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Today's Speakers

Opening remarks



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Today's highlights



Key strengths



Presenting Eramet's key strengths in lithium brine processing

- Proprietary DLE technology delivering proven high-performance at Centenario
- Integrated expertise across the value chain: from exploration to operations



Centenario progress



Highlighting progress on our flagship lithium asset: Centenario

- World-class asset with strong growth potential
- Milestones achieved from development to execution, ramp-up on track for full capacity by end-2026
- Overcoming challenges while delivering on ramp-up plan makes Centenario a blueprint for replicating operational excellence across Eramet's portfolio



Strategic roadmap



Delivering on our lithium ambitions: our strategic playbook

- Market outlook & future growth perspectives
- Operational, innovation & commercial levers for success

Centenario ramp up:
the emerging new
lithium producer



Establishing leadership in lithium extraction from brine

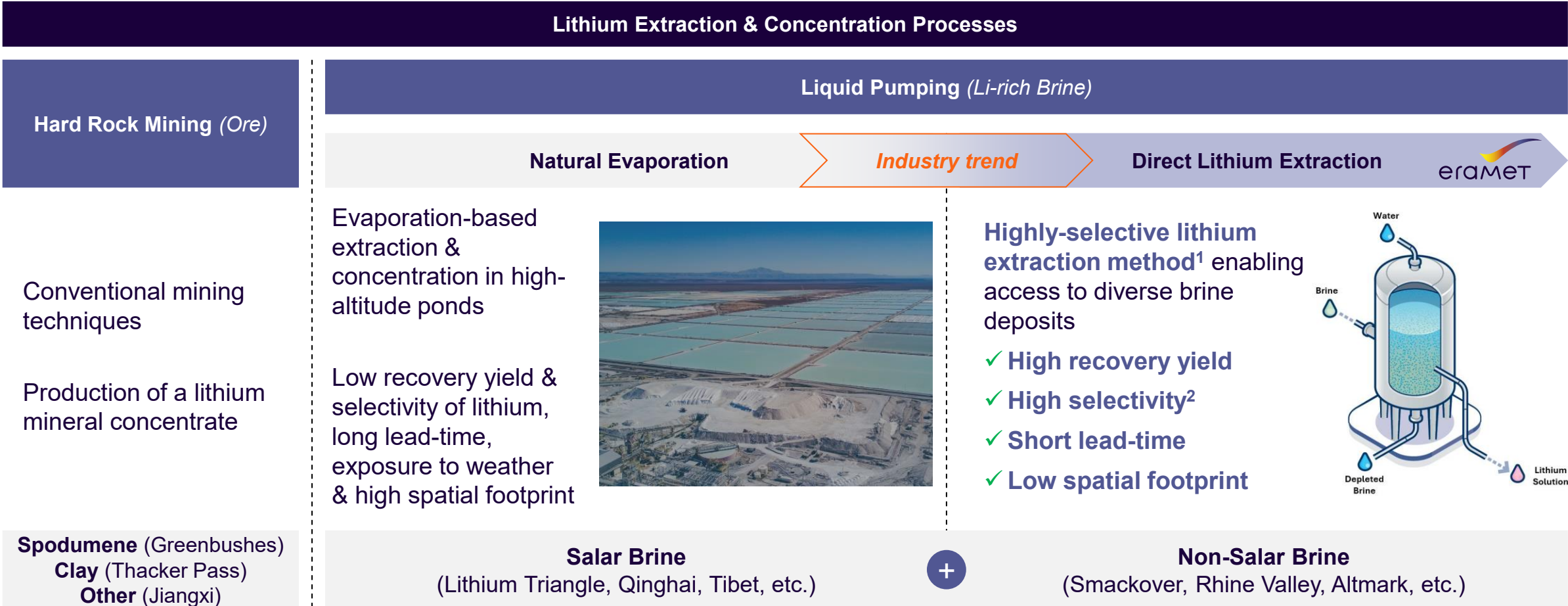
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At the core of our process: Direct Lithium Extraction

A step-change in lithium extraction from brine, enhancing capacity, selectivity & sustainability



1. Through water treatment techniques (adsorption, ion-exchange, solvent extraction)
2. Impurity rejection rate

Our overall process capabilities

Unique capabilities from 15-years of continuous R&D in lithium extraction & processing



Assembled resources

~40 high-caliber engineers & technicians dedicated to lithium at Eramet's R&D center

4 pilot-scale equipment at Eramet's R&D center (including SMB¹ configuration), we can pilot test brines on-location anywhere

1 demonstration plant at site in Centenario



Unique capabilities developed

Design **full process flowsheet**²

Develop & Industrialize the **DLE sorbent**

Pilot & adjust selected processes

Test & rank technologies for brine processing & DLE

Support operational start-up



Results delivered

3 generations of Eramet Sorbent developed

12 patents

4.5 years on-site piloting in Centenario

>180 weeks of onsite support R&D teams

>15 different deposits tested at pilot scale³

~15 third-party sorbents tested

~70 third-party technologies ranked / tested

No exposure to technology export bans

1. Simulated Moving Bed

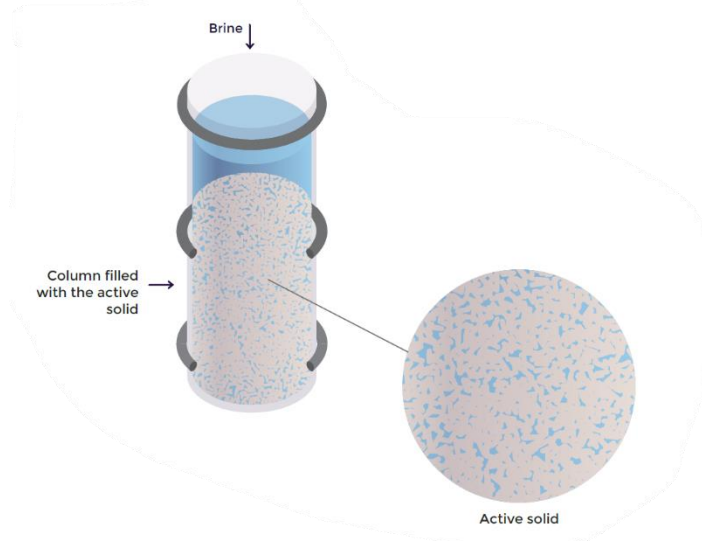
2. Matching brine composition & process under a given set of constraint – water – energy – logistics...

