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**Macquarie Australia Conference** 





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## Australian mid-tier gold producer



ASX Code EVN

Shares 716.8M

Market capitalisation <sup>1</sup> A\$717M

Daily turnover <sup>2</sup> A\$4.8M

Cash and unsold doré <sup>3</sup> A\$38.0M

Debt <sup>3</sup> A\$91.8M

Forward sales <sup>4</sup> 327,275oz at A\$1,539/oz

Dividend policy 2% of gold revenue

Newcrest 14.9% Allan Gray 7.8% Van Eck 6.6%

### Major shareholders

- 1. At 30 April 2015 (share price A\$1.00)
- 2. 3 month average to 30 April 2015
- 3. At 31 March 2015
- 4. At 31 March 2015. Forward sales to June 2018. Represent approx. 25% of expected production
- 5. At 30 April AUD:USD exchange rate of \$0.80







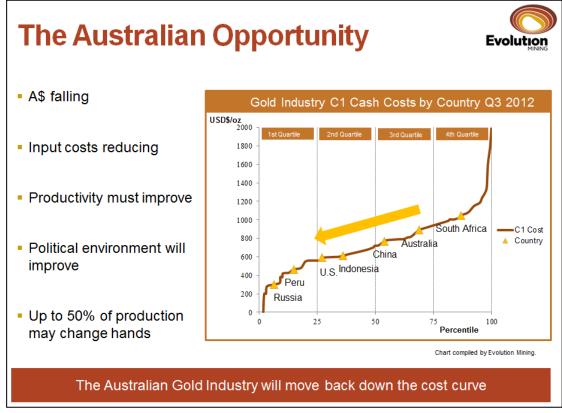
FY15 Guidance: 400koz – 440koz AuEq FY15 YTD AISC A\$1,032/oz (US\$825/oz)<sup>5</sup>

## Australia making a comeback



Evolution C1 cash costs – a compelling illustration:

- FY13:
  - A\$790 per ounce
  - AUD:USD FX¹ = \$1.025
  - US\$810 per ounce
- FY15 YTD (9 mths to March 2015):
  - A\$718 per ounce
  - AUD:USD FX² = \$0.80
  - US\$575 per ounce



Slide from Evolution Investor Presentation June 2013

 <sup>12</sup> month average over FY13

<sup>2.</sup> Spot rate at 30 April 2015

## Gold mining – a business



- Create shareholder value through three pillars – Operations, Discovery, M&A
- Focus on costs and productivity to drive profitability
- Disciplined approach to capital investment
- Upgrade the portfolio through discovery and opportunistic acquisitions
- Shareholder returns dividend linked to gold revenues



## Three pillars



## Creating shareholder value

Operations

Discovery

M&A

Act like owners to maintain a cost and productivity focus over the longer term

Using science and technology to improve probability of transformational discoveries

Improve the quality of asset portfolio through opportunistic, logical, value accretive acquisitions

## **Highlights**



3 ½ straight years of achieving guidance



**Development of Mt Carlton** 



Portfolio upgrade - La Mancha combination



**Strong financial position** 



**Expanding exploration pipeline** 



## Sustained annual cost savings



- Evolution has achieved sustainable Group-wide cost reductions of over A\$42.1 million per annum
- In addition, the Group is currently benefitting from lower diesel prices which have historically constituted between 5 – 7% of total site spend
- The range of reductions achieved on new contracts is between 5% 35%

Category of Cost Saving	Estimated Annual Saving (A\$M)
Owner miner – Cracow	18.0
Owner miner – Mt Rawdon	9.0
Drill & blast – Mt Rawdon, Edna May	5.1
Grid power	3.1
Debt refinancing	3.0
Exploration	1.3
Group supply - other	2.6
Total <sup>1,2</sup>	42.1

<sup>1.</sup> Table does not include additional savings made from other site specific initiatives and the positive impact of falling diesel prices in FY15

<sup>2.</sup> Planned move to 'owner maintainer' at Mt Carlton from May 2015 expected to save an additional A\$3.0 million per year

## March 2015 quarter highlights



#### **Production**

- Group production in line with guidance at 103,305 gold ounces
- C1 cash cost of A\$736 per ounce (US\$579/oz¹) and AISC² of A\$1,024 per ounce (US\$806/oz¹)

