# CASTLE

# CÔTE D'IVOIRE EXPANSION

Acquisition-led reset: strengthened team and capital raise to power a two-country West African platform in a live discovery corridor



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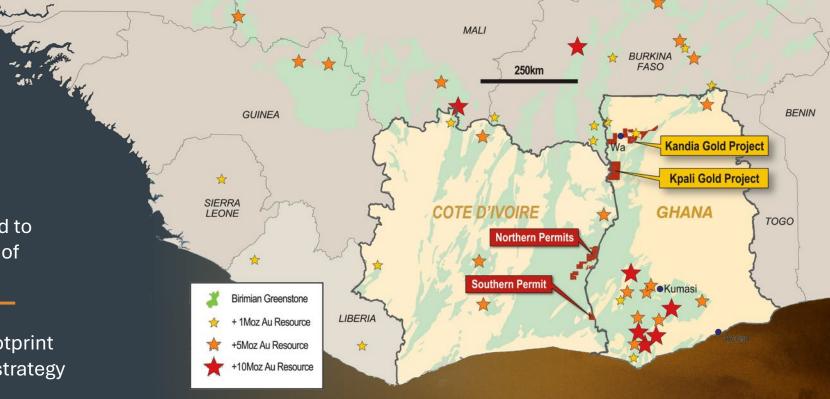
Leadership changes: West Africa specialists with deep on-ground experience, execution and recent value-accretive vend-ins

**Recapitalised and ready**: Spend directed to exploration, with shares proposed in lieu of Director's fees\*

**West African Platform:** district-scale footprint across Ghana + Côte d'Ivoire under one strategy

**Right address:** Proven fertile structures alongside active majors and fast-moving explorers, primed for discovery

**Momentum & news flow**: Back-to-back auger/RC programmes planned through 2025 and into 2026



# THE NEW CASTLE MINERALS



### **DEEP AFRICAN EXPERTISE \***



STEVE ZANINOVICH
NON-EXECUTIVE CHAIR\*

25 years' of experience in project development and production in West Africa, including roles as Technical Consultant for Atlantic Lithium's Ewoyaa Project and Project Director for the Bald Hill DMS Lithium Project in Australia. He is a Non-Executive Director for Aurum Resources and Operations Manager for Kodal Minerals.



MOHAMMED NIARE

NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND COTE D'IVOIRE BUSINESS

DEVELOPMENT MANAGER\*

A Malian mining veteran with 25+ years across Mali and Côte d'Ivoire. He's held senior roles at Randgold, Newmont, Resolute, African Gold (ASX:A1G) and Many Peaks (ASX:MPK), and is currently Kodal Minerals' Country Manager in Mali.



STEPHEN STONE
NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Extensive experience across exploration, operations, executive management and corporate development. Former Managing Director of Azumah Resources Ltd, where he led the discovery of the 2.5Moz gold resource and 1.2Moz reserve Black Volta Gold Project in Ghana.



MATT HORGAN
NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

African-focused mining executive with 14 years experience across engineering, investment banking, marketing and corporate development. Currently Vice President of Corporate development at Namibian-focused uranium developer Bannerman Energy.



PHILLIP GALLAGHER STRATEGIC ADVISER

Extensive experience in mineral exploration and project generation in Africa including Canyon Resources (ASX:CAY) and Lion Rock Minerals (ASX:LRM). [Castle is acquiring his100% interest in Mineral Holdings Limited (UK) which holds a 90% interest in Mineralis Limited (UK)]



\* BOARD CHANGES TO TAKE EFFECT FROM COMPLETION OF THE TRANSACTION

Active search underway to appoint a Chief Executive Officer.

Non-Executive Directors of restructured Board will not be paid cash director fees. Incentive rights to be issued in lieu<sup>1</sup>.

