

# Maintaining the Momentum

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#### Tritton Copper Operations Production Targets Cautionary Statement

The presentation includes references to a Production Plan (Production Targets) for the Company's Tritton Copper Operations. The Production Targets referred to in this presentation are based on:

- Proved Ore Reserve 20%
- Probable Ore Reserve 58%
- Indicated Mineral Resource 22%

The modifying factors used in the estimation of the Ore Reserve were also applied to the Mineral Resources in the generation of the Production Target.

The Ore Reserve and Mineral Resource estimates underpinning the Production Targets were prepared by a Competent Person in accordance with the JORC Code 2012, with the exception of the Indicated Mineral Resource estimate for the Budgery Deposit. The Indicated Mineral Resource estimate for the Budgery Deposit has been prepared by a Competent Person in accordance with the JORC Code 2004 and has not been updated to comply with the JORC Code 2012 on the basis that the information has not materially changed since it was last reported.

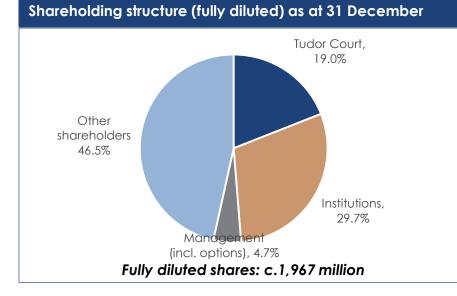
#### **Cracow to Life of Mine Cautionary Statement**

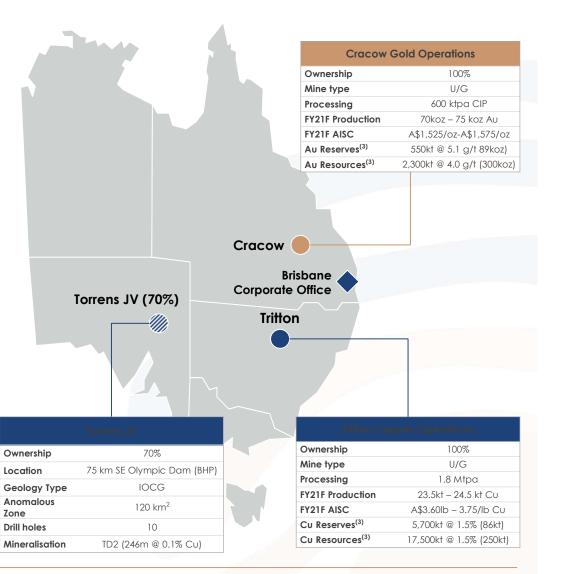
The Aeris FY21 to FY22 Cracow Life of Mine (LOM) plan is a Production Target that contains 68% Ore Reserve, 22% Inferred Mineral Resource and 10% Exploration Target (weighted by ounces). The Inferred Mineral Resource and Exploration Target material are associated with mineralised structures that contain Measured and/or Indicated Mineral Resource and represent the sparsely drilled sections of each mineralised structure. Intrinsically, the lower confidence Inferred Mineral Resource and Exploration Target material are material does imply a higher risk of conversion to Ore Reserve. However, the Cracow Goldfield has been in continuous production from 2004 during which time has a proven history of converting Inferred Mineral Resource and Exploration Target material to Ore Reserve.

### Company snapshot



ASX Code	AIS
Market capitalisation (fully diluted) <sup>1</sup>	A\$173m
Enterprise Value (fully diluted) <sup>1</sup>	A\$184m
Net debt <sup>2</sup>	A\$10.9m
Q2 Results	Tritton:         5,845t Cu @ AISC A\$2.85/Ib           Cracow:         18,011oz @ AISC \$1,567/oz
Commodity focus	Copper and Gold





(1) Based on share price of \$0.088 per share on 8 February 2021

(2) As at 31 December 2020

(3) As at 30 June 2020 – also see slides 34 – 36 for further detail

#### Following years of restructuring, Aeris is now primed to deliver high impact growth<sup>2</sup> Phase 3: Growth execution Phase 2: **Position for Growth** (2018 - 2020) Acquisition of Cracow Balance sheet strength restored Phase 1: • Pivot to active growth program: **Restructure** - Strong, diversified cashflow (2013 - 2018) Strategy defined – focus on copper generation supports rapid and aold deleveraging and new • Pursuing organic and M&A opportunities organic growth projects Continued to deliver at Tritton generated positive operating Positioned to further cashflows and mine life extensions Management team appointed in 2013 consolidate copper / gold Reviewed and conducted due inherited: diligence on multiple M&A targets landscape - Over-leveraged balance sheet - Under-performing assets bleeding cash - Actively building a pipeline No clear corporate strategy of copper and gold projects • Major turnaround undertaken: Tritton operations stabilised, revitalised and transitioned to cashflow positive Closed Mt Muro gold mine in Indonesia Divested non core assets \_ Completed two financial restructures in 2015 and 2018 FY13 A\$136M<sup>(1)</sup> NET DEBT Qtr2 FY21 - A\$10.9M

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 FY13 Debt includes Bank Loans, Other Loans and Deferred Revenue (outstanding balance of US\$50 million silver advance payment facility).