### Corporate

- Record quarterly free cash flow of A\$26.9 million
- A\$35 million debt repayment made debt under credit revolver facility reduced to A\$91.8 million
- Cash balance at 31 March 2015 of A\$32.5 million plus unsold dore and concentrate of A\$5.5 million
- Cash dividend (post-DRP) of A\$5.6 million returned to Evolution shareholders

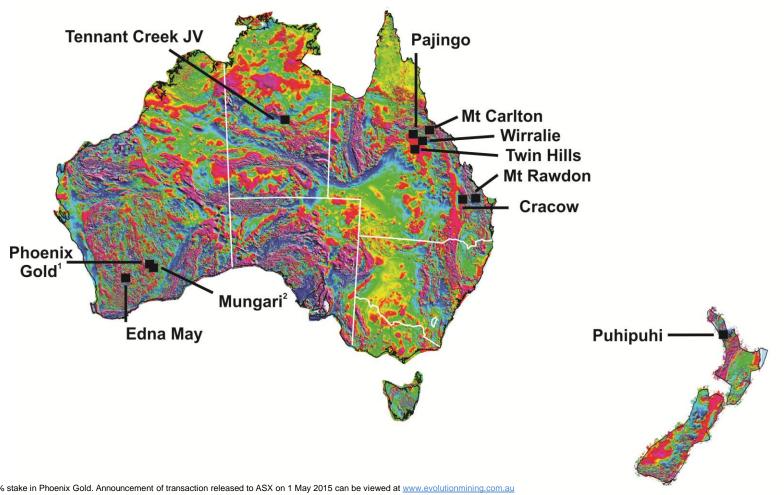
### **Discovery**

- Drilling at Pajingo (Camembert) continues to extend mineralisation towards existing resources
- Positive results from drill testing of Edna May Underground. First drilled hole (EMRCD002<sup>3</sup>) returned multiple significant intersections including 4.8m (e.t.w.) grading 12.49g/t from 268m
- Using an average AUD:USD exchange rate for the March 2014 quarter of 0.787
- 2. All-in Sustaining Cost includes C1 cash cost, plus royalty expense, plus sustaining capital expense, plus general corporate and administration expenses. Calculated on per ounce produced basis
- 3. Released in Evolution Mining March 2015 Quarterly Report on 20 April 2015
- e.t.w.: estimated true width

## **Discovery**



Commitment to invest a minimum of A\$20.0M per year to target transformational discoveries within our expanding and highly prospective Australasian footprint



Strategic investment of up to 19.9% stake in Phoenix Gold. Announcement of transaction released to ASX on 1 May 2015 can be viewed at www.evolutionmining.com.au

Subject to shareholder vote expected mid-July 2015. See "Evolution to Combine with La Mancha Australia" announcement released to ASX on 20 April 2015 which can be viewed at www.evolutionmining.com.au

## Recent discovery highlights



- Drilling at Pajingo (Camembert) continue to extend and define mineralisation towards existing resources
- First drilled hole testing Edna May underground returned multiple significant intersections including:
  - 4.8m (e.t.w.) @ 12.49g/t from 268m (EMRCD002¹)
- 18,000m drill program commenced at Tennant Creek Billy Boy prospect
- La Mancha combination contributes relatively under-explored 340km<sup>2</sup> tenement package
- Strategic partnership with Phoenix Gold to fund exploration focused on highly prospective Zuleika Shear
- Purchase of 100% interest in the Puhipuhi Project in New Zealand

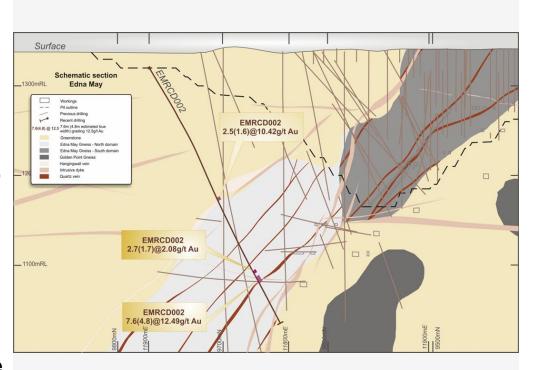


Figure 7: Edna May schematic section showing the first results of an infill resource definition drilling programme