#### **MINERALIS ACQUISITION**

# STRATEGIC FIT IN A LIVE DISCOVERY CORRIDOR

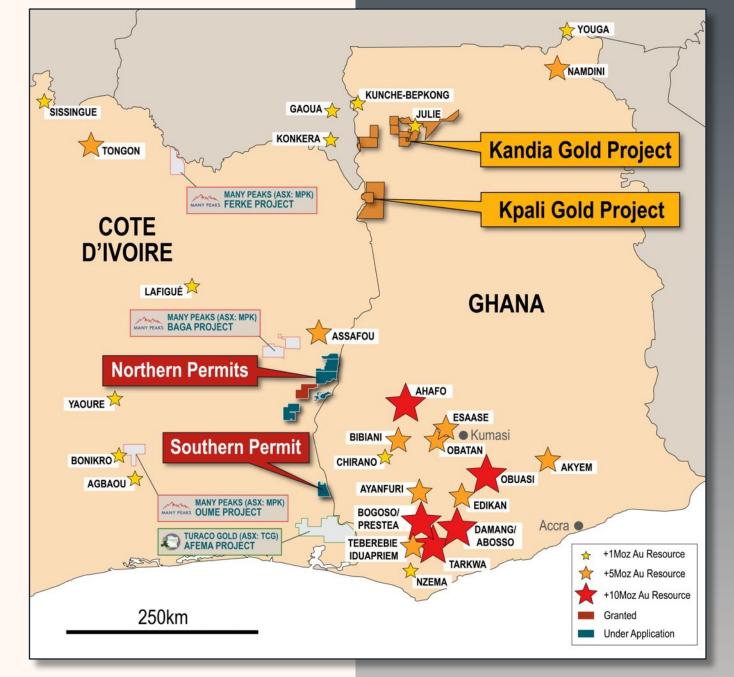
**Côte d'Ivoire entry:** Seven farm-in and JV permits (~1,842km²)

**Location:** ~25km to Assafou (north) and ~50km along strike from Chirano (south)

**Geology:** Ghanaian structures continue into permits, improves first-pass drill targeting

**Strategic fit:** complements Kpali (post-discovery) and Kandia (early discovery) in same Birimian rocks

**West African powerhouse:** ~4,000km<sup>2</sup> platform across Ghana + Côte d'Ivoire, two mining friendly jurisdictions





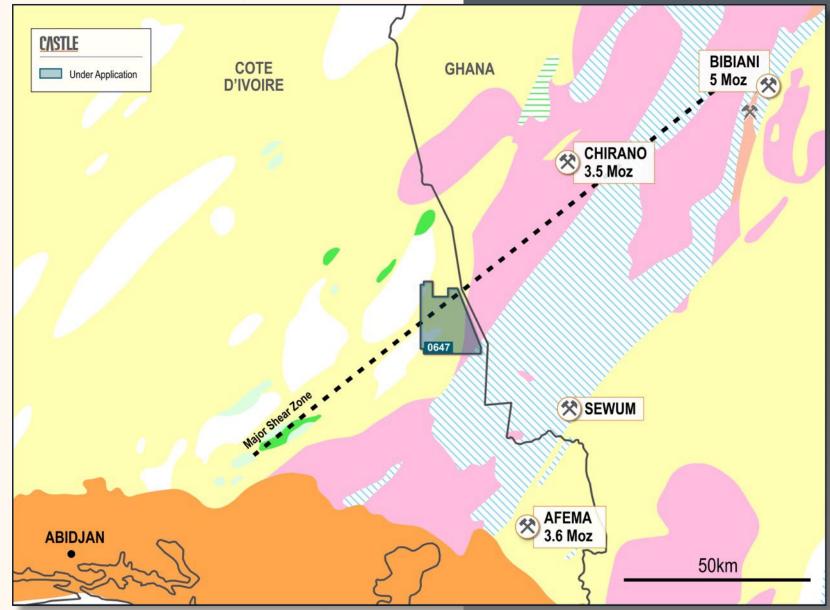
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# SOUTHERN EXPLORATION PERMIT

**Size:** 236km<sup>2</sup>, highly endowed structures and their splays continue into the permit

**Location:** at a contact between the Comoe Basin of Côte d'Ivoire and the highly endowed Birimian-age Bibiani-Chirano gold belt

