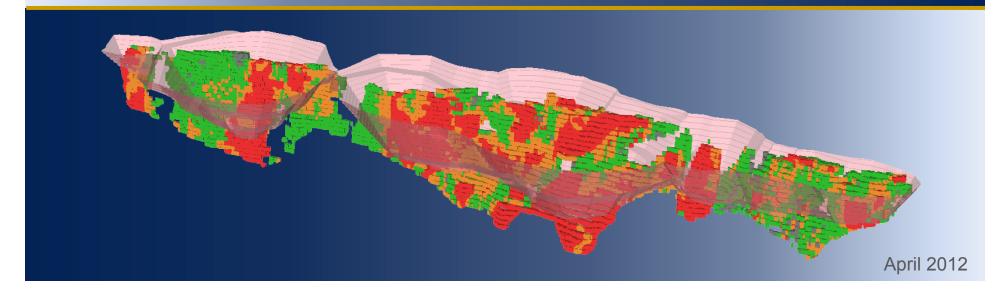




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## **Company Overview**

### **Focus on West Africa**

 TSX / AIM listed near term gold producer with assets in Liberia and Cameroon

### **New Liberty**

- New Liberty to be the first commercial gold mine in Liberia. +120,000oz per annum for first four years, production to commence end 2013
- 1.57moz of resources<sup>1</sup> at a high grade: 3.6g/t
- Maiden reserve of 873koz at a grade of 3.1g/t. A significantly de-risked project shows a robust NPV of US\$260 million and IRR of 62% at an average gold price of US\$1,350/oz
- Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) expected to be completed by April 2012
- Simple processing, low capex with quick payback
- 25 year mining lease and mineral development agreement

### Liberia

- US\$18 billion committed foreign direct investment in natural resources sector to Liberia
- Highly regarded Nobel Peace Prize winning President Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf re-elected in 2011 for a term of five years

### **Strong Management**

Track record of having successfully built mines in West Africa

### **Exploration Upside**

Focus on New Liberty mine life extension and near mine regional targets

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# **Corporate Overview**

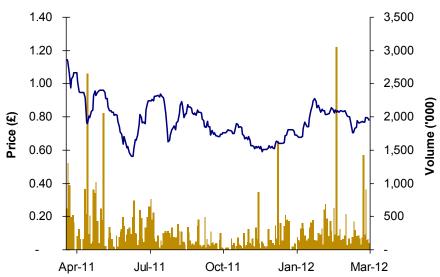
Balance Sheet at March 27, 2012 (in millions)		
Cash	US\$ 25.7	
Debt	Nil	
Stellar Diamonds Stake	US\$ 3.5	

<b>Capitalisation Summary</b>	
AIM / TSX Ticker	AUE LN / CN
Shares in Issue	118,282,301
Options	11,607,434
Fully Diluted	129,437,236
Market cap (at March 27, 2012)	US\$ 147 million

Major Shareholders			
RBC AM	9.6%	Blakeney	3.8%
Mackenzie	8.5%	BlackRock	3.1%
Macquarie Bank	8.3%	Sprott	2.0%
JP Morgan	7.8%	Goodman	1.5%

Source: Bloomberg

# Share Price Since Split



# **Board of Directors and Senior Management**



### **David Reading - CEO and Director**

- 35 years experience in global mining: exploration, feasibility, project development and production
- Former CEO, European Goldfields. Former GM exploration, Randgold Resources. MSc Econ. Geology

### **David Netherway – Chairman and Director**

- Mining engineer with >35 years of experience. Nonexec at Gryphon and former CEO of Shield Mining
- Involved in development and construction of Iduapriem, Siguiri and Kiniero gold mines in West Africa

#### Martin White - COO

- Mining engineer with > 25 years experience in mine development and production operations
- Held senior management roles with African gold producers JCI and Ashanti Goldfields

### Paul Thomson - CFO

- Chartered Accountant with 18 years global experience in the energy and mining industries
- Formerly with Ernst & Young and Kazakhmys PLC

### Adrian Reynolds - Non-executive Director

- At Randgold, compiled feasibility studies at Morila, Loulo and Tongon gold mines in West Africa
- 30 years experience in the industry. MSc Geology and GDE in Mining Engineering

### Luis da Silva - Non-executive Director

- CEO of Afferro Mining and of African Aura before the Split. Continuity with New Liberty project
- Graduate Mining Engineer and MBA. Extensive international experience with Lafarge and Blue Circle

### **David Beatty – Non-executive Director**

- Successful execution of over \$20bn in mining M&A and financing in over 70 countries
- CEO Rio Novo Gold Inc. Graduate of Cambridge University with Harvard MBA

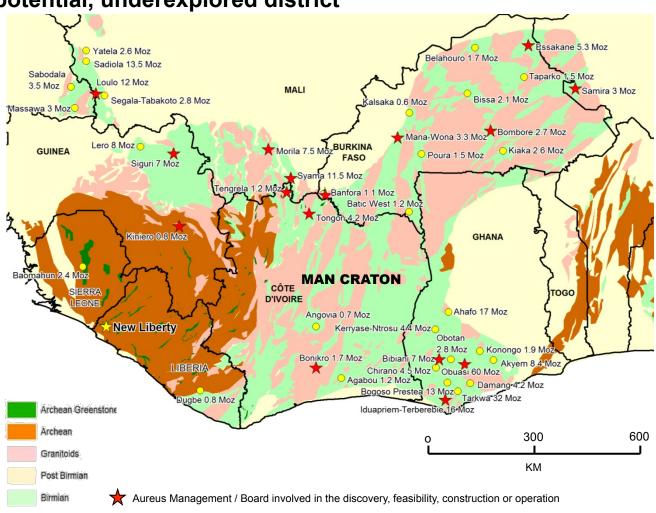
### Jean-Guy Martin - Non-executive Director

- Extensive experience advising multinational companies looking to complete acquisitions and divestitures
- 35 years experience financial reporting. Former partner of PwC Canada