Aeris' corporate history

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### Highlights – Busy 7 months





<sup>1</sup> Refer to ASX Announcement "Roses Pride Mineral Resource Update" dated 6 January 2021

## **Cracow Gold Operations**



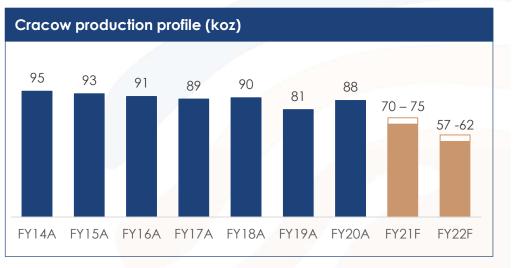
## **Cracow Gold Operations**

A highly cash flow generative mine which is transforming the company



- A high grade, low cost gold mine in Queensland, Australia with a proven operating history
- Acquired from Evolution Mining in July 2020:
  - A\$60m cash paid at completion
  - A deferred cash payment of A\$15m on 30 June 2022
  - 10% net value royalty from 1 July 2022 to 30 June 2027, capped at A $\$
- Produced more than 1.4 Moz over its life with a consistent production history of over 15 years
- Initial two-year production target of 127koz 137 koz<sup>(2)</sup> – targeting a horizon of +5 years
- FY21F production of 70 75 koz<sup>(2)</sup> high margin gold ounces at AISC of A\$1,525oz – A\$1575/oz.
- Significant opportunities available to unlock value over the next 12 months
- Cracow is a great fit for Aeris:
  - Right size
  - Right commodity
  - Upside potential (exploration and operational)



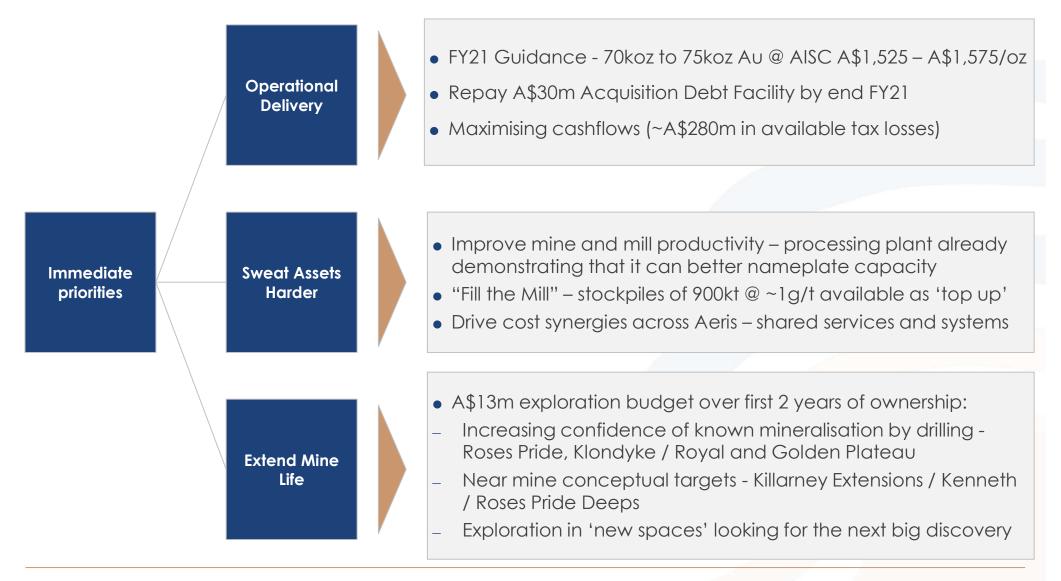


(1) Net value royalty is defined as the gross revenue less C1 direct cash cost, multiplied by 10%.

(2) See Compliance Statements on Slide 3.