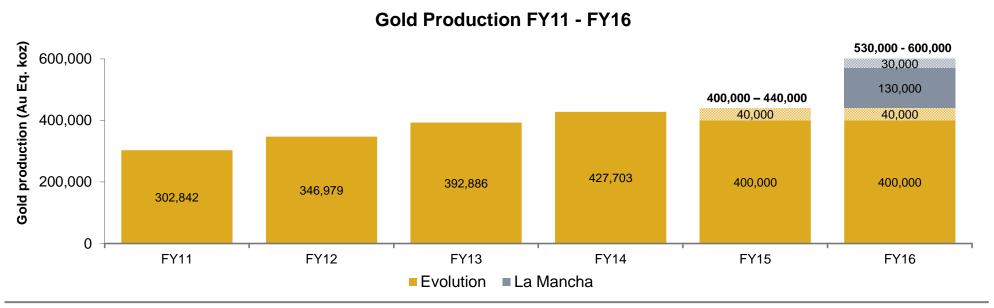
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Application of new technology and science is starting to deliver

## Portfolio management



- Create value through logical, opportunistic acquisitions
- Leverage off strong operational performance to upgrade the quality of the portfolio
- Make geological calls backing our discovery team
- Divest underperforming assets if a fair price can be achieved
- Exercise discipline and patience



### **Combination with La Mancha**



## Combination with La Mancha Australia

- Evolution to acquire 100% of La Mancha's Australian operations
- La Mancha to be issued with new shares in Evolution representing 31% of the enlarged share capital of the group
- Formation of a long-term strategic partnership with a shared vision to create a leading, globally relevant, mid-tier gold producer

#### Portfolio enhancement

- Addition of a large, high-quality production centre in the world-class and strategically important Kalgoorlie region of Western Australia
- Immediate contribution of 130,000 160,000 oz pa of production from La Mancha's Australian operations
- La Mancha's Australian assets lower Evolution's overall cost profile and extend mine life

### Creation of a leading Australian producer

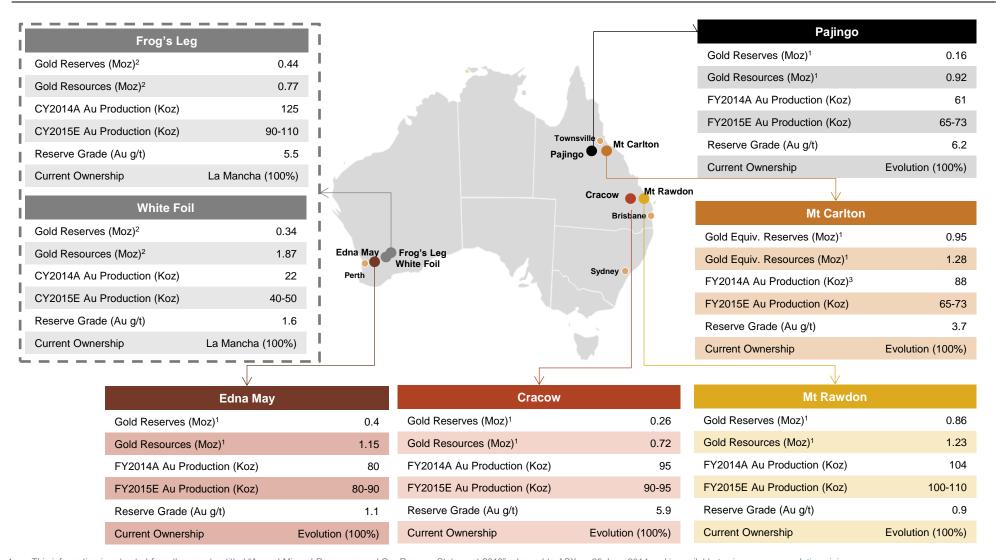
- Combined annual production of 530,000 600,000 oz
- Diversified production base with six operations located in Queensland and Western Australia
- Peer-leading margins to generate strong cash flows and shareholder returns
- Flexibility, scale and successful track record to further optimise combined asset base

## Platform for further growth

- Shared commitment to build the scale and portfolio quality sought by global investors
- Increased financial capacity to participate in industry consolidation and pursue ambitious growth strategy
- La Mancha support for further value accretive growth initiatives through in-principle commitment to provide up to A\$100 million in funding