## **Man Craton: New Gold Province**

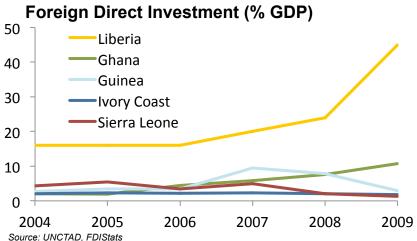
High potential, underexplored district



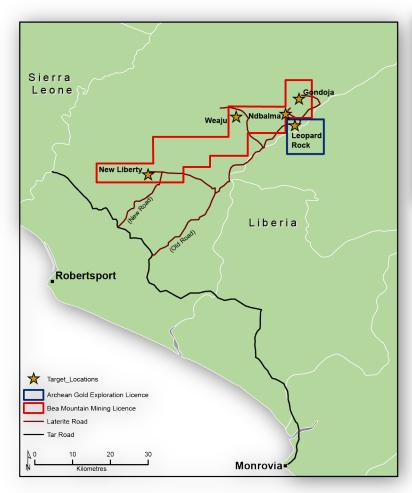
## Liberia

- Democratically elected government since 2006
- Madame Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf re-elected in 2011 for a term of five years. Awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in the same year
- US\$18 billion foreign direct investment pledged in the natural resources sector
- Redevelopment of port and electricity grid in Monrovia
- Sustained UN and US commitment. World Bank, IFC and international support
- New Liberty will be Liberia's first commercial gold mine
- Companies operating in Liberia ArcelorMittal, BHP Billiton and Sable Mining Africa (iron ore), Hummingbird and Adamus/Endeavour (gold), African Petroleum (offshore hydrocarbons) and Sime Derby (palm oil)
- \$800 million already invested by ArcelorMittal, BHP Billiton planning to invest \$3 billion





# **New Liberty: Established Infrastructure**





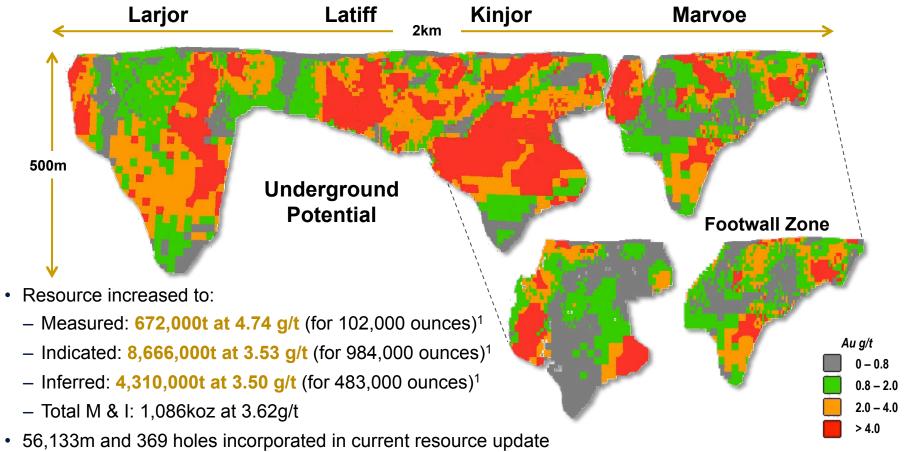


New Laterite Road (20km)

Tarmac Road from Monrovia to Sierra Leone

- Existing infrastructure and proximity to port lowers logistical risks during the construction phase
- 100km from the deep-water commercial port at the capital, Monrovia
- Tarmac road from port of Monrovia to within 20km of site
- · New laterite road the final 20km to site

# **New Liberty: High Grade Gold Project**



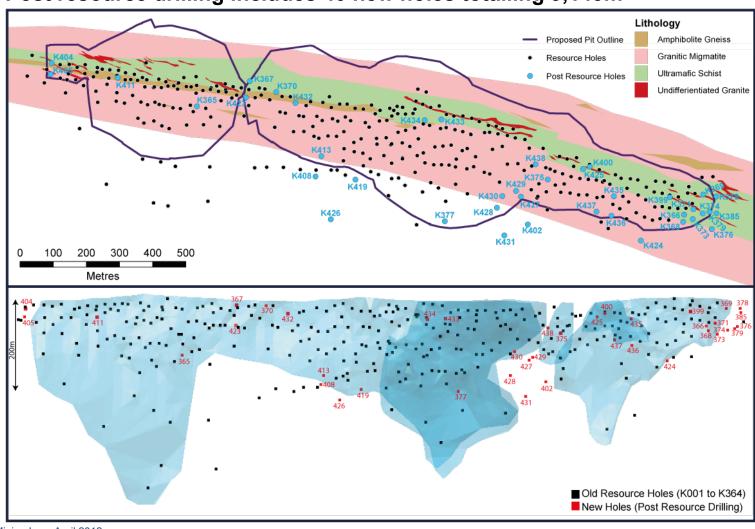
- Drilling confirms continuity of mineralised zone, wireframe model significantly improved
- Ore body open to the west and at depth

<sup>1</sup> Cut off grade = 1 g/t



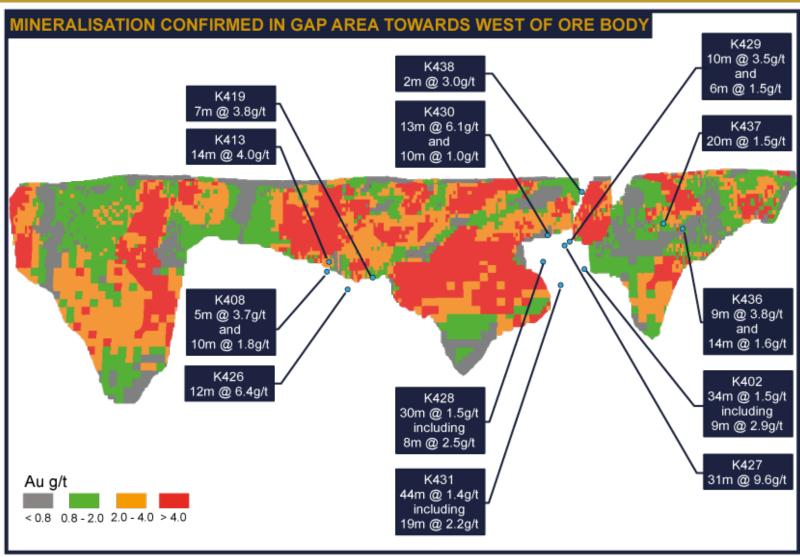
# **Feasibility & Post Feasibility Drilling**

