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### Ore reserves (slide 10)

Reserve grade for Oyu Tolgoi Underground – Hugo Dummett North and Hugo Dummett North Extension. Probable Ore Reserves for Hugo Dummett North and Hugo Dummett North Extension (499 Mt at 1.66% Cu, 0.35g/t Au) were released to the market in the 2018 Rio Tinto Annual Report on 27 February 2019 and can be found on p272 of that report. The Competent Person responsible for reporting of those Ore Reserves was J Dudley FAusIMM(CP).

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# A 'New Era' of complexity...

**Growing geopolitical** tensions

Changing economic development

**Technological disruptions** 

Higher societal expectations









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# ...creating challenges and opportunities for the industry

- Trade and tariffs
- Resource nationalism
- Cyber
- People movement

- ~3.5% global growth\*
- China 'New Era'
- Asia / ASEAN / Africa



- · Climate change
- Environmental footprint
- Wealth distribution

- Automation
- Carbon abatement
- Data / Al

# Our materials in a low carbon economy

## Iron ore

fundamental building block of industry and infrastructure



# Copper

primary electrical conductor and contributing to electrification of transportation



# **Aluminium**

light, strong, flexible, corrosion-resistant and infinitely recyclable



# **Minerals**

critical elements of new energy and battery technologies



- Structural shift to high grade
- Increased use of scrap
- Short-term supply disruptions

- Demand from electrification, renewables and EVs
- Restricted supply and high cost of development
- Hydro-based aluminium
- China capital intensity advantage
- Emission reduction policies

- Consumer driven
- EVs and power storage
- China inducing new supply

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# Our strategy has delivered value through the cycle

## **Superior cash generation**



World-class assets
Portfolio



Operating and Commercial excellence

Performance



Capabilities

People & Partners

**Disciplined capital allocation** 

**Balance sheet strength** 

**Superior shareholder returns** 

Compelling growth

# A strong 2018

# Delivering \$13.5 billion of cash returns

Financial performance

\$18.1bn

EBITDA\* on margin of 42%

\$11.8bn

Operating cash flows

**\$8.6**bn

Disposal proceeds\*\*\*

Divested coking coal,
 Grasberg and Dunkerque

Balance sheet

**\$0.3**bn

Net cash at Dec-2018

- Adjusted net debt of \$8.0 billion\*\*
- No bond maturities until 2020

Value creation

\$13.5bn

Total shareholder cash returns

\$2.9bn

Development capital investment

Approval of Koodaideri and Robe River replacement iron ore mines

19%

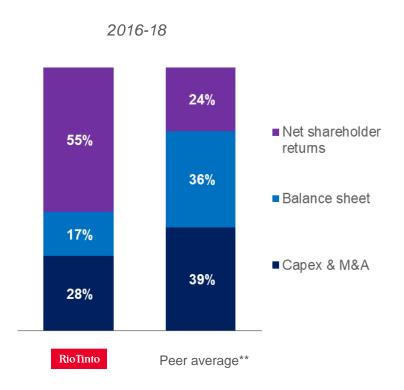
Return on capital employed\*\*\*\*



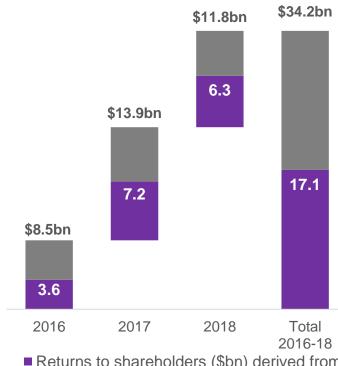
# Consistent, disciplined capital allocation Investment and shareholder returns delivered from operating cash flow