## **Diversified Australian portfolio**





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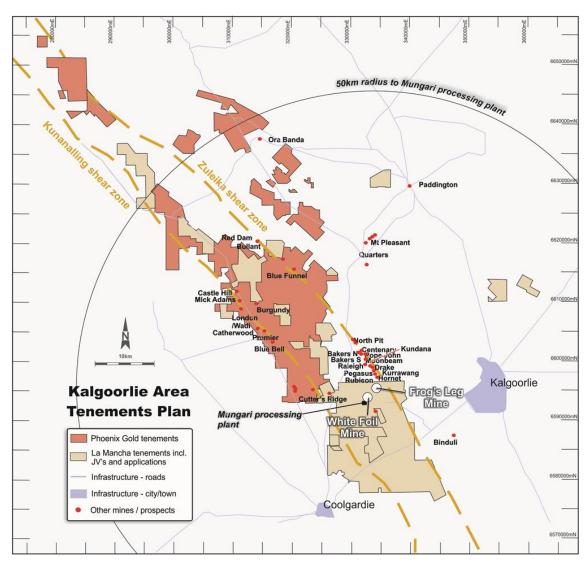
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Mt Carlton production recorded as payable gold production. Silver production from the A39 silver deposit at Mt Carlton is recorded as gold equivalent using gold to silver ratio of 1:65.2 for the September quarter 2013, 1:61.9 for the December quarter 2013, 1:62.5 for the March quarter 2014 and 1:65.6 for the June quarter 2014.

## Phoenix Gold strategic partnership



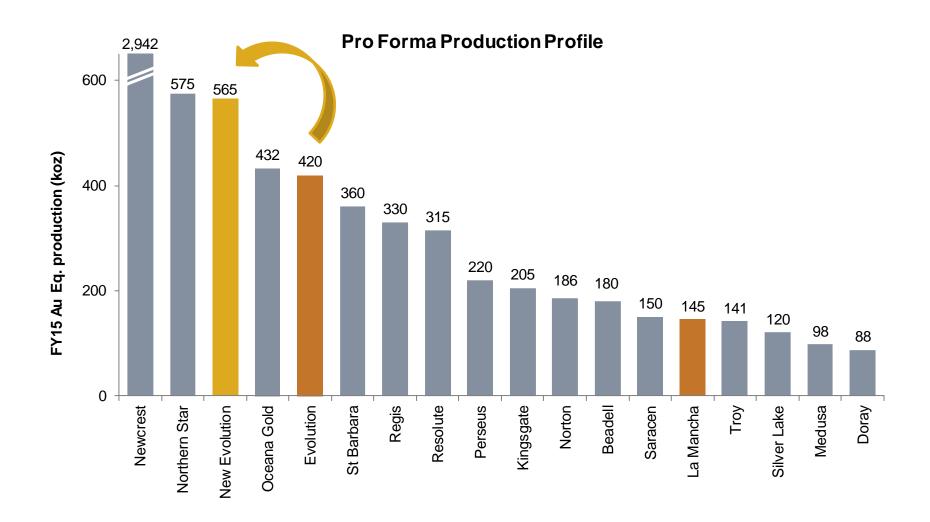
- Strategic investment of up to 19.9% stake in Phoenix Gold
- Tenement holding in a world class gold camp in close proximity to 1.5Mtpa Mungari processing plant
- Covers a significant strike length of the highly prospective Zuleika Shear and Kunanalling Shear
- Exploration targets geologically similar to Frog's Leg and White Foil
- A\$9.0M investment
  - Tranche 1: 44.0M shares at 7.5c
  - Tranche 2: 61.9M shares at 9.2c



Location of La Mancha's Australian operations and Phoenix tenements

## A leading Australian gold producer





Production figures based on the mid-point of company guidance

CY15 (Jan-Dec) production figures have been used where a company does not report a FY production figure

