# **Centaurus**: Powering towards production





- Low costs
- Strong margins
- Outstanding growth potential

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# Overview



- Building a long-term iron ore business in SE Brazil
- Developing low capital and operating cost mines near existing infrastructure and customers
- Initial 2Mtpa operation on track to commence at Jambreiro:
  - November 2012 BFS delivered life-of-mine revenue of A\$847M, EBITDA of A\$556M, NPV of A\$140M
  - Initial Development work has commenced
- High-grade, low impurity consistent quality product: growing domestic market
- Outstanding growth potential from compact ore, regional exploration and export strategy
- Experienced in-country management and technical team, backed by a strong Board
- Supportive strategic shareholders: Atlas Iron (19.6%), Liberty Metals & Mining (12.8%)

Centaurus Metals is well advanced towards its goal of becoming a profitable iron ore producer in Brazil

# Brazil – Latin America's Economic Powerhouse

World economic ranking:	6 <sup>th</sup>
<ul> <li>Ranking in Latin America:</li> </ul>	1 <sup>st</sup>
• GDP growth (2012)	1.5%
<ul> <li>Revised GDP growth forecast (2013):</li> </ul>	3.0%
Population:	~195M
<ul> <li>Iron ore exports:</li> </ul>	>320Mtpa
Steel production:	~35Mtpa

By 2050, the Brazilian population is expected to increase to 260M and the economy is forecast to be one of the world's Top Five, making it a highly attractive destination for foreign investment. *(Source: Goldman Sachs)* 

Source: Brazilian Central Bank, CIA – The World Factbook, Bloomberg CRU International Limited – The Iron Ore Market Outlook – January 2013



Aerial view of Belo Horizonte, Minas Gerais, Brazil

# **Brazilian Iron Ore Market**

- Large domestic market for iron ore consumption
- Brazilian economy expected to rebound in the medium term with infrastructure investment for 2014 Soccer World Cup and 2016 Olympics
- Significant market opportunity with major steel mills located within 180km radius of key Centaurus Projects







Source: CRU International Limited – The Iron Ore Market Outlook – April 2013

## **Corporate Overview**



### **Capital Structure**

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Shares on Issue	196.0m
<b>Options &amp; Performance Rights</b>	14.5m
Share Price	A\$0.14
Market Capitalisation	A\$27.4m
Cash at bank (31 March 2012)	A\$17.9m
Enterprise Value	A\$9.5m

### **Major Shareholders**

Atlas Iron Ltd (19.6%) – An ASX-listed iron ore company (AGO), currently producing at the rate of ~8Mtpa. Since listing in 2004, Atlas has grown rapidly as is now an S&P ASX 100 company. Atlas employs over 450 people, has a market capitalisation of circa \$800 million, cash reserves of \$404m (31 March 2013)

Liberty Metals and Mining Holdings LLC (12.8%) – A Boston-based subsidiary of Liberty Mutual Insurance, the third largest diversified property and casualty ("P&C") insurer in the US and the sixth largest P&C insurer worldwide.



Atlas Iron Ltd - 19.6%
Liberty Metals & Mining - 12.8%
Institutions - 12.7%
Directors and Management - 5.5%
Others - 49.1%



### **Broker Research**

Broker	Date	Recommendation	12-Month Price Target
Canaccord	28-05-13	Виу	\$0.73
Ord Minnett	28-05-13	Buy	\$0.77
RFC Ambrian	28-05-13	Buy	\$0.80
PCF Securities	14-04-13	Buy	\$0.99
Investec	07-11-12	Buy	\$0.50

# **Centaurus Key Personnel – Board and Management**





**Didier Murcia** – Independent Non-Executive Chairman Lawyer, 25 years experience, Non-executive Director – Gryphon Minerals and Rift Valley Resources. Honorary Australian Consul to Tanzania



**Darren Gordon** - Managing Director Chartered Accountant, 20 years experience, extensive resource financing and operations exposure. Previously CFO at Gindalbie Metals



### Peter Freund - Operations Director

Mechanical Engineer, 40 years experience, former General Manager of the Karara JV, and head of MIM team at Alumbrera Copper Mine, South America. Developed Oaky Creek Coal and MacArthur River Lead/Zinc Project



**Richard Hill** – Independent Non-Executive Director Solicitor and Geologist, 20 years experience, co-founded Centaurus and director of resource Investment group, Westoria Capital



**Mark Hancock** - Non-Executive Director Chartered Accountant, 25 years experience, former Chief Commercial Officer and currently Executive Director, Commercial – Atlas Iron. Has previously held senior financial roles with Woodside Petroleum, Premier Oil & Lend Lease



**Steve Zaninovich** – Independent Non-Executive Director Civil Engineer, 20 years experience, current COO for West Africa focused Gryphon Minerals. Extensive experience in Project Managing construction projects in overseas jurisdictions.