**Geology:** geological setting is akin with the 3.6Moz Afema gold project





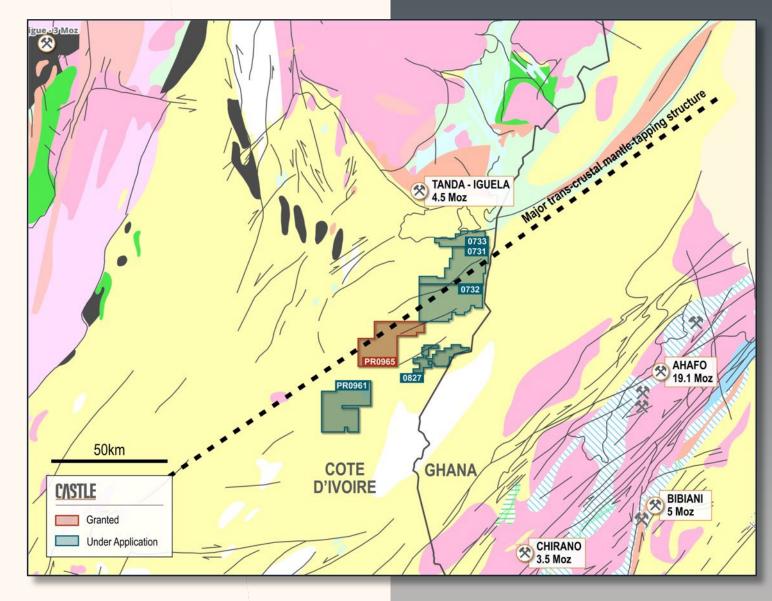
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# NORTHERN PERMIT PACKAGE

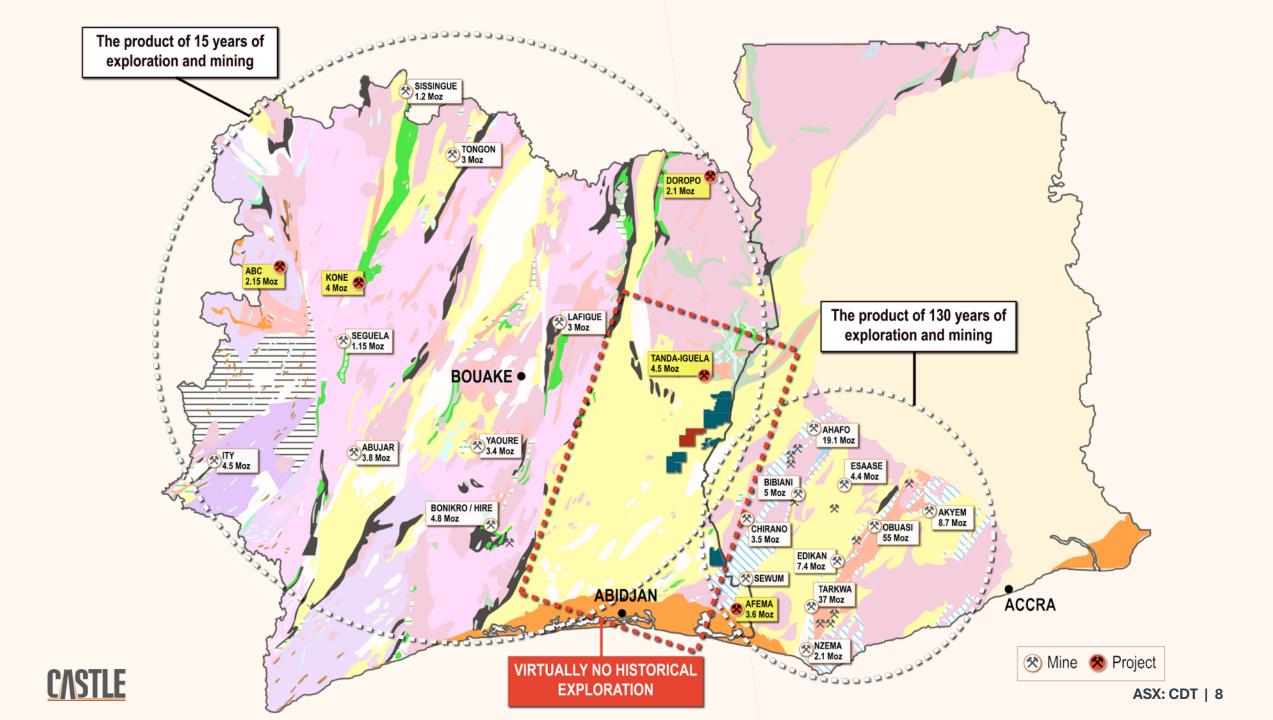
**Size:** 1,615km<sup>2</sup>, largely contiguous land package of five exploration permit applications and one granted permit