### **Pro forma metrics**

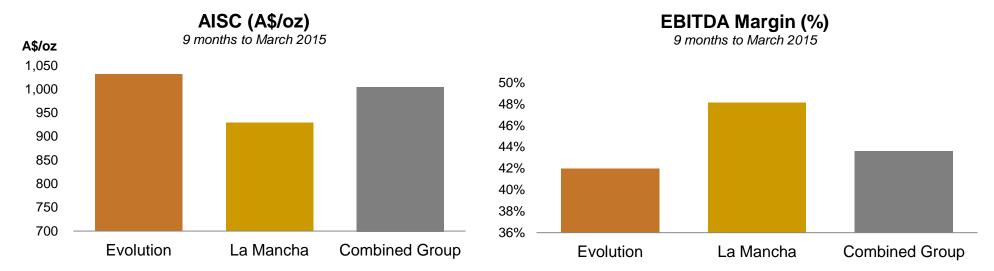


Annual Production (koz) <sup>1</sup>	
AISC (A\$/oz) <sup>2,3</sup>	
EBITDA Margin (%) <sup>2</sup>	
Gearing (%) <sup>4</sup>	
Reserve (Au Eq, Moz)⁵	
Resources (Au Eq, Moz) <sup>5</sup>	

Evolution	
400 - 440	
1,032	
42%	
5.5%	
2.6	
5.7	

La Mancha	
130 - 160	
928	
48%	
28%	
0.8	
2.6	

<b>&gt;</b> -	Combined	Change
	530 - 600	+35%
	1,005	- \$27/oz
	44%	+ 2%
	12.5%	+7.0%
	3.4	+ 31%
	8.4	+47%

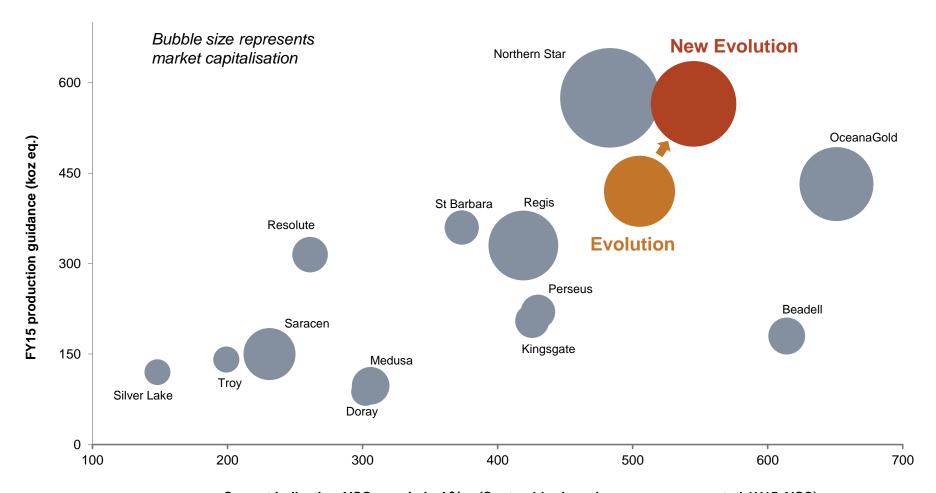


- FY15 guidance
- 2. 9 months to March 2015 actuals. La Mancha costs impacted by ramp up and stripping of White Foil open pit operation.
- 3. AISC (All-in Sustaining Cost) includes C1 cash cost, plus royalty expense, sustaining capital expense, general corporate and administration. Calculated per ounce produced
- 4. Based on projected debt levels at 30 June 2015

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## Stand-out production and margins





Current indicative AISC margin in A\$/oz (Spot gold price minus company reported 1H15 AISC)

- 1. Data sourced from company reported figures and guidance where available. Analyst reported figures used if company guidance is not available
- 2. Spot gold price of A\$1,540 used in analysis (spot gold price of US\$1,201/oz and spot AUDUSD exchange rate of 0.779)
- 3. CY15 (Jan-Dec) production figures have been used where a company does not report a FY production figure
- 4. USD reported AISC converted to AUD at the average AUDUSD rate over the relevant period
- 5. Evolution AISC (All-in Sustaining Cost) includes C1 cash cost, plus royalty expense, sustaining capital expense, general corporate and administration. Calculated on per ounce produced basis

## The Evolution value proposition



### Australia

- Low risk first world jurisdiction
- Third largest gold producing country globally
- Globally competitive on costs

### Delivery

- Delivering on guidance since creation
- Delivered a significant growth project Mt Carlton
- Delivering a value accretive acquisition La Mancha

### Gold dividend

Dividend linked to gold production and gold price

### Growth

- Exploration funded through strong cash flow
- Opportunistic, logical, value-accretive acquisitions

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