

## Yangibana Project – Begin the Future



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Up to 52% NdPr:TREO, highest amongst peers



World leading Beneficiation upgrading of up to 25x mine grade

Low Capex – A\$449M; Production 15,000tpa MREC; equivalent to 3,400tpa NdPr oxides after separation

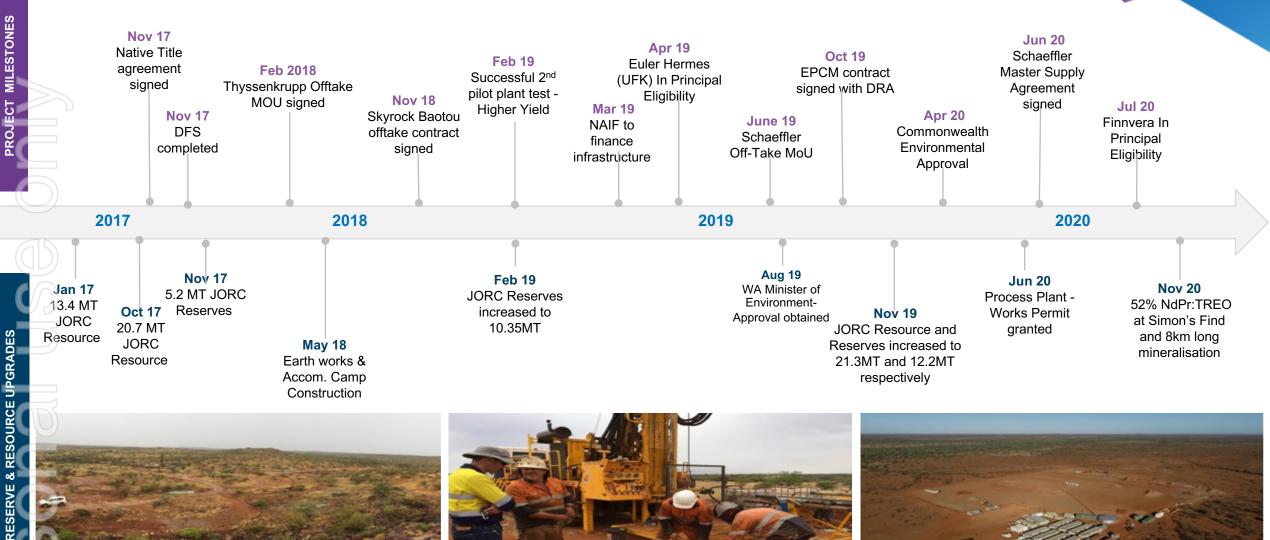
Next RE producer (non-China) coming to production by 2023; construction targeted to start Q2 2021

13 years mine life (New resource estimation due in Q1 2021)

Perfectly timed to benefit from global NdPr demand growth: 6% CAGR 2020 - 2027

Strong Economics; NPV 2019: \$549M, IRR 21%; Payback 3.4 yrs (revision due Q1 2021)

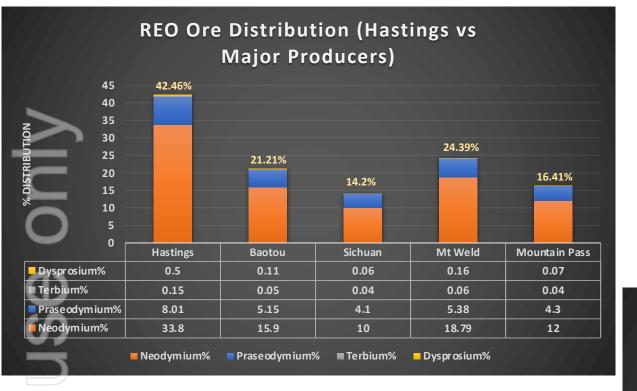
## Yangibana Project – Milestones Achieved



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# Yangibana Advantage – Highest NdPr : TREO ratio

