

Ticker: PDI AU Pro-forma cash: A\$23m Project: Bankan Ck / NE

Market cap: A\$354m Price: A\$0.275/sh Country: Guinea

REC. (unc): BUY TARGET (unc): A\$0.45/sh RISK RATING (unc): SPECULATIVE

Today's drilling lifts our estimated additions from 772koz to 853koz above the recent 3.5Moz @ 1.7g/t MRE. While within the vertical limits of prior drilling, the UG shoot extended west compared to our own prior estimate. This adds ~80koz as the endowment lifts from 4.9koz/vm to 5.2koz/vm, itself ~5x higher than required to warrant UG development. We maintain our BUY rating and 0.4xNAV_{5%-1850} A\$0.45/sh PT. The investment thesis here is simple; (i) that the existing 3.5Moz grows to 6Moz with just 500m vertical of UG and given composite 48m @ 2.9g/t in the deepest hole, with blue sky from (ii) near mine drilling after 28m @ 12.1g/t 1.5km from Bankan, (iii) regional drilling to the north following 12m @ 9.8g/t at AG1, (iv) drilling on discrete Koundian project following 6m @ 32g/t to EOH. The valuation thesis is simple – assuming only 3Moz reserve (ie half of potential we see) the stock is trading at SCPe 0.25xNAV.

325 350 375 400 425 450 475 500 525 550 575 600 625 650 675 700 725 750 775 800 825 Ounces Old New Bankan NE 25x25m blocks (#) 59 -175 50 SG fresh rock 2.6 2.6 -200 IORC COMPLIANT: 3,650koz 208 195 -225 Average grams.meters 45 -250 Ore body dip (°) SCPe ounces to 375m 853 -275 Implied grade at 55m TT 3.5 -300 Implied tonnes -325 7.5 Margin for UG mining -350 -375 Average true thick. (m) 57.3 55.3 243 Implied grade (g/t) 3.6 3.5 -400 131,317 5,253 121,922 4,877 Gross NSR (US\$/t) 157.9 150.0 -425 225 200 250 235 170 110 50 150 SCP estimate Non-mining cost (US\$/t)* 25.50 -450 245 225 225 200 110 136,913 5,477 25.89 252 Drill holes today Mining cost (US\$/t ROM)^ -475 170 180 195 210 **223 107** 120 135,233 5,409 50.0 Old SCPe limit Gross margin UG (%) 50% -500 200 225 225 225 225 220 175 120 125 138,609 5,544 Pending assay Ore body width (m) 57 55 -525 175 200 200 200 200 200 **150** 137 125 130 50 126,861 5,074

Figure 1. SCP estimate of 850koz ounces added post MRE

Source: SCPe, based on 90% recovery, 50% gross margin, US\$15/t processing, US\$2.50/t mining, 5% royalty; ounces adjusted for ~45 degree dip of ore body

SCPe UG lifts from 770koz to 850koz (over 3.5Moz MRE) with composite 52m @ 3.3g/t

Two deep holes from Bankan NE hit 48m @ 2.1g/t (within composite 73m @ 1.9g/t ~450m BS) as the shoot trends west at depth, and 33m @ 4.5g/t (within composite 52m @ 3.3gt/) in the core of the shoot.

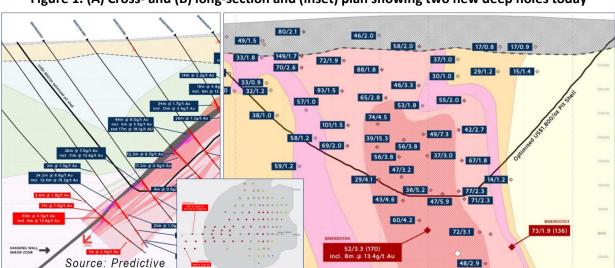


Figure 1. (A) Cross- and (B) long-section and (inset) plan showing two new deep holes today

Why we like Predictive Discovery

- 1. Free-milling Bankan 3.5Moz MRE already above critical mass so 'will be a mine'
- 2. Bankan Creek satellite offers high-grade starter pit
- 3. UG potential likely with 24m @ 8.8g/t deepest hole on 'tongue' open at depth
- 4. Multiple discoveries near mine / along strike / country wide over 5000km² to be followed up
- 5. Strong management and board representing ECM, mine building and geology

Catalysts

- CY22: Bankan Creek step-out / deeper drilling (deepest 6.8m @ 8.1g/t within 26m @ 3.1g/t)
- CY22: Bankan NE UG drilling (deepest 48m @ 2.9g/t composite)
- CY22: Regional drilling north of Bankan (following 12m @ 9.8g/t at AG1)
- CY22: Near-mine drilling with <2km of Bankan (following 28m @ 12.1g/t)
- CY22: Drilling on discrete Koundian project (following 6m @ 32g/t to EOH, and 4m @ 45g/t)
- CY23: SCPe mining licence, incl. excise from national park buffer zone