3. Salar & deep brines

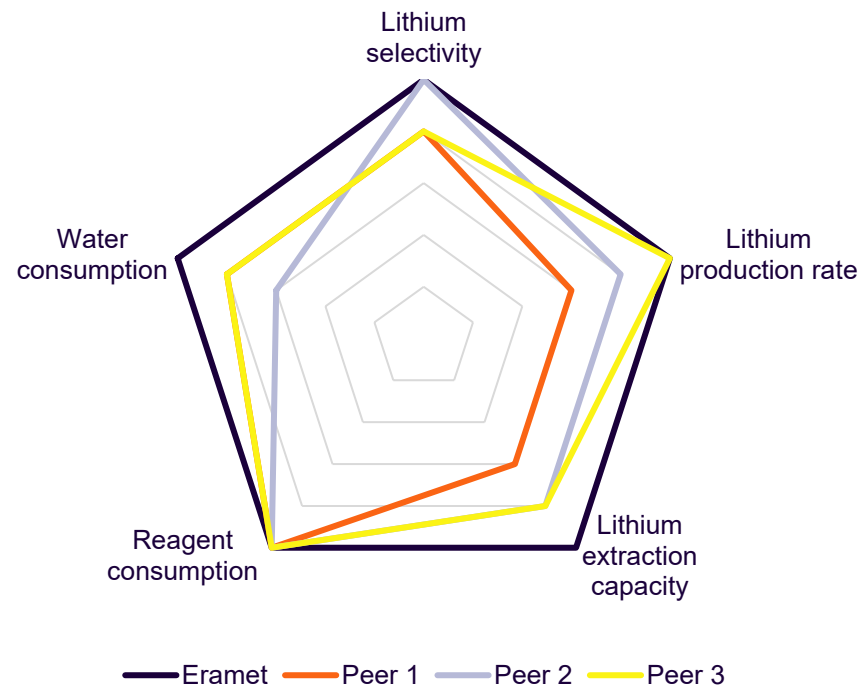
Our sorbent, at the heart of our process

A highly efficient proprietary adsorption technology supported by dedicated production in Europe, solely contracted to Eramet

Development of Eramet proprietary sorbent for adsorption-DLE



Comparison of Eramet generation 3 sorbent at iso-brine vs. 3 other sorbents^{1,2}



Proprietary aluminum-based sorbents, patent protected
c.10 years of piloting (including 4.5 years on site)

Industrialized & exclusive, European-based generation 3 sorbent production

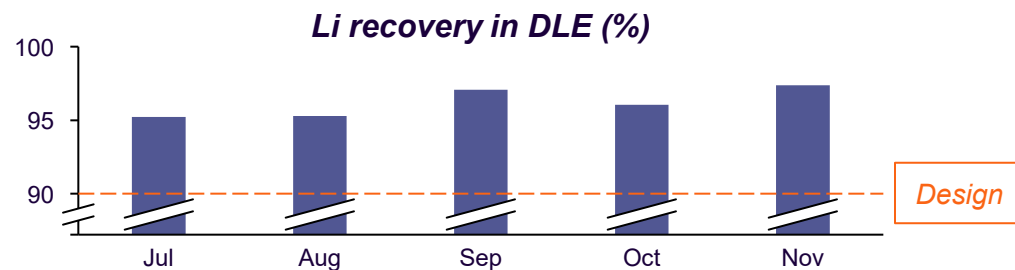
1. Industrialized & commercialized
2. Source: Eramet analysis

3
proprietary sorbent
generations

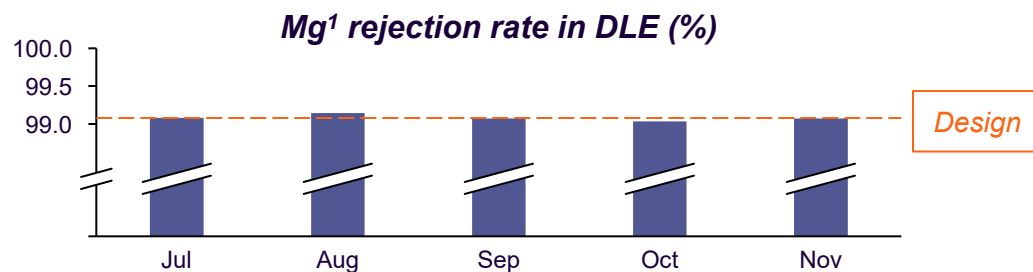
Generation 4
under development

Our DLE performance in Centenario

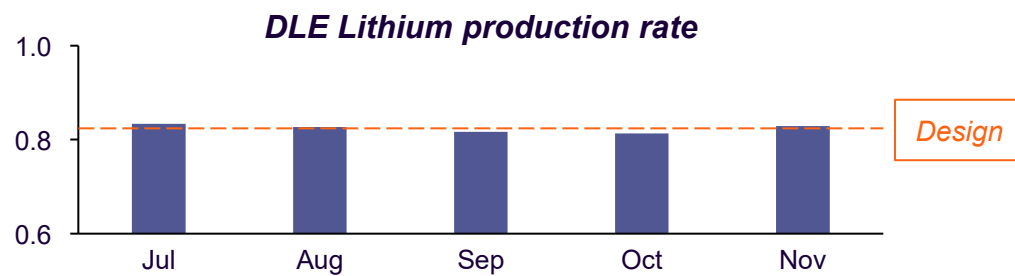
Industrial-scale DLE, in line or above design targets



