

Expanding Production and Reducing Costs



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CURRENCY: All monetary amounts refer to United States dollars unless otherwise indicated.



Why Invest In Golden Star?

- West African-focused, mid-tier gold producer with two producing mines in Ghana
- High grade development asset, Prestea Underground (Mineral Reserves averaging 14.02g/t) production is expected to expand and costs to continue to reduce
- Strong exploration upside potential - focused on increasing the mine lives of current operations
- Experienced management team with a track record of discovery and project delivery
- Undervalued compared to peer group and with robust liquidity through NYSE MKT listing



Transforming into a high grade, non-refractory, low cost gold producer

Experienced Management and Technical Leadership



Sam Coetzer, President & CEO

- Mining engineer with over 26 years' experience with Kinross, Xstrata Nickel, Xstrata Coal and Placer Dome
- Previously SVP South American Operations and managed integration of Red Back Mining for Kinross



André van Niekerk, EVP & Chief Financial Officer

- Joined GSR in 2006 5 years in Ghana as GSR's Head of Finance and Business Operations
- Previously VP, Financial Controller
- Trained at KPMG



Daniel Owiredu, EVP & Chief Operating Officer

- 20 years' experience in West African mining, based in Ghana
- Previously Deputy COO for AngloGold
 managed construction and operation of the Bibiani, Siguiri and Obuasi mines



Martin Raffield, SVP, Project Development & Technical Services

- Ph.D. geotechnical engineering & P. Engineering
- Previously worked for SRK, Placer Dome and Breakwater Resources
- · Based at Prestea mine in Ghana



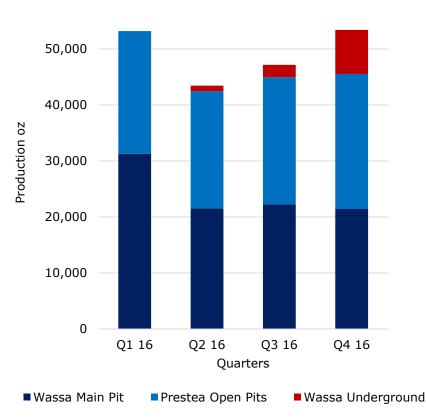
Mitch Wasel, VP Exploration

- Joined GSR in 1993
- Based in Ghana for GSR for past17 years
- Previously spent 10 years in gold & base metal exploration in north western Canada

2016 Guidance Achieved on All Metrics

2016 Production in the Top Half of the Guidance Range

2016 Quarterly Gold Production



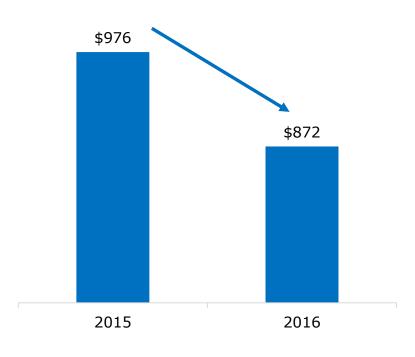
- Gold production of 194,054oz in 2016
- 2016 gold production by asset:
 - Wassa Main Pit: 93,319oz
 - Wassa Underground: 11,062oz
 - Prestea Open Pits: 89,673oz
- Gold production of 53,403oz in Q4 2016
 strongest quarterly performance of 2016
- Wassa Underground's mining rates accelerated strongly during Q4 – 257% increase in production compared to Q3
- Second consecutive record quarter of production for Prestea Open Pits
- Cash of \$21.8m as at December 31, 2016¹



Cash Operating Costs Expected to Continue to Reduce

Significant change in Golden Star's cost structure following cessation of refractory production

Cash Operating Cost Per Ounce¹



- Cash operating cost¹ guidance achieved in the middle of guidance range
- 11% decrease in cash operating cost per ounce¹ to \$872 compared to 2015 reflecting GSR's transition into a low cost, non-refractory producer
- AISC per ounce¹ of \$1,093 in 2016, 5% decrease compared to 2015
- Q4 2016 cash operating cost per ounce¹
 of \$872 due to fewer ounces produced
 from Wassa Main Pit and 31% decrease
 in head grade
- Cash operating cost¹ and AISC¹ per ounce expected to continue to reduce as production from high grade underground mines ramps up