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| Ticker: PDI AU Author: B Salier B Gaspar | Price / mk Rec/0.4xN | | A\$0.275/s BUY, A\$0. | sh, A\$374n 45/sh | n | | 0.25x A\$1.20/s | h | Asset: Country: | Bankan (Guinea | Ck/NE |
|---|-------------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|----------|-------------------------------|--------------------|----------|--------------------|--------------------|------------|
| Commodity price | CY21E | CY22E | CY23E | CY24E | CY25E | Resource / Reserve | Tonnes | Grade | Ounces | | |
| Gold price | 1,850 | 1,850 | 1,850 | 1,850 | 1,850 | 3Q21 MRE | 73Mt | | 3646koz | | |
| SOTP <i>project</i> valuation* | | | | | | SCP pit inventory | 58Mt | | 3028koz | - | |
| , , | | A\$m | O/ship | NAVx | A\$/sh | SCP UG inventory | 4443Mt | - | | | |
| Ungeared @ build start (3 | Q23) | 1,615 | 100% | 1.00x | 1.06 | Project: USES | | | Funding: | SOURCES | 5 |
| Cash 3Q21 | | 23.9 | 100% | 1.00x | 0.02 | Pre-DFS exploration / G&A: | A\$22m | Cash 3Q2 | 1 + pre-A | u ITM op.: | A\$34n |
| Cash from options | | 9.9 | 100% | 1.00x | 0.01 | Build capex: | A\$632m | Build | equity @ | 0.5xNAV: | A\$230r |
| Resources ex inventory @ |) US\$30/oz | 32.8 | 100% | 1.00x | 0.02 | Fin. cost + WC over DFS | A\$22m | 65% | geared d | ebt @ 8%: | A\$411r |
| Explor'n (SCPe 500koz @ | \$50/oz) | 20.1 | 100% | 1.00x | 0.01 | TOTAL USES: | A\$677m | | TOTALS | OURCES: | A\$675r |
| Asset NAV5% US\$1850/o | Z | 1,702 | | | 1.12 | Buffer / drill budget: | -A\$2m | | | | |
| *Shares diluted for options | mine build | IV | larket P/N | AV5 _% 3Q23 | 0.25x | Share data | Basic | FD with | ptions | FD for | build |
| Asset value: 1xNPV proje | ct @ build s | start (A\$m, | , ungeared) |)* | | Basic shares (m) | 1,360.6 | 1,522.2 | | 1,942 | |
| Project NPV (A\$m) | \$1650oz | \$1750oz | \$1850oz | \$1950oz | \$2050oz | Ratio analysis | CY20A | CY21E | CY22E | CY23E | CY24E |
| Discount rate: 9% | 1,026 | 1,180 | 1,333 | 1,495 | 1,645 | Average shares out (m) | 1,360.6 | 1,502.0 | 1,522.2 | 1,522.2 | 1,522.2 |
| Discount rate: 7% | 1,167 | 1,336 | 1,503 | 1,681 | 1,845 | EPS (A\$/sh) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Discount rate: 5% | 1,331 | 1,518 | 1,702 | 1,897 | 2,078 | CFPS (A\$/sh) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Ungeared project IRR: | 39% | 43% | 48% | 52% | 57% | EV (A\$m) | 360.4 | 392.9 | 410.4 | 223.7 | 828.0 |
| Project NPV (A\$/sh) | \$1650oz | \$1750oz | \$1850oz | \$1950oz | \$2050oz | FCF yield (%) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Discount rate: 9% | 0.67 | 0.78 | 0.88 | 0.98 | 1.08 | PER (x) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Discount rate: 7% | 0.77 | 0.88 | 0.99 | 1.10 | 1.21 | P/CF (x) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Discount rate: 5% | 0.87 | 1.00 | 1.12 | 1.25 | 1.37 | EV/EBITDA (x) | - | - | - | - | - |
| *Project NPV, ex fin. costs a | nd cent G&A | l, discounte | d to build st | art | | Income statement | CY20A | CY21E | CY22E | CY23E | CY24 |
| G <i>roup</i> NAV over time^ | 1Q22 | 1Q23 | 1Q24 | 1Q25 | 1Q26 | Net revenue (A\$m) | - | - | - | - | - |
| Bankan NPV (A\$m) | 1,497.8 | 1,573.5 | 1,704.2 | 2,404.4 | 2,215.6 | COGS (A\$m) | - | - | - | - | - |
| G&A and fin. costs (A\$m) | (138.4) | (132.8) | (135.5) | (128.2) | (86.5) | Gross profit (A\$m) | - | _ | _ | - | - |
| Net cash prior qtr (A\$m) | 20.1 | 8.2 | 194.9 | 1.5 | 205.7 | D&A, attrib (A\$m) | 0.0 | - | - | - | - |