>90%
Yield in DLE



>99%
Impurity rejection rate in DLE



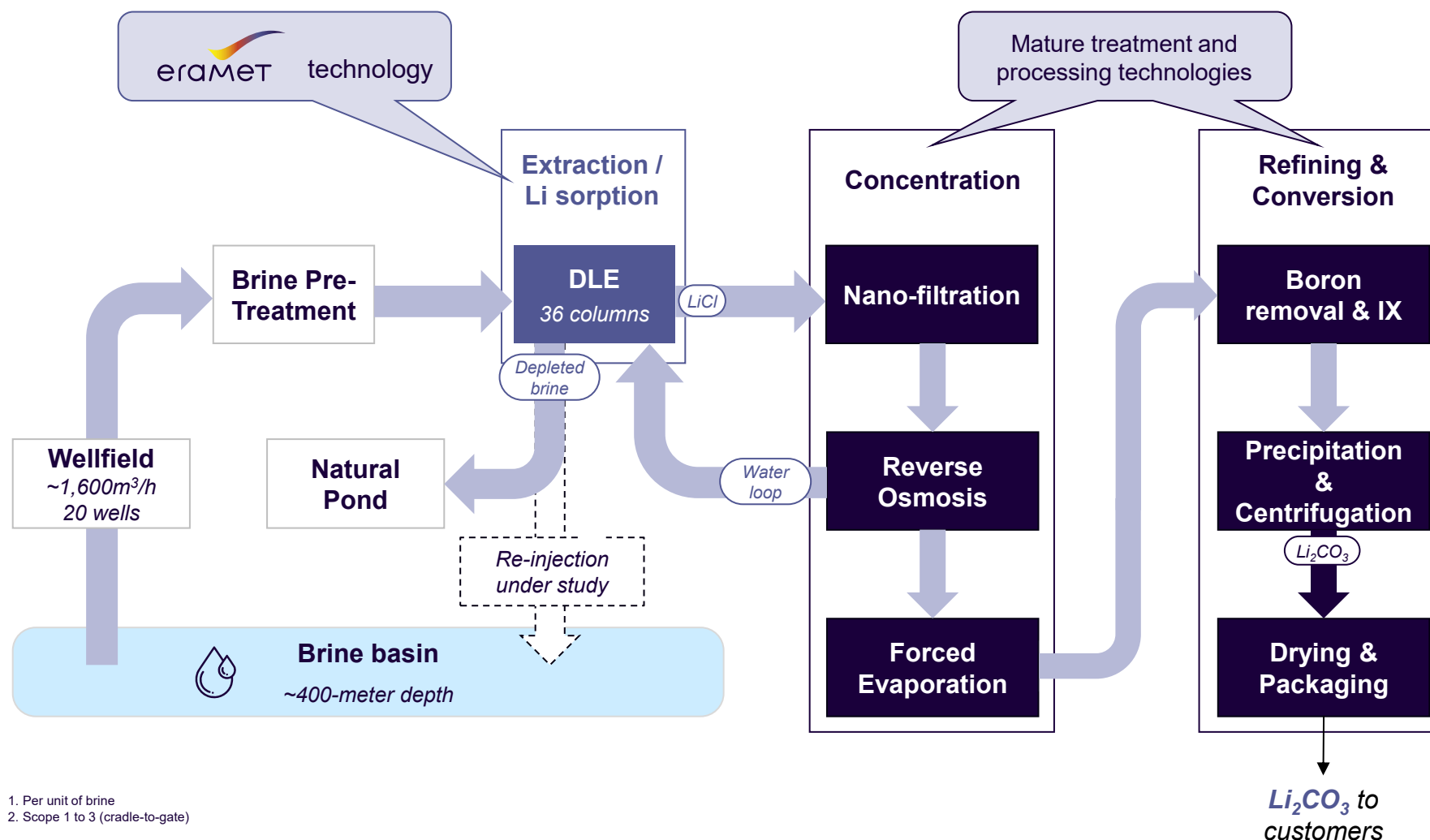
>0.83
kg_{Li}/m³_{sorbent}/h

1. Magnesium for illustration ; similar rejection rate for other impurities



Our flowsheet in Centenario

Overall process highly efficient, stable & sustainable in the DLE



1. Per unit of brine
2. Scope 1 to 3 (cradle-to-gate)



x2
lithium global recovery¹
vs. evaporation process

**No pre-concentration
evaporation**

~6
tCO_{2eq}/t-LCE²
carbon footprint

**Brine processed at
ambient temperature**

Our leadership in lithium extraction from brine

Full in-house expertise: exploration, technology, development, & operations

Resource development

Extensive knowledge of brine deposits (particularly salar brines)

End-to-end ESG approach integrating community and environmental footprint from day 1

Process development

Full ownership of a high-performance sorbent and production capabilities at industrial scale

Continuous innovation in adsorption-DLE (ongoing development of a new-generation sorbent)

Tailored-to-brine flowsheet design and technology selection capability

Operating track-record

Unique operating experience and data from a Full-DLE commercial plant

~115

brine deposits
assessed in the
Lithium Triangle

>15

different brine tested
at pilot scale (salar
and deep brines)

~70

technologies ranked
/ tested

Word class producing asset with
strong growth potential

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Centenario: a Tier-1 asset

First new generation DLE plant operating at industrial scale at the heart of the Lithium Triangle



1. Total mineral drainable (measured, indicated & inferred resources) resources for lithium as of January 1, 2025, see section 1.3 of the 2024 URD

Centenario: stringent Health & Safety standards

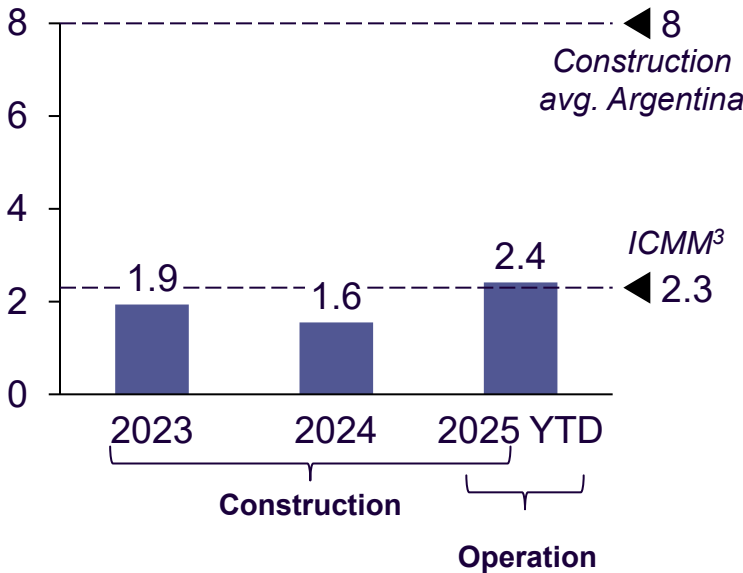
Health & Safety approach tailored to achieve zero harm

Health Hypoxia (4,000m high) Remoteness	Upfront medical check Clinic at highest standard for remote medicine Emergency evacuation procedures
Process safety Chemicals Steam Gas	HAZOP ¹ Risk study before ramp-up Dedicated organization Fire Brigade at site
Occupational Safety Road safety Contractor management	Airstrip at site Dedicated truck road Travel management Joint safety verifications Critical activity verification



TRIFR²

(up to 1,700 people on site)