2017 Guidance: Production and Cash Operating Costs¹

2017 production guidance 31-44% higher than 2016 production results

Gold Production and Cash Operating Cost¹ Guidance By Asset				
Asset	Gold Production (oz)	Cash Operating Cost¹ (\$/oz)	All-In Sustaining Cost¹ (\$/oz)	
Wassa Main Pit	85,000-95,000	-	-	
Wassa Underground	60,000-65,000	-	-	
Wassa Consolidated	145,000-160,000	830-915	-	
Prestea Open Pits ^{2,3}	65,000-70,000	-	-	
Prestea Underground	45,000-50,000	-	-	
Prestea Consolidated	110,000-120,000	715-780	-	
CONSOLIDATED	255,000-280,000	780-860	970-1,070	

- 2017 gold production expected to be weighted towards H2 2017 due to:
 - Wassa Underground transverse stopes expected to be accessed in Q3 2017
 - Commercial production at Prestea Underground expected in mid-2017
 - Production from Mampon deposit expected in Q2 2017
- Gold production in Q1 and Q2 2017 expected to be in line with Q4 2016
- Cash operating cost¹ per ounce expected to be higher in H1 2017 but decreasing in H2 as higher grade ore becomes available



Prestea Open Pits production guidance includes the forecast production from the Mampon deposit

2017 Guidance: Capital Expenditures

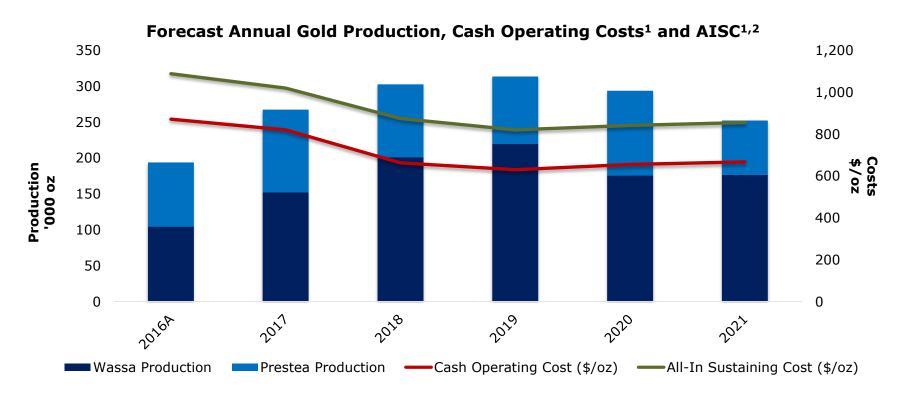
Capital Expenditures Guidance By Asset				
Asset	Sustaining Capital (\$m)	Development Capital (\$m)	Total Capital Expenditures (\$m)	
Wassa Main Pit and Surface Infrastructure	5.9	1.1	7.0	
Wassa Underground	9.0	3.4	12.4	
Prestea Open Pits	5.0	-	5.0	
Prestea Underground ¹ and Processing Plant	0.4	31.2	31.6	
Exploration	-	2.4	2.4	
TOTAL	20.3	38.1	58.4	

- 2017 guidance for total capital expenditures of \$58m
- 54% of capital expenditures to be incurred at Prestea Underground
- Capital expenditures are expected to be higher in H1 2017 due to funds required for continued construction of Prestea Underground and accessing of Mampon deposit
- Capital expenditures expected to decrease in H2 2017 once Prestea Underground achieves commercial production

Capital expenditures weighted towards H1 2017



Expanding Production and Reducing Costs



- Average for the next 5 years from 2017 onwards²:
 - Production: 281,000oz/annum
 - Cash operating costs¹: \$695/oz
 - AISC1: \$903/oz
- Significant exploration upside on current production profile

