview

### SECTION I

Media Coverage of Gold has been Widespread

"Gold is a way of going long on fear"...

# Gold at Six-Week High on Caution Over Economy, Trade

The precious metal is on course to rise 16% in 2019, its biggest one-year rise since 2010

#### MARKETS

### Ray Dalio says gold will be a top investment during upcoming 'paradigm shift' for global markets

2019 was a dream come true for gold bugs — 2020 could be even better

The same forces that drove gold to break \$1,500 this year remain, setting the stage for a another massive rally

If we hit any growth bumps in the economy, or geopolitically, or pull back in major markets.... I believe gold will soar as an insurance asset 'Watch gold in 2020,' says one of Wall Street's most influential stock-market investors

# Cramer: 'Endless buying for gold' could signal a shift to real fear in the stock market

With volatility and fear at all-time highs, gold has been hailed as a safe haven despite S&P 500 nearing all-time highs

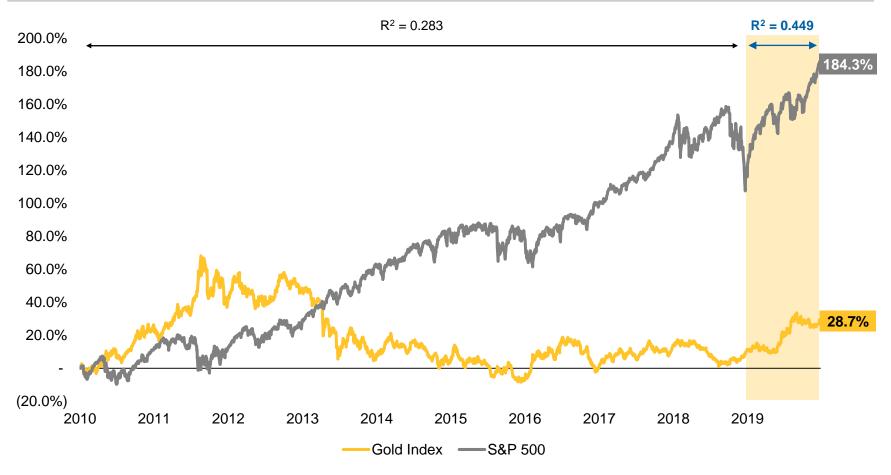


# 'Most Hated' Bull Market of All Time



### ...yet gold performed very well amid the bull market's best year

#### Gold Price vs. S&P 500



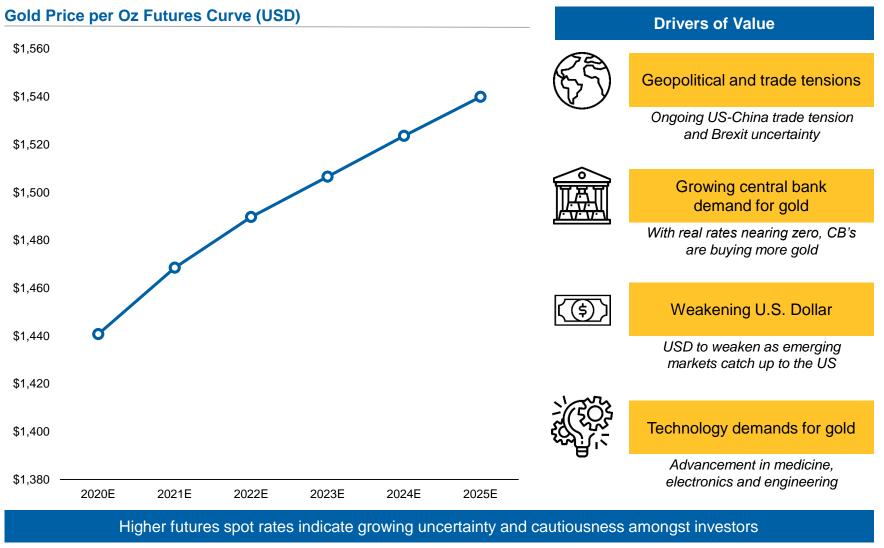
Gold performed well in 2019 alongside the S&P 500 despite being an "insurance" asset

Source: Bloomberg

# Gold Trends

## **Commodity Pricing**

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Source: Bloomberg

# Mining Life Cycle: Stage Selection



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Long-term value investors with moderate risk tolerance seeking favorable returns