**Under-explored Côte d'Ivoire:** Tanda-Iguela (Assafou) was discovered in 2018 and fast-tracked to 4.5Moz

**Geology:** Regional-scale mapping of the Comoe Basin is low resolution. Mapping at Tanda-Iguela reveals Tarkwaian-like stratigraphy, host to the giant gold deposits in neighbouring Ghana









Proforma Capital Structure<sup>1</sup>

178.0m

Shares on Issue

115.7m

Options

23.9m

Performance Rights

A\$4.7m

Cash

A\$10.7m

Market Cap (\$0.06)

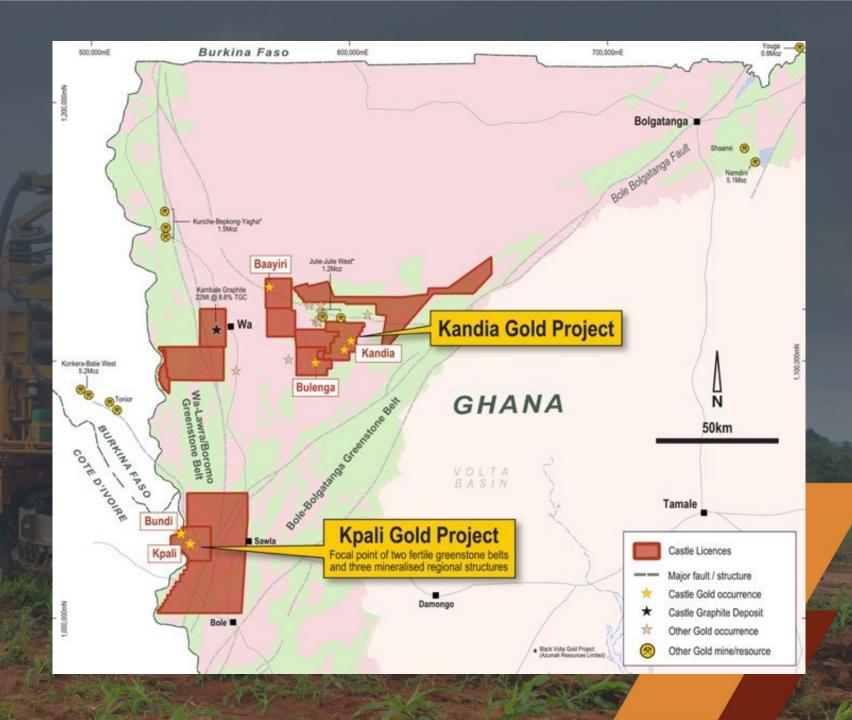
A\$6.0m

Enterprise Value

1. Proforma capital structure on completion of the placement and transaction (subject to shareholder approval).

# GHANA PORTFOLIO

TWO ADVANCED OPPORTUNITIES



#### **KPALI DISTRICT - GHANA**

## **NEW GOLD DISTRICT**

Greenfields discovery: No prior systematic exploration,

mineralisation defined from first-pass work

Fertile structural hub: Intersection of two greenstone belts with

three regional shears

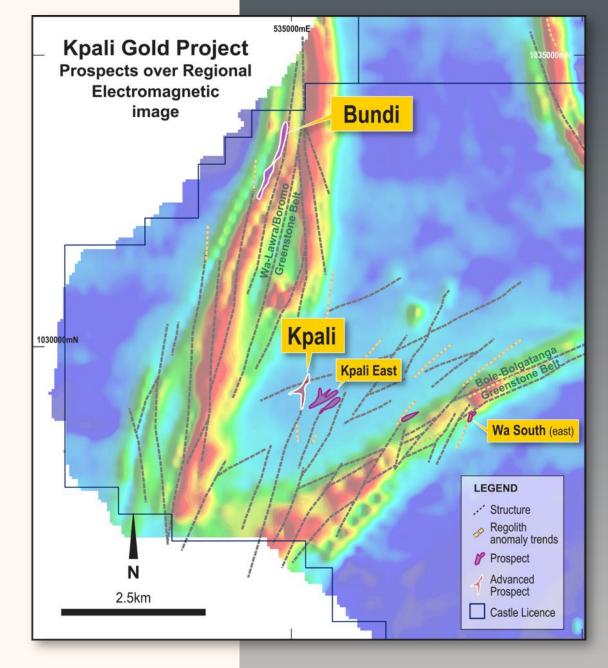
Shallow high-grade lodes: drilling confirms strong grades from

near surface, lodes remain open

District-scale upside: Multiple satellite remain largely untested

#### **Converging greenstone belts and structures**

- **53km of Bole-Bolgatanga shear**Hosts 5.10Moz Namdini & 1.3Moz Youga deposits
- **30km of Batie West shear**Hosts 3.3Moz Konkera deposit
- #3 15km of Wa-Lawra shear / Jirapa fault
  Hosts 1.4Moz Kunche / Bepkong / Yagha deposits