1. HAZOP: HAZard and OPerability analysis
2. Total Recordable Injury Frequency Rate = number of accidents (LTI + NLT) per Mio hours worked
3. Date ICMC report, 2024



Centenario: development phase

~10 years of de-risking from CSR to full process



Free Prior Informed Consent (FPIC) obtained in 2020 (renewed in 2022)

Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) approved in 2019
(renewed in 2023)

80% of Eramet employees in Argentina coming from Salta



Strategic consolidation of 65 tenements (95% of total salar surface)

Resources (JORC) increased to c.15 Mt-LCE¹ in 2025



Secure European production base for Eramet sorbent

c.10 years of DLE and end-to-end process testing
from brine to refine Li_2CO_3

2012

**Discovery of
Centenario &
Ratones salars**

2022

**Start of
construction**

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Centenario: development phase

Strong support from Argentina & the Salta Province to our projects

Favourable jurisdiction

Resource ownership **open to private and foreign investors**

Lithium fully concessible

Transparent and competitive royalty regime

Long-term tax stability and foreign exchange control relief mechanisms

Reinforced fundamentals in the last 2 years

Inflation moderated (from hyper-inflation to ~25% in 2025)

Exchange control restrictions largely removed unlocking dividend payment to shareholders

Incentive mechanism for new and large investments (RIGI)

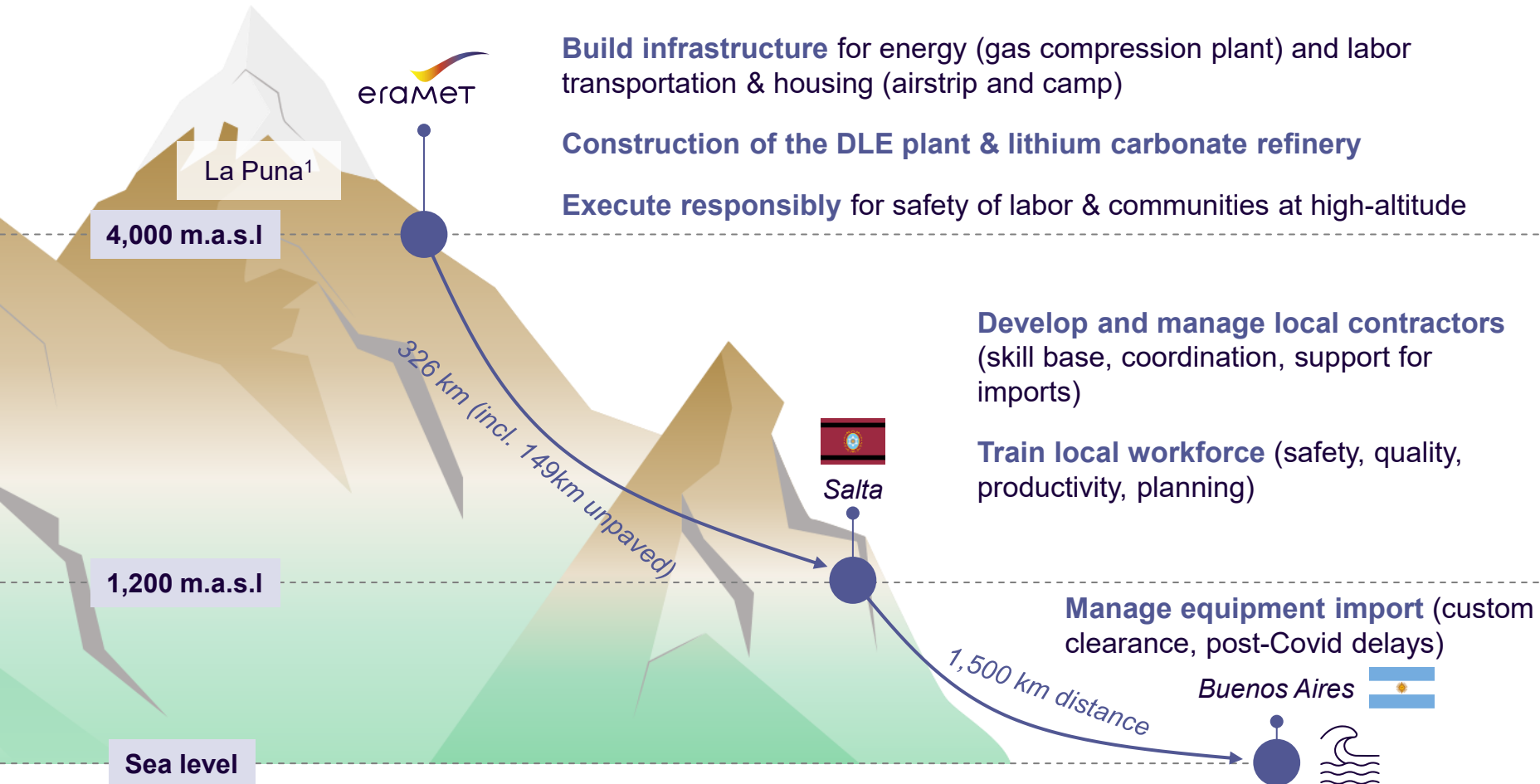
Infrastructure projects supporting expansion of mining activities

5
greenfield Lithium projects
commissioned in
Argentina in the last
3 years

>10
greenfield Lithium,
Copper and Gold
projects in the
pipeline, particularly
in the Salta province

