

Sprott Inc. (NYSE/TSX: SII)

**2021 Annual Results** 

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**Sprott** 

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# **Speakers**



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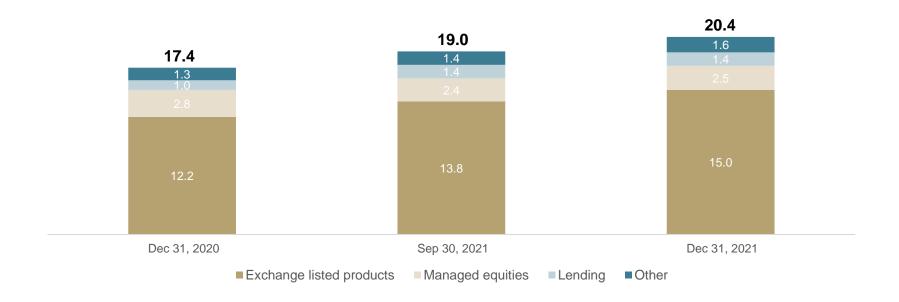
# **2021 Highlights**

- Strong performance from all business units in 2021
- Continued growth in Exchange Listed Products
  - Sprott Physical Silver Trust inflows in H1
  - Acquisition of UPC and subsequent launch of the Sprott Physical Uranium Trust established Sprott as a global leader in physical uranium investments
- Managed Equities redemptions slowed in 2021
  - Poised for resurgence in 2022 as precious metals prices strengthen
- Expanded Lending platform with successful close of Private Streaming and Royalty Fund
- Canadian and US brokerage businesses delivered meaningful contributions
- Sprott is well positioned for current market environment

# December 31, 2021 AUM summary

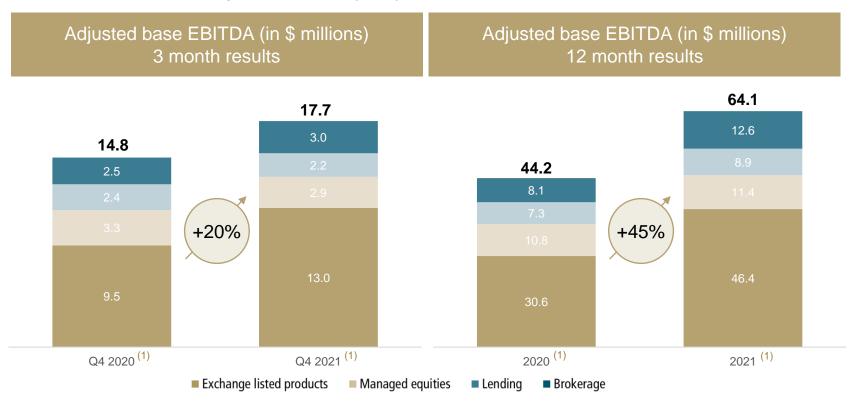
AUM was \$20.4 billion as at December 31, 2021, up \$1.4 billion (8%) from September 30, 2021, and up \$3.1 billion (18%) from December 31, 2020