#### **KPALI DISTRICT**

## **EXPLORATION SUCCESSES**

23 RC drill holes for 2,793m completed June 2025

Successful extension of major lodes along strike and to depth

Numerous follow up targets

#### NOTABLE INTERCEPTS<sup>1</sup>

1m at 20.66 g/t Au

From 41m (25KPRC018)

7m at 2.22 g/t Au

From 178m (25KPRC025)

6m at 2.8 g/t Au

From 19m (25KPRC029)

19m at 2.93g/t Au

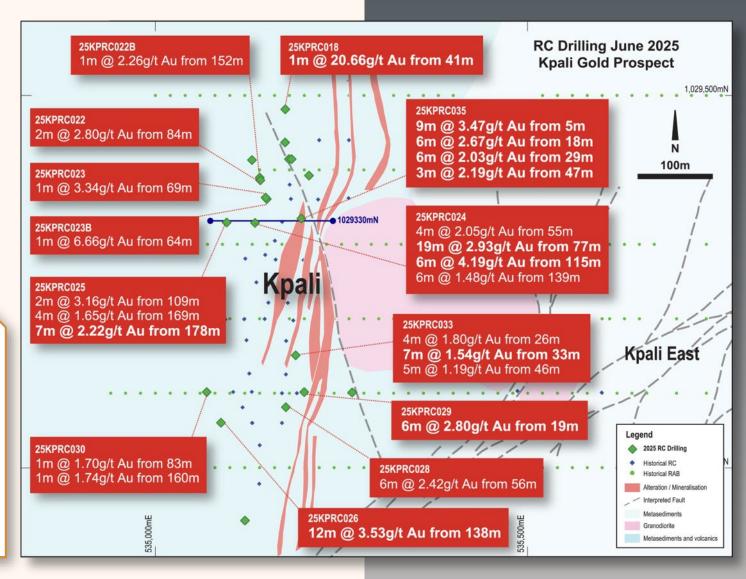
From 77m (25KPRC024)

12m at 3.52 g/t Au

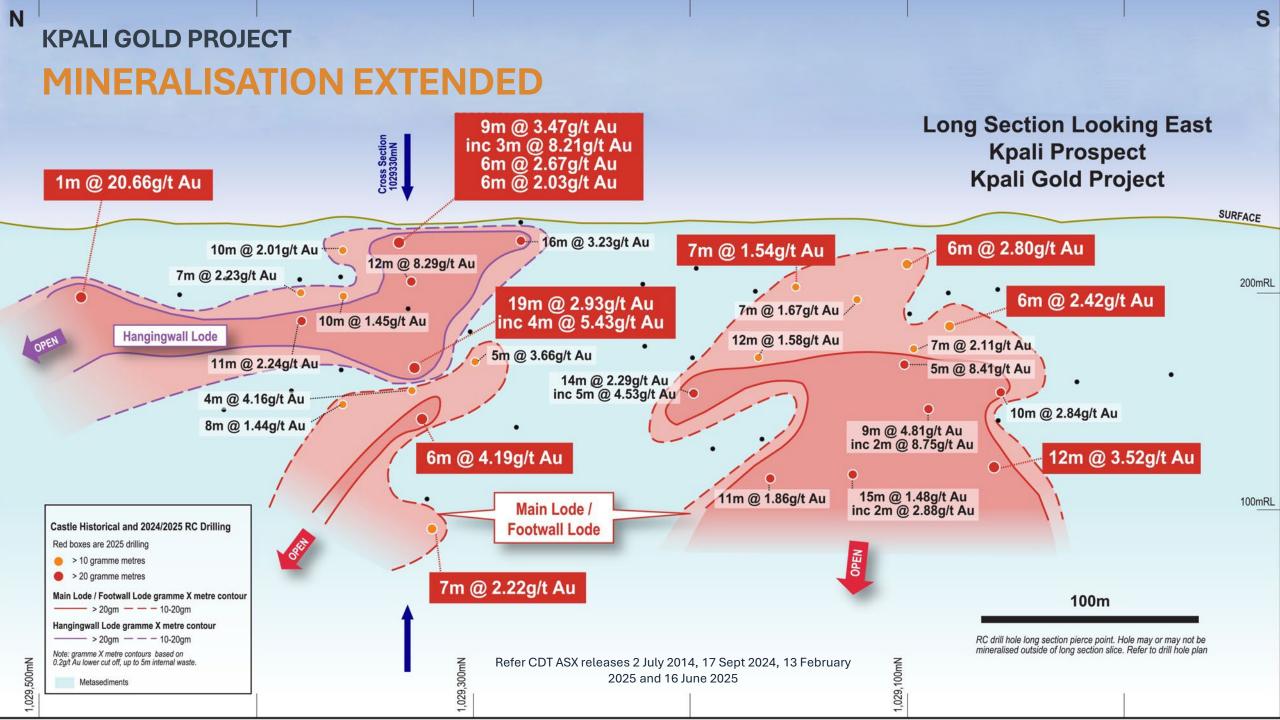
From 138m (25KPRC026)