## Post resource drilling includes 40 new holes totalling 9,143m





# **Upside to Resource Model**





# **New Liberty Key Overview**

## Low execution risk project

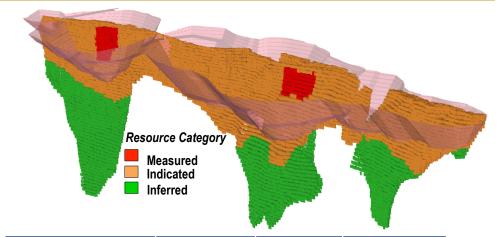
- Open pit operation with underground potential
- · Simple gravity and CIL processing
- · Relatively short construction period
- Access to established port and road infrastructure

## High grade, low capital intensity

- P&P reserves of 873,000 oz at a grade of 3.1g/t
- NI 43-101 compliant resource of 1.57 million oz at a grade of 3.6g/t<sup>2</sup>
- High grade allows for lower throughput, hence smaller plant – 1.1Mtpa

## Robust project economics

- Cash cost of US\$632/oz expected to be in lowest cost quartile
- Pre-tax NPV of US\$260 million
- IRR 62% and payback <2 years</li>



Classification	Tonnes	Gold (g/t)	Gold (koz)
Proven	731,000	4.3	102
Probable	7,984,000	3.0	771
<b>Total Reserve</b>	8,716,000	3.1	873
Total Resource	13,648,000	3.6	1,570

	US\$1,350 Au	US\$1,500 Au	US\$1,650 Au	US\$1,800 Au
Pre-tax NPV @ 8%	US\$260 million	US\$343 million	US\$426 million	US\$513 million
IRR	62%	74%	84%	98%
Payback	1yr 9mths	1yr 7mths	1yr 6mths	1yr 4mths

Note 1: The Government of Liberia is entitled to a 10% free carried interest after recovery of all sunk costs and finance costs

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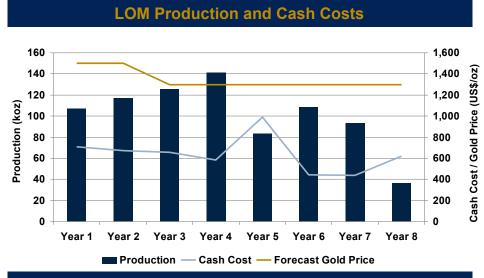
Note 3: Cash flow generation based on NI 43-101 figures

# New Liberty: Operating Parameters

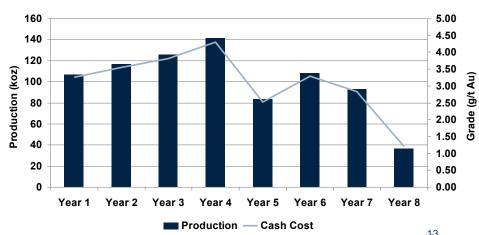


LOM Operating Parameters			
Mine Life	yrs	8	
Ore Mined	Mt	8.7	
Ave. Grade	g/t Au	3.1 g/t	
Contained Gold	koz	873	
Waste	Mt	130	
<b>Total Material</b>	Mt	138	
Strip Ratio	waste: ore	14.9 : 1	
<b>Process Recovery</b>	%	93	
Ave. Cash Cost	US\$/oz	632	
Gold Produced	koz	812	

	Average Production	Mined Head Grade
Years 1 – 4	123 kozpa	3.7 g/t
<b>Years 5 – 8</b>	80 kozpa	2.5 g/t



### **LOM Production and Grade**





# **Developing Liberia's First Gold Mine**









## Q4 2010

Preliminary Economic Assessment Complete Q3 2011

Feasibility Drilling Complete 28,397m 190 holes Q3 2011

Finalise
DFS Inputs
for
Metallurgy,
Open Pit,
Tailings,
Enviro.