### Immediate priorities for Cracow

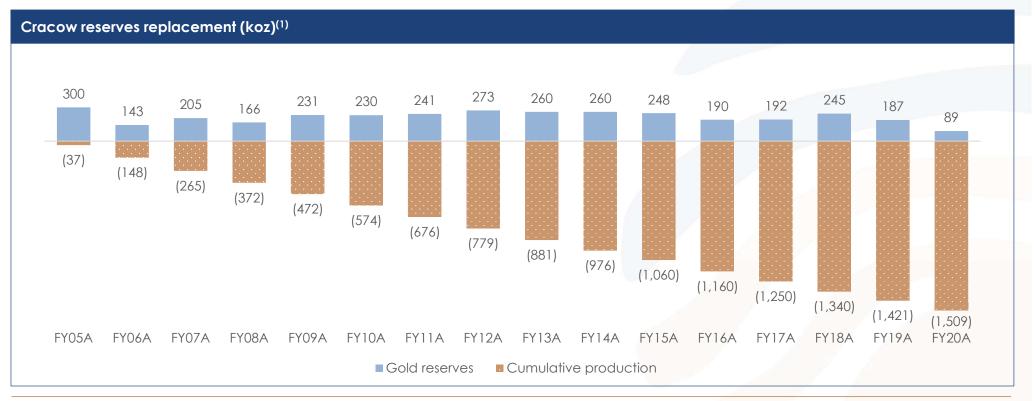




## Cracow – a prolific goldfield – Aeris re-invigorating exploration

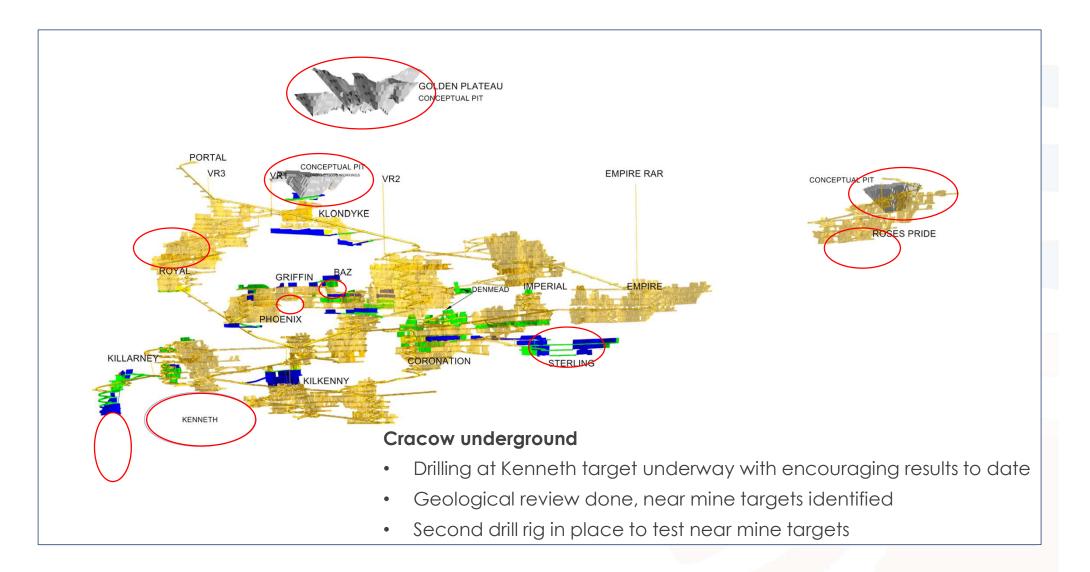


- Strong history of replenishing reserves and resources remains a key focus for Aeris
- Cracow has produced more than 1.4 Moz of gold over its life since first production in 2004
- Depletion consistently replaced with a 3 to 5 year mine life maintained (when Evolution acquired the mine in 2011, the projected mine life at the time was 5 years)
- Explore aggressively near mine underground targets, potential open pits and greenfields exploration



(1) Based on June year end.

## Cracow Gold Operations - Exploration of brownfield target areas areas

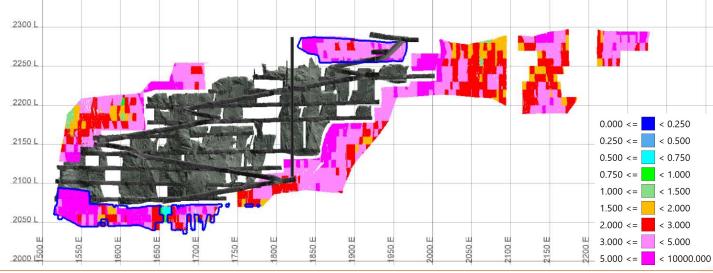


## **Cracow Gold Operations - Exploration**



- Updated Mineral Resource for Roses Pride:
  - 260% increase in gold ounces to 26koz
  - Total reported Mineral Resource of 177kt @ 4.6g/t Au for 26koz Au<sup>1</sup>
  - Mineralisation remains open along strike
  - Further drilling planned in first half of 2021
- Klondyke / Royal Mineral Resource due in Q1 CY21

Long section view showing the December 2020 reported Roses Pride Mineral Resource block estimate. Blocks are coloured by Au grade. Outline of previously reported Mineral Resource denoted by solid blue line.



<sup>1</sup> Refer to ASX Announcement "Roses Pride Mineral Resource Update" dated 6 January 2021

## Cracow near mine exploration – looking in new spaces

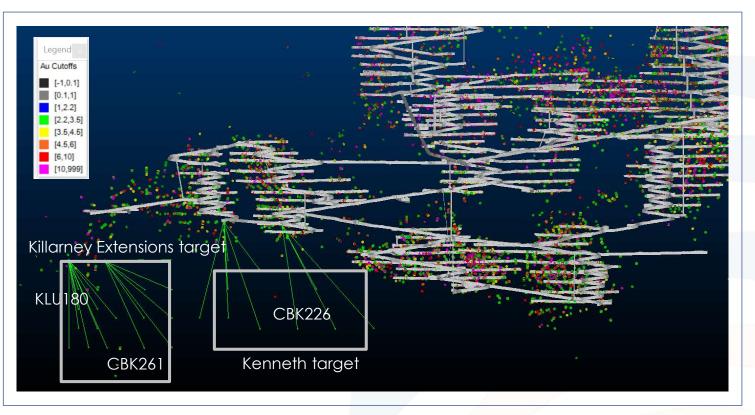


#### Killarney Extensions drill target

- High grade mineralisation open along strike and down dip
- Structure still present >100m below existing shoot
- · Previous drill results
  - KLU180: 4m @ 7.7 g/t Au
  - CBK261: 1m @ 3.6 g/t Au

#### Kenneth drill target

- Along strike from the currently mined Killarney deposit
- Geological interpretation identified favourable stratigraphic horizon
- Limited drill testing (2 drill holes) including:
  - CBK226: 1.0m @ 8.3 g/t Au