9m at 3.47g/t Au

From 5m (25KPRC035)







## **KANDIA GOLD CORRIDOR**

**16KM OF PROSPECTIVE SHEARED CONTACT** 

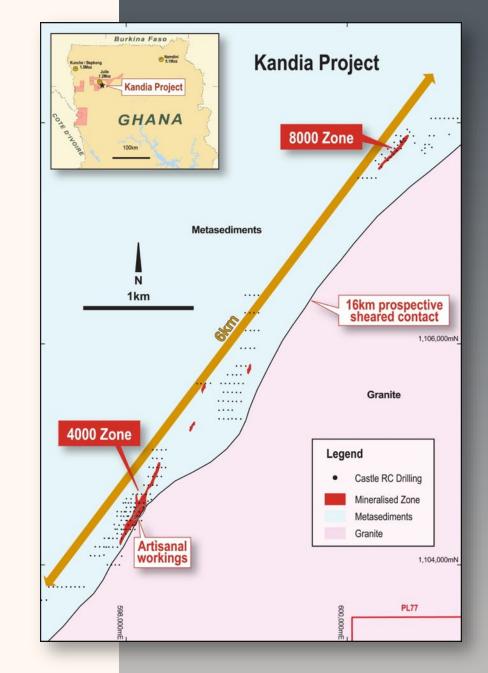
LIES ON FERTILE BOLE-BOLGATANGA SHEAR

SEVERAL ANOMALOUS ZONES IDENTIFIED

**ONLY 6KM OF ANOMALOUS STRIKE DRILL TESTED** 

DRILLING HAS CONFIRMED GOLD EXTENDS TO DEPTH

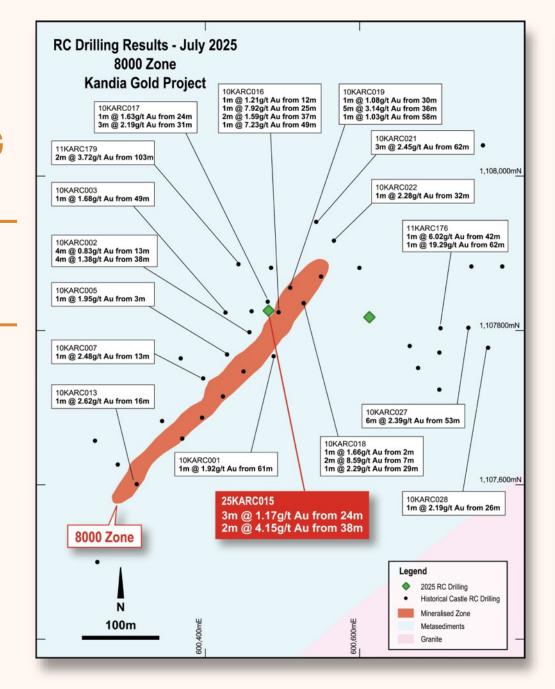
**CORRIDOR EXTENDS INTO BLACK VOLTA'S JULIE DEPOSITS** 