Centenario: construction phase

Successful construction of a first-of-its-kind plant in a complex environment



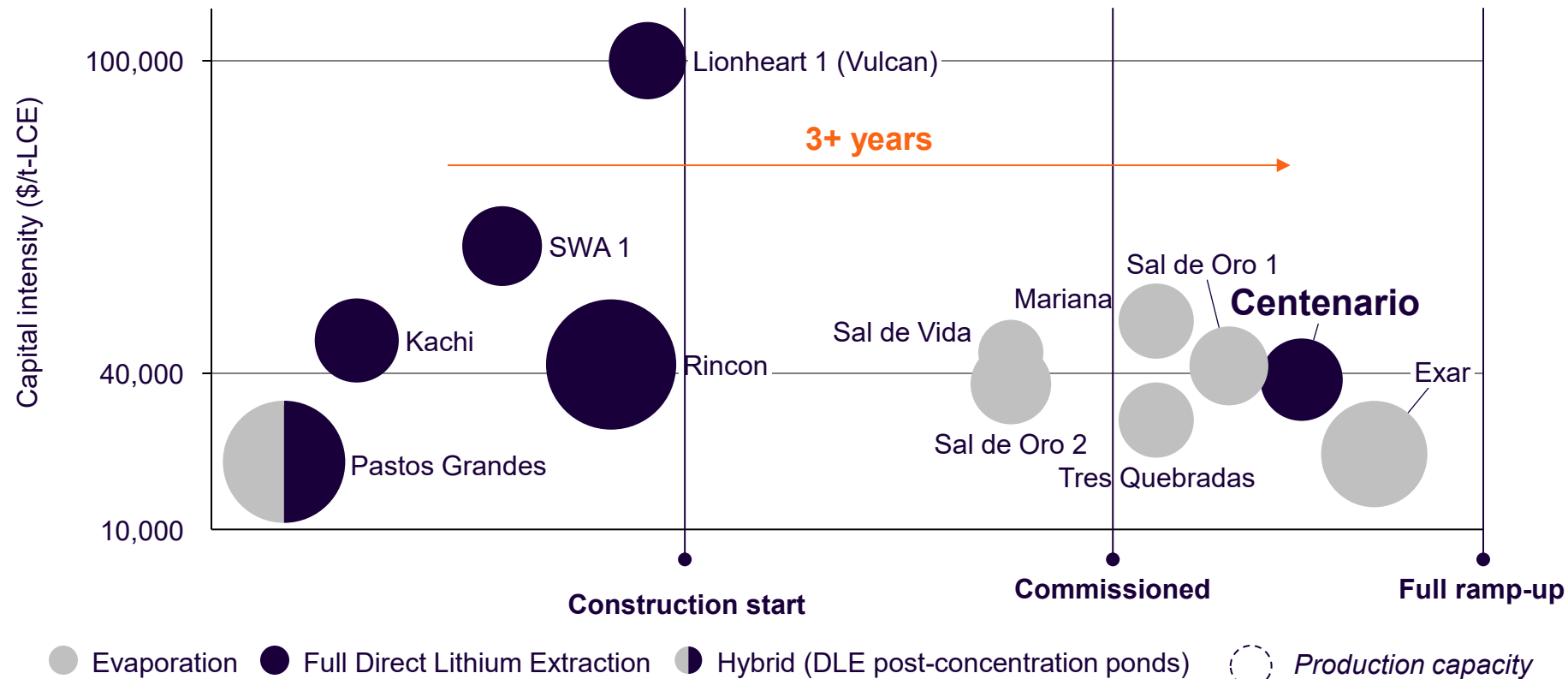
1. High-plateau, grassland ecoregion extending from northern Peru into northwest Argentina along the spine of the Andes



Centenario: construction phase

Sole greenfield Full-DLE in operation, constructed at competitive capex

Capital intensity of major greenfield brine projects¹ (outside China)
by stage of development & type of extraction process



1. Construction CAPEX only (excluding acquisition and development costs). Based on publicly available information and reflecting the sponsors' most updated & chosen design for the projects.



Sole

Full-DLE greenfield
project
commissioned

~\$950m

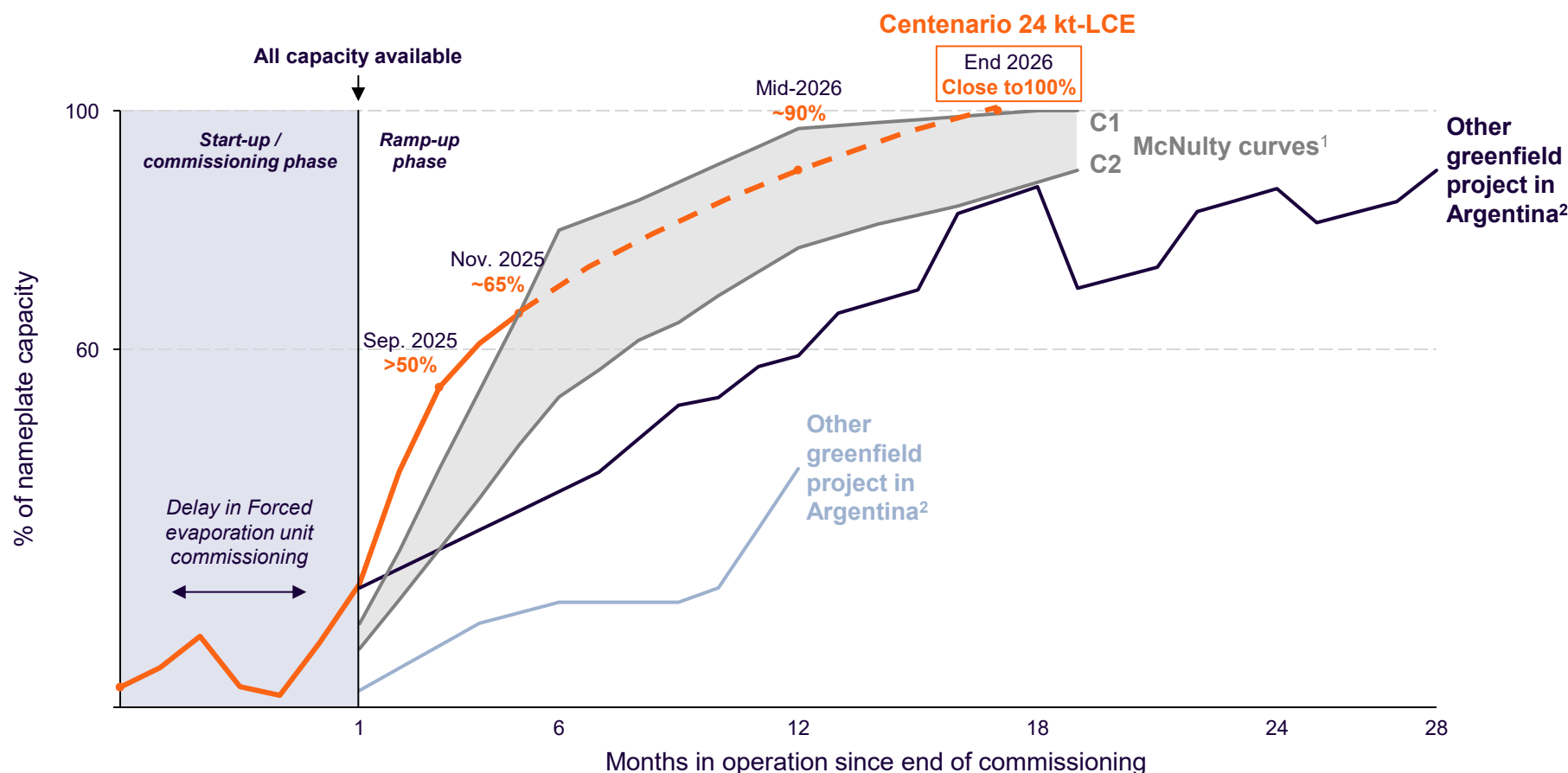
DLE plant
construction capex
(incl. non-production
infrastructure)