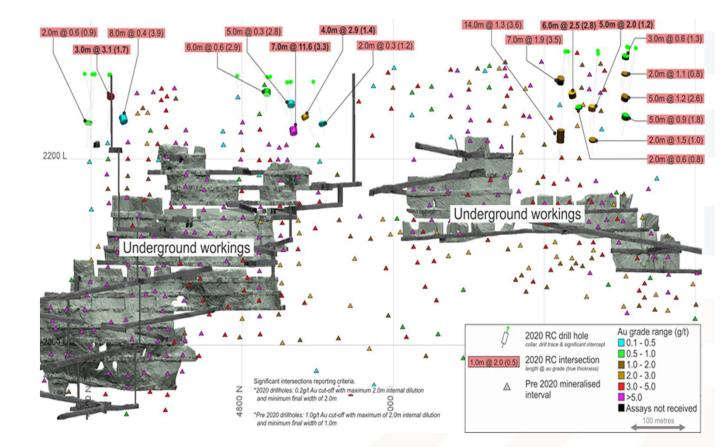


\* Green lines represent conceptual first pass planned drill holes.

## Cracow near mine exploration – Klondyke / Royal



#### Klondyke and Royal Deposits



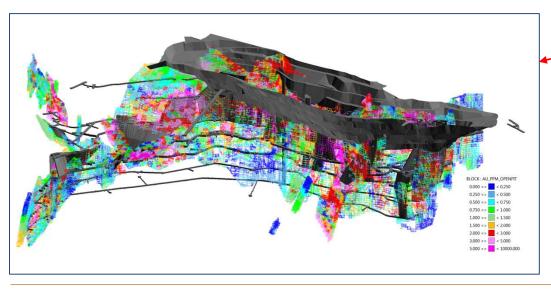
### Klondyke / Royal

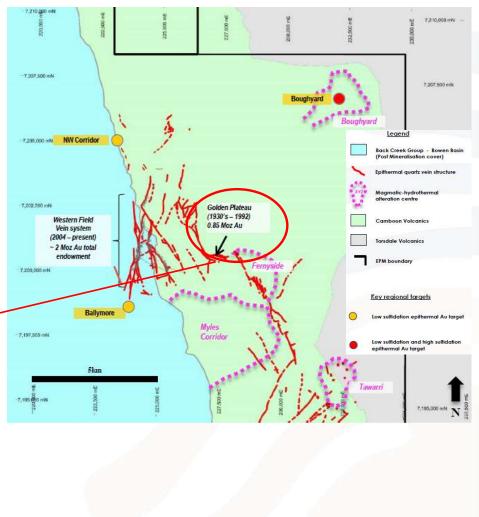
- Recent shallow drilling indicates potential. Drill results include:
  - KDS002 7.0m @ 11.6 g/t Au (true width 3.3m)
  - KD\$003 3.0m @ 3.1 g/t Au (true width 1.7m)
  - KDS017 4.0m @ 2.9 g/t Au (true width 1.4m)
  - KD\$015 6.0m @ 2.5 g/t Au (true width 2.8m)
- Updated Mineral Resource
   estimate expected March qtr 2021
- Follow up drilling planned in second half of FY21

### Cracow near mine exploration – Golden Plateau



- ~850koz previously mined from Gold Plateau both open pit and underground
- · Large mineralised system which remains open down plunge
- Currently validating historical workings and drill hole database
- Planned drill program testing shallow extensions to known mineralisation (Q4 FY21)
- Targeting updated Mineral Resource in Q4 FY21
- Drilling program targeting deeper down plunge extensions in FY22





## Exploring in new spaces – looking for the next big discovery

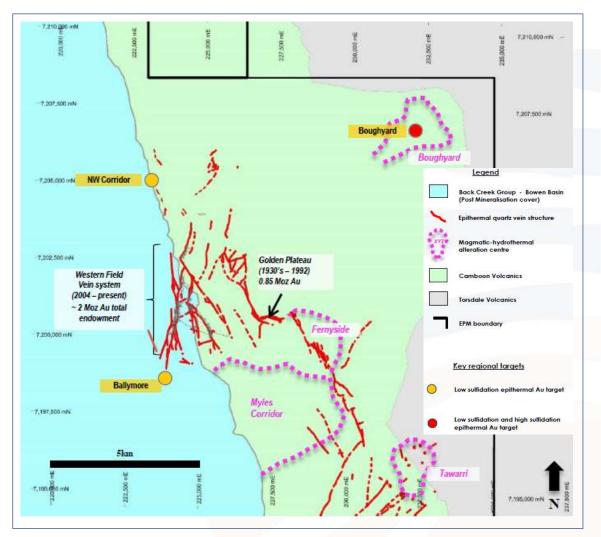


#### • Ballymore

- Recently identified structure along southern margin of the current mining footprint
- Limited historical drilling returned encouraging results:
  - Evidence of epithermal vein textures
  - Anomalous pathfinder elements including gold
- North West (NW) Corridor
  - Outcropping epithermal quartz veining and alteration
  - Anomalous pathfinder elements from rock chip sampling
  - +1.5 km of untested strike within prospective lithology

#### • Boughyard

- Large (~3.0 km x 1.5 km) alteration system open to south and west
- Regional analogue to the alteration system spatially related to the 2.5 – 3.0 Moz Cracow goldfield<sup>1</sup>



(1) 2.5Moz – 3Moz discovered to date in Cracow Goldfields and includes historically mined and current reported Mineral Resource