60% increase in production forecast between 2016 and 2019





Wassa Gold Mine: Open Pit and Underground Operations

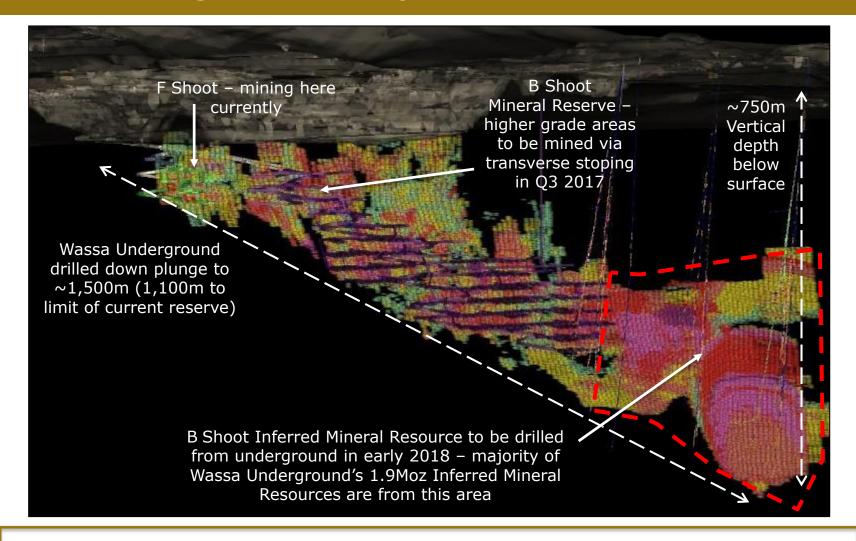
- Open pit and underground gold mine in Ghana, commenced production in 2005
- Mineral Reserves of 1.5Moz (20.4Mt at 2.27q/t)
- 7 years of mine life remaining based on current Mineral Reserves
- Ore sourced from single orebody via Wassa Main Pit and underground mine
- 2.7Mtpa processing plant within 500m of pit
- Ore from Wassa Underground is being blended with open pit ore
- Tonnes processed (7,000tpd) will be constant but grade will increase as underground continues to ramp up
- Life of Mine average annual production expected to be approx. 175,000 ounces



Wassa ¹	Unit	Rate
2016 Production	'000oz	104,381
2016 Cash Operating Cost ²	\$/oz	941
2017 Forecast Production	'000oz	145-160
2017 Forecast Cash Operating Cost ²	\$/oz	830-915



Wassa Underground Development



Strong potential to increase Mineral Resources & Reserves through exploration

Prestea Gold Mine: Refractory Ore Phased Out

- +100 year history of mining at Prestea in Ghana – acquired by GSR in 1999
- Currently mining non-refractory, oxide ore in the Prestea Open Pits
- No longer processing high cost, refractory ore - refractory Mineral Reserves replaced through drilling
- Mineral Reserves of 656Koz (3.3Mt at 6.26g/t), including very high grade Prestea Underground reserves (1.0Mt at 14.02g/t for 469Koz)
- Rehabilitation of very high grade underground mine underway commercial production expected in mid-2017
- Open pits are bridging the production gap until underground production established



Prestea ¹	Unit	Rate
2016 Production	'000oz	89,673
2016 Cash Operating Cost ¹	\$/oz	800
2017 Forecast Production ²	'000oz	110-120
2017 Forecast Cash Operating Cost ¹	\$/oz	715-780



Mampon: Strong Near-Term Cash Flow

- Mampon is an oxide deposit 65km to the north of the CIL processing plant at the Bogoso site
- Mineral Reserves of 45,000oz of gold (304Kt at 4.60g/t)
- All permits received mining lease, environmental permit and forestry permit
- High grade ore from Mampon will be blended with ore from Prestea Open Pits to enhance GSR's cash flow in 2017
- Mining expected to commence in Q2 2017
- Limited capital expenditures required to bring Mampon into production due to existing good quality road between deposit and processing plant



All permits received and mining expected to commence in Q2 2017

Prestea Underground: Project Update

- ✓ Rehabilitation works commenced
- ✓ Long lead time equipment ordered
- ✓ Underground mining contractor appointed (Manroc Developments, Inc.)
- ✓ Installation of new electrical and water supply services completed
- √ Track improved on 24 Level for high-speed haulage
- ✓ Mobilization of underground mining contractor to site and first Alimaks arrived
- ✓ Rock winder upgrade completed and commissioned
- ✓ Pre-development of the Mineral Resource and West Reef intersected by mining team First stope blasted - expected in Q2 2017
 Achieving commercial production – expected in mid-2017