On par

with peers using
conventional
evaporation on capital
intensity but with
superior unit opex

Centenario: operating phase

Successful ramp-up on track to reach full capacity by end 2026



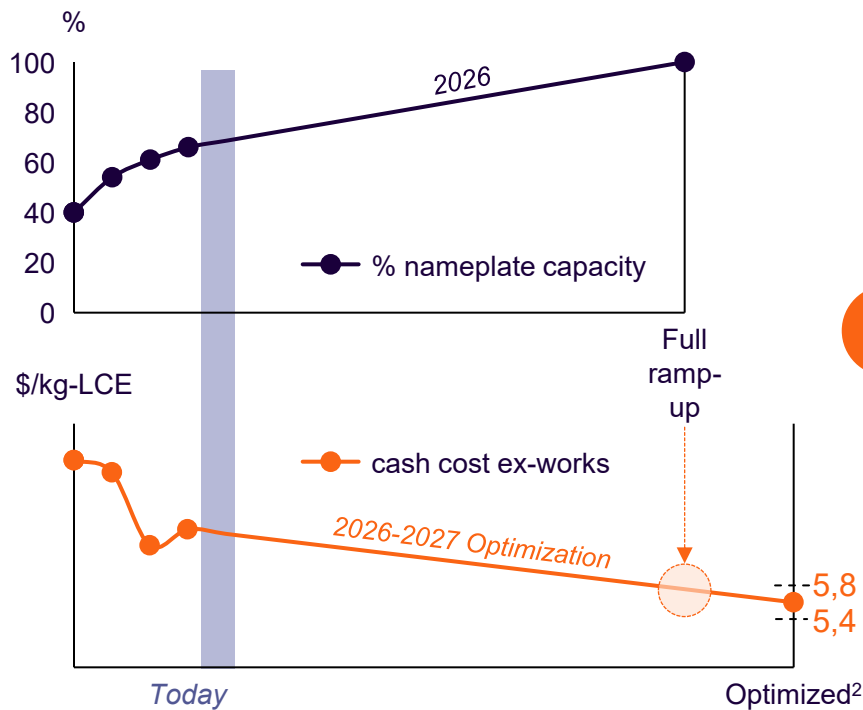
1. McNulty methodology ramp up curves (C1 & C2): reference and benchmark for ramp-up
2. Evaporation-based projects commissioned in the Puna region