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Speculative	<b>)</b>		Tangible Val	luation			
High Risk High Potential Value			At this stage, q reserves is set forward				Stock Price \$
Unlikely to identify ore quality before made public and market reaction			Relevant ore in priced in; inves comes from op capabilities and	tment upside erational			rice \$
Exploration	Discovery	De	velopment	Co	ommercialization	Retireme	ent

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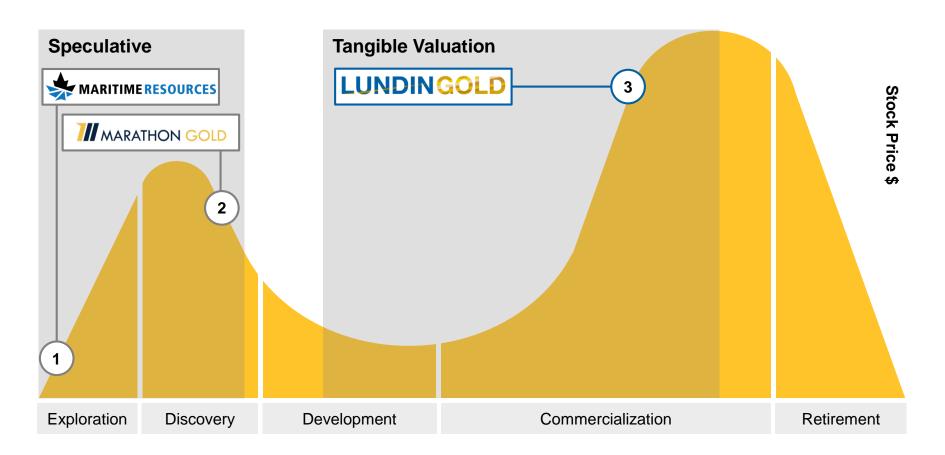
Source: Equity Research, CapitaIQ 02/02/2020, Company Filings

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Companies		Characteristics							
Companies	Enterprise Value	Management Experience	Business Risk	Financing Capacity	ESG				
MARITIMERESOURCES	\$7.4M	Individual members of management have seen past production success	Newfoundland location ensures limited country risk	No financing limits access to capital	Strong community relationships and environmental compliance				
MARATHON GOLD	MARATHON GOLD \$181.6M		Newfoundland location ensures limited country risk	Some financing received to develop the Valentine Gold Project	Strong community relationships and environmental compliance				
LUNDINGOLD	\$2,427.3M	Extensive mining experience, commitment to the company, and strong exploration leadership	Ecuador exposure warrants an additional risk premium	FDL project fully financed with commercial extraction imminent in 2Q20	Promising ESG initiatives supported by the Lundin Foundation				

Source: Company Filings

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# Lundin Gold (TSX: LUG)

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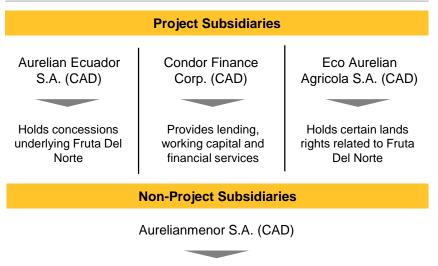
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### High quality junior mining gold company

#### **Business Overview**

- Junior gold mining company headquartered in Vancouver, Canada with corporate office in Quito, Ecuador
- Incorporated in British Columbia as Fortress Resources in 1987
- Reorganized itself as Lundin Gold in December 2014 after the acquisition of Fruta del Norte mining site
- Focused on sole project developing Fruta del Norte mining project in Ecuador as one of the highest-grade and largest gold project
- Employs a total of 1,645 employees as of 2018
- Produced 28,768 oz. gold in 2019 with full commercialization expected to start in 2020

#### **Company Structure**



Holds the company's exploration concessions

Source: CapIQ, Company Filings

Market Capitalization (TSX: LUG)	
In millions	As of Jan. 29, 2020
Share Price	\$7.39
Shares Outstanding (M)	224.2
Market Capitalization	1,655.5
- Cash & Cash Equivalents	(130.2)
+ Total Debt	722.5
+ Minority Interest	-
Total Enterprise Value (TEV)	2,297.8



### Reserves & Resources Metrics

Probable Ore Reserves (T)	15,490.0
P&P Reserves Grade (g/T)	9.67
P&P Recoverable Reserves (Troy Oz.)	4,816.0
P&P Recoverable Reserves – Silver (Troy. Oz)	6,344.0
Indicated Ore Resources	23,800.0
Indicated Resources Grade (g/T)	9.61