Q1 2012

File Maiden Reserve, update Resource, define Opex and Capex Q2 2012

Finalise DFS
Submit ESIA
Commence
Financing
process

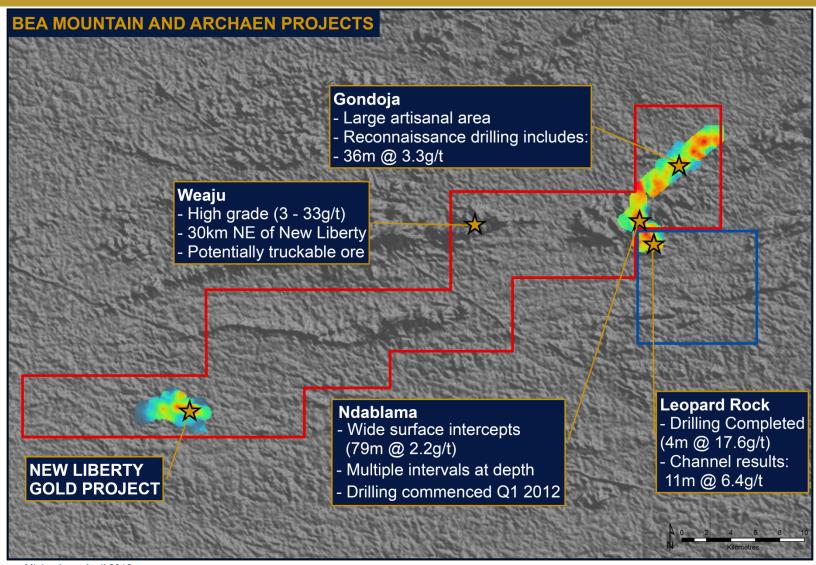
H2 2012

Commence Civil Construction Order Mills H2 2013

Commence Production at New Liberty

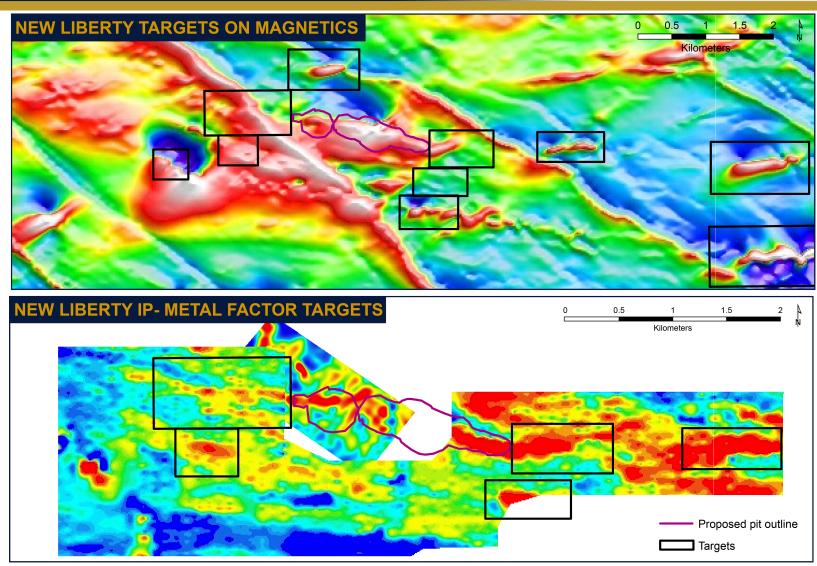


# Mining Licence: Exploration Potential



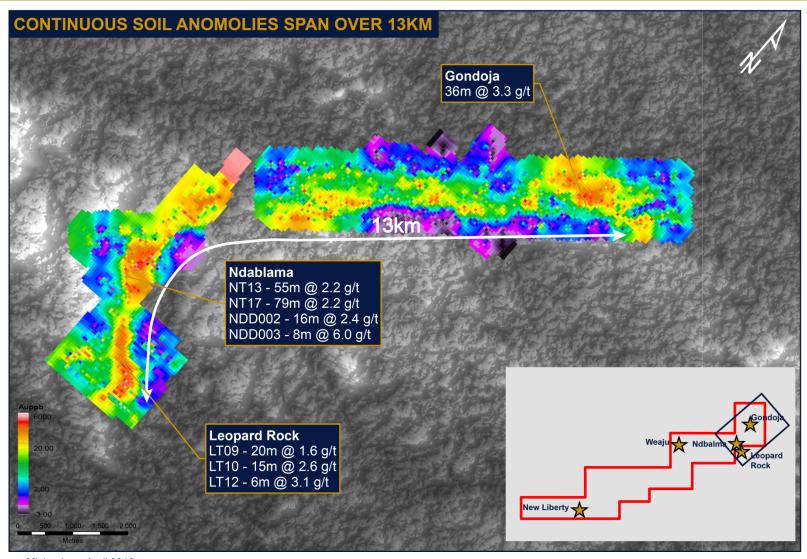


# **New Liberty Near Mine Targets**



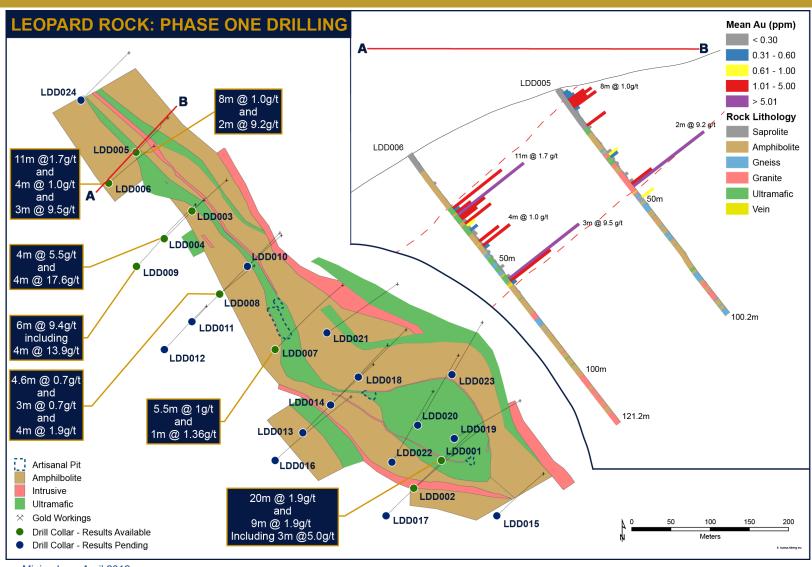
# Leopard Rock to Gondoja Gold Corridor







# **Leopard Rock**





# Ndablama

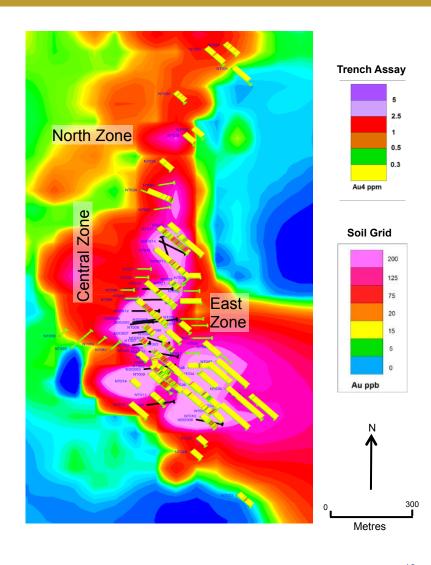
- Vertical and shallow dipping mineralised zones
- 4,000m diamond drill programme planned for phase one in early 2012