March 2016 Update to Feasibility Study

Gold production per annum

90,000oz

Cash operating cost per ounce¹

\$468

AISC per ounce1

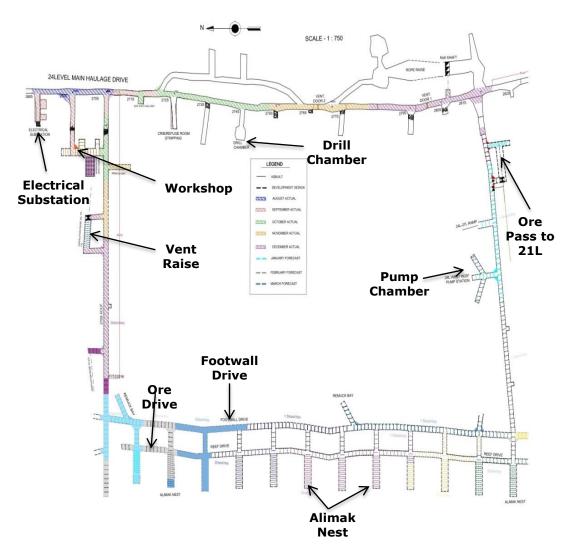
\$615

Mineral Reserve head grade

14.0g/t

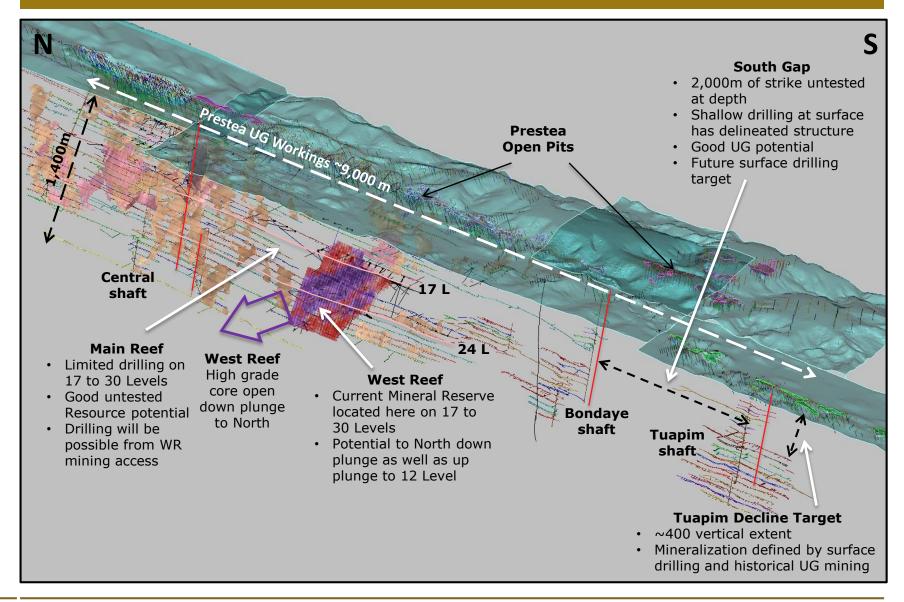


Prestea Underground: Development of 24 Level



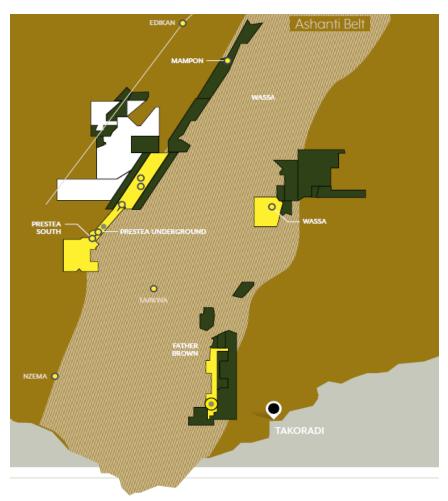
- 24 Level is approximately 900 metres below surface
- Total development advance of 350 metres completed by December 31, 2016
- Focused on crosscut advancement towards West Reef ore body
- Development team also constructed a workshop and electrical bays and slashed existing drives to a size suitable for mechanized load-haul-dump equipment
- First Alimak moved underground and nest is being prepared