### Mining Operations Statistics

Number of Mines	1
Undeveloped Sq. Kms	402.0

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# Fruta del Norte

### **Project Overview**

- Fruta del Norte is a large, high-grade gold deposit situated in southern Ecuador
- Lundin Gold purchased assets in 2014 from Kinross Corp. for \$240M
- Since purchase, Lundin Gold completed a feasibility study and signed all major agreements with Ecuadorian Government
- Significant exploration upside exits with numerous key targets along the trend that have yet to be drilled
- First gold production was reached in November 2019 with full commercial production projected for Q2 2020
- Mining resources and reserves are expected to last approximately a total of 15 years

### Geographic Location



#### Fruta Del Norte Timeline

Development Timeline		2017			2018			2019			2020					
		Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
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Infra	Mountain Pass Quarry											_				
-	Zamora River Bridge															
5	Process Plant Engineering/Construction															
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Pro	Commercial Production															

Source: Sandstorm Gold, Company Filings

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### Fruta del Norte Project Site



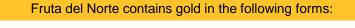
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# **Feasibility Study**

Fruta del Norte

- Mineral reserves of 4.82Moz of gold (15.5M tons at 9.67 g/t Au)
- All-in sustain cash cost of \$632/oz, placing Fruta del Norte in lowest cash cost quartile globally
- Approximate gold concentrate of 149.3 g/t over lifetime





#### **Project Terms**



#### Corporate tax rate of 22%

Agreement with GOE for fixed tax rate and exemption from payment of principal and interest to financial institutions outside of Ecuador from capital outflow tax



### Rights to develop and produce gold from Fruta del Norte for 25 years

Possibility for renewal after term



Fully financed and development of mine close to completion

Project is fully financed through equity and line of credit



Profit sharing and royalty structure Total of 1% of Net Revenue and 15% of Pre-Tax Income

Net Revenue		1% royalty to Sandstorm Gold (0.9%) and Patrick F.N. Anderson (0.1%)
Pre-Tax Income		3% to mining concessionaire employees 12% paid for GOE for social investment
Advance Royalty Pmt.		\$65M to GOE (already fully paid)

# **Investment Theses**

### SECTION III

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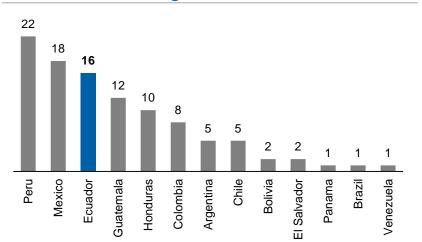
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### Change in Ecuador mining environment

#### **Risks**

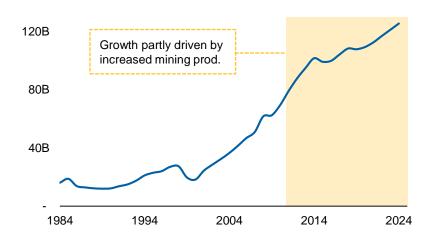
- Governmental: Moreno has set measures to cut government spending, reduce its dependence on crude oil exports and austerity measures
  - Fact that there are so few mines in Ecuador now (only 2 out of the 5 mines under development are set to being copper and gold production)
- Environmental: fear that mining will cause irreversible environmental damage to vital waterways and agricultural lands
- Socioeconomic: Illegal miners who do not want to cede operations to more formal concessions



#### **LATAM Criminal Mining Conflicts**

#### **Opportunities**

- **Resource abundance:** Mining sector is still largely undeveloped with studies revealing an abundance of gold, silver and copper
- Regulatory: Open motives by government to attract investment in the mining sector. "We are no longer just a potential mining destination. Instead, Ecuador has already become an investment destination," says Benalcazar, vice minister of mines in the country
- Capital inflows: The country now expects mining investment to continually rise, with expectations that it will total more US\$7 billion by 2021



#### **Ecuador GDP Growth**

Despite recent headwinds in Ecuador, the country's new stance towards gold mining eases risks with FDN's operations