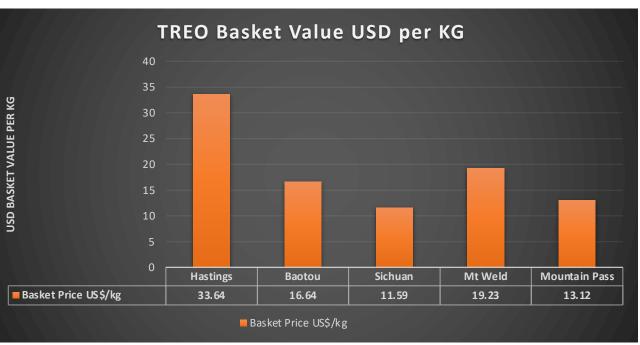


Highest contents of key rare earth elements for any known rare earth project

92% of ore value contained in the 4 key elements required for electric vehicle market

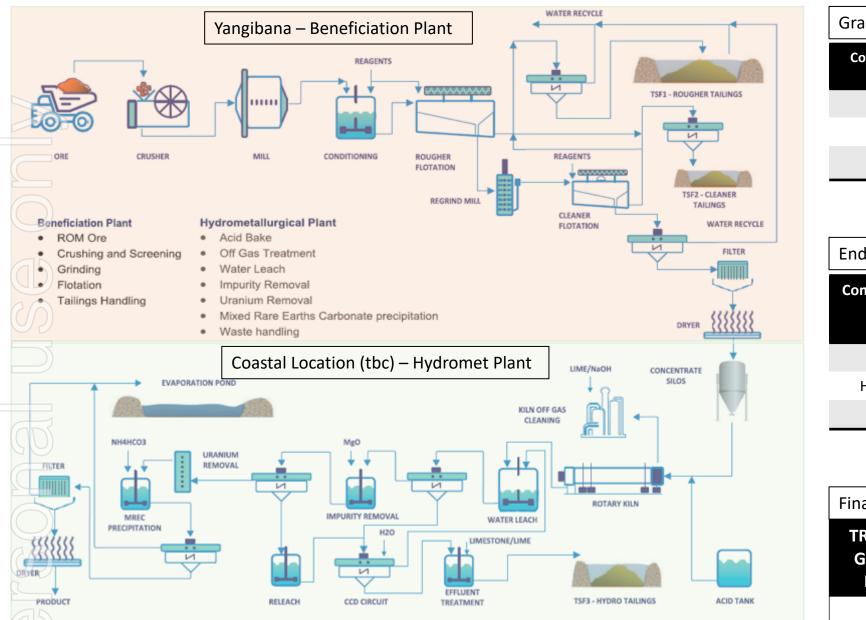
### • Highest value Rare Earths Project for Ore value per kg

 75 – 175% higher value ore products than any current producing rare earth project



Source: Computation based on Asian Metal market price of RE oxides as at 27 Nov 2020

# Economics – Its not about the TREO grade



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Grade from	n the Mine			
Company		TREO % (Head Grade)		NdPr %
1	16%		24%	3.84%
HAS	1.2%		41%	0.50%
3	2.77%	6	26%	0.73%
End of Flot	ation Stage			
Company	TREO % (Head Grade)	TREO% Con Grade	% of NdPr in Con	Con Upgrade Factor
1	16%	35%	8.4%	2.2
HAS	<b>1.2%</b>	27%	11.1%	22
3	2.77%	7.0%	1.85%	2.5
Final Product				
TREO Cor Grade in MREC		r Up	rocess Pla ograde fac	
<b>59%</b>	22%	1	50	

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	MREC (t)	TREO%	NdPr:TREO	% of NdPr per tonne	REO (t)	NdPr (t)	Separation Cost US\$M
China	27,750	59%	20%	12%	16,373	3,275	\$83
Hastings	15,000	59%	37%	22%	8,850	3,275	\$45