### **Trench Results**

Trench	From (m)	To (m)	Length (m)	Mean Au g/t
NT1	0	70	70	1.4
NT2	16	86	70	1.1
NT3	0	44	44	1.0
NT7	0	24	24	1.8
NT9	56	88	32	1.1
NT13	34	89	55	2.2
NT17	68	147	79	2.2
NT048	38	45	7	2.3
RF001	6	10	4	7.8

### **Drilling Results**

Hole ID	From (m)	To (m)	Length (m)	Mean Au g/t
NDD001	2	9	7	1.4
NDD002	14	30	16	2.4
NDD002	38	54	16	1.2
NDD003	20	28	8	6.0
NDD006	90	99	9	1.6
NDD007	26	44	18	1.3
NDD009	31	41	10	2.3
NDD010	26	43	17	1.2
NDD011	40	50	10	2.8
NDD012	24	38	14	2.9

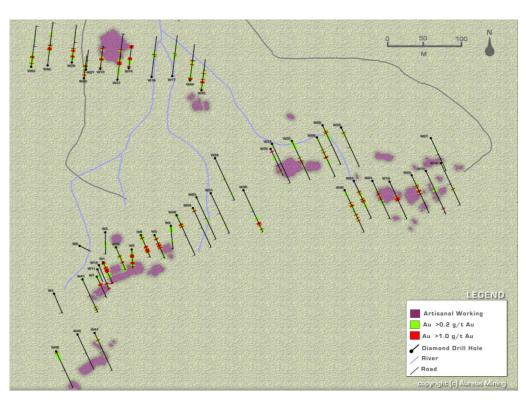




# Weaju

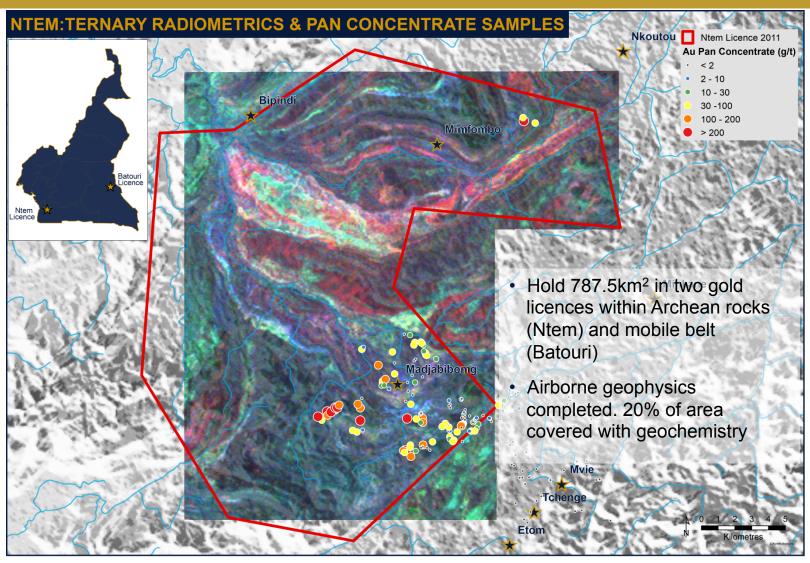
- Only 30km from New Liberty
- Similar geology to New Liberty
- Near surface, truckable ore
- 8,500m diamond drilling programme planned for phase one in early 2012

Weaju Intersection Highlights					
Hole	Grade (g/t)	Width (m)	Hole	Grade (g/t)	Width (m)
W-1	33.0	24	W-9	4.5	18
W-28	27.7	6	W-38	3.8	2
W-5	19.9	34	W-40	3.7	10
W-7	15.1	4	W-19	3.6	16
W-13	10.0	12	W-1	3.5	22
W-41	9.2	1	W-24	3.4	3
W-45	6.1	10	W-47	3.2	2
W-42	4.6	7	W-15	3.1	1
W-2	4.5	22	W-20	3.1	28





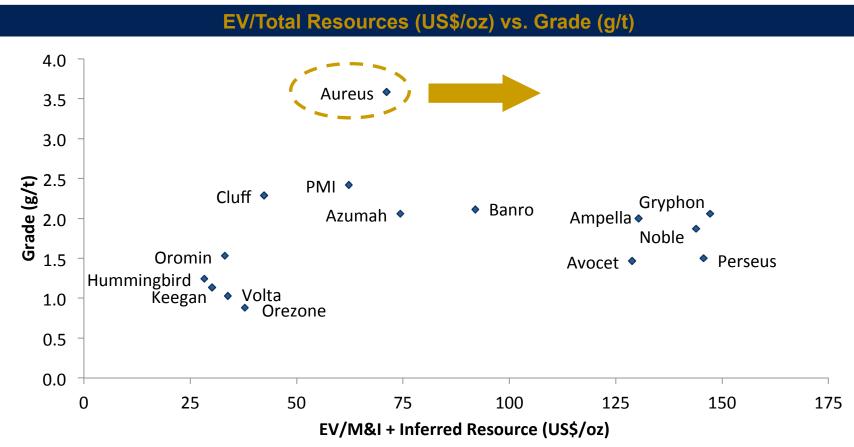
## **Cameroon – Ntem Licence**





# **Valuation Comparatives**

· Aureus trades at a discount to other gold juniors despite significantly higher grade



Source: Bloomberg 14 March 2012. Individual company reports as at March 2012 Volta grade shown for the Kiaka deposit only

## **Conclusions**

- New Liberty DFS due April 2012
  - Project de-risked by Maiden Reserve
  - Optimisation work on-going
  - Low technical risk project
  - High grade
  - Low capital cost
  - Low cash costs
- Robust project economics with short payback period - < 2 years</li>
- Strong management and project team with a track record of delivery in Africa
- Operating under long term fiscal and licence regime
- · Long term commitment to Liberia
- Valuation upside as New Liberty moves into production and with the on going exploration