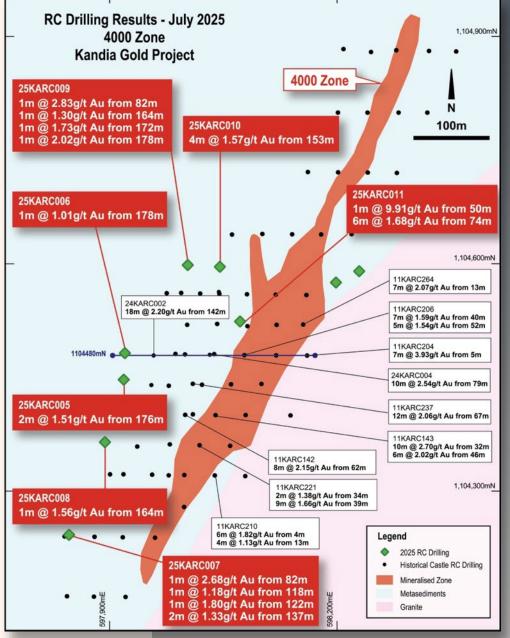




# KANDIA CORRIDOR DRILLING

**4000 AND 8000 ZONES** 







#### **KANDIA CORRIDOR**

# **WA EAST REGION**

#### **FAVOURABLE STRUCTURAL SETTING**

Analogous to many West African & Australian structurallycontrolled, orogenic gold prospects

#### **BROADSCALE GEOCHEMICAL ANOMALISM**

Highlights fertility of Birimian-dominated terrain

#### **MULTIPLE PROSPECTS**

Opportunity for large tonnages across several deposits

#### STRATEGIC POSITIONING

Proximal to pre-development Black Volta Gold Project

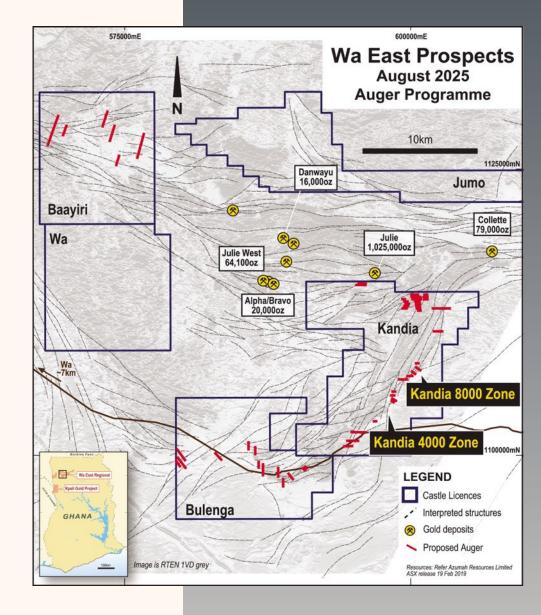
2.80Moz MRE at 1.7g/t Au<sup>1,2</sup>

1.37Moz Ore Reserve at 1.8g/t Au



1//ibaera.com/project-news/black-volta-gold-project-ghana/

<sup>2</sup>Refer Ibaera 1 September 2024 and Azumah Resources ASX release 2 July 2014



