



### Building Value & Royalties Through Successful Exploration

## Solitario Exploration & Royalty

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# Solitario Exploration & Royalty

#### **An Event Driven Company - Discovery Oriented**

- Multiple new opportunities generated annually
- Staying power with \$20 million
- Six drilling projects in 2010

#### A Value Company - NPI Royalty Structured Joint Ventures

- Advanced high-quality projects
- Reduced financial risk with \$10 million in partner funding in 2010
- Experienced global operating partners



# Corporate Overview

- Basic shares 29.7 million Fully diluted shares – 30.4 million
- Shares issued in past nine years 6.4 million
- Market cap (fully diluted) \$65 million
- Total cash & securities \$20 million; no debt
- Annual burn rate \$5 million
- Listings: NYSE Amex: XPL; TSX: SLR
- Major shareholders Sprott (14%); Management (12%); Newmont (9%)



#### Net Profit Royalties

Generate revenues by participating in a significant percentage (typically 20-40%) of the net profits from an operation

#### **Favorable NPI Royalty Attributes**

- Insulation from equity dilution for feasibility/construction costs
- Significantly higher revenues and earnings than a NSR royalty for the same producing asset
- Limited management time administering asset; reduced staffing requirements; continued focus on exploration

#### **NPI** Royalty Risks

- Exposure to increases in capital/operating costs
- · Pay-back of construction costs, but only from production profits
- Exposure to the operational capabilities of the operator

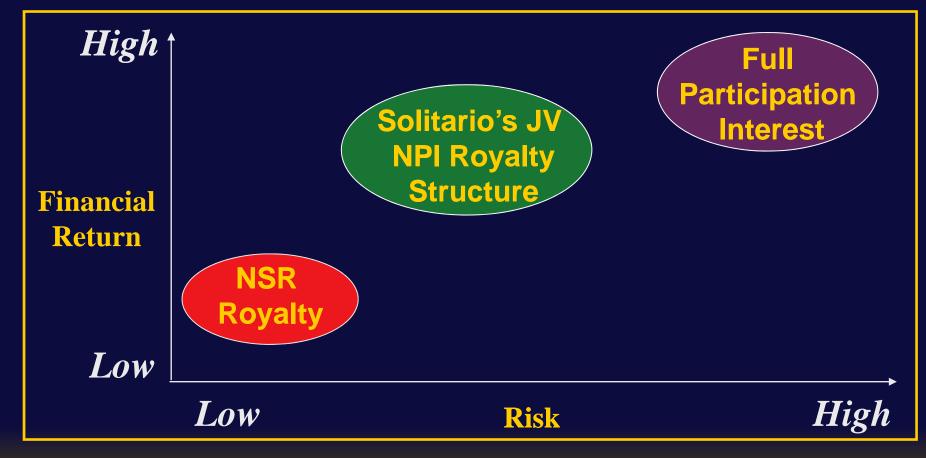


### Advantages of Solitario's JVs Over Traditional NPI Royalties

- Solitario will receive 20-50% of its share of cash flow beginning with production whereas NPI royalties usually do not receive any cash-flow distributions until construction capital has been paid-back
- Solitario has influence over production decisions



# Financíal Return vs Risk





### Bongará High-Grade Zinć Project, Peru

One of the world's largest undeveloped zinc deposits

- Solitario carried to production (30%) with no participation in any funding costs until cash flow is achieved
- Joint ventured with Votorantim Metais world's 3rd largest zinc producer with a zinc smelter in Peru
- Advanced exploration project with \$30 million in past exploration expenditures (205 drill holes)
- Potential for +20 million tonnes of 10% Zn + Pb and 0.5 opt Ag



## Bongará 2010 Major Expansion of Exploration & Development

- Initiation of 23km access road to the deposit
- 700 meters of underground workings
- Metallurgical testing
- 10,000 meters of drilling
- Advanced permitting



### Bongará Zinc Project, Peru 2010 Planned Development Work

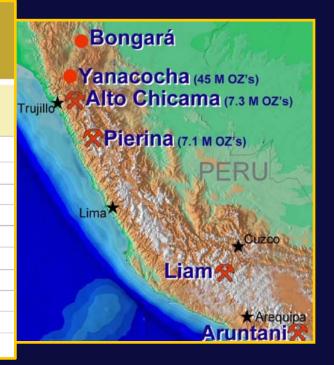




### Highlights of 2009 Bongará Drill Hole Results

#### BONGARÁ 2009 DRILLING PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Drill Hole	Intercept (meters)	Zinc (%)	Lead (%)	Lead + Zinc (%)
V-168	2.0	27.5	1.8	29.3
V-169	51.6	7.1	0.7	7.8
V-171	6.3	20.0	2.0	22.0
V-172	9.0	20.5	1.5	22.0
V-173	4.0	14.1	1.1	15.2
V-173	13.7	9.8	4.9	14.7
V-177	2.7	11.0	1.8	12.7
V-178	5.1	8.6	1.3	9.9
V-178	5.2	10.2	1.1	11.4
V-178	3.0	30.0	7.3	37.3



<sup>\*</sup>True thickness has not been estimated for each individual intercept, but in all cases are thought to represent at least 85% of true thickness.