Centaurus has a strong management team, predominantly based in the Belo Horizonte office, experienced in developing Brazilian resource projects.

### **Centaurus Metals Senior Management**



#### John Westdorp: Chief Financial Officer

Chartered Accountant, 20 years resource experience, former CFO of Iron Ore Producer, Murchison Metals. Held senior positions with North Ltd Group including 6 years with Robe River Iron Associate JV



#### **Geoff James:** Company Secretary

Chartered Accountant, 20 years experience, former Group Financial Accountant at Clough Limited & previously held joint CFO/Company Secretary position with Centaurus



### Alexandro de Moura: GM – Operations

Engineer, 20 years experience, former Chief Operating Officer for MMX Mineracáo & held senior roles with Yamana in their copper operations



#### **Bruno Scarpelli:** GM – Environmental & OH&S Former Environmental Coordinator at Vale's Carajas Iron Ore Operations, previously held roles with Brandt Meio Ambiente and Golder Associates



#### **Roger Fitzhardinge:** GM – Exploration & Evaluation Geologist, former Manager of Technical Services and Senior Mine Geologist at Mirabela Nickel. Former geologist with BHP's Pilbara iron ore operations



#### Rodrigo Branco: GM – Commercial

Economist, 20 years experience, held various iron ore sales and commercial roles with Vale & CSN. Former Country Manager for ASX Listed SAFM Mineracáo



**Luiz Carlos Noronha Jr.:** Legal Counsel & Administrator Lawyer, 15 years experience in tax, commercial law and land access for mining company clients.



# **Brazilian Domestic Project Hub**



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BRAZIL

Minas Gerais

**Belo Horizonte** 

Large City

Town

Airport

Smelter

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**Centaurus Project (Fe)** 

Major Iron Ore Mine

# Jambreiro – Overview







# Jambreiro – A Low-Cost, High-Margin Iron Ore Project

- Bankable Feasibility Study November 2012:
  - Production: 2Mtpa @ 64.5% Fe
  - Life-of-Mine Revenue: A\$847M
  - Operating costs: A\$16.20/tonne
  - EBITDA: A\$556M, annual cash flows: A\$62M
  - Post-tax NPV: A\$140M, IRR: 33%
  - Pre-production CAPEX: A\$136M
- Consistent and reliable supplier of high-quality, low impurity iron ore to domestic steel mills
- Key Approvals received
- Initial development work underway
- Friable Ore Reserve: 48.5Mt @ 28.1% Fe
  - ~18Mt of high grade product = 9 year mine life
- Strong production and mine life upside



# Jambreiro Process Flowsheet





## Jambreiro – Site Layout







2Mtpa

**Production rate:** 

# Jambreiro – Land Access & Approval Process

### **Environmental Approvals**

- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA/RIMA) Approved
- Three stage approval process
  - LP Issued October 2012
  - LI Issued April 2013
  - LO Due June Quarter 2014
- Strong community support for Project
- Project Facilitation Agreement signed with the State of Minas Gerais

### Mines Department

- Plan of Economic Evaluation (PAE) Approved
- Mining Lease Application in Brasilia for Approval

## Land Access

- 10-year land access and co-operation signed with land owner CENIBRA
- Much of Project area already cleared



# Jambreiro – Offtake & Financing



### Offtake

- General acceptance of the Jambreiro product specification by domestic steel mills
- Negotiations progressing well
- Targeting Life-of-Mine offtake contract
- Offtake directed towards international market based price with net back to mine for domestic logistic costs

## Financing

- Project Financing requires offtake to be established
- Preferred debt financiers have been assessed and selected with formal mandate to be awarded in conjunction with offtake
- Strong supportive shareholder base.