# **Appendix 1: Management Team**



### • Dr Martin White, Chief Operating Officer

Martin is a mining engineer with over 25 years experience in mine development and production operations and has held senior management roles with African gold producers JCI and Ashanti Goldfields

#### Paul Thomson, Chief Financial Officer

Paul is a Chartered Accountant with 18 years global experience in the energy and mining industries. Prior to Aureus he worked for Ernst & Young and Kazakhmys PLC

### Jeremy Cave, Investor Relations

Jeremy holds a masters in Chemistry from Oxford University and has passed all CFA exams. Jeremy has worked in equity research at both F&C Management and MF Global and has worked as a strategy consultant at Oliver Wyman

### Andrew Bishop, Financial Controller

Andrew holds a MEng in Chemical Engineering and is a Chartered Accountant. Andrew has previously worked for PwC and Crew Gold

### James Shepherd, Chief Project Engineer

James has 20 years' experience as a mining engineer and 10 in underground development. His main focus is on feasibility studies and project management. He was involved in the Centromin privatisation in Peru

### · Graham Smith, Metallurgical Manager

Graham has over 30 years' experience in metallurgy, most recently as manager at the Vatukoula plant. He was previously with Senet CC, involved in the design of Tasiast (Mauritania) and studies on cyanide recovery at Sadiola (Mali), Varvarinskoye (Kazakhstan) and Trekkopje (Namibia)

### Patrys Laubscher, Environmental Manager

Patrys has 17 years' experience in the field of environmental management. Her experience spans exploration for gold, diamonds and coal

### Kirmat Noormohamed, General Manager – Exploration

Over 15 years extensive exploration experience, including periods with Red Back Mining, Kinross Gold Corporation and Teranga Gold Corporation. Highlights include 1.2 Moz resource discovery at the Chirano project

### Julius Ronnie Addy, Liberia Country Manager

Ronnie has been the African Aura resident Country Manager since 2000. He holds a degree in Accounting from the University of Liberia

### · Stephen Dorbor, Senior Geologist

Stephen holds a BSc in geology and has been a leading member of the Liberian exploration team for the past 14 years. Through his extensive local knowledge he is a member of our Environmental and Local Community action group

### Kow Quartey, Senior Resource Geologist

Kow received a BSc in geology from Kumasi University and has 10 years' experience at Goldfields of Ghana before Aureus Mining

# **Appendix 2: Aureus Commitment to Liberia**



### Infrastructure

- Built 50km of new roads
- Four new bridges, refurbishment of numerous others

### Health

New medical centre at Kinjor

### Education

- · Built schools at Weaju and Kinjor
- Sponsored numerous university degrees
- · Payment of teachers at three schools

## Employment

- New Liberty will be a major source of new employment
- Employ 60 skilled Liberians directly and up to 300 contract jobs
- Support community employment for suppliers and consumables

## Community

- Water well projects in three communities
- · Refurbishment of community centres





# **Appendix 3: Analyst Coverage**



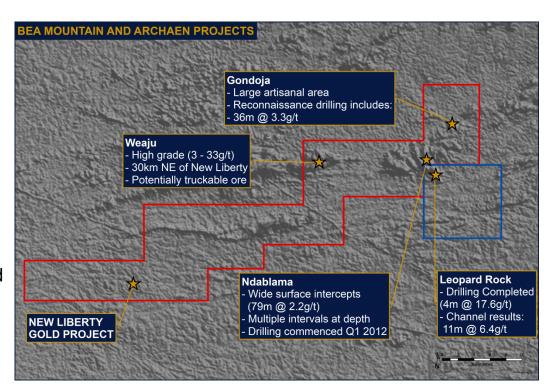
## Already long list of sell-side coverage

Institution	Analyst	Rating	Target Price
RBC	Jonathan Guy	Outperform	130p
GMP	Brock Salier	BUY	140p
Clarus	Nana Sangmuah	BUY	C\$2.75
Shore Capital	Yuen Low	BUY	157p
ВМО	Andrew Breichman	Outperform	C\$2.00
finnCap	Martin Potts	BUY	150p
Investec	Louise Collinge	BUY	167p
Edison	Charles Gibson	BUY	239p

# Appendix 4: Licensing and Fiscal Regime



- Class "A" Mining Licence covering 457km<sup>2</sup> granted in 2009 for a period of 25 years
- Aureus operates under a Mountain Mineral Development Agreement (MDA) between the Company and Government
  - Gold royalty of 3%
  - Corporate tax rate of 25%
  - Government entitled to free carry of 10% after recovery of sunk costs and financing costs
- Final approval of commencement of operations to follow approval of Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA)
- ESIA to be submitted Q2 2012 with approval anticipated within 90 days thereafter



# **Appendix 5: New Liberty: Project Economics**



## High grade drives project economics

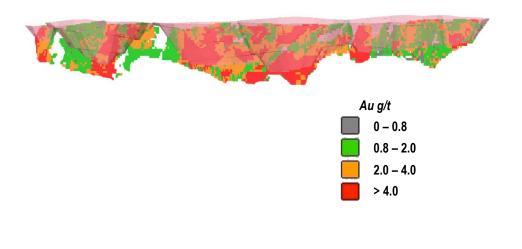
Operating Costs	US\$/oz
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Total operating costs	032
Mining	386
Processing	204