## **Tritton Copper Operations**

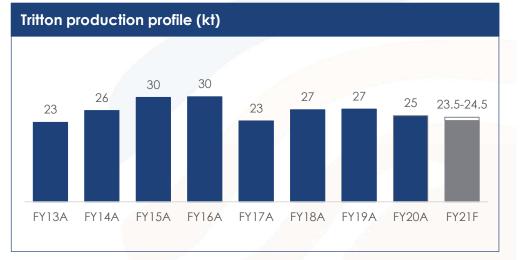


### Tritton Copper Operations A consistent producer with upside



- Established underground copper mines and 1.8 Mtpa processing plant in Western NSW, Australia
  - Operating since 2005 with >320 kt Cu produced
- Highly endowed region and tenement package
  - Nearby mines include CSA (Glencore plc), Peak and Hera Mines (Aurelia Metals Limited)
  - >750 kt copper discovered on tenements to date<sup>(1)</sup>
- Currently mining the Tritton and Murrawombie underground mines:
  - Tritton is a >20 Mt copper dominant deposit<sup>(2)</sup>
  - Murrawombie is a >10 Mt copper dominant deposit with good gold grades<sup>(2)</sup>
- Project pipeline available for further life extensions
- Recent exploration success at Constellation demonstrates
   upside





 <sup>750</sup>kt of copper discovered to date on the Tritton tenement package includes historically mined and current reported Mineral Resource

<sup>(2)</sup> Estimated tonnages of the Tritton and Murrawombie deposits package includes historically mined and current reported Mineral Resource

### Tritton Life of Mine Plan (LOM) 4 year LOM with multiple options to extend

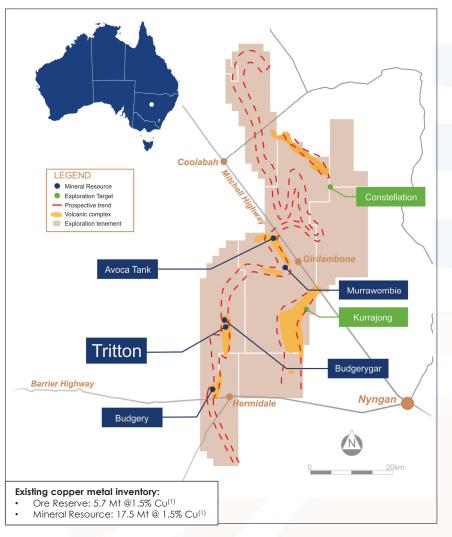


#### Aggressive focus on extending mine plan from:

- Tritton and Murrawombie extensions
- Developing Budgerygar via access from Tritton
- Prioritizing higher grade Avoca Tank U/G into production
- Potential Open Pits:
  - Murrawombie after underground mining
  - Budgery drilling to upgrade confidence for future production
- Commence phase 2 drilling program at recently discovered Constellation deposit
- Expedite Kurrajong (Exploration Target of 3 4 Mt @ 1.5% 2% Cu) drilling to Mineral Resource status and concept study

The potential quantity and grade of the Exploration Target is conceptual in nature and is therefore an approximation. There has been insufficient exploration drilling to estimate a Mineral Resource and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in the estimation of a Mineral Resource. With additional drilling there is potential to increase the size of the Exploration Target and define a higher grade (+2% copper).

- Greenfields exploration "moving the exploration space" focused on discovering 'Tritton-scale' deposits (i.e. +10 Mt @ >2% Copper) in underexplored southern and northern sections of the tenement package
- Focus on technology to further enhance LOM opportunities



(1) As at 30 June 2020 - see slides 32 - 33 for breakdown

## Life of Mine extensions - Tritton and Budgerygar



#### Life of Mine extension opportunities

#### Tritton Deposit:

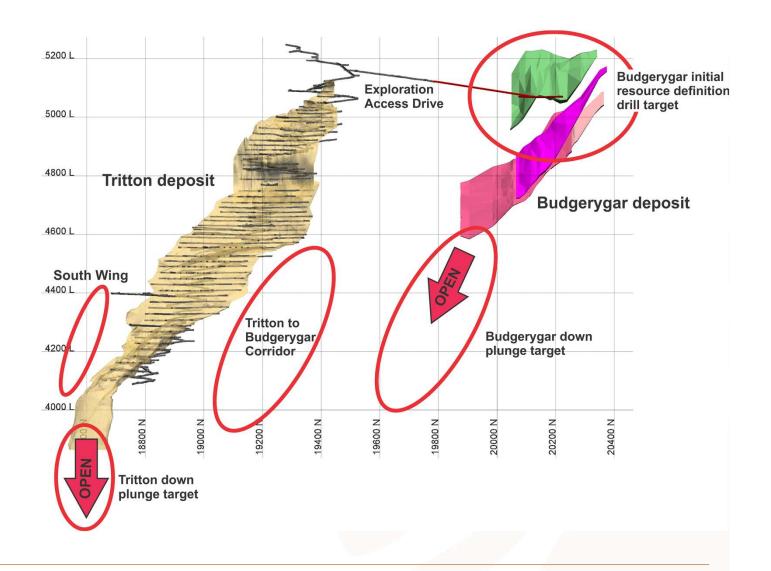
- Mineralisation open at depth
  - Commenced drill program
     testing down plunge potential
- South Wing adjacent to Tritton orebody – further drilling planned