| Cash from options (A\$m) | 9.9 | 9.9 | 9.9 | 9.9 | 9.9 | G&A + sh based costs (A\$m | 2.2 | 2.7 | 2.9 | 3.5 | 4.0 |
| Exploration (A\$m) | 52.9 | 52.9 | 52.9 | 52.9 | 52.9 | Finance cost (A\$m) | 2.5 | 16.6 | 9.0 | - | 8.1 |
| NAV FF FD (A\$m) | 1,442 | 1,512 | 1,826 | 2,341 | 2,398 | Taxes (A\$m) | _ | _ | _ | _ | _ |
| Shares in issue (m) | 1,361 | 1,522 | 1,522 | 1,942 | 1,942 | Net income (A\$m) | (4.8) | (19.3) | (11.9) | (3.5) | (12.1) |
| 1xNAV/sh FF FD (A\$/sh)* | 1.06 | 0.99 | 1.20 | 1.21 | 1.23 | Cash flow, attrib. | CY20A | CY21E | CY22E | CY23E | CY24 |
| Geared NAV at first pour, | diluted for | build, net (| G&A and fi | n. costs^ | | EBIT (A\$m) | (2.2) | (2.7) | (2.9) | (3.5) | (4.0) |
| NAV at first gold (C\$m) | \$1650oz | \$1750oz | \$1850oz | \$1950oz | \$2050oz | Add back D&A (A\$m) | 0.0 | _ | - | - | _ |
| Discount rate: 9% | 1,789 | 1,976 | 2,160 | 2,357 | 2,539 | Less tax + fin. costs (A\$m) | 2.5 | 16.6 | 9.0 | _ | 8.1 |
| Discount rate: 7% | 1,880 | 2,077 | 2,272 | 2,478 | 2,670 | Change in work. cap. (A\$m) | (0.9) | _ | _ | 0.1 | _ |
| Discount rate: 5% | 1,984 | 2,192 | 2,398 | 2,615 | 2,818 | Other non-cash (A\$m) | (7.0) | (32.6) | (18.0) | _ | (16.3) |
| Geared project IRR: | | 40% | 45% | 49% | 53% | Cash flow ops (A\$m) | (7.5) | (18.6) | (11.9) | (3.3) | (12.1) |
| NAV at first gold (C\$/sh)* | \$1650oz | | \$1850oz | | \$2050oz | PP&E - build + sust. (A\$m) | 2.1 | 0.3 | - | 40.0 | 592.1 |
| Discount rate: 9% | 0.80 | 0.93 | 1.05 | 1.18 | 1.30 | PP&E - expl'n (A\$m) | - | 0.0 | _ | - | F |
| Discount rate: 7% | 0.88 | 1.01 | 1.14 | 1.27 | 1.40 | Cash flow inv. (A\$m) | (2.1) | (0.3) | - | (40.0) | (592.1 |
| Discount rate: 5% | 0.96 | 1.10 | 1.23 | 1.38 | 1.51 | Share issue (A\$m) | 21.3 | 24.8 | _ | 230.0 | - |
| ^Project NPV incl grp SG&A | | | | | | Debt draw (repay) (A\$m) | - | - | _ | - | 410.9 |
| Production | Y1 | Y2 | Y3 | Y4 | Y5 | Cash flow fin. (A\$m) | 21.3 | 24.8 | - | 230.0 | 410.9 |
| Gold production (000oz) | 239 | 325 | 367 | 356 | 344 | Net change in cash (A\$m) | 11.7 | 5.8 | (11.9) | 186.7 | (193.4 |
| C1 cost (US\$/oz) | 354 | 369 | 417 | 430 | 444 | EBITDA (A\$m) | (4.7) | (19.3) | (11.9) | (3.5) | (4.0) |
| AISC cost (US\$/oz) | 422 | 506 | 611 | 699 | 718 | Balance sheet | CY20A | CY21E | CY22E | CY23E | CY24E |
| AISC = C1 + ug sustaining c | | | 011 | 099 | , 10 | Cash (A\$m) | 13.7 | 20.1 | 8.2 | 194.9 | 1.5 |
| | • | | VICC (Bric : | ucė/- • • | | Acc rec., inv, prepaid (A\$m) | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.1 | - | - |
| 400koz Gold prod'r | 1 (LHS, 0000 | oz) ~~ | AISC (RHS, I | US\$/0Z Au) | 800/oz | PP&E + other (A\$m) | 7.6 | 8.0 | 8.0 | - 48.0 | - 640.1 |
| | [| | \rightarrow | | co= / | Total assets (A\$m) | | | | | 640.1 |
| 300koz | | | | | 600/oz | | 21 | 28 | 16 | 243 | |
| 200koz | ~ | | | | 400/oz | Debt (A\$m) | - | 1.0 | - | | 410.9 |
| | | | | | , 02 | Accounts payable (A\$m) | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| 100koz | | | | | 200/oz | Total liabilities (A\$m) | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 411.9 |
| Olean | | | | | 0/ | Issued capital (A\$m) | 52.9 | 77.6 | 77.6 | 307.6 | 307.6 |
| 0koz Y1 | Y2 | Y3 | Y4 | Y5 | 0/oz | Retained earnings (A\$m) | (32.4) | (50.4) | (62.3) | (65.7) | (77.9) |
| 1.1 | 14 | 13 | 14 | 13 | | Liabilities + equity (A\$m) | 21 | 28 | 16 | 243 | 642 |



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