Unlocking ASEAN Mineral Potential
learning from the past, looking to the future

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1984: CSA Group was founded in Ireland.
1986: Australian branch setup in Perth, later incorporated as CSA Australia.
1990: Lisheen discovery, first international growth phase.
2000: Diversification strategy – commodities, services, regions.
2006: Acquisition of Finore P/L, CSA Consulting International established.
2009: Additional Australian branch office opened in Darwin, Northern Territory.
2010: Indonesian office opened, new headquarters in West Perth, Western Australia.
2011: Third Australia branch office opened in Brisbane, Queensland.
2013: Established CSA Global Rus in Moscow to service the CIS region.
2014: CSA Global Singapore office established.
2016: CSA Global Toronto and Dubai offices established.
CSA Global in Southeast Asia

- More than 20 years experience throughout Southeast Asia
- CSA Global subsidiaries in Singapore & Jakarta, associates throughout the region
- Projects undertaken from regional targeting to exploration to production
- Independent consultancy role – provides investor, government & community perspective
- CSA Global history and global exposure provides a unique view to ‘benchmark’ the mining industry in Southeast Asia

Lisheen Zn-Pb-Ag Discovery, Ireland, 1992; managed by CSA Global

Cho Don Zn-Pb-Ag Project, Vietnam, 1994; managed by CSA Global
History of Mining in Southeast Asia
Mining in Southeast Asia

**Historical**

- Long mining history – Bronze age mining and smelting in Thailand, Vietnam and Lao; Ban Chiang, Phu Lon
- Ancient shafts uncovered at the Khanong pit, Sepon Copper Mine
- Historic mining, especially of gold, underpinned the great Southeast Asian civilisations
- Colonial period saw larger mines developed – e.g. **Bawdwin** (Myanmar), **Lepanto** (Philippines), **Lebong Tandai** (Indonesia), **Cho Dien** (Vietnam), **Bau** (Malaysia) **SE Asia Tin Belt** (mostly alluvial/colluvial), **Malaysian Gold Belt** etc.
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Post-Colonial – Cold War & Vietnam War

- Nationalisation in several countries, degradation of old mines and reduction of mineral production, e.g. Myanmar
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Myanmar Zn-Pb production
Post-Colonial – Cold War & Vietnam War

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- Limited exploration and new mine development, except:
  - Indonesia – CoW system stimulated regional exploration and mine development; Ertsberg, Soroako, Pomalaa Ni Laterite, etc.
  - Philippines – strong colonial-era mining industry continued with indigenous and foreign capital; Lepanto, Atlas, Benguet Marcopper, etc., also Ni laterite, Surigao etc.
- Often poor environmental controls when mines were developed, e.g. Mamut (legacy AMD issues), Monywa (concentrate plant, tailings spill), Kyaukpahto (concentrate plant and roaster, tailings spill), Ertsberg (riverine tailings disposal)
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Post-Cold War – Globalisation

- Increased appetite for foreign investment to deliver growth; new mining laws in several jurisdictions
- Socialist states investment liberalisation; Đổi Mới etc.
  - Lao MEPA system introduced – led directly to the Sepon and Phu Bia discoveries
  - Vietnam & Myanmar; brief phase of foreign investment
- 1990’s mining boom – increase in exploration activity across the region, especially Indonesia
- A few big mines developed, e.g.:
  - Indonesia; Batu Hijau, Mesel, Gosowong, Mt Muro, Kalimantan coal, Sulawesi Ni-laterite
  - Lao; Sepon, Phu Bia
  - Thailand; Padaeng (1980s), Chatree
  - Myanmar; Monywa redevelopment (heap-leach/SX/EW)
  - Philippines; ...... Rapu-Rapu, Ni-laterite
  - Malaysia; Penjom
- Rising standards in the international mining industry; general acceptance of high environmental standards and a “social license to operate”
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1998-2004 Downturn

- Global mining industry downturn of late 1990’s terminated the ‘mini-boom’ in Southeast Asia exploration
- Asian financial crisis and Bre-X fraud provided a “triple whammy”
- Coincided with rising resource nationalism and environmental & community anti-mining activism
- Indonesia CoW system suspended
- Projects stalled, e.g.:
  - Thailand; Udon Thani potash, Phu Thep Cu-Au
  - Philippines; Tampakan Cu-Au, King-King Cu-Au
  - Vietnam – Nui Phao W-Cu-Au, Ban Phuc Ni, Da Lat bauxite
- Increasing environmental awareness often stimulated by other natural resource exploitation, especially logging; e.g. 1988 Thailand floods led to establishment of conservation forests & watershed reserves
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• Increasing scale & extent of ‘informal’ mining reflecting social issues, increasing organisation, & demand for resources due to economic growth in the region