## Corridor between Tritton and Budgerygar:

- Prospective - limited drilling

#### Budgerygar Deposit:

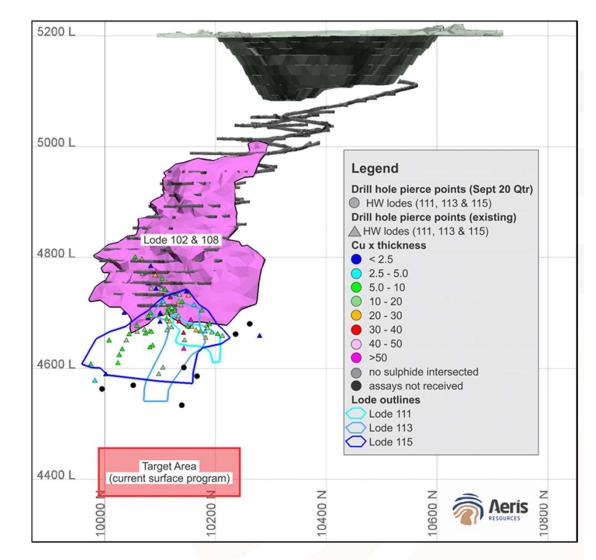
- Exploration drive from Tritton has commenced
- Drilling program scheduled to upgrade Mineral Resource status
- Mineralisation open down dip



## Murrawombie – brownfields exploration



- Geologically performing better than expected
- Minerailsation open at depth and to the north
- Recent drilling continues to intersect high grade mineralisation, including:
  - 14.60m @ 2.43% copper (true thickness approx.
     7.8m) MWGC514; and
  - 9.55m @ 2.54% copper (true thickness approx. 7.2m) MWGC516
- Exploration drilling planned for FY21:
  - 2 deep holes from surface testing 300m below current workings
  - Testing down plunge extensions of current Mineral Resource



## **Greenfields Exploration Activities in FY21**



#### Constellation

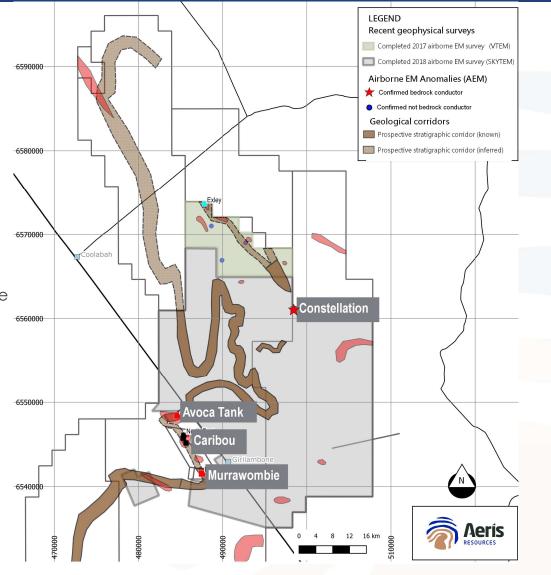
- Bedrock conductor identified initially from an airborne EM survey and confirmed by Ground based EM
- Drilling commenced in mid-November

#### Avoca Tank

• Two drill holes planned in second half of FY21 testing down dip extensions below Mineral Resource

#### **Geochemistry Sampling Program**

- Systematic geochem sampling program to commence across tenement package
- Looking for geochemical signatures associated with mineralised systems

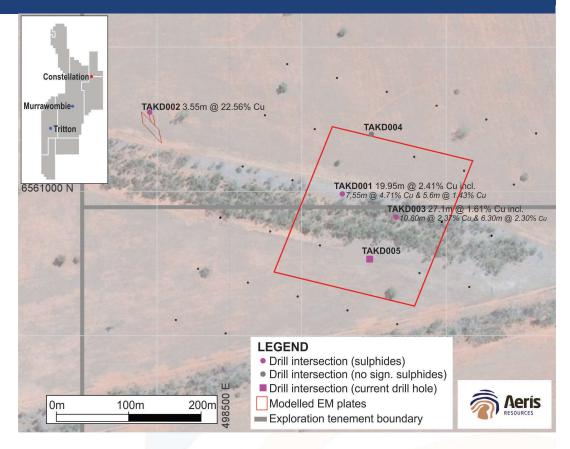


## Tritton Copper Operations – Constellation Deposit discovered



#### Spectacular results

- 3 Bedrock EM conductors identified
- Drilling commenced in November
- First three holes intersected high grade copper<sup>1</sup>
- Approval received for 25 more holes
- Next round of downhole EM in February

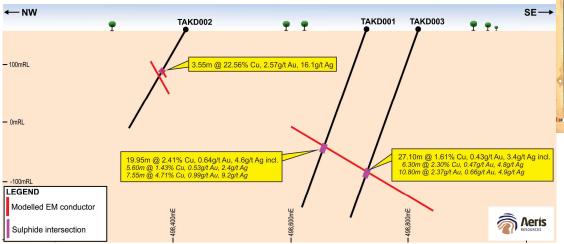


## Tritton Copper Operations – Constellation Deposit



#### Spectacular results

- TAKD001<sup>1</sup> 19.95m @ 2.41% Cu, 0.64g/t Au, 4.6g/t Ag from 197.2m including;
  - 5.60m @ 1.43% Cu, 0.53g/t Au, 2.4g/t Ag
  - 7.55m @ 4.71% Cu, 0.99g/t Au, 9.2g/t Ag
- TAKD003<sup>2</sup> 27.10m @ 1.61% Cu, 0.43g/t Au, 3.4g/t Ag from 233.90m including;
  - 6.30m @ 2.30% Cu, 0.47g/t Au, 4.8g/t Ag
  - 10.80m @ 2.37% Cu, 0.66g/t Au, 4.9g/t Ag







