

## **REPUBLIC OF GUINEA**

#### WORK – JUSTICE - SOLIDARITY Mineral Potential and Mining Investment Opportunity in Guinea



### **MINISTERY OF MINES AND GEOLOGY**





## PRESENTATION OF GUINEA

Guinea is a costal country of West Africa.with an area of 245,857km2

between 7° and 13° North; 6° and 15° west. It is made up of four

natural regions : lower ,middle,upper and Forrest Guinea and seven

administrative regions plus the special zone of Conakry the capital. The

climate is tropical caracterised by two seasons:

Dry season from November to April

Wet season from May to October

Hydrography: the hydrography network is well developped and most of

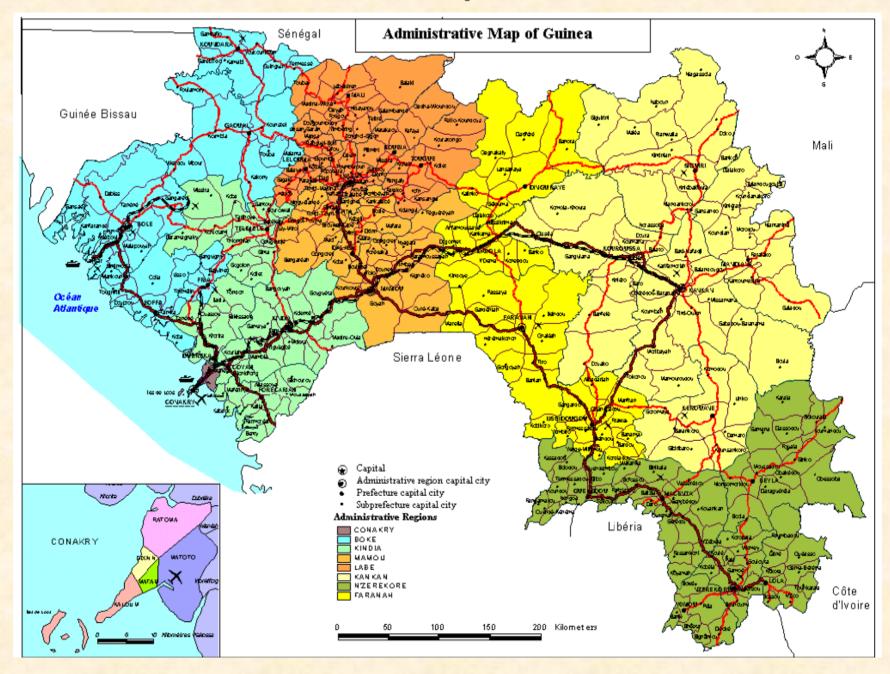
the rivers of sub region take their source from Guinea and that is why

Guinea is called the water tower of west Africa for instance Niger,

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#### **Administrative map of Guinea**

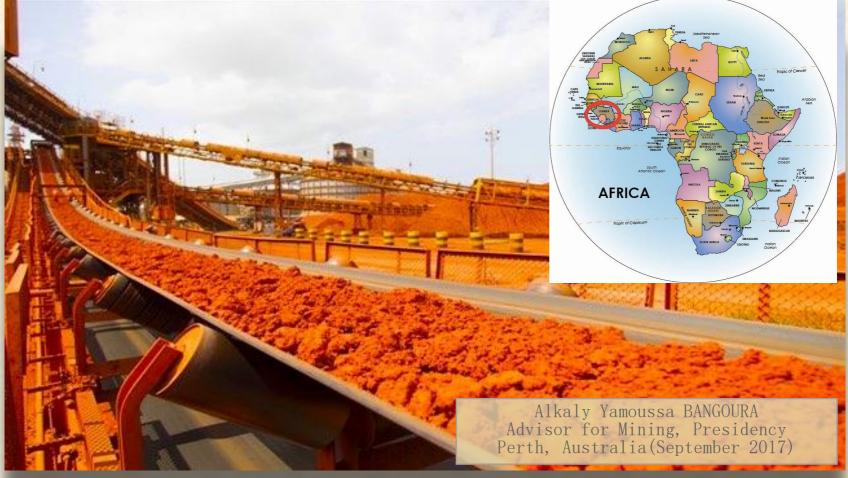
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## THE REPUBLIC OF GUINEA

# World-Class destination for mining investments







### I. MINERAL ENDOWNMENT

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## I. MINERAL ENDOWMENT