The most disciplined and balanced allocation of cash\* across the sector



50% of cash flow from operations returned to shareholders

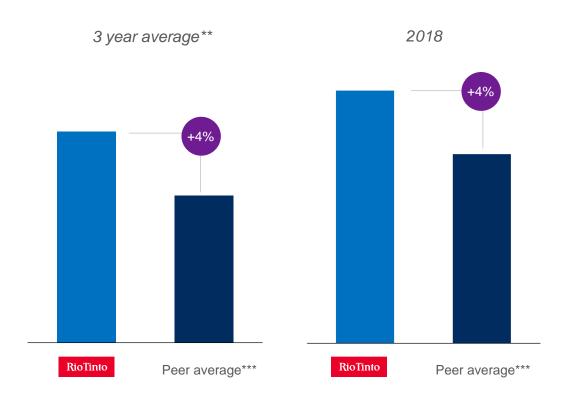


<sup>■</sup> Returns to shareholders (\$bn) derived from operating cash flow (excludes disposals)

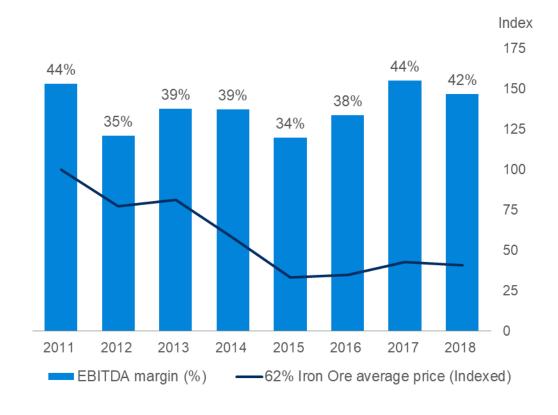
<sup>\*</sup> Cash generated defined as operating cash flow plus disposals. Shareholder returns defined as share buy-backs and special dividends (executed and announced during the period) plus dividends paid during the period less proceeds from share issuances to company shareholders | \*\* Simple average of peers comprising Anglo American, BHP, Glencore and Vale

# A robust and high return portfolio

## Our ROCE\* continues to outperform our peers



## **Resilient group EBITDA margins**



# Highly-valuable development opportunities

2% Cu equivalent growth to 2023

Oyu Tolgoi Underground Kennecott South Wall Pushback

Iron Ore replacement mines

**Zulti South Mineral Sands** 

Resolution Copper (unapproved)

Jadar (unapproved)

\$5.3bn development

Tier 1 asset with 499Mt\* reserves, 1.66% Cu, 0.35g/t Au **\$0.9bn** development to extend mine life

Higher Cu grades and reduced variability from late-2020

**\$2.6bn** Koodaideri: our "intelligent" mine

**\$1.55bn\*\*** Robe River replacement mines

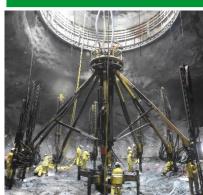
**\$0.5bn\*\*** approved in April to sustain capacity and extend the life of Richards Bay Minerals

Additional **\$0.3bn**\*\* approved in April to progress permitting

Shaft #9 deepening underway

Lithium-borates deposit in Serbia

Project progressing through PFS





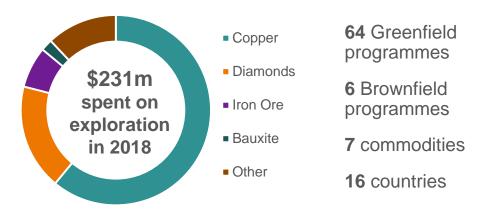








# Industry-leading exploration, with early success in copper at Winu



## Latest success at Winu:

- Copper-gold mineralisation intersected
- Mineralisation close to surface 50-100m
- 1.4 km of strike length open to North, South and East
- Western Australia, 100% owned
- Extensive drilling to continue in 2019