<sup>1</sup> Refer to ASX Announcement "High grade copper intersected at Constellation" dated 21 December 2020 <sup>2</sup> Refer to ASX Announcement "Further high grade copper intersected at Constellation" dated 20 January 2021

## **Tritton Copper Operations – Constellation Deposit**



#### **TAKD002** targeting the smaller conductor

- intersected a 3.55 metre thick massive sulphide • interval from 61.05 metres down hole
- 3.55m @ 22.56% Cu, 2.57g/t Au, 16.1g/t Ag<sup>1</sup> ۰

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Downhole EM survey identified 2 plates .

LONGSECTION VIEW (looking west)

-150mRL

-100mRL

-50mRL

Legend - Drill hole trace Massive sulphide Off-hole DHEM plate In-hole DHEM plate

TAKD002

#### **TAKD002**



<sup>1</sup> Refer to ASX Announcement "High grade copper intersected at Constellation" dated 21 December 2020 25

## An exciting path forward with multiple value catalysts in FY21



Potential Catalysts	FY21 Quarter 2	FY21 Quarter 3	FY21 Quarter 4
Exploration Drilling at Cracow	✓ Roses Pride Deeps	Klondyke Deeps Kenneth Golden Plateau	Roses Pride / Sterling Ballymore Golden Plateau
Exploration Drilling at Tritton	✓ Constellation	Tritton Deeps Murrawombie Deeps Constellation	Avoca Tank Constellation
Mineral Resources at Cracow	✓ Roses Pride	Klondyke / Royal	Golden Plateau
Updated Life of Mine Plans		Tritton	Cracow
\$7.5m quarterly payments off Cracow Debt Facility	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$
Budgerygar Exploration Drive	$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$	
Budgerygar Resource Drilling		$\checkmark$	$\checkmark$

Always looking for growth through M&A: focussing on copper and gold

## M&A strategy remains a focus



Aeris Resources M&A strategy	Commodity	✓ Gold and Copper
É	Location	<ul> <li>✓ East coast Australia</li> <li>✓ Rest of Australia</li> <li>✓ Offshore – Risk reward</li> </ul>
• Pursue strategic M&A opportunities that adds value, complement existing portfolio and transform Aeris into a mid-sized, multi-mine company	Project stage	<ul> <li>✓ Producing operation with established infrastructure</li> <li>✓ Development ready</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Leverage Aeris' existing operational expertise to create value where others cannot</li> </ul>	Size and potential	<ul> <li>Ongoing opportunity to upgrade portfolio</li> <li>Exploration upside</li> <li>Cash generative</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Key focus on copper and gold opportunities</li> </ul>	Mining method	✓ Underground and open pit mining consistent with current skills
	Mine plan	✓ At least 2-3 years with exploration upside
	Historic ownership	✓ History of delivery or potential to extract value through skillset

## Summary





## What makes Aeris different?





Proven team with a consistent track record



Financially robust, rapidly deleveraging



Diversified, strong free cash generation



A unique platform to consolidate the landscape where others cannot



Favourable gold / copper price exposure



Primed to unlock value



## Thank You





## Appendix





Tritton teneme	iritton tenement package (30 June 2020) <sup>(1)(2)</sup>													
Project Cut-off (%Cu)	Cut off	Measured				Indicated			Inferred		Total Resource			
	Tonnes (kt)	Cu grade (%)	Cu metal (kt)	Tonnes (kt)	Cu grade (%)	Cu metal (kt)	Tonnes (kt)	Cu grade (%)	Cu metal (kt)	Tonnes (kt)	Cu grade (%)	Cu metal (kt)		
Tritton	0.6	3,800	1.5	56	700	1.4	10	2,600	1.2	31	7,100	1.4	97	
Tritton (pillars)	0.6	-	-	-	140	2.2	3	-	-	-	140	2.2	3	
Murrawombie	0.6	-	_	_	3,900	1.6	62	1,200	1.1	13	5,100	1.5	75	
Budgerygar	0.8	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,300	1.5	34	2,300	1.5	34	
Budgery	0.5	-	_	_	1,700	1.1	19	280	0.9	3	2,000	1.1	22	
Avoca Tank	0.6	-	_	-	770	2.9	23	130	1.0	1	900	2.6	24	
Stockpile	-	11	1.4	0	_	_	-	-	-	-	11	1.4	0	
Total		3,800	1.5	56	7,300	1.6	120	6,500	1.3	82	17,500	1.5	250	

#### Other projects (30 June 2020)<sup>(1)(2)</sup>

Cut-off		٨	Neasurea	ł		Indicated			Inferred				Total Resource								
Project	Project (a/tAu)	Tonnes (kt)	Cu grade (%)	Au grade (g/t)	Cu metal (kt)	Au metal (koz)	Tonnes (kt)	Cu grade (%)	Au grade (g/t)	Cu metal (kt)	Au metal (koz)	Tonnes (kt)	Cu grade (%)	Au grade (g/t)	Cu metal (kt)	Au metal (koz)	Tonnes (kt)	Cu grade (%)	Au grade (g/t)	Cu metal (kt)	Au metal (koz)
Yandan	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,000	-	2.4	-	300	4,000	-	2.4	-	300
Total		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,000	-	2.4	-	300	4,000	-	2.4	-	300

(1) Discrepancies in summation may occur due to rounding.