Prestea Underground: Exploration Upside Potential



Opportunity to Substantially Increase Mineral Reserves

- Objective is to convert further Measured and Indicated (M&I) Mineral Resources to Mineral Reserves
 - At Wassa, 42% of M&I Resources are Mineral Reserves
 - At Prestea, 57% of M&I Resources are Mineral Reserves
- Strong, low risk, low cost opportunity to expand Mineral Reserve base materially and increase lives of operations
- Significant additional potential outside of existing Mineral Resource area – Golden Star has concession areas totaling 1,156km²
- Update on exploration strategy will be released later in Q1 2017



Legend

Mining license area Exploration license area

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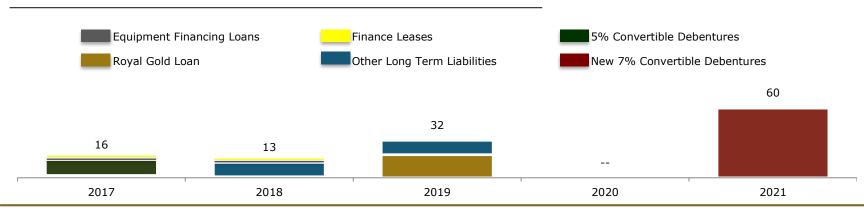
Care and maintenance - no longer mined



Balance Sheet Transformed in 2016

- \$15m bought deal in April 2016
 - Reduced Accounts Payable
- \$65m private placement in August 2016 of 7.0% convertible senior notes, due 2021
 - Significantly reduced 2017 debt repayments and aligned future debt repayments more closely to forecast cash flow
- \$34.5m underwritten public offering in August 2016
 - Repaid high interest Ecobank II loan and brought new institutional investors onto GSR's register
- Post period end: C\$34.5m (US\$26.2m) bought deal in February 2017
 - Ensures that GSR is fully funded and maintains a strong financial position as it finishes refurbishing Prestea Underground and repays its 2017 debt obligations

Debt Maturity Schedule (\$m)¹





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UPCOMING MILESTONES IN 2017

✓ Achieve commercial production at Wassa Underground – January 1, 2017

Mineral Reserve and Mineral Resource update and exploration strategy update – Q1 2017

Commence mining of higher grade B Shoot zone of Wassa Underground – Q1 2017

Commence mining of Mampon deposit - Q2 2017

Blasting of first stope at Prestea Underground - Q2 2017



Appendices: Market Information



Analyst Coverage

- BMO Capital Markets
- CIBC Capital Markets
- Clarus Securities
- Credit Suisse
- National Bank Financial
- Scotia Bank

Key Institutional Shareholders

- Sentry Investments
- Franklin Templeton
- Oppenheimer Funds
- Earth Resources
- Gold 2000
- AGF Management
- RBC Investment Mgmt

Market Information ¹	
Markets	NYSE MKT / TSX / GSE
Tickers	NYSE: GSS TSX: GSC GSE: GSR
Shares in Issue	374,499,286
Options	15,572,606
Share Price ²	\$1.00
Market Capitalization	\$375m
Cash ^{3,4}	\$21.8m
Debt	\$121m
Daily Volumes Traded (3 Month Average) ²	2.9m shares
One Year Return ²	225%





Refers to NYSE MKT listing

3. As at Dec 31, 2016



A Responsible Corporate Citizen

CONTRIBUTING TO SOCIETY

\$1.4 M in royalties paid in 2015 and over \$11 million in royalties

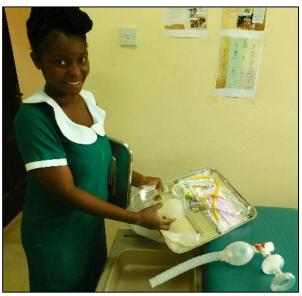
> 5.3 M in sustainable agribusiness to date

over the last 5 years¹

3.2 M in development fund projects to date

in total salaries paid





GSR supports a range of community projects focused on the healthcare, education and key areas of sustainable agribusiness.