Separation Cost assumes fixed at US\$3/kg seperation charge



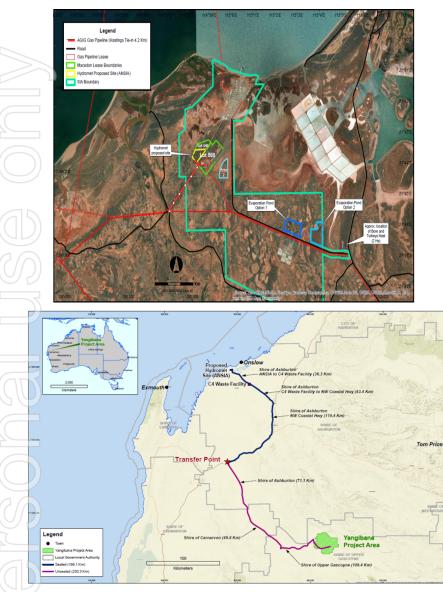
#### Hastings' MREC

- almost 2x cheaper to separate than (20% NdPr:TREO) Chinese reference MREC; or
- almost 4x cheaper to separate than actual (10% NdPr:TREO) Chinese actual MREC
- Contains 59% TREO or 22% NdPr in every tonne of MREC
- > 40% NdPr:TREO first 8 years from Bald Hill and Frasers pits
- 37% NdPr:TREO average from 5 different open pits based on 13 years mine life.

# Hydromet Relocation Study – Onslow or Port Hedland



## **Onslow Strategic Industrial Area**



## Port Hedland Industrial Area



# Services available at both sites

- Gas
- Mains Power
- Water
- Port Facilities
- Roads
- IT Comms



# Grade Control Drilling



#### Grade Control 2020 Drilling Program

• 5,000m program on 7 x 5m pattern completed.

Assays returned which confirm geological modelling of resource drilling intercepts and thicknesses of ore zones.



#### **RC Drilling at Bald Hill**



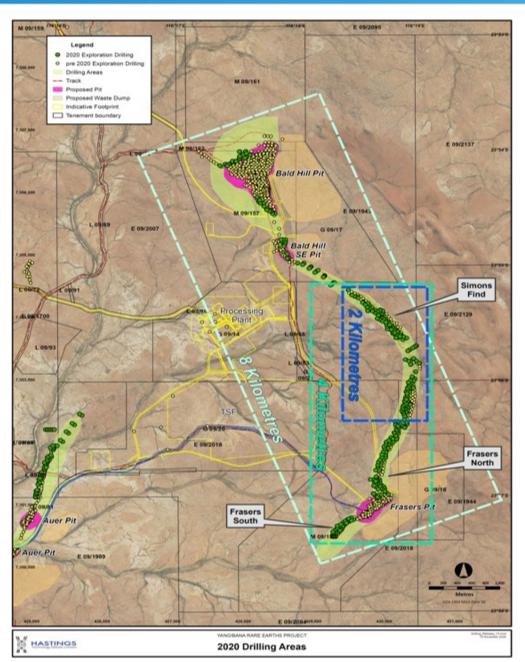
#### **Exploration - 2020 Drilling Program**

• 23,000m of RC drilling now completed.

#### GC Drilling at Bald Hill

## Bald Hill - Simon's Find – Frasers (8kms long)





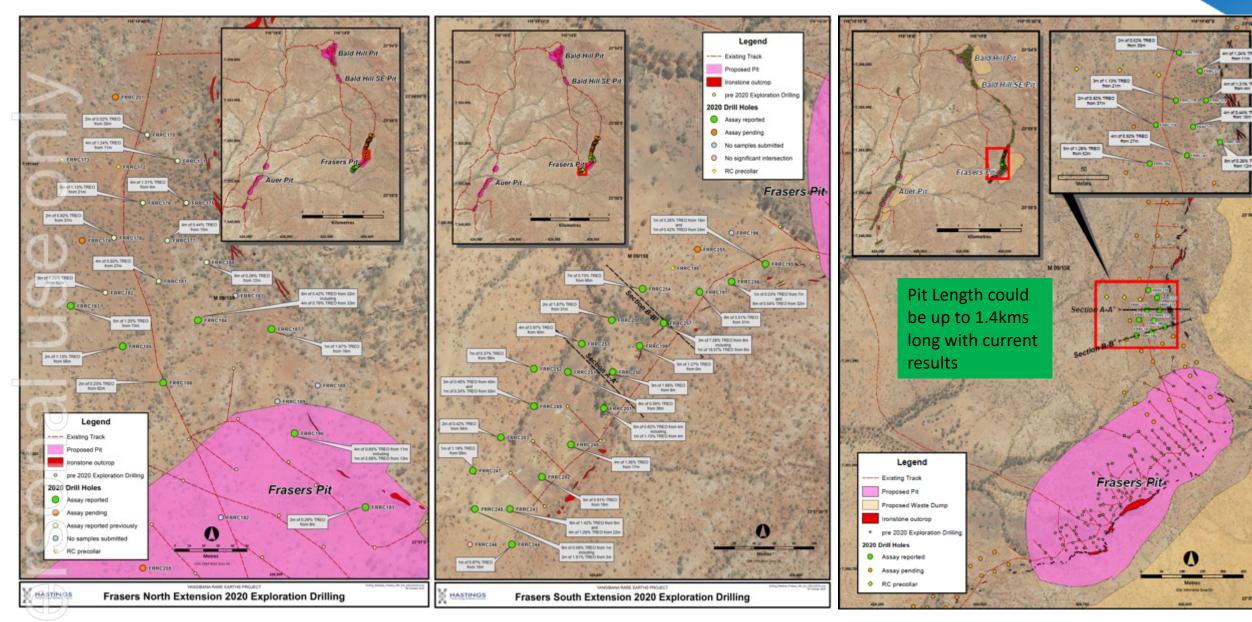
- Drilling results confirm a major 2km long zone of economic mineralisation at Simon's Find
- 2. Simon's Find and the recently announced Fraser's North and South drill results form a continuous zone of economic mineralisation 4km long
- The Fraser's Simon's Find Bald Hill trend now forms an 8km-long economic mineralised corridor