# Jambreiro – Development Timeline







# Jambreiro – Project and Mine Life Upside



### **Compact Ore**

- Comprises 65.8Mt @ 27.7% Fe within overall resource of 125.2Mt @ 26.7% Fe
- Successful test work has delivered beneficiated product grading 66.2% Fe
- Pit optimisation incorporating this material has defined an In Pit Resource:
  - 102.6Mt @ 26.7% Fe (82% of global resource)
  - Potential product of 36.3Mt of +65% Fe sinter blend concentrate
- Strong opportunity to continue mining beyond the initial 9 years
- Potential to double the mine life to 18 years
- **Regional Exploration**
- Potential to define additional resources within economic haulage distance

PRODUCT QUALITY	Fe%	SiO <sub>2</sub> %	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> %	Р%	Mass Recovery %
COMPACT MINERALISAT	FION — E	BENCH SC	CALE (Wet	Magne	tic Separation
Head Grade	25.0	55.9	2.2	0.07	
<b>Beneficiated Product</b>	66.2	3.7	0.9	0.01	35.2
	BR-DD-10-000 0.0m @ 31.8%		JBR-DD-11 78.1m @ 3	32.1% Fe	-11-00026
	0.0m @ 31.8%		78.1m @ 3	32.1% Fe	JBR-RC-10-00022



# Jambreiro – Exploration Upside

## **Canavial Iron Ore Project**

- Maiden JORC resource of 27.6Mt @ 30.5% Fe
- Beneficiation testwork using Jambreiro flowsheet design is underway
- Simple environmental approval process for future development

Material	JORC Category	Million Tonnes	Fe %	SiO <sub>2</sub> %	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> %	Р%	LOI %
Friable Itabirite	Indicated	6.1	34.1	32.6	7.2	0.10	8.0
	Inferred	9.7	32.6	34.5	8.4	0.07	7.1
	TOTAL	15.8	33.2	33.8	7.9	0.08	7.5
Compact Itabirite	Indicated	0.4	26.3	47.1	6.0	0.13	6.5
	Inferred	3.0	29.0	43.4	6.1	0.10	5.2
	TOTAL	3.4	28.7	43.9	6.1	0.10	5.3
Amphibolitic Itabirite	Indicated						
	Inferred	8.4	26.3	40.1	2.5	0.05	4.7
	TOTAL	8.4	26.3	40.1	2.5	0.05	4.7
Grand Total	Indicated	6.5	33.6	33.6	7.1	0.10	7.9
	Inferred	21.1	29.6	38.0	5.7	0.07	5.9
	TOTAL	27.6	30.5	37.0	6.0	0.07	6.4





20% Fe cut-off

# Jambreiro – Exploration Upside



## **Candonga Iron Ore Project**

- High grade drill results including some DSO grades
- Next batch of drilling and maiden resource due June 2013
- Potential for coarse grained product to support the Jambreiro operations
- Land generally clear of native vegetation
- Small diamond drill program due to commence in July 2013





# Achievements



November 2012	<ul> <li>Expansion of Management Team – new CFO appointed</li> </ul>
January 2013	✓ MOU signed with Minas Gerais State Government
February 2013	<ul> <li>Award of Management Support Contract for Jambreiro</li> <li>Positive drilling results at Canavial Project</li> </ul>
March 2013	<ul> <li>Award of Detailed Engineering &amp; Procurement Contract for Jambreiro</li> <li>Approval of Economic Development Plan (PAE) for Jambreiro</li> </ul>
April 2013	✓ Granting of Installation Licence (LI) for Jambreiro
May 2013	<ul> <li>✓ Jambreiro Project Development Schedule updated</li> <li>✓ Maiden JORC Resource for Canavial Project</li> </ul>

## Summary

- Brazil-focused iron ore developer
- Proven business model: Mine, Beneficiate, Deliver
- Low capital intensity, low operating costs
- Strong forecast cash flows
- 12 months to production
- Well-funded: \$18m cash
- Supportive strategic shareholders: Atlas & Liberty



Centaurus is poised to join the ranks of Australian iron ore producers...in Brazil.