General and admin. 42

Capital Costs	US\$m
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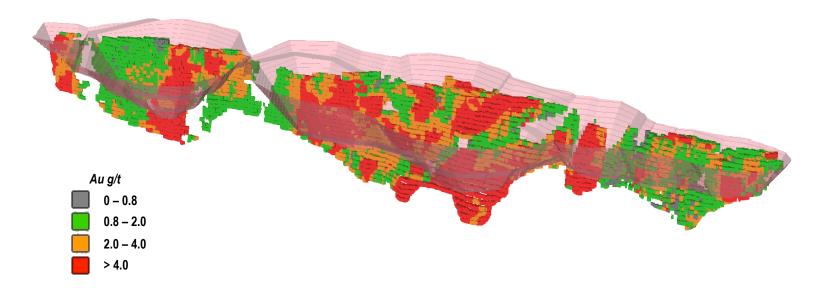
Capital Coots	ΟΟΦΙΤΙ
Total Initial Capex	113.1
Processing plant	62.5
Mine Establishment & pre-strip	27.7
Infrastructure and power supply	14.5
Tailings dam construction	3.3
Creek diversion	5.1



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# **Appendix 6: New Liberty: Reserves**





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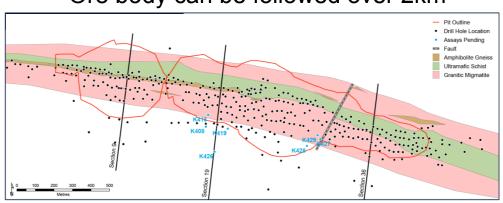
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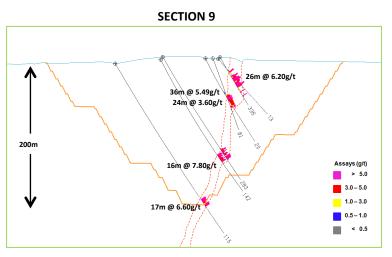
- The Ore Reserve was estimated by construction of a block model within constraining wireframes and based on Measured and Indicated Resources
- The Ore Reserve is reported at a cut-off grade of 0.64 g/t Au and ore below 1 g/t cut off is stockpiled for processing at the end of the mine life A dilution skin of 0.5m added and a minimum mining width of 2.5m was applied
- The Ore Reserves were estimated based on the updated NI 43-101 Mineral Resource as stated in this same study
- The cut-off grade and pit optimisations were based on a gold price of US\$ 1,250 per ounce
- A 93 % metallurgical gold recovery was used
- Due to rounding, some columns or rows may not add up exactly to the computed totals

# **Appendix 7: New Liberty: Pit Sections**

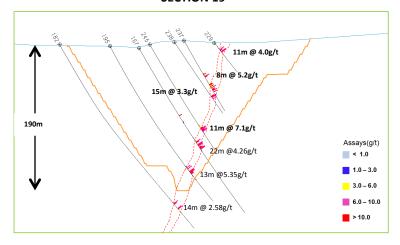


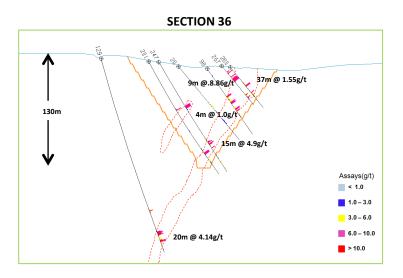
## Ore body can be followed over 2km





#### **SECTION 19**

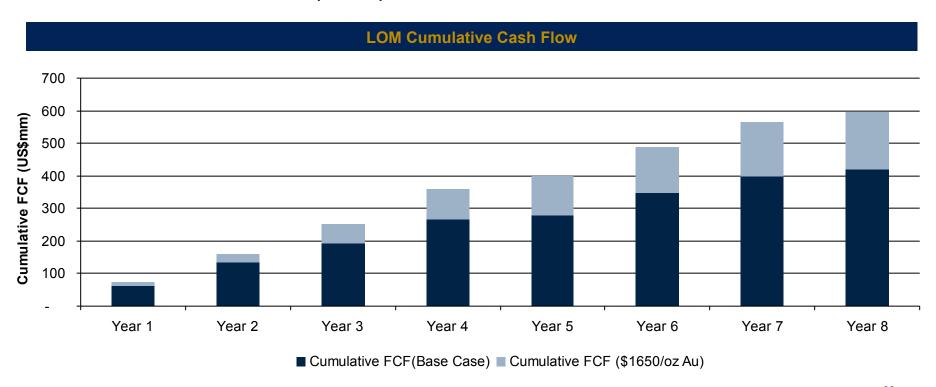




# **Appendix 8: New Liberty Project Economics**



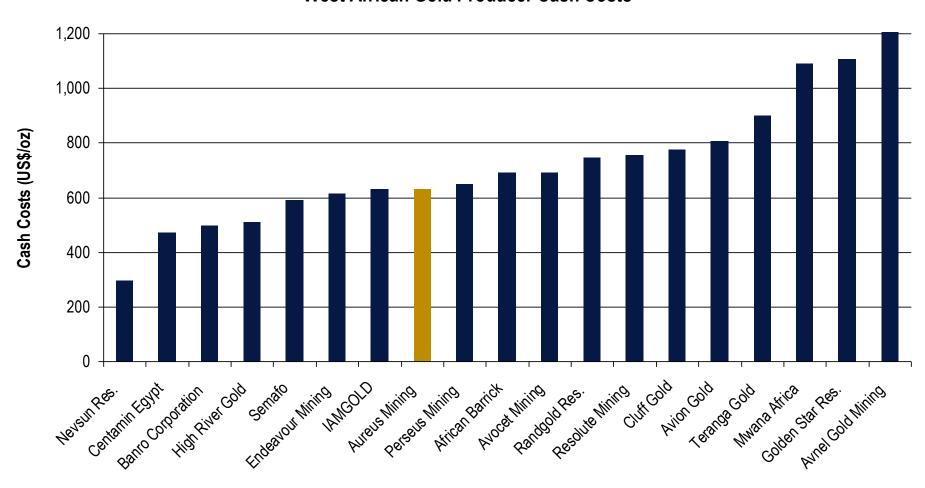
- Robust project economics average gold price used of US\$ 1,350 / oz
- Total funding requirement US\$150mm
- Initial capex US\$113mm, contingency of US\$12mm and working capital of US\$25mm (including exploration)
- Historical costs of c.US\$40mm incurred to December 2011
- Current cash US\$25.7mm plus liquid investments of \$3.5mm