• Fuelled by corruption and capacity failure; short-term return for the few wins out over long-term economic benefit for the many

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2005-2012 Commodities ‘Supercycle’ Boom

- Commodities driven to peaks by China growth
- Mainland SE Asia
  - Limited exploration and almost no significant new mine developments; reflects continuing unfavourable investment regimes, e.g. end of MEPA system in Lao PDR
  - Nui Phao W-Cu-Au-Bi-F, Ban Phuc Ni in Vietnam
  - Okvau Au discovery in Cambodia – new frontier for exploration
- Indonesia
  - Exploration & development continued on CoW’s; e.g. Martabe Gold Mine
  - Coal and Ni boom – contributed to environmental problems in Indonesia and Philippines and negative feedback for industry
  - Exploration stalled, CoW freeze and IUP system
- Philippines
  - Limited exploration & development, Co-O, Dinkidi, Masbate gold mines; Boyangan porphyry Cu-Au discovery
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Boom to 2012-2016 Crash

- **SE Asia missed the boom**, with the partial exception of Indonesia
- **Boom in SE Asia mostly occurred in poorly regulated mining by small-scale operators & artisanal miners**
- Larger Ni-laterite, coal and bauxite mines also often developed to poor standards
- 2012-2016 downturn crippled the industry, coinciding with rising resource nationalism
- Export ban in Indonesia devastated mining and exploration
- Continuing delays in project development in the Philippines; new political uncertainty
- Myanmar political changes open up a new frontier?
- Licence moratoria in Lao, Cambodia, Thailand
- **No movement anywhere in SE Asia to encourage responsible risk investment through best-practice operational frameworks**

**Indonesia coal & mineral production**

Source: Coal is from MoEMR and Petrominer (January 2016), whilst the minerals are from the US Geological Survey.

**Illegal laterite strip mining by Chinese-Philippine consortium, Philippines**

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Where to from here?

• High mineral potential and limited exploration, especially modern exploration, enhances opportunities for shallow discovery in many parts of the Southeast Asia region

• Limited past exploration means that **high-risk investment in exploration** is essential to underpin discovery and mining industry development

• Responsible investment can underpin a modern best-practice mining industry with community support & limited environmental footprint

• Major potential contributor to growth especially in underdeveloped countries & regions

• Exploitation of local people for a short-term quick buck or responsible investment in exploration and mining for the benefit of all stakeholders?

**THIS**

**OR THIS?**
Drivers of MINEX Investment

Macro factors

• Provide operating paradigm but cannot be locally influenced, e.g.:
  – World economy – *growth, urbanisation, standard of living*
  – Commodity prices – *growth & demand / supply issues*
  – Access to capital – *market sentiment driven*

Local factors

• Not influenced by economic development & policy settings, e.g.:
  – Geological – *well endowed in economic minerals*
  – Prospectivity – *track-record or under-explored*

• Influenced by local economic conditions and policy settings
  – Regulatory & Operational
    • Regulatory environment – *laws, regulations, policy etc.*
    • Ease & cost of business set-up and administration
    • Data – *access to regional geological & exploration data, pre-competitive data availability*
    • Bureaucracy & corruption – *minimise for efficient operation*
    • Infrastructure framework – *transport, power, etc.*
    • Services & workforce – *availability and cost*
  – Security & health risks – *security, civil unrest, disease*
How does SE Asia rate?

- **Investment Attractiveness Index** combines geological potential and investment framework
- Perception of SE Asia is poor to very poor in the international mining industry
- Investment perception is critical in terms of responsible mining industry investment
How does SE Asia rate?

- Fraser Institute 2015 **Best Practices Mineral Potential Index** – perceived geological potential assuming ideal investment environment
- Local geological factors without influence by government factors
- Perception of SE Asia mineral endowment and prospectivity is positive
- Highlights OPPORTUNITY to attract foreign investors by modifying investment environment
How does SE Asia rate?