For more information on our commitment to corporate social responsibility, please visit www.gsr.com/responsibility

99% of our workforce and contractors are Ghanaian 59% of our workforce and contractors are from local communities



Q4 and FY 2016: Financial Highlights

		2016	2015
Revenue	\$'000	221,290	255,187
Gold Sales	OZ	193,860	221,653
Average Realized Gold Price	\$/oz	1,211	1,151
Net Loss	\$'000	39,647	67,681
Net Loss per share	\$/share	0.13	0.26
Adjusted Net Income/ (Loss) ¹	\$'000	11,183	(28,355)
Adjusted Net Income/ (Loss) ¹	\$/share	0.04	(0.11)
Cash Flow from Operations ²	\$'000	53,249	60,148
Cash Flow from Operations ²	\$/share	0.18	0.23
Capital Expenditures	\$'000	84,356	57,051
Cash & Cash Equivs.	\$'000	21,764	35,108

- Revenue in 2016 of \$221.3m 13% decrease compared to 2015 due to fewer ounces sold from Wassa and Prestea but partially offset by higher gold price
- Mine operating margin¹ of \$27.5 million in 2016, compared to a mine operating loss¹ of \$27.6 million in 2015 due to the closure of the high cost, refractory operations in Q3 2015
- Adjusted net earnings¹ of \$11.2m in 2016 compared to an adjusted net loss¹ of \$28.4m in 2015
- \$21.8m cash at year-end, exclusive of \$10m received from RGLD on January 3, 2017



Royal Gold Financing Agreement

- GSR has a financing arrangement with Royal Gold for total aggregate proceeds of \$145m. Use of funds:
 - Facilitate development of Wassa and Prestea underground mines
 - Retire outstanding Ecobank I loan debt
- Gold stream of \$145m over Bogoso, Prestea and Wassa:
 - From January 1, 2016, to deliver 9.25% of all production at a cash purchase price of 20% of spot gold
 - From January 1, 2018 or commercial production of the underground mines, whichever is sooner, to deliver 10.50% of production at a cash purchase price of 20% of spot gold until 240,000 ounces have been delivered
 - Thereafter, 5.50% of production at a cash purchase price of 30% of spot gold will be delivered ('tail stream')
 - Option to repurchase 50% of the tail stream
 - In the event that Golden Star expands its operations to outside its current mine license areas in the future, it will have the option to deliver ounces from these operations to satisfy the first and second delivery thresholds
 - GSR would retain the upside to these new operations as the tail stream would not be applied
 - All payments received for a total of \$145m
 - A total of 30,365 ounces have been delivered as at December 31, 2016

Four year \$20m secured term loan:

- Interest rate linked to gold price¹
 - At a gold price of \$1,200/oz the interest rate would be 7.5% and at \$1,300/oz, it would be 8.13%
 - Rate is not to exceed 11.5%
- No early prepayment penalty
- Subject to an agreed quarterly 25-50% excess cash flow sweep from the third quarter of 2017 onwards
- Matures in July 2019
- Royal Gold has security against mining assets



Mineral Reserves and Resources

Mineral Reserves ^{1,2,3}	Tonnes ('000)	Grade (Au g/t)	Content (Koz)		
Proven Reserves					
Wassa	1,046	1.09	37		
Prestea	25	2.69	2		
Total	1,071	1.12	39		
Probable Reserves					
Wassa	19,319	2.33	1,450		
Prestea	3,237	6.29	654		
Total	22,556	2.90	2,104		
Total Proven & Probable	23,626	2.82	2,143		

Mineral Resources ^{1,2,3}	Tonnes ('000)	Grade (Au g/t)	Content (Koz)			
Measured & Indicated Mine	Measured & Indicated Mineral Resources					
Wassa	54,647	2.02	3,556			
Prestea	6,712	5.30	1,144			
Total	61,360	2.38	4,700			
Inferred Mineral Resources						
Wassa	16,462	4.15	2,200			
Prestea	3,813	7.70	944			
Total	20,305	4.82	3,144			

^{1.} For Wassa's Mineral Reserves and Resources please refer to 'NI 43-101 Technical Report on a Feasibility Study of the Wassa Open Pit and Underground Project in Ghana', dated December 31, 2014, which is filed on SEDAR and at www.gsr.com



^{2.} For Prestea's Mineral Reserves and Resources please refer to 'NI 43-101 Technical Report on a Feasibility Study of the Prestea Underground Gold Project in Ghana', dated November 03, 2015, which is filed on SEDAR and at www.gsr.com

^{3.} All numbers exclude refractory ore.