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# Jambreiro Project – October 2012 Ore Reserves



Ore Reserve Classification	Mt	Fe%	SiO <sub>2</sub> %	Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub> %	<b>P%</b>	LOI %
Proven	35.4	28.5	49.6	4.3	0.04	1.7
Probable	13.1	27.2	49.0	5.3	0.04	2.4
Total	48.5	28.1	49.4	4.6	0.04	1.9

# Jambreiro Project – Key BFS Assumptions



Key Assumption	
Ore Reserves	48.5Mt
Grade	28.1% Fe
Metal recovery per dry tonne	90%
Reserve – Final Product	18Mt
Grade	+64.5% Fe
Waste Movement	46.8Mt
Total Material Movement (including pre-strip)	95.3Mt
Waste to Ore Ratio (LOM)	0.97 to 1
Production Rate	2Mtpa
Average LoM Exchange Rate AUD to BRL	1.90
Average LoM Exchange Rate AUD to USD	0.86
Average LoM Exchange Rate USD to BRL	2.21
Average Sales Price – FOB Mine Gate	A\$47/dmt
Discount Rate	8%



# Jambreiro Project – Sensitivity Analysis



2 Mtpa	Case					Post T	ax – NPV	/ (A\$M)		
Variable	-20%	-10%	Base	+10%	+20%	-20%	-10%	Base	+10%	+20%
Average LoM Price (FOB Mine) A\$/dmt	38	42	47	52	56	73.9	106.8	139.6	172.4	205.2
Capital Expenditure (A\$M)	163	150	136	122	109	119.6	129.6	139.6	149.6	159.6
Direct Operating Expenditure (A\$M/dmt)	17.4	16.0	14.5	13.1	11.6	117.4	128.5	139.6	150.7	161.9
Foreign Exchange Rate R\$/A\$	2.28	2.09	1.90	1.71	1.52	116.3	126.9	139.6	155.1	174.5
Discount Rate %	10	9	8	7	6	119.1	129.0	139.6	151.0	163.1



# Mineral Resource Inventory – May 2013



Project	JORC Category	Million Tonnes	Fe %	SiO2 %	Al2O3 %	P %	LOI 9
Jambreiro	Measured	46.7	28.3	51.0	4.2	0.04	1.6
	Indicated	35.5	26.5	49.9	4.3	0.05	1.7
	Measured + Indicated	82.3	27.5	50.5	4.3	0.05	1.7
	Inferred	42.9	25.3	49.5	4.5	0.06	1.3
	TOTAL	125.2	26.7	50.2	4.4	0.05	1.5
Canavial	Indicated	6.5	33.6	33.6	7.1	0.10	7.9
	Inferred	21.1	29.6	38.0	5.7	0.07	5.9
	TOTAL	27.6	30.5	37.0	6.0	0.07	6.4
Guanhaes Region	Measured	46.7	28.3	51.0	4.2	0.04	1.6
	Indicated	42.0	27.6	47.3	4.7	0.06	2.7
	Measured + Indicated	88.8	27.9	49.3	4.5	0.05	2.1
	Inferred	64.0	26.7	45.7	4.9	0.06	2.8
	TOTAL	152.7	27.4	47.8	4.7	0.05	2.4
Itambe	Indicated	4.7	37.1	37.0	4.5	0.06	2.7
	Inferred	5.3	36.2	40.9	3.5	0.04	2.1
TOTAL	TOTAL	10.0	36.6	39.1	4.0	0.05	2.4
Passabem	Indicated	2.8	33.0	48.8	1.9	0.03	0.6
	Inferred	36.2	30.9	54.0	0.7	0.07	0.1
TOTAL	TOTAL	39.0	31.0	53.6	0.8	0.07	0.1
GRAND TOTAL	Measured	46.7	28.3	51.0	4.2	0.04	1.6
	Indicated	49.5	28.8	46.4	4.5	0.06	2.6
	Measured + Indicated	96.3	28.5	48.7	4.4	0.05	2.1
	Inferred	105.5	28.6	48.3	3.4	0.06	1.8
	GRAND TOTAL	201.7	28.6	48.5	3.9	0.06	2.0

\* 20% Fe cut-off grade applied; \*\* 27% Fe cut-off grade applied; \*\*\* 25%Fe cut-off grade applied