# Exploration – Drilling to date

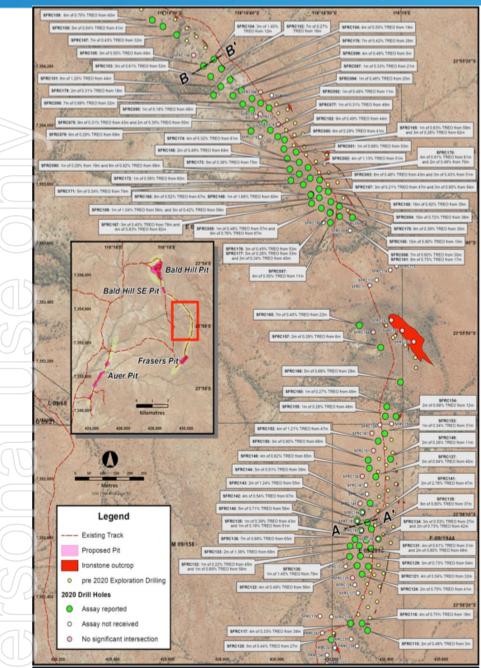
#### **Frasers North**



#### Potential Pit Size



## Simon's Find Drilling Results

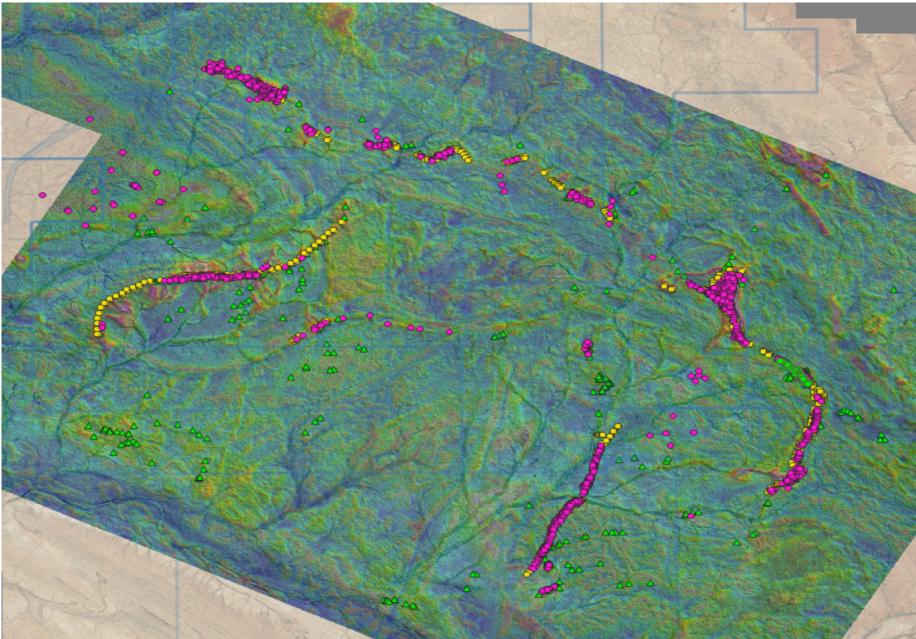


- World leading grade of neodymium  $(Nd_2O_3)$  + praseodymium  $(Pr_6O_{11}) = 52\%$  of the TREO (total rare earth oxides) values.
- These results are **significantly higher** than the 40-41% values recorded from the nearby Bald Hill and Frasers deposits.
- High-grade and shallow intersections from Simon's Find include:
- 2m @ 2.78% TREO from 46m
- 6m @ 1.20% TREO from 43m
  - including 4m @ 1.61% TREO
- 4m @ 1.21% TREO from 46m
- 15m @ 0.72% TREO from 37m
  - including 6m @ 1.11% TREO
- 2m @ 1.38% TREO from 67m
- 7m @ 0.89% TREO from 31m
  - including 2m @ 1.76% TREO
- 3m @ 1.40% TREO from 11m
- 6m @ 0.75% TREO from 39m
  - including 2m @ 1.51% TREO

## Exploration Potential – The Future







## <u>Drilling</u>

- Historic
- Planned
- Assays Pending



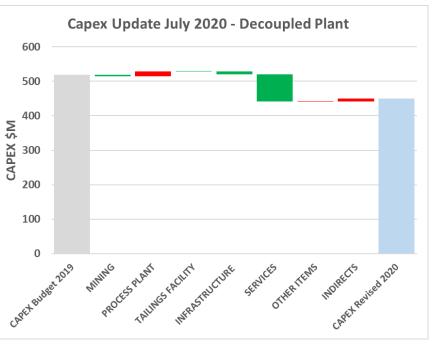
	Capex Budget 2019 (\$m)	Capex Revised 2020 (\$m)	Variance (\$m)
Mining	14	10	-3
Process Plant	167	181	14
<b>Tailings Facility</b>	19	18	-1
Infrastructure	77	69	-8
Services	130	50	-79
Other Items	9	9	0
Indirects	104	112	8
Totals	517	449	-68

## CAPEX savings

- Reduced by \$68m
  - Hydromet to Onslow (tbc)