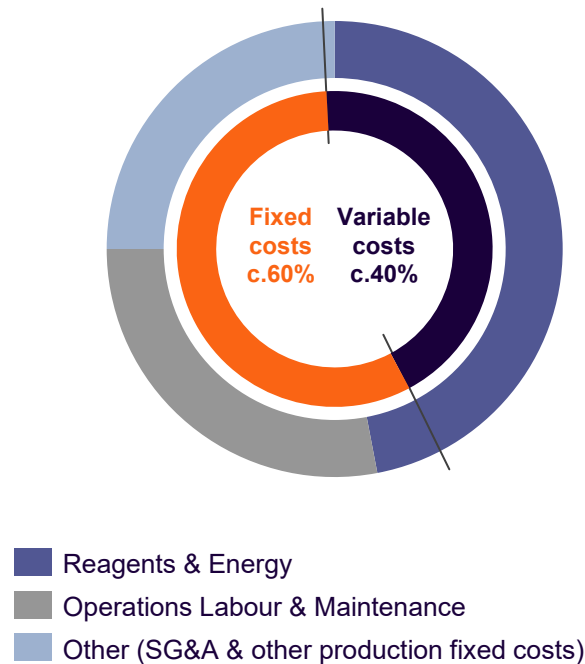
Centenario: operating phase

Targeting world-class cost position

Expected evolution of Cash cost Ex-Works¹



Breakdown of optimized cash cost Ex-Works¹

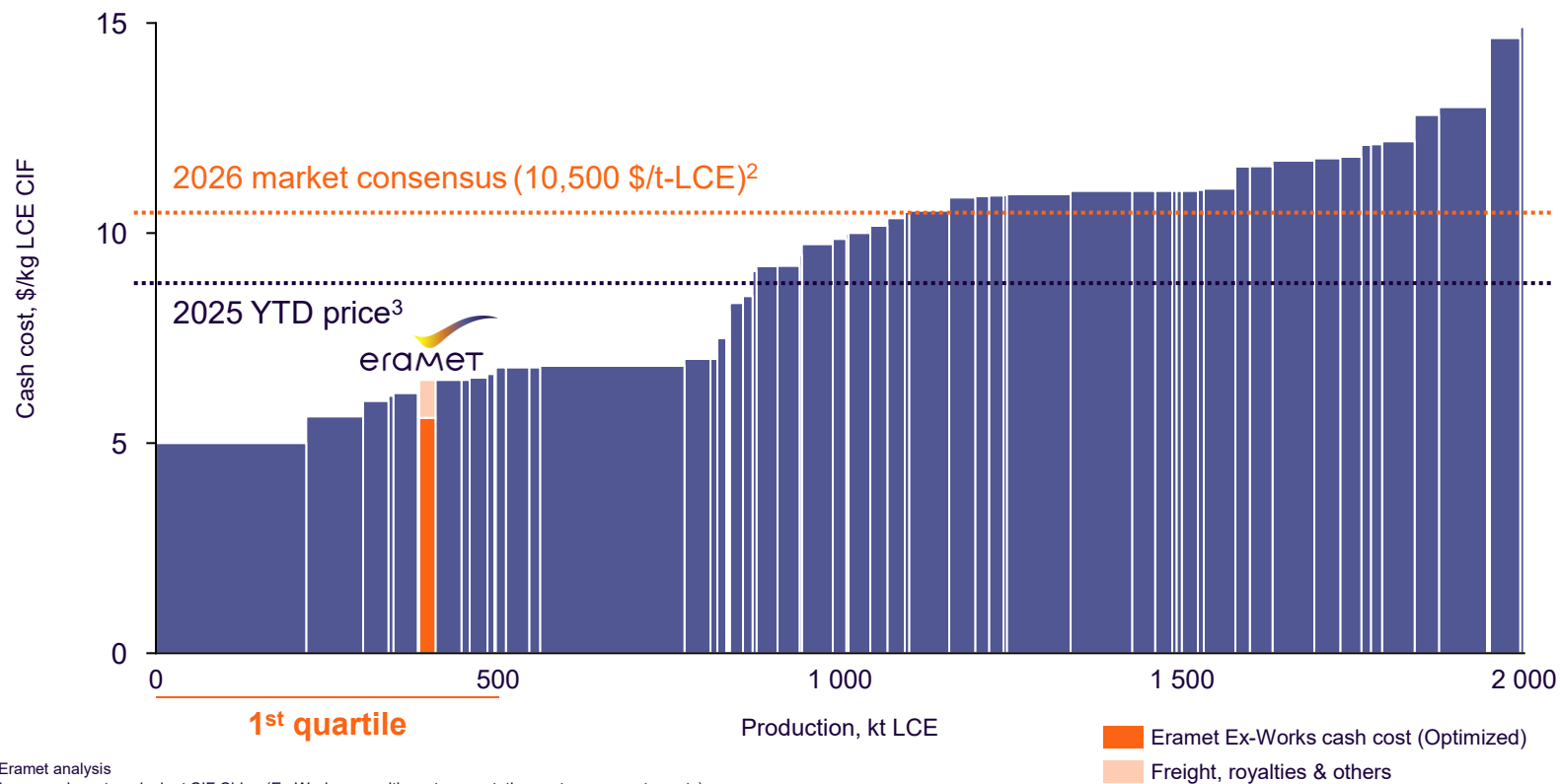


1. Excluding royalties, freight and additional corporate costs
2. 2025 values

Centenario: operating phase

Targeting first quartile position in the lithium cost curve

Lithium 2026e cash cost curve CIF¹
Optimised cash cost at nominal capacity for Eramet



Source: Eramet analysis
1. Based on a cash cost equivalent CIF China (Ex-Works + royalties + transportation costs + corporate costs)
2. Market consensus as of November 2025
3. SMM index for battery-grade Li₂CO₃ delivered to plant (excluding VAT), until end-November

Strong
resilience
expected in 2025-
like market trough
scenarios



Centenario: marketing phase

Successful penetration in the battery value chain



c.\$8,500/t-LCE¹

average realized price in 9m 2025
vs. ~8,800 \$/t-LCE for the SMM BG Li_2CO_3 99.5%



90%

of sales realized in China
& for battery applications



20 customers, including

BASF

CNGR 中伟

 **当升科技**
EASPRING

 **多氟多新能源**
DFD NEW ENERGY

 **RONBAY**
TECHNOLOGY

 **华友钴业**
HUAYOU COBALT



50% of sales

Made through GLENCORE under a co-
marketing agreement²



1. Based on 9-months turnover & sales volumes

2. Up to a total volume of 50kt-LCE

Centenario Full Potential

A disciplined & targeted investment approach to drive expansion

40-year life of mine (24 kt-LCE capacity)

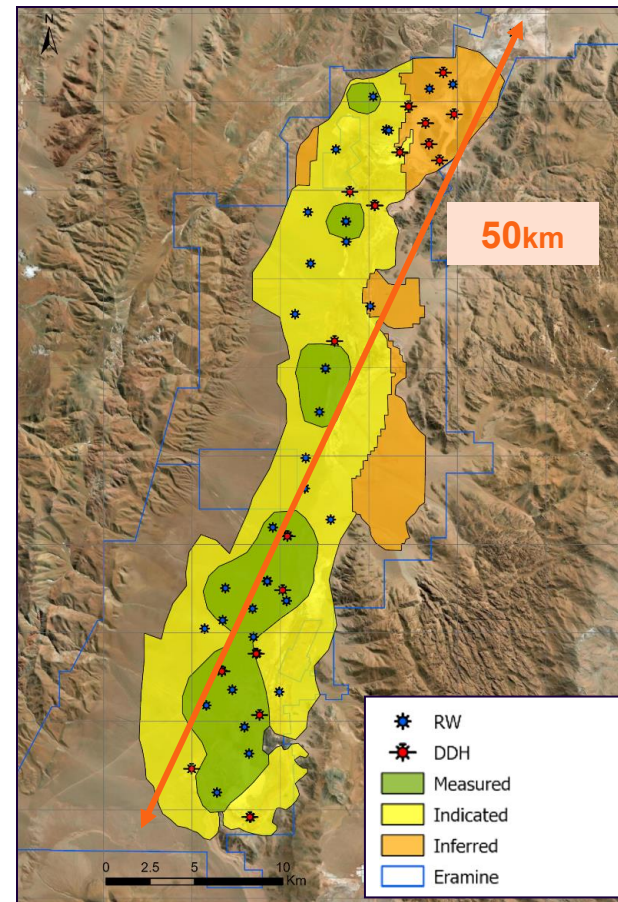
~15 Mt-LCE¹ and sufficient freshwater resources identified to support capacity expansion above **75 kt-LCE**

Ongoing study of low-risk growth options, including expansion of existing plant & new plant on the salar

Growth options will need to deliver:

- Materially lower capital intensity
- Scale effect on fixed costs & improved input costs
- Quicker time to market with de-risked technology
- Eligibility to RIGI

Re-injection considered as a cornerstone from technical & ESG perspectives for future projects



100 %
ownership

~15 Mt-LCE
resources

>75 kt-LCE
annual capacity
potential

Scale effect
expected on future
expansion

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Eramet lithium strategy

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Current lithium market outlook