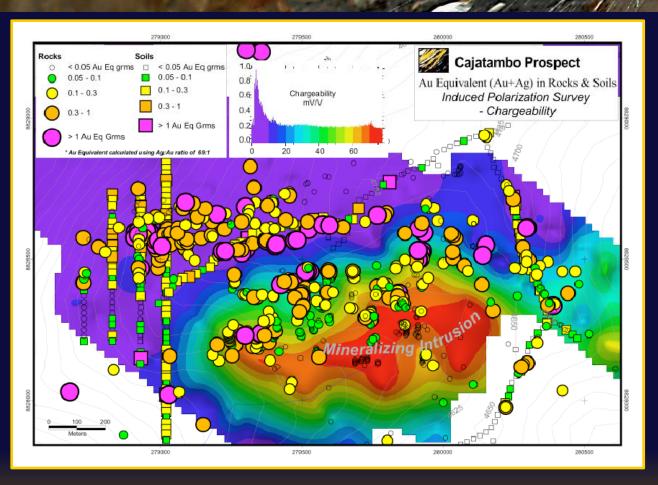


# Cajatambo Gold Project, Peru

- 100%-owned, 9,000 hectares subject to Peru Alliance
- Strong gold anomaly measuring 3500 x 800 meters in altered Tertiary volcanic rocks
- Geophysics indicates an intense IP anomaly (sulfides)
- Drilling planned for mid-2010



#### Cajatambo Gold Project, Peru





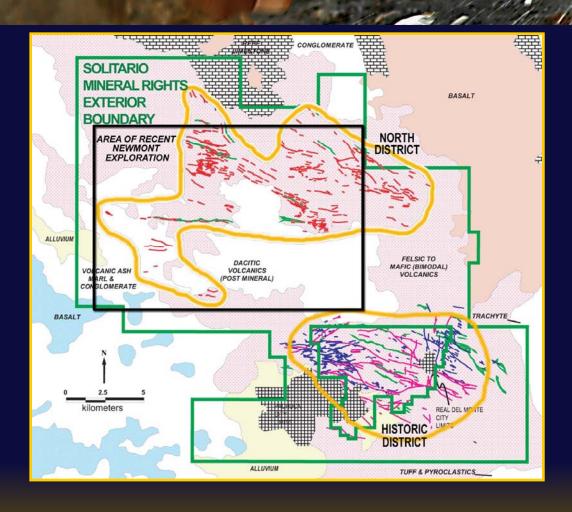
## Pachuca Real High-Grade Silver-Gold Project, Mexico

Could this be the next world-class silver discovery?

- 100%-owned 31,000-hectare property situated within and adjacent to one of the world's greatest silver districts with:
  - 1.4 billion ounces in past silver production
  - 7.0 million ounces in past gold production
- Recent drilling and surface work in the Pachuca Norte area confirms similar mineralization to the historic district
- Currently in joint venture discussions



#### Pachuca Real Silver-Gold





## Pedra Branca Platinum-Palladium Project, Brazil Most advanced PGM project in South America

- Joint ventured with Anglo Platinum world's largest platinum producer
- Solitario substantially carried to production with Anglo Platinum funding next \$11.5 million and Solitario's share of construction financing
- Advanced exploration project with \$12 million in past exploration expenditures (318 drill holes)
- Potential for 2 million ounces of platinum-palladium
- \$1.5 million, 3,500-meter drilling program scheduled for 2010



### Highlights of 2009 Pedra Branca Drill Hole Results

### PEDRA BRANCA 2009 DRILLING PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

Prospect	Drill	Interval	Grade
	Hole	(Meters)	(GPT PGM + Gold)
Curiu	CU-28	5.6	4.25
	CU-34	11.0	2.64
	CU-35	11.3	3.90
	CU-36	8.0	2.05
	CU-37	11.1	3.95
Cedro I	and	10.2	2.41
	CU-38	6.6	5.30
	CU-40	10.4	2.12
	CD-66	11.5	1.75
	CD-67	12.5	2.02