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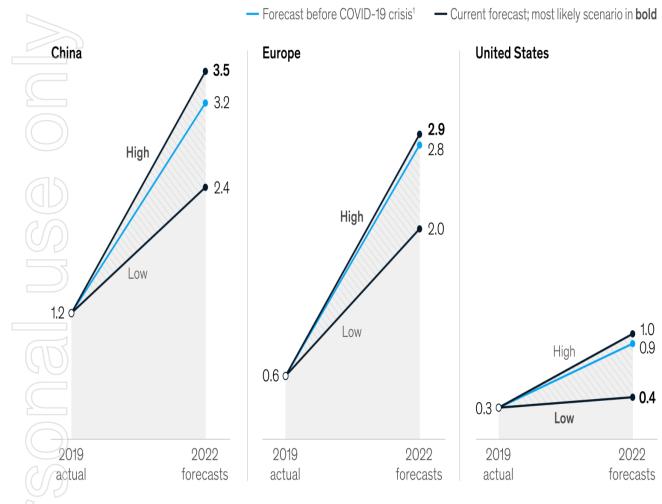
• Eliminated Gas pipeline



## EV: 2022 forecast market share – McKinsey Report

## China and Europe EV market forecasted to grow much faster than in US

#### Electric-vehicle sales, millions of units



Source: McKinsey Report September 2020 \* Cleantechnica - Nov 22nd 2020

- Government regulations and incentives will propel EV penetration. Forecast EV mkt share from 2019 to 2022 :
  - China: from 5% to 11-14% (~1.2m to 3.5m units)
  - Europe: from 3% to 14/15% by 2022 (~0.6m to 2.9m units)
  - US: from 2% to 3-6% by 2022 (~0.3 to 1.0m units)
- EU automakers are relying on EVs to achieve Europe's 2020/21 carbon-dioxide emissions limits of 95 gm of CO2 per km
- China government extended EV subsidies to end 2022 and spending RMB10bn (US\$1.4bn) in expanding the charging network.
- US uncertain economics, regulatory outlook and low gasoline prices (due to low crude oil price) discourage purchase of EV.
   Biden victory may change pace of EV adoption
- Germany: October BEV and PHEV > 48K units registered = 18% of total vehicle sales for Oct, record month \*
- UK to ban petrol and diesel cars by 2030
  - By 2030 : Estimated EV sales in China 35 50%
    Europe is 35 45% of total vehicle sales