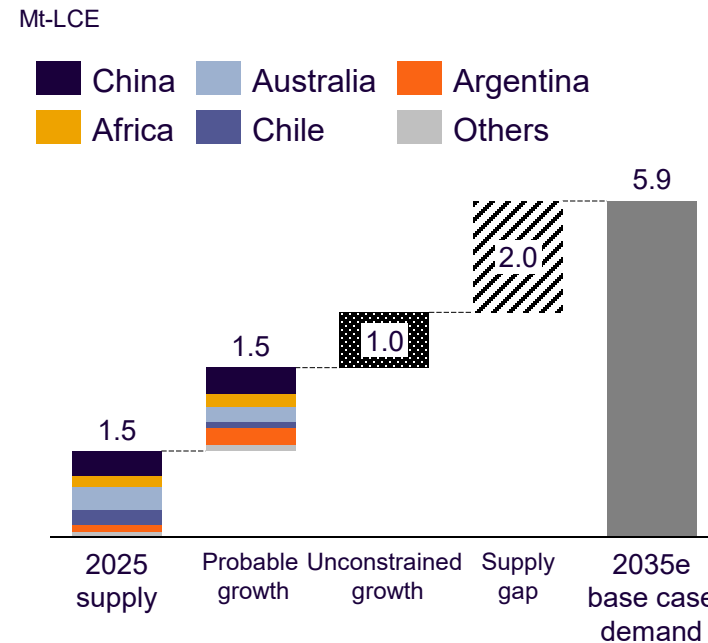
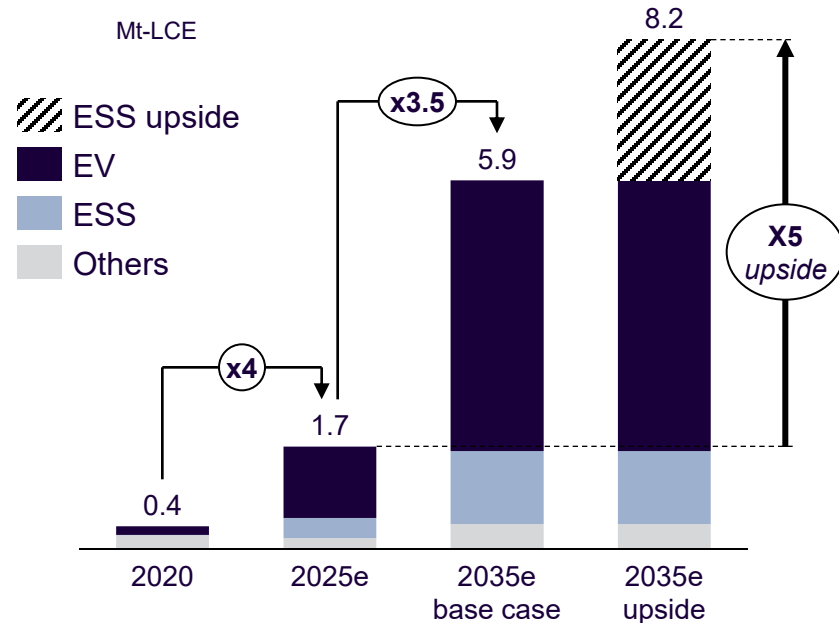
High demand growth, fast-transforming market, supply playing catch up

Strong demand growth from batteries, with very large upside from ESS



Supply to lag demand despite new sources of supply, as prices curbs investments and delays persist

China & Africa brought two-third of the growth in the past two years, a wildcard to monitor



What could be next?



ESS even stronger



EV adoption acceleration in mainstream countries

Swift adoption in emerging countries



Electrification of uses, trucks and machinery



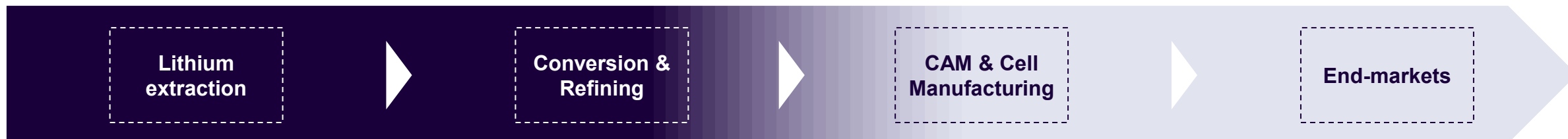
eVTOL¹ mass adoption



Robots uses cases spread

Our strategic take on lithium

Accelerating structural shifts throughout the value chain put strategic pressure on new lithium project developers



Key challenges



Evolution of lithium cost curve

Emerging large-scale projects, impact of low cost DLE

Sovereign support for high capital intensity projects to secure critical capacity

Resource country demands for local transformation



Certainty of lithium project execution

Social acceptance of projects

Restricted access to extraction and processing technologies (e.g. China export controls)

Low maturity of technologies



Which lithium product

End-products or intermediates¹ depending on customer needs, refining capabilities and cost optimization at site (capex, freight)

Fast-paced battery innovation evolving end products

High sustainability and quality requirements



Demand side segmentation

High concentration of customer demand in China

Restricted access to cathode materials and cell manufacturing technologies

Geopolitical push for reducing reliance on China supply chain

1. As of today: end-products = lithium carbonate, hydroxide, metal ; intermediates = lithium chloride, sulfate, phosphate

Our competitive positioning

Well equipped to succeed

Key success factors in lithium

Reduce capital intensity

- flowsheet design to minimize uncompetitive capital deployment in remote project locations

De-risk process flowsheet

- open access to proven technologies
- avoid supplier geopolitical risk

Drive resilience in price downcycles

- cost competitiveness through innovation
- sales flexibility – end markets

Execute & operate responsibly

- high ESG standards – social acceptance and branding
- cross-collaboration with peers & customers



Match with Eramet capabilities

Established expertise in lithium project development, full flowsheet design and project construction & delivery

Technology leadership in lithium brine extraction & beneficiation processes, built from a decade of research and development

- proprietary & proven processes
- ability to work with third-party technologies
- end to end process optimization of capital intensity
- portfolio of growth options in Argentina & France
- active exploration & development activities globally

Continuous innovation capabilities to maintain competitiveness by driving down consumption of reagents, energy & fresh-water

Act for Positive Mining

Looking ahead: shaping the future of lithium leadership

Positioning Eramet as a western leader in lithium



Commercial strategy



Anchor direct customer relationships in the battery value chain and build foothold in higher-margin niche markets

Diversify customer base, initially towards South Korea & Japan, followed by Europe & North America

Push for recognition of our product quality, ownership and footprint credentials, IRMA assessment

Develop long-term customer relationships with end-users through technical collaborations & qualification processes



Investment strategy



Deliver the ramp-up of Centenario & demonstrate value creation

Leverage Centenario's extensive resource base for future phased expansions at lower capital intensity

Continue innovation to improve competitiveness, capital intensity of future expansions & new projects

Enter targeted strategic projects and partnerships, by leveraging technical capabilities & track-record, and focusing on shareholder returns over large turn-key greenfield project stakes

Q&A