(2) Mineral Resource cut-off grades: 0.6% Cu Tritton, 0.6% Cu Murrawombie, 0.6% Cu Avoca Tank, 0.8% Cu Budgerygar, 0.5% 32 Budgery.



Tritton teneme	ritton tenement package (30 June 2020) <sup>(1)(2)(3)(4)</sup>													
Project Typ		Cut-off		Proven			Probable		Total Ore Reserves					
	Туре	(%Cu)	Tonnes (kt)	Cu grade (%)	Cu metal (kt)	Tonnes (kt)	Cu grade (%)	Cu metal (kt)	Tonnes (kt)	Cu grade (%)	Cu metal (kt)			
Tritton	Underground	1.2	1,200	1.5	17	1,100	1.6	17	2,200	1.6	34			
Murrawombie	Underground	1.2	-	-	-	1,100	1.7	19	1,100	1.7	19			
Murrawombie	Open Pit	0.5	-	-	-	1,600	0.9	14	1,600	0.9	14			
Avoca Tank	Underground	1.2	-	-	-	700	2.5	18	700	2.5	18			
Stockpile			11	14	0	_	-	-	11	1.4	0			
Total			1,200	1.5	17	4,500	1.5	68	5,700	1.5	86			

(1) Discrepancies in summation may occur due to rounding.

 <sup>(2)</sup> Cut-off grades vary between deposits and are selected based on economic analysis. They are not a break-even cut-off.
 (3) Mineral Resources are quoted as INCLUSIVE of the Ore Reserves Estimate.

<sup>(4)</sup> All Mineral Resource that is available for conversion to Ore Reserve has been evaluated and is included in the Ore Reserve estimate where it meets economic and other criteria.



		Cracow (30 June 2020) <sup>(1)</sup>	
	Tonnes (Mt)	Gold grade (g/t)	Gold metal (koz)
Ore Reserve			
Proven	0.28	5.2	46
Probable	0.27	4.9	43
Total	0.55	5.1	89
Mineral Resource <sup>(2)</sup>			
Measured	0.20	7.8	53
Indicated	0.69	5.9	130
Inferred	1.40	2.6	120
Total	2.30	4.0	300

(1) Full details of the Cracow Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve are provided in the report entitled Annual Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves Statement released on 12 February 2020 and available to view at www.evolutionmining.com.au. 34

(2) The reported Mineral Resource does not include the updated December 2020 Roses Pride Mineral Resource figures



December 2020 Roses Pride Mineral Resource <sup>1</sup>												
Resource Category	Tonnage (kt)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	Au metal (koz)	Ag metal (koz)							
Measured	-	-	-	-	-							
Indicated	104.1	4.7	2.1	15.6	7.0							
Inferred	73.0	4.5	2.2	10.5	5.1							
TOTAL	177.1	4.6	2.2	26.1	12.1							

June 2020 Roses Pride Mineral Resource												
Resource Category	Tonnage (kt)	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	Au metal (koz)	Ag metal (koz)							
Measured	0.2	17.3	-	0.1	-							
Indicated	4.2	13.1	-	1.8	-							
Inferred	21.6	7.7	-	5.4								
TOTAL	26.1	8.7	-	7.3	-							

<sup>1</sup> Full details of the December 2020 Roses Pride Mineral Resource are provided in the ASX Announcement "Roses Pride Mineral Resource Update" dated 6<sup>th</sup> January 2021.



#### **Competent Persons statement**

Mr Cox confirms that he is the Competent Person for all the Mineral Resource and Exploration Target estimates summarised in this Report and he has read and understood the requirements of the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (JORC Code, 2012 Edition). Mr Cox is a Competent Person as defined by the JORC Code, 2012 Edition, having relevant experience to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit described in the Report and to the activity for which he is accepting responsibility. Mr Cox is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (MAusIMM No. 220544). Mr Cox has reviewed the Report to which this Consent Statement applies. Mr Cox is a full time employee of Aeris Resources Limited.

Mr Ian Sheppard, confirms that he is the Competent Person for all the Ore Reserve estimates summarised in this Report and Mr Sheppard has read and understood the requirements of the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (JORC Code, 2012 Edition). Mr Sheppard is a Competent Person as defined by the JORC Code, 2012 Edition, having relevant experience to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit described in the Report and to the activity for which he is accepting responsibility. Mr Sheppard is a Member of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, No. 105998. Mr Sheppard has reviewed the Report to which this Consent Statement applies. Mr Sheppard is a full time employee of Aeris Resources Limited.

Mr Sheppard has disclosed to the reporting company the full nature of the relationship between himself and the company, including any issue that could be perceived by investors as a conflict of interest. Mr Sheppard has disclosed to the reporting company the full nature of the relationship between himself and the company, including any issue that could be perceived by investors as a conflict of interest. Specifically Mr Sheppard has rights to 22,418,546 share options that were issued on 15 December 2015 that will vest over five years from the issue date and may be converted to shares over time when various conditions are met. All dollar figures are in Australian dollars unless otherwise indicated.