- Fraser Institute 2015 **Policy Perception Index**
- Local regulatory and operational factors that can be influenced by government laws, policy & procedures
- The international perception of SE Asia jurisdictions is poor to abysmal
- Presents OPPORTUNITY to attract investment to match perceived potential by modifying policy settings
2015 Exploration Budgets

- Worldwide non-Fe exploration budgets fell by 19% in 2015
- SE Asia attracts a tiny and falling proportion of global exploration budgets
- Most of this is in Indonesia, Philippines and PNG; mainland SE Asia attracts minimal investment in exploration
- Increased exploration will only occur with improved international perception that can only be achieved by improved policy settings operating environments
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Source: SNL Metals & Mining, an offering of S&P Global Market Intelligence
Geology, Metallogeny, & Mineral Potential in Southeast Asia
- SE Asia occupies the eastern Tethyan belt, long-lived Palaeozoic to Neogene orogenic belt
- Important metallogenic belt, accretionary terrains with volcanic arc belts and micro-continental blocks

From Reynolds & Large, 2010, SEG Special Publication 15
• Mainland Southeast Asia is a collage of continental fragments rifted from Gondwana between the Devonian and Permian and accreted to Asia between the Triassic and Cretaceous.

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Understanding of mineral potential depends on understanding of this tectonic evolution and related mineral systems.
Metallogeny

- Large to world class deposits of Cu, Cu-Au-Mo, Au-Ag, REE, Ni-Cu, Fe, Fe-Ti-V, Zn-Pb-Ag, Sn-W, and Al exist in metallogenic belts that occur in SE Asia and adjacent China.

- Mineral-system understanding in the context of regional metallocenegetic belts can be used to prioritise potential and opportunities.

- This provides a guide to explorers but also to policy makers.

- Understanding and promotion of the mineral potential on a metallogenic belt and mineral-system basis will help promote exploration in mineral exploration in Southeast Asia.
Examples of Priority Mineral System Plays in Southeast Asia
Mineral Potential in SE Asia

Tertiary Volcanic Arcs – Philippines, Indonesia & Myanmar

- World-class Cu-Au & Au orebodies – porphyry and epithermal; Grasberg/Ertsberg, Lepanto/Far Southeast, etc. etc.
- Miocene to Pleistocene age
- Complex, young active continental margins in convergent zone between Australia and Asia (Sundaland)
- Philippines & Indonesia arc belts have potential to rival Latin America in Cu and Au production
- Myanmar potential is constrained by limited extent of Tertiary arc volcanics (Monywa, Kyaukpahto)
- Older Eocene ‘reactivated’ arc-porphyry belt in NW Vietnam

From S. Garwin, 2003, Geoinformatics Exploration Centre for Global Metallogeny presentation
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Tertiary Ophiolites – Philippines, Indonesia & Myanmar

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From Zahirovic et al., 2014, Solid Earth, 5, 227–273
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- ...... but JADE in metamorphosed ophiolites of Myanmar; provides Myanmar’s most valuable mineral export
Tertiary Basins – Coal

- Tropical deltaic environments and basins developed in back-arc settings in Indonesia; extensive coal measures especially in Kalimantan, also Sumatra & Papua
- Extensive deltaic coal measures in Myanmar
- More restricted pull-apart basins in Thailand, Lao, Philippines
- Key to economic potential is maturation; rapid subsidence & burial +/- magmatic heat
- Thermal bituminous & coking coal in Indonesia, brown coal in mainland SE Asia
- **Drove Indonesia to No. 5 global coal producer in 2015**

Indonesia coal basins; Geology Agency MEMR, 2014

Tertiary basins in Thailand
Globally significant bauxite resources in Vietnam, Cambodia & Lao

Intense tropical weathering of Plio-Pleistocene flood basalts; related to extensional magmatism following Indian collision with Asia

Significant bauxite resources also occur in Malaysia, Indonesia

Other weathering deposits; potential for “Ionic” REE potential related to weathering of A-type Mesozoic to Eocene granites

Gem fields of Cambodia and Thailand also related to the flood basalts

Mogok Belt of Myanmar – rich gem deposits, especially rubies
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Mesozoic-Palaeogene Granites – SE Asia Tin Belt(s)

- 2800 km long belt from eastern Myanmar, Thailand and Malaysia to the Indonesian “Tin Islands” of Bangka and Belitung
- Total estimated production c. 9.6 Mt of tin, or 54% of the world's historical tin production
- Mainly related to two evolved granite belts:
  - Central or Main Range belt; Late Triassic age S-type biotite granites resulting from crustal thickening following Indosinian collision.
  - Western belt; Late Cretaceous I-type/A-type granites in an extensional Andean-type continental back-arc setting following West Burma arc collision
- Most production from palaeo-placers, much from offshore dredging
- Almost no modern exploration focused on hard-rock potential
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Source: Zhou et al., Economic Geology 107, pp. 1507-1514
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- Extensions in Vietnam & Cambodia; Okvau; Nui Phao
- Nui Phao Project in N Vietnam; complex skarn-hosted polymetallic deposit, 97 Mt at 0.18% WO₃, 7.73% CaF₂, 0.18% Cu, 0.08% Bi, and 0.18 g/t Au