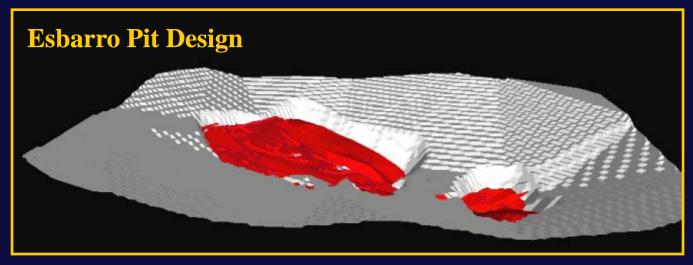


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### Anglo Platinum Scoping Studies Completed

Most advanced PGM project in South America

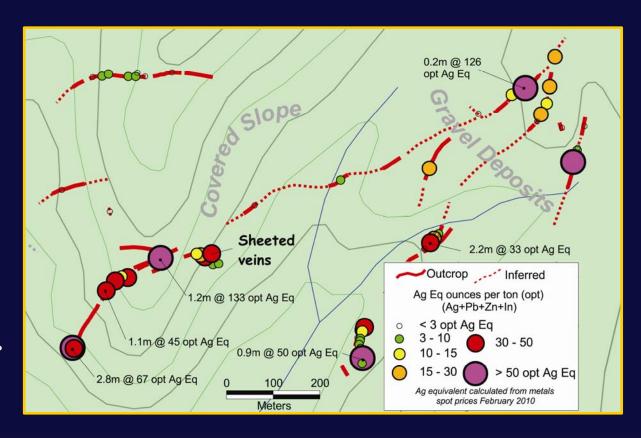


- Geologic resource estimation, preliminary metallurgical testing and initial infrastructure scoping underway
- Anglo Platinum has funded \$5.5 million in expenditures to date
- 35 drill holes planned in 2010



### La Promesa High-Grade Silver, Zinc, Lead Veins, - Peru

- High-grade silver/base metal veins at surface
- Veining observed over an area 1,200 x 600 meters
- 100%-owned; subject to Newmont Alliance
- 8-hole, 1,200 meter drilling program planned for Q3-10





# La Promesa Western Vein

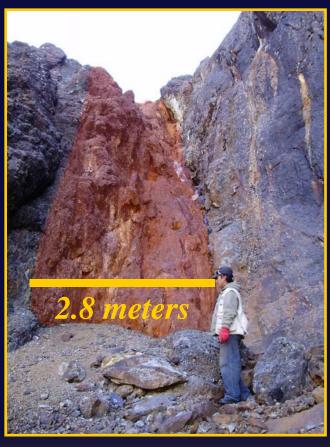


### Higher Elevation 1.2 Meter Channel Sample

- 1975 gpt silver
- 33.1% zinc
- 5.6% lead
- 430 gpt indium



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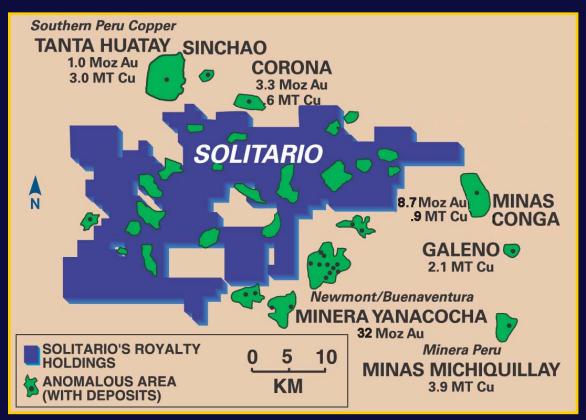
### Lower Elevation 2.8 Meter Channel Sample

- 758 gpt silver
- 19.4% zinc
- 7.2% lead
- 150 gpt indium



# Yanacocha NSR Royalty, Peru

- 61,000-hectare property
- Borders largest gold mine in South America
- NSR royalty
  - Gold 1%-2.75%
  - Silver 2%
  - Copper 1%





# Mercurio NSR Gold Royalty, Brazil

- Regent Holding Ltd. (private) is project operator
- \$1.0 million in cash payments due to Solitario over four years
- 8,000 meters of drilling over three years by Regent
- 1.5% NSR royalty for first 2.0 million ounces of production;
   and 2% thereafter
- 25 of 36 drill holes contained significant gold intercepts on this 8,500-hectare property



# Whý Own Solitario

- An event-driven company exploration discoveries
- Financial staying power with \$20 million
- NPI royalty structured joint ventures with \$10 million in 2010 expenditures
- Foundation of advanced projects managed by experienced global partners
- Pipeline of new 100%-owned projects
- Long history of minimal share dilution
- Experienced management and exploration team





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