# **Appendix 9: Emerging Low Cost Producer**



### **West African Gold Producer Cash Costs**

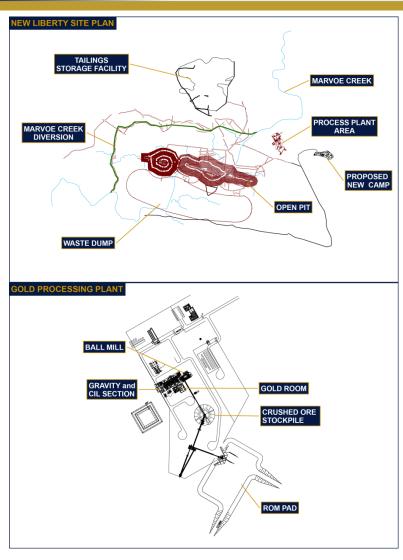


# Appendix 10: New Liberty: Outstanding Feasibility Work



- Gold Process CIL optimisation test work in progress to achieve +93%
- Process Design Final design drawings for 1.1 Mtpa plant
- Mining Design Open pit design improvements to minimise strip ratio
- Tailings Facility and Creek Diversion Final civil design in progress
- ESIA Environmental and Social Impact Assessments in progress.

# Feasibility Study Completion End Q2 2012



# **Appendix 11: Path to Production**



- DFS prepared in conjunction with leading experts – AMC, DRA, Golders and Digby Wells
- Outstanding DFS work
  - · Resource and reserve upgrade
  - Final drawings for Tailings and Plants designs
  - Open pit design improvement to optimise cash flows
- Potential upside from maiden reserve parameters
  - Deposit open at depth and to the west
  - Metallurgical testwork indicates improved recoveries possible
- Potential for optimisation work to extend mine life
- Potential for hydroelectric power from run of river within local region
- Construction will be under an EPCM contract

Milestone	Timeline
Completion of DFS Study	Q2 2012
ESIA Submission to Liberian EPA	Q2 2012
Order Long Lead Items	Q3 2012
Civils Construction	Q4 2012 – Q2 2013
Process Plant Construction Start	Q2 2013 – Q4 2013
Mining Pre-strip Commencement	Q3 2013 – Q4 2013
Commissioning	End Q4 2013
First Gold Pour	Q4 2013
Steady State Production	Q1 2014

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# Appendix 12: Objectives for 2012



- An Environmental Social and Impact Assessment ("ESIA") will be submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency of Liberia in Q2 2012
- Complete DFS in Q2 2012, updating reserve and resource estimates
- Complete financing for the construction of New Liberty
- Board approval for project development and ordering of long-lead plant items
- Civil construction to commence in Q4 2012
- Continuation of multi-phased exploration programmes, including 25,000 metres of diamond drilling on priority gold targets

New Liberty remains on track for first production in Q4 2013

# **Appendix 13: Exploration: Strategic Objectives**



- Add to the mine life of New Liberty with near mine exploration drilling programmes
- Target exploration drilling at Leopard Rock, Ndablama, Gondoja and Weaju to increase the Company's Resource base
- Generative exploration programmes utilising airborne geophysics, geology and soil geochemistry to outline new gold targets





# **Appendix 14: Exploration Highlights**



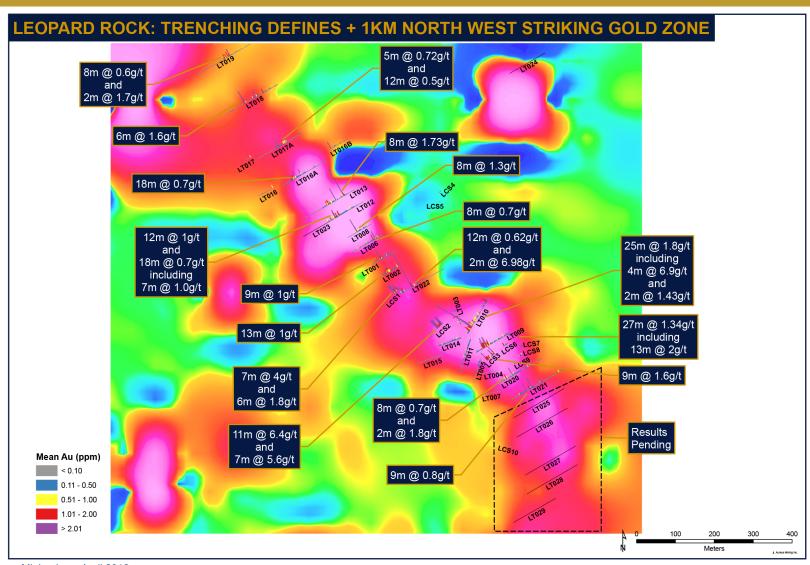
- Exploration programmes around New Liberty have identified 10 targets for follow up drilling programmes. Two targets tested to date
- Phase one drilling completed at Leopard Rock. Encouraging initial results, including:
  - 17.6 g/t over 4 metres
  - 9.4 g/t over 6 metres
- Regional exploration programmes outlined +13km corridor from Leopard Rock to Gondoja. Bedrock gold mineralisation intercepted by drilling and trenching at three separate locations
- Exploration commenced in Cameroon.
   Trenching and soil sampling in progress along 22km gold-bearing structure trending North-South within the Batouri licence





# Appendix 15: Leopard Rock





# Appendix 16: Batouri Project



- Historical focus was at Kembele due to large soil anomaly
- Historical drilling programme at Kambele (Batouri permit) highlights intersects of:

4.99 g/t over 9m 5.52 g/t over 5m 65.9 g/t over 2.67m

43.3 g/t over 1.50m

 New exploration focus on multiple soil anomalies along major mineralised structures