- Market for Magnet Rare Earth Oxides to Increase 5x by 2030<sup>(1)</sup>
  - Total NdFeB magnet demand forecasted to increase at 9.7% CAGR and prices projected to increase at CAGRs of 5.6% to 9.9% over same period
  - Global magnet rare earth oxides consumption will rise 5x by 2030, from US\$2.98B in 2020 to US\$ 15.65B by 2030

## • Annual NdFeB Shortages of 48KT Expected by 2030 <sup>(1)</sup>

- Constrained by an expected under-supply of NdPr and Dy oxide from 2022 onwards
- Forecasts global shortages of NdFeB alloy and powder will amount to 48KT p.a. by 2030 equals to approx 25 to 30 million EV traction motors

### • Annual NdPr Oxide Shortages of 16KT Expected by 2030<sup>(1)</sup>

- Constrained by lack of new primary and secondary supply sources from 2022 onwards
- Global shortages of NdPr and Dy oxide will collectively rise to 16KT tonnes in 2030, an amount equal to approximately 3x Lynas annual output

#### Passenger EVs are forecast to grow at over 26%pa over the next decade <sup>(2)</sup>

- By 2022, EV demand for NdFeB magnets to be double wind turbines and dominate the industry towards the end of the decade, accounting for over 40% of demand

#### January to August 2020, China's rare earth exports fell 25.7% year over year to 24,377 tonnes due to <sup>(3)</sup>:

- Changes in international market demand and risks because of pandemic and trade tensions
- Anticipation that Chinese government will launch a stockpiling program for light rare earth due to strong domestic demand

Source: (1) Adamas Intelligence Sept 2020 (2) Roskill Aug 2020 (3) S&P Global Market Intelligence Sept 2020 ~65% of production contracted for 10 yrs with strong offtake counterparties

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>>	Offtake Counterparty	SCHAEFFLER	thyssenkrupp	TS Skyrock
	Contract Status	Master Supply Agreement Signed Jun-2019	MOU signed 2018, advanced contract drafting Target signing Dec/Jan	Offtake Agreement Signed Nov-2018.
	Quantity	5,000t MREC p.a.	X,000t MREC p.a	2,500t MREC p.a.
	Tenor	10 years	10 years	5 Years Fixed Term with 2 year flexible ramp-up of supply.

Offtake Counterparty	Confidential	Confidential
Contract Status	MOU signed Apr 2020 - in contract drafting for MSA	Advance negotiation and contract Drafting
Quantity	Approx. X,000t MREC p.a	X,000t MREC p.a.
Tenor	5 + 5 years	10 years

# **Project Funding - Overview**

## Indicative Debt/Equity Structure

	A\$M	A\$M	%
Project Capex – Mine & Process Plant	449		
Contingency @ 15%	67		
Total Project Capex*		516	80%
Sunk cost up to DFS		33	5%
Working capital		27	4%
Financing costs/ interest capitalised during construction period		66	11%
Total funding for the Project		642	100%
Equity/cash raised since 2014 - capitalised		133	21%
Project Finance (NAIF, UFK, FV and Commercial Banks)**		385	60%
Balance of equity to raise		124	19%
Total sources of fund		642	100%

\*New capex updated - 29 July 2020

\*Multi-source package being arranged with a range of government lenders and commercial debt financiers

Equity ~ 40%

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## **Capital Structure**

Capital Structure	\$/Shares
Cash Balance (at 30 Sept 2020)	A\$20M
Shares in Issue	1,200M
Share Price (27 Nov 2020)	A\$0.155
Market Capitalisation (28 Nov 2020)	A\$186M
Performance Rights	19.5M
Options (April 2022 Expiry)	126.7M