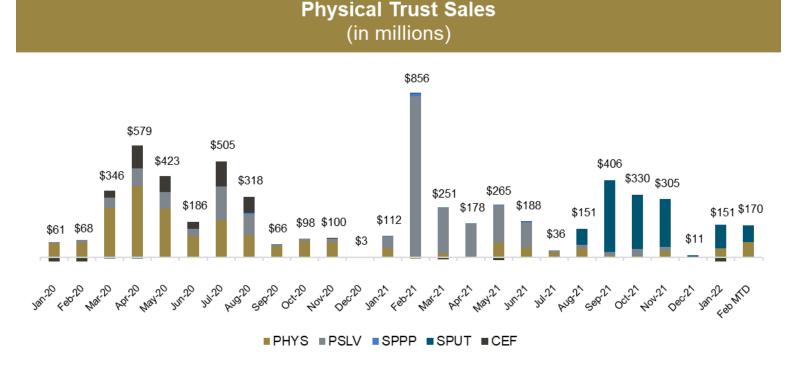
# **Segment results**

- Net income for the 3 months ended Dec 31, 2021 was \$10.2 million, up \$3.5 million (51%) from the 3 months ended Dec 31, 2020 and \$33.2 million for the 12 months ended Dec 31, 2021, up \$6.2 million (23%) from the 12 months ended Dec 31, 2020
- Adjusted base EBITDA for the 3 months ended Dec 31, 2021 was \$17.7 million, up \$3 million (20%) from the 3 months ended Dec 31, 2020 and a record \$64.1 million for the 12 months ended Dec 31, 2021, up \$19.9 million (45%) from the 12 months ended Dec 31, 2020



#### **Exchange Listed Products: Physical Trusts**

- Q4 sales of \$646MM
- 2021 flows of \$3.1B, up \$300MM from 2020
  - SPUT & PSLV accounted for majority of new sales
- Flows returning to PHYS YTD 2022 after quiet 2021
- SPUT ATM sales accelerating quickly in Q1 after slower December



# **Growing Our Market Share**

#### 2021 Fund Flows Data Gold Funds

Ticker	Fund Name	Net Flows (MM)	AUM (MM)
IAUM	iShares Gold Trust Micro	849.39	872.38
GLDM	SPDR Gold MiniShares Trust	500.48	4,355.31
PHYS	Sprott Physical Gold Trust	\$314.4	5,008.02
OUNZ	VanEck Merk Gold Trust	163.41	588.92
CEF	Sprott Physical Gold & Silver Trust	-\$17.5	4,094.37
AAAU	Goldman Sachs Physical Gold ETF	-68.76	424.22
SGOL	Aberdeen Standard Physical Gold Shares ETF	-131.10	2,391.23
BAR	GraniteShares Gold Trust	-151.39	912.01
IAU	iShares Gold Trust	-1,795.66	28,723.02
GLD	SPDR Gold Trust	-10,776.62	57,074.81

#### 2021 Fund Flows Data Silver Funds

Ticker	Fund Name	Net Flows (MM)	AUM (MM)	
PSLV	Sprott Physical Silver Trust	\$1,756	3,600.11	
SIVR	Aberdeen Standard Physical Silver Shares ETF	273.82	995.15	
SLV	iShares Silver Trust	-424.47	12,249.23	

#### **URNM ETF Transaction**

- In Q4 2021, Sprott announced agreement to acquire exclusive licensing rights to the index tracked by the North Shore Global Uranium ETF (NYSE Arca: URNM)
- Perfect complement to SPUT
  - High investor overlap between physical uranium and uranium equities
  - Positions Sprott with two market leading uranium funds
- The transaction was approved by the Board of Trustees of the Exchange Traded Concepts Trust, of which URNM is a series
- Shareholder approval is required to complete transaction
  - The original meeting date was February 23, 2022 but the required quorum had not been achieved
  - New meeting date is March 23, 2022
  - Due to the large number of individual URNM shareholders, it is important that they vote in order to ensure the transaction is completed as soon as possible

#### **Managed Equities**

- Gold & silver stocks failed to captured investor attention in 2021 as broader markets surged
- Sprott strategies delivered performance largely in line with competitors
- Redemptions were down significantly in 2021 compared to 2020
- Rotation underway in 2022
  - Positive performance vs broad equity market
  - Net sales for a number of strategies YTD

# **Private Strategies**

- Combined Lending and Streaming strategies AUM \$1.4B as of December 31, 2021
- Weaker originations in Lending funds were offset by strong flows to Private Resource and Streaming strategy
  - Streaming and Royalty Strategy raised more than \$400MM in 2021 and recently completed \$700MM final close
  - \$145MM deployed to date
- Expected to continue expanding Lending business with new strategies in 2022