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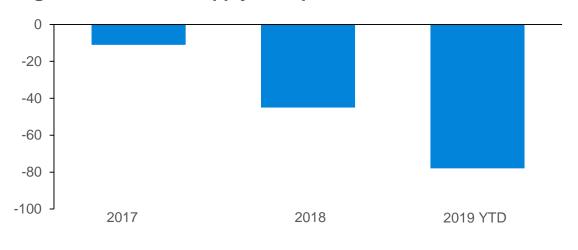
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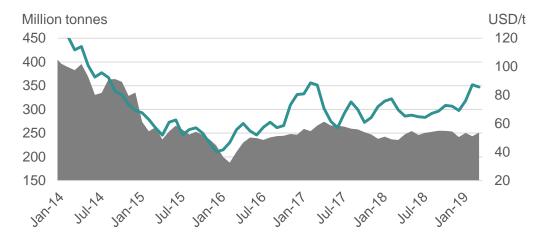
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# Robust steel demand and iron ore supply disruptions providing attractive fundamentals

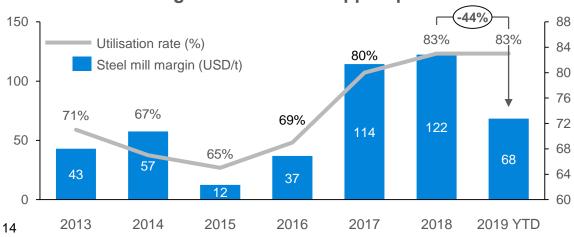
### Significant iron ore supply disruptions in 2018 and 2019

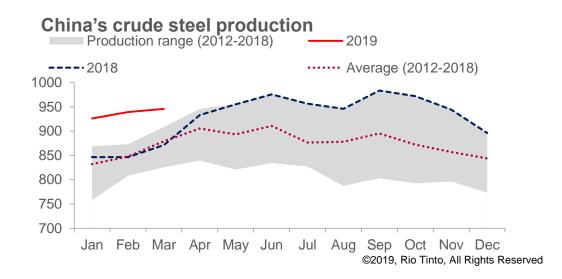


## **Obstacles to China domestic iron ore supply response**

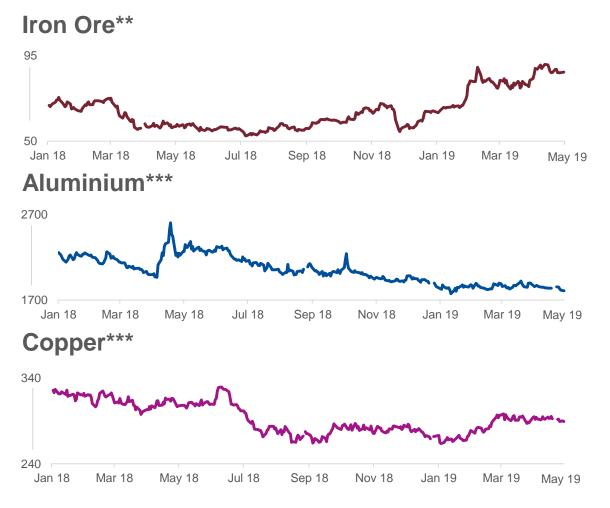


## Positive steel margins continue to support production...





# 2019 operating cash flow of \$16 billion\* at spot prices



## Iron ore

Solid growth in global steel production continuing in 2019 YTD Disrupted seaborne supply continues

## **Aluminium**

Robust global demand growth of ~4% Trade tariffs and uncertainty

## Copper

Macro headwinds affecting demand Low supply disruption in 2018



# Tailings storage facilities

32 operations

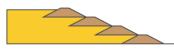
With active or inactive tailings storage facilities, including 3 non-managed operational sites and 4 legacy sites

facilities

Active or inactive, with an additional 36 facilities closed or under rehabilitation

# **Construction type:**

**Upstream** Centreline



**Downstream** 

facilities

19 active

2 inactive

facilities

10 active

4 inactive

24

facilities

16 active

8 inactive

Other\*

facilities

36 active

5 inactive

17 closed

3 closed

5 closed

11 closed



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\* Other includes Single embankment, No embankment - excavated storage facility, No embankment - dry stack, Lake discharge. Active includes tailings storage facilities under construction.