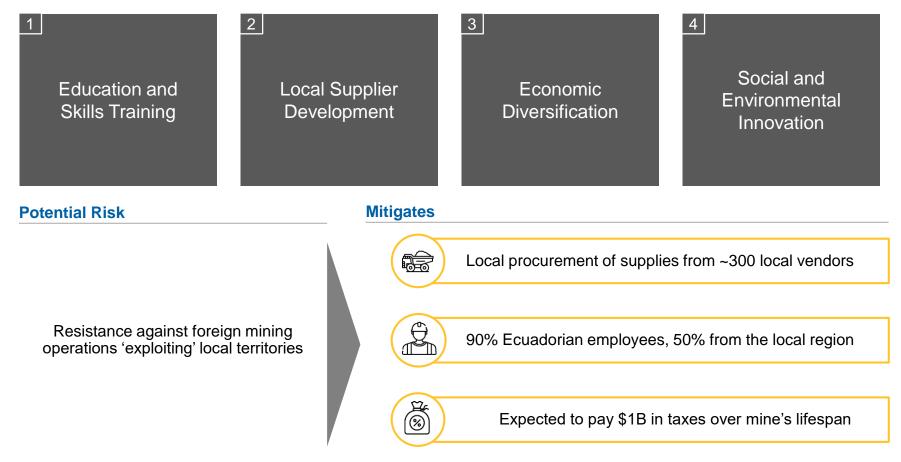
Source: Statista, Company filings. Figures in USD.

# Thesis I: Market Over Discounting Ecuadorian Risk

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### A history of strong relationships with the local community and national government

"Countries or regions considered too risky or dangerous for investment are the Lundins' stock in trade" - The Globe and Mail

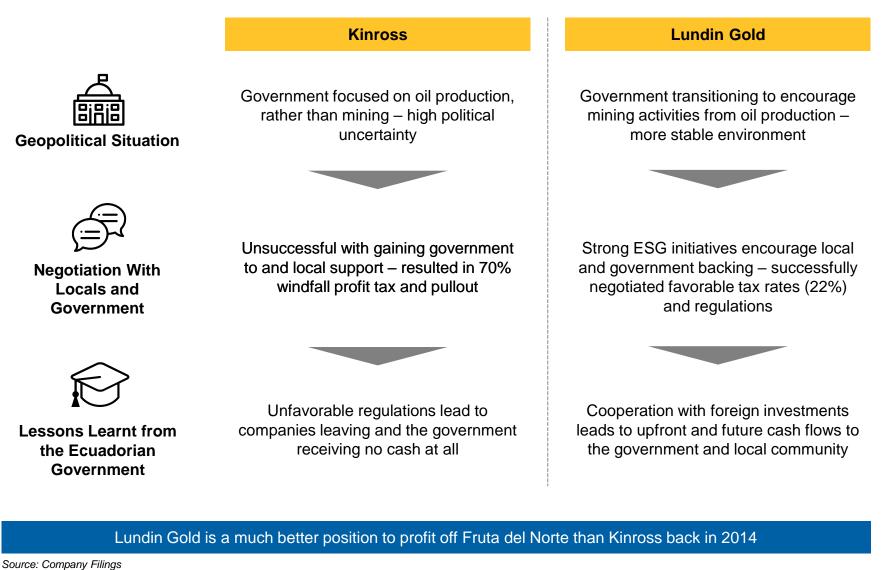


Under the guidance of the Lundin Foundation, Lundin Gold is able to successfully generate support from local communities

Source: Globe, Company Filings

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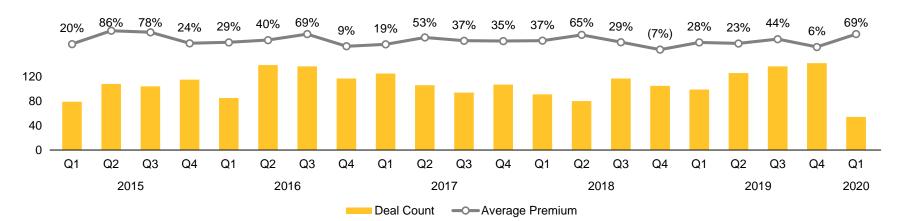
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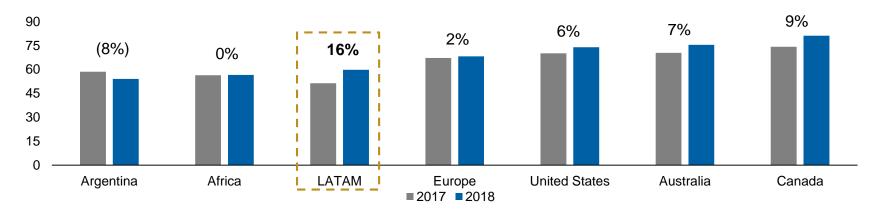