# **Brokerage**

- Canadian and US brokerages delivered strong contributions in 2021
- Canadian broker benefited from strong origination activity in H1 2021
  - Focused on diversifying coverage to include energy transition and specialty metals
- US broker continued to generate new sales, largely from transition of AUA to feeearning AUM

#### **2022 Focus**

#### **Driving Sustainable Growth**

Conditions in place for resumption of precious metals bull market

Building on SPUT success with new strategies in complementary mineral sectors

Focused on driving growth in core strategies

Continuing to explore opportunities to grow AUM through product acquisitions



# **Supplemental Financial Information**

#### Revenues

	3 months ended		12 months ended	
In millions \$	Q4 2021	Q4 2020	Q4 2021	Q4 2020
Management fees	27.8	22.0	103.9	72.9
Carried interest and performance fees	4.3	10.1	12.2	10.1
Carried interest and performance fee payouts	(2.5)	(5.5)	(7.2)	(5.5)
Trailer, sub-advisor and other fees	(1.7)	(0.6)	(4.0)	(2.0)
Direct payouts	(1.4)	(0.7)	(5.3)	(2.3)
Net fees (1)	26.5	25.3	99.5	73.1
Commissions	14.2	6.8	45.3	27.5
Commission expense – internal	(4.1)	(2.1)	(15.5)	(8.5)
Commission expense – external	(3.0)	(0.1)	(5.7)	(0.6)
Net commissions (1)	7.0	4.6	24.0	18.3
Finance income	0.8	1.6	3.5	4.0
Gain (loss) on investments	(0.0)	(3.1)	(1.9)	5.1
Other income	0.3	0.9	1.6	2.3
Total net revenues	34.6	29.4	126.8	102.8

#### **Expenses**

	3 months ended		12 months ended	
In millions \$	Q4 2021	Q4 2020	Q4 2021	Q4 2020
Compensation	20.6	20.2	76.7	57.6
Carried interest and performance fee payouts	(2.5)	(5.5)	(7.2)	(5.5)
Commission expense and direct payouts	(5.5)	(2.8)	(20.9)	(10.8)
Severance and new hire accruals	(0.2)	(0.1)	(0.7)	(1.3)
Net compensation (1)	12.4	11.8	47.9	39.9
Severance and new hire accruals	0.2	0.1	0.7	1.3
Selling, general and administrative	4.2	2.3	14.7	11.1
Interest expense	0.2	0.3	1.2	1.2
Depreciation and amortization	1.1	1.0	4.6	4.1
Other expenses (credits)	2.9	4.5	12.6	10.5
Total expenses	21.1	20.1	81.6	68.1

#### **EBITDA** reconciliation

	3 months ended		12 months ended	
	Q4	Q4	Q4	Q4
In millions \$ (except for per share amounts)	2021	2020	2021	2020
Net Income	10.2	6.7	33.2	27.0
Per share	0.41	0.27	1.33	1.10
Adjustments:				
Interest expense	0.2	0.3	1.2	1.2
Provision for income taxes	3.4	2.6	12.0	7.7
Depreciation and amortization	1.1	1.0	4.6	4.1
EBITDA (1)	14.9	10.6	50.9	40.0
Other adjustments:				
(Gain) loss on investments	0.0	3.1	1.9	(5.1)
Non-cash stock based compensation	0.5	1.3	1.7	2.8
Other expenses (credits)	3.3	4.3	13.2	11.0
Adjusted EBITDA (1)	18.7	19.3	67.7	48.7
Other adjustments:				
Carried interest and performance fees	(4.3)	(10.1)	(12.2)	(10.1)
Carried interest and performance fee payouts	2.5	5.5	7.2	5.5
Trailer, sub-advisor and other fees	8.0	-	1.4	-
Adjusted base EBITDA (1)	17.7	14.8	64.1	44.2
Per share	0.71	0.60	2.58	1.80
Operating margin	55 %	51 %	53 %	49 %

<sup>(1)</sup> See the key performance indicators and non IFRS and other financial measures section of the MD&A.