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Major Shareholders	%
Foon Keong (Charles) Lew	9.70%
Mun Kee Chang	6.80%

# Register BreakdownShareholders~2,000% of Register Institutions/HNW Investors~80%

#### **Share Price Performance**



Board Of Directors	
Charles Lew	Executive Chairman
Jean Claude Steinmetz	Non Executive Director
Mal Randall	Non Executive Director
Neil Hackett	Non Executive Director
Guy Robertson	Finance Director

## **Board of Directors**





#### Mal Randall

#### Non Executive Director

- Joined the Board in Feb 2019
- Bachelor of Applied Chemistry & Fellow AICD.
- 45+ years extensive experience in corporate, management and marketing in the resources sector including 25+ years with the Rio Tinto group of companies.
- Experience as Chairman or NED level in a diverse range of commodities including Lithium, Base Metals, Potash, Iron Ore, Uranium and Mineral Sands



#### Jean Claude Steinmetz

#### Non Executive Director

- Joined the Board of Hastings in July 2017
- Previously Chief Operating Officer for Lynas Corporation
- 25+ years Involved in the chemical industry with Rhodia and General Electric
- Chairman of the Auto Plastic and Innovative Materials
   Committee of Sino-EU
   Chemical Manufacturers
   Association

#### **Charles Lew**

#### **Executive Chairman**

- Appointed Chairman in Dec 2013
- Corporate Finance Director HG Asia Securities 1990 -1997
- MD of ABN Amro Investment Bank Singapore 1997 - 2000
- Independent Director of RHB Banking Group 2004 - 2016
- 30+ years experience in investment banking in London (HSBC & Robert Fleming) and in Singapore
- Private investor and entrepreneur in F&B, real estate, financial services, etc.



#### Non Executive Director

- Joined the Board in Nov 2018
- Corporate Finance and Regulatory Experience ASIC 1990-1999
- 10 years investment and funds management experience
- 15+ years ASX Director, Company Secretary and Senior Executive mining and industrial experience
- Independent Corporate Governance Advisor and AICD Facilitator

#### **Guy Robertson**

#### **Finance Director**

- Been on the board of Hastings since 2011
- 30+ years CFO experience

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- CFO for various ASX listed junior mining companies
- Senior finance executive in Jardine Matheson Group in Hong Kong and Australia including Jardine Lloyd Thompson, Colliers Jardine, and Franklins Limited

## **Experienced Senior Management Team**





#### **Nick Holthouse**

General Manager – **Engineering & Operation** Readiness

- Joined Hastings in 2019 with 30+ years experience in surface & underground mining operations, engineering & surveying in commodities - gold uranium, coal and base metals
- Managed, Commissioned / Operated mines &
- process plants in remote regions
- Merdeka Mining, Finders Resources, CSA Global



#### **Pit Wah Chung**

**Chief Financial Officer** 

- Joined Hastings in 2017 with 20 years experience in financial reporting and tax planning
- Regional Financial Controller of Lifestyle Investment Group
- CFO of Muddy Murphy Holdings and Breadtalk Group Ltd
- Chartered Accountant of Singapore & fellow member of The Association of **Chartered Certified** Accountants (ACCA)



**Andrew Reid Chief Operating Officer** 

- Appointed COO in Nov 2018
- 25 years of expertise in mine management, geology and mining engineering concentrating on open pit and narrow vein mining
- Developed and managed mining projects in West Africa and Finland
- Previously COO of Finders Resources, GM of Kevitsa Mine, First Quantum Minerals. etc



Legal Counsel

Joined Hastings in 2017

- Barrister at Law, Middle Temple UK and Herbert Smith LLP London
- Focused experience in corporate commercial law; 3P sector partnership
- Management & Strategy consulting at McKinsey & Co, London
- Deputy Director Strategy & Corporate Governance, National Philanthropic Centre, Singapore

**Robin Zhang** 

**Process Engineering Manager** 

- Joined Hastings in 2016 with more than 20 years experience in R&D, project engineering, plant commissioning & operations
- 8 years Lynas Senior **Technical Services & Project Development** Manager
- 11 years at Gansu Rare Earth Group China - Deputy **Director Technical Centre**

## Independent Consultants and Advisors



## **Competent Persons and Qualifying Persons Statement**

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