### Recent uptick in M&A premiums and increased appetite for LATAM

#### **Gold Mining M&A Activity**



#### YoY Investment Attractiveness by Region



Latin America remains attractive with continued investment inflow, resulting in increased acquisition premium

Source: Bloomberg



Strong fundamentals with few alternatives within the region

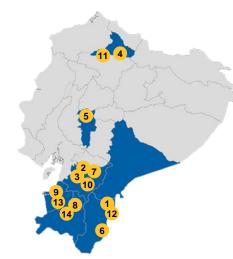
Fully financed project ready to be commercialized following rising gold price

### Low cost producer with high quality asset

"Always for sale, never for sale"

- Interview with Ron Hochstein, President and CEO of Lundin Gold

#### **Progress of Mines in Ecuador**



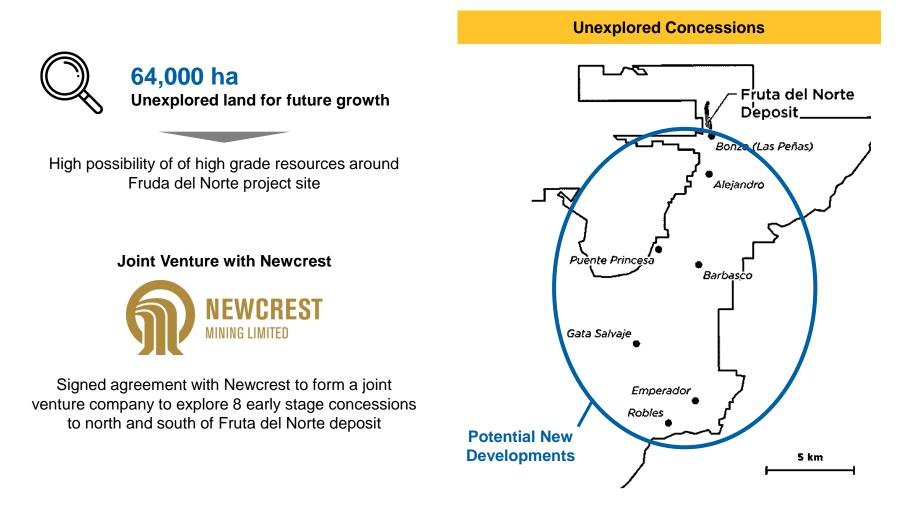
	Project Status		Project		Status
1	Fruta del Norte	Production	8	Cana Brava	Development
2	Rio Blanco	Suspended	9	Bella Maria	Development
3	Loma Larga	Pending	10	Barranco Colorado	N/A
4	Cascabel	Feasibility Study	11	El Palmar	N/A
5	Curipamba	Feasibility Study	12	Rio Zarza	Exploration
6	Cordor Gold	Exploration	13	Cangrejos	Development
7	Vetas Grandes	Exploration	14	Zaruma	Production

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Source: Bloomberg, Company Filings

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Much unexplored upside outside of Fruta del Norte



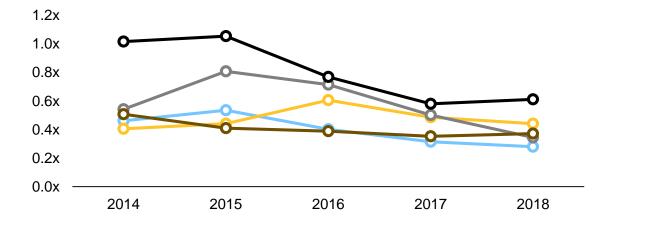
High quality assets of Fruta del Norte signifies high potential for deposits in surrounding areas

Source: Sandstorm, Company Filings

### Increasing appetite for potential acquirers



#### Debt-to-Equity Ratio of Top Select Global Metals & Mining Companies



#### LATAM Footprint

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### Increased capacity for senior miners to deploy capital by diversifying into Ecuador

Source: Bloomberg, Company Filings

SECTION IV



## **Comparable Company Analysis**

	Production (Moz)	Market Cap (B)	Enterprise Value (B)	EV/Production	P/NAV
Equinox Gold Corp.	0.20	0.93	1.14	5.68x	1.15x
Alamos Gold Inc.	0.50	2.39	2.19	4.37x	1.27x
Continental Gold	0.31	0.88	1.19	3.84x	1.30x
Sabina Gold & Silver Corp.	0.20	0.38	0.36	1.81x	1.77x
Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd	0.09	1.51	1.67	19.66x	0.97x
New Gold Inc.	0.50	0.56	1.14	2.29x	1.33x
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75th Percentile	0.45	1.37	1.55	5.35x	1.32x
Average	0.30	1.11	1.28	6.27x	1.30x
25th Percentile	0.20	0.64	1.14	2.67x	1.18x
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Lundin Gold Inc.	0.31	0.00	2.28	7.34x	0.88x
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Lundin Gold is trading at a discount despite its high-quality assets and the company's effort to mitigate geopolitical risks

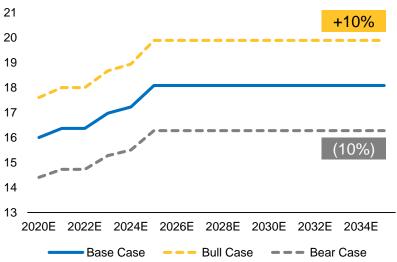
As Lundin Gold transitions from a developer into a junior producer, we expect further multiple expansion

Source: CapIQ

### **Assumptions**



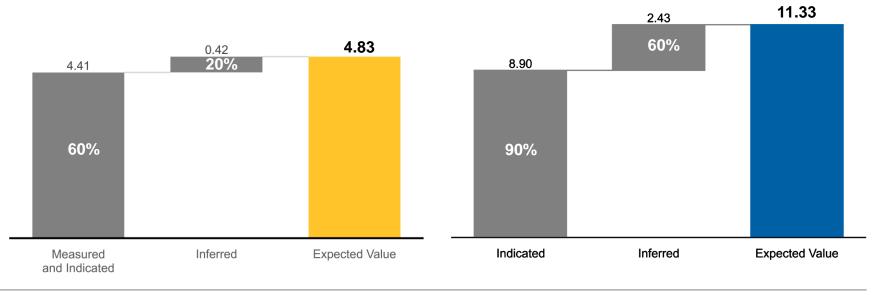
1,400 (10%) 1,300 1,200 2020E 2022E 2024E 2026E 2028E 2030E 2032E 2034E Base Case --- Bull Case --- Bear Case



### Assumptions



#### Silver Reserve Estimates (Moz)

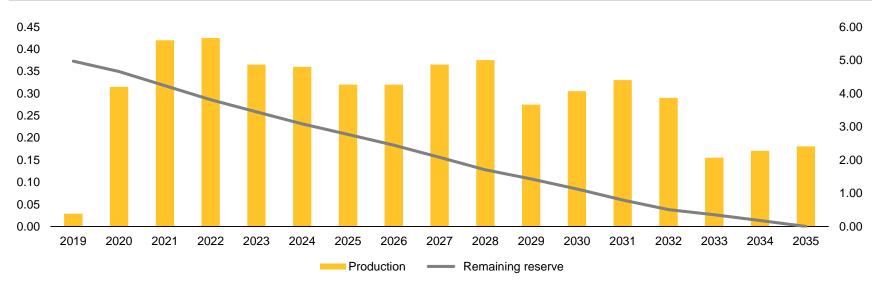


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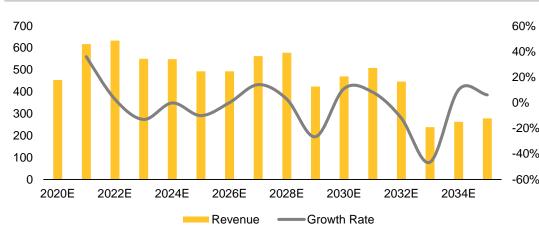


### **Gold Projected Production (Moz)**

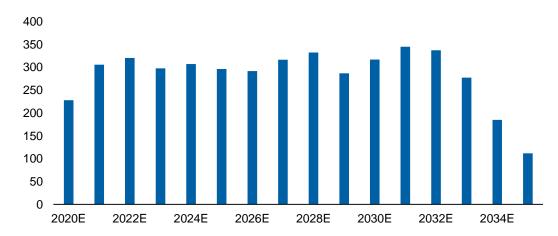


## NAV Model

### **Revenue Projection**



#### **Free Cash Flow Generation**



	WACC Calculation	
6	% of Debt	61%
,	Interest Rate	7.50%
6	Tax Rate	22%
6	% of Equity	39%
	Risk Free Rate	1.37%
	Equity Risk Premium	5.67%
%	Levered Beta	0.3
/0	WACC	4.77%
%	Country Risk Premium	4.00%
%	WACC+CRP	8.77%

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Cost of Project Calculation	
Risk Free Rate	1.37%
Project Cost	4.50%
Country Risk Premium	4.00%
Project Cost +CRP	9.87%

Bridge To Equity	
Discount Rate	9.32%
Sum of PV of Cash Flow	2,472
+ Cash	130
- Debt	773
Implied Equity Value	1,829
Shares Outstanding	223
Implied Share Price (USD)	\$8.20
e(USD/CAD)	0.73
Implied Share Price (CAD)	\$11.24
Implied Upside	16%

### Output and sensitivity analysis

#### **Bull, Base and Bear Cases**

		Key Assumptions	Investment Return				
	BULL Case	<ul> <li>Gold Price: Futures Curve + 10%</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Implied Share Price (CAD): \$12.98</li> <li>Implied Upside/Downside: 34%</li> </ul>				
AND	BASE Case	<ul> <li>Gold Price: Futures Curve</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Implied Share Price: \$11.24</li> <li>Implied Upside/Downside: 16%</li> </ul>				
	BEAR Case	<ul> <li>Gold Price: Futures Curve - 10%</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Implied Share Price: \$9.50</li> <li>Implied Upside/Downside: (2%)</li> </ul>				

#### Sensitivity Analysis: Discount Rate and Profit Sharing

#### Sensitivity Analysis: Discount Rate & Production

Discount Rate							Discount Rate								
		8.3%	8.8%	9.3%	9.8%	10.3%	0.5%			8.3%	8.8%	9.3%	9.8%	10.3%	0.5%
	6%	34%	29%	24%	19%	15%		-	-20%	-11%	-14%	-18%	-21%	-24%	
	9%	29%	24%	20%	15%	11%			-10%	7%	3%	-1%	-5%	-9%	
Profit	12%	25%	20%	16%	11%	7%		Production	0%	25%	20%	16%	11%	7%	
Sharing	15%	20%	16%	11%	7%	3%			10%	42%	37%	32%	28%	23%	
0	18%	16%	12%	7%	3%	-1%			20%	60%	54%	49%	44%	39%	
	3%								10%						

Attractive valuation target with high upside and limited downside in the long-run

### Output and sensitivity analysis

Worst Case Scenario





Lundin Gold gets nationalized by the Ecuadorian Government

Implied Price: \$0 Implied Downside: (100%)

#### Very Unlikely;

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It is not within Ecuadorian Government's interest to discourage foreign investment

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# **Risks & Catalysts**

### Catalysts Outweigh the Risks in the Long Term

**Risks** 

### **Country Risk**

Uncertainty surrounding the consistency of current mining policies, given historical political instability

### **Execution Risk**

Profitability variability affected by actual reserve amounts and difficulty to maintain costs

### **Exogenous Market Dynamics**

Volatility in gold price based on changing market conditions

### Catalysts

### **Increased Governmental Support**

Ecuadorian government pushes for additional tax deductions or subsidies and favorable mining developments

### **Boost in Operational Efficiency**

Experienced management executes on better-than-expected cost management and gold extraction

### **Exploration of Undeveloped Territories**

Expansion of mining operations in adjacent locations to Fruta del Norte

# Q&A

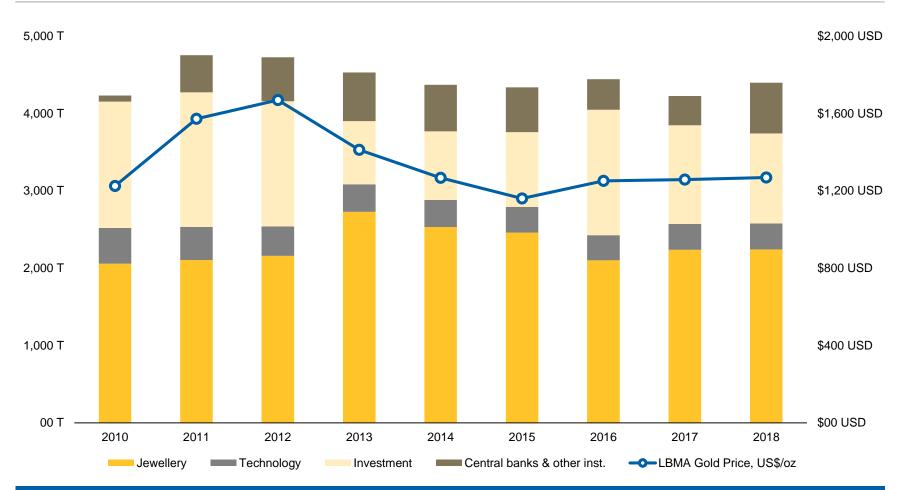
### SECTION V

# Breakdown of Global Gold Demand



### Gold is back in demand

#### **Drivers of Global Gold Demand**



Central banks and investors are diversifying towards gold, driving up price levels from 2015 lows

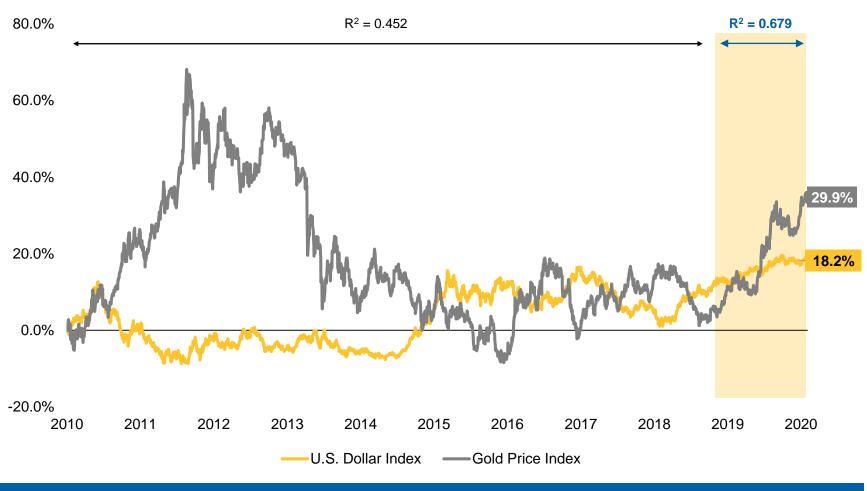
Source: Fraser Institute Survey of Mining Companies, World Gold Council

# U.S. Dollar and Gold Performance



### Increasing correlation between assets

#### Gold Price vs. U.S. Dollar Strength



In 2019, gold prices have been more correlated with the rising U.S. dollar

Source: Bloomberg

# Management

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### Highly experienced in execution and ESG



#### Ron F. Hochstein, P.Eng President, CEO & Director

Over 20 years of relevant industry experience 7 Years President & CEO of Denison Mines Corp



#### Ron F. Hochstein, P.Eng Vice President, Projects

Over 35 years of relevant industry experience Experience in Cerro Verde Expansion Project in Peru for Freeport-McMorran and Xstra Copper Project Development in Santiago, Chilie



#### Alessandro Bitelli Executive Vice President, CFO

Over 30 years of relevant industry experience Served as CFO of Orca Gold Inc. and Red Back Mining Inc. (2 African gold mining operations)



#### Nathan Monash Vice President, Business Sustainability

Led AngloGold Ashanti's sustainability efforts in Americas Worked for Rio Tinto Alcon for sustainable

business development principles



#### Sheila Colman Vice President, Legal and Corporate Secretary

Over 20 years of relevant industry experience Served as VP and Corporate Secretary of Denison Mines Corp.



#### Iliana Rodriguez Vice President, Human Resources

Over 20 years of relevant industry experience Held management positions with Kinross Gold Corporation and Occidental Oil & Gas Corporation working with multi-cultural environmental and diverse industries in South America, U.S. Middle East and Africa

Strong management gives investors confidence in mining operations continuing to develop in Ecuador

Source: Company Filings

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Impact of potential election outcomes



**Rafael Correa** 

President 2007-2017

Charged with taking and giving bribes

Criminal trial to commence on February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020



Lenín Moreno

President 2017-Current

Served as Mr. Correa's Vice President during his term

Began a charge against correísmo



Jamie Nebot

Guayaquil Mayor Four terms

Presidential aspirant for the February 2021 elections

Would continue the charge against correísmo

Foresee a continuation of the charge against correísmo and support of the mining industry moving forward

Source: The Economics (02.06.2020)