# ASSAFOU DISCOVERY

#### **ASSAFOU 25KM NTH OF NORTHERN PERMITS**

2016: Small drilling campaign

2018: Initial geochemical survey

2022: Discovery confirmed and maiden resource

2023: Resources increased

2024: PFS (329,000oz/annum). DFS underway

#### SIMILAR GEOLOGICAL SETTING TO KPALI

Hosted in meta-sandstones. Proximal to intrusives

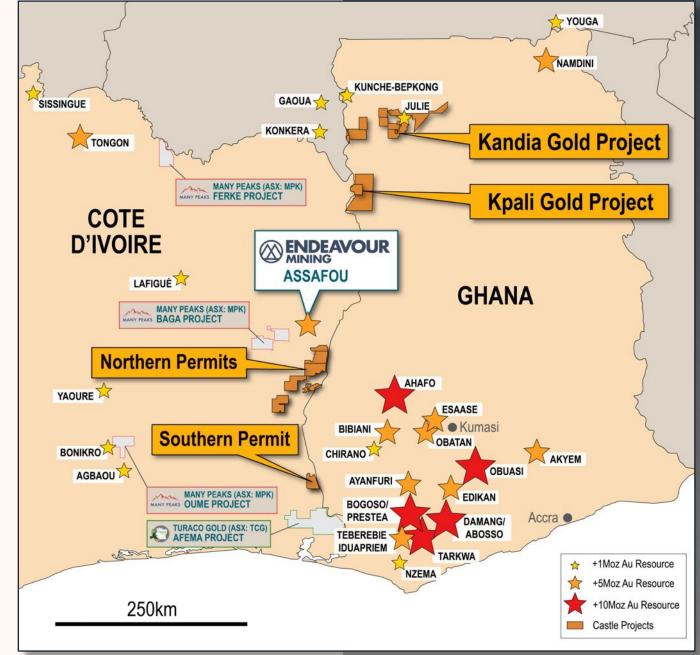
#### **RESERVES & RESOURCES:**

Reserves: 72.8MT at 1.76G/T Au (4.1Moz)

Resources 73.6Mt at 1.95g/t Au (4.6Moz)

#### **DISTRICT SCALE**

Several other structurally-controlled prospects hosted in preferential meta-sandstone lithology





# GHANA + COTE D'IVORE SAFE, STABLE, MINING FRIENDLY



**Premier gold postcode** 



Mining-friendly, fast-growing producer



Home to numerous gold 'whales'



**Underexplored but highly prospective** 



Regulatory stability



**Easy access & logistics** 



# **CASTLE MINERALS:**

# DISTRICT-SCALE FERTILE TENURE IN GHANA + CÔTE D'IVOIRE

#### **Premier Postcodes**

Ghana & Côte d'Ivoire, two of Africa's largest gold producers. Stable, long-established mining jurisdictions

#### **Exploration Expertise**

Team of West African experts assembled for exploration, management and project generation

#### **Extensive Tenure**

Over 4,000km<sup>2</sup>. One of the largest quality gold landholdings in West Africa

#### **Prospective Geology**

The right rocks and right structures in two fertile areas in a live discovery corridor

#### Active exploration programmes

Back-to-back RC and auger drilling campaigns across multiple prospects in 2025 into 2026 and beyond



# **MINERALIS PERMITS**

IVORIAN HOLDING COMPANY	PERMIT ID	STATUS	PERMIT SIZE
AFRICAN RESSOURCES	PR0965	GRANTED	343,1 Km²
AFRICAN RESSOURCES	PR0961	APPLICATION	362.3 Km²
ANGOBIA LIMITED	0731DMICM15/04/2024	APPLICATION	289,4 Km²
ANGOBIA LIMITED	0732DMICM15/04/2024	APPLICATION	370,46 Km²
SOHIE MINING	0827DMICM29/04/2024	APPLICATION	121,11 Km²
SWAMAN EXPLORATION	0733DMICM15/04/2024	APPLICATION	119,7 Km²
SWAMAN EXPLORATION	0647DMICM27/03/2024	APPLICATION	236,09 Km²





## **APPENDIX: TRANSACTION SUMMARY**

#### **Overview:**

- Castle to acquire 90% of the issued capital in Mineralis Ltd (UK), from Minerals Holdings Ltd (UK), a company owned by Phillip Gallagher.
   Messrs Zaninovich and Niare are business associates of Phil Gallagher.
- Mineralis has the right to earn in stages via agreed exploration expenditure milestones up to 90% on permits (one granted and six applications) (total 1,842km²) along the Côte d'Ivoire Ghana border.

#### **Consideration at settlement:**

- 5,250,000 ordinary shares and 9,000,000 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.12, expiring on 31 May 2028
- 5,625,000 Milestone A performance rights
- 9,375,000 Milestone B performance rights
- \$100,000 cash reimbursement

#### **Conditional consideration:**

- Subject to the grant of at least four applications out of six applications, 5,250,000 ordinary shares and 9,000,000 unlisted options exercisable at \$0.12, expiring on 31 May 2028
- \$337,500 on completion of Milestone A and \$562,500 on completion of Milestone B

#### Milestones:

- Milestone A: the delineation of an Inferred Resource of at least 500,000oz gold (or gold equivalent) at greater than 1.0g/t gold (or 1.3g/t gold equivalent) on the permits; and
- Milestone B: the delineation of an Inferred Resource of at least 1,000,000oz gold (or gold equivalent) at greater than 1.0g/t gold (or 1.3g/t gold equivalent) on the permits.