Source: CSA Global
Mineral Potential in SE Asia

.... and behind the Jurassic-Cretaceous Arc

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Udon Thani Potash Project, Ital-Thai; http://www.udonmap.com/udonthaninews/udon-than
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- Located next to the largest global market but remains largely undeveloped
- Thai government in 2015 announced renewed support for development ...
- Projects in Lao more advanced
Mineral Potential in SE Asia

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Magmatic Ni & Fe-Ti-V deposits of the Emeishan LIP; from Zhou et al., 2013, Geoscience Frontiers 4, pp. 481-502
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- Carboniferous-Triassic VHMS, Myanmar, Thailand, Malaysia
- Carboniferous SHMS Zn-Pb deposits; **Sopokomil**, Sumatra
  - comparable basin geology occurs in Malaysia, Thailand & Myanmar
- Ordovician Irish-type Zn-Pb-Ag; **Kanchanaburi, Bawsaing, Mae Chong** etc.; extensive host-basin sequences in Thailand-Myanmar and in Yunnan where two deposits are currently mined
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- Proterozoic hosted IOCG? **Sin Quyen** Cu-Au, Vietnam

**INDUSTRIAL MINERALS ARE ALSO CRITICAL AND A KEY ECONOMIC DRIVER, BUT OUTSIDE SCOPE OF THE CURRENT PRESENTATION**
Unlocking ASEAN Mineral Potential?
ASEAN Mining Industry Status

- Diverse endowment, large and world-class deposits
- Responsible mining to world’s best standards is happening today – e.g. Chatree, Sepon, Batu Hijau, Masbate, Nui Phao
- Widespread illegal and informal mining
- Negative environmental and community impact, poor community understanding and support
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THE NEGATIVES CAN BE OVERCOME – ROBUST TRANSPARENT SYSTEMS, ENFORCED FAIRLY, PROVIDING RETURN FOR ALL STAKEHOLDERS

Leverage natural resources for economic benefits especially regional growth

Effective management of environmental & community impacts

Truisms

MINES ARE WHERE THE DEPOSITS ARE, THE LOCATION IS NOT CHOSEN

MINERAL RESOURCES ARE NOT ASSETS UNTIL DISCOVERED
The Example of Ireland

- Canadian investors discovered **Tynagh** and **Silvermines** Zn-Pb-Ag deposits in 1962 & 1965, **Navan** in 1970
- Spawned an Irish mining-industry service sector and a junior exploration sector
- **Crowe Schaffalitzky Associates (CSA)** founded in Dublin in 1984
- **Lisheen** discovered in 1990 by CSA for a Joint Venture between **Ivernia plc**, an Irish-listed junior exploration company, and **Chevron Inc.**, a US multinational oil and minerals company
- Following some environmental issues with the early mines, Navan was developed and operated to the highest environmental and community standards
- Mining has successfully coexisted with agriculture, rural communities and towns
- RESPONSIBLE MINING CAN CO-EXIST WITH OTHER ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES IN DEVELOPED ECONOMIES
The Example of Ireland

- Ranked No. 1 in Fraser Institute 2015 Policy Perception Index, No. 4 in Investment Attractiveness Index

- The recipe? Includes:
  - state-owned and -controlled minerals
  - easy availability of open-file and pre-competitive data
  - competitive investment incentives, welcomes international investment
  - transparent, robust & supportive regulatory and administrative system
  - strong environmental regulation
  - no in-country processing requirements

- The return?
  - largest Zn-Pb producer in Europe
  - substantial local and national economic benefit
  - indigenous service sector in Ireland now has annual turnover of c. €400 M
  - Irish junior explorers active globally

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**Summary of Components of Economic Impacts of Mineral Exploration and Mining Sector in Ireland**

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Source: Indercon analysis
* Economy-wide impacts represent the indirect and induced multiplier impacts arising from the estimated direct impacts.

ASEAN Mining Industry Future

- A future viable mining industry in ASEAN depends on investment in exploration; lack of exploration in ASEAN means a major catch-up is required.
- High-risk investment in exploration will not occur without changed policy settings.
- The next cycle is starting – ASEAN can gain the economic benefits but FUNDAMENTAL changes are required.

Source: SNL Metals & Mining, an offering of S&P Global Market Intelligence.
The amount of the cost of the project may require more than one million $.

Implementation period: 1 YEAR

Commodities ‘Supercycle’ Boom
Global Financial Crisis

Recovery 2010

Weakening markets, falling prices, low activity

Booming again

Improving markets

Mining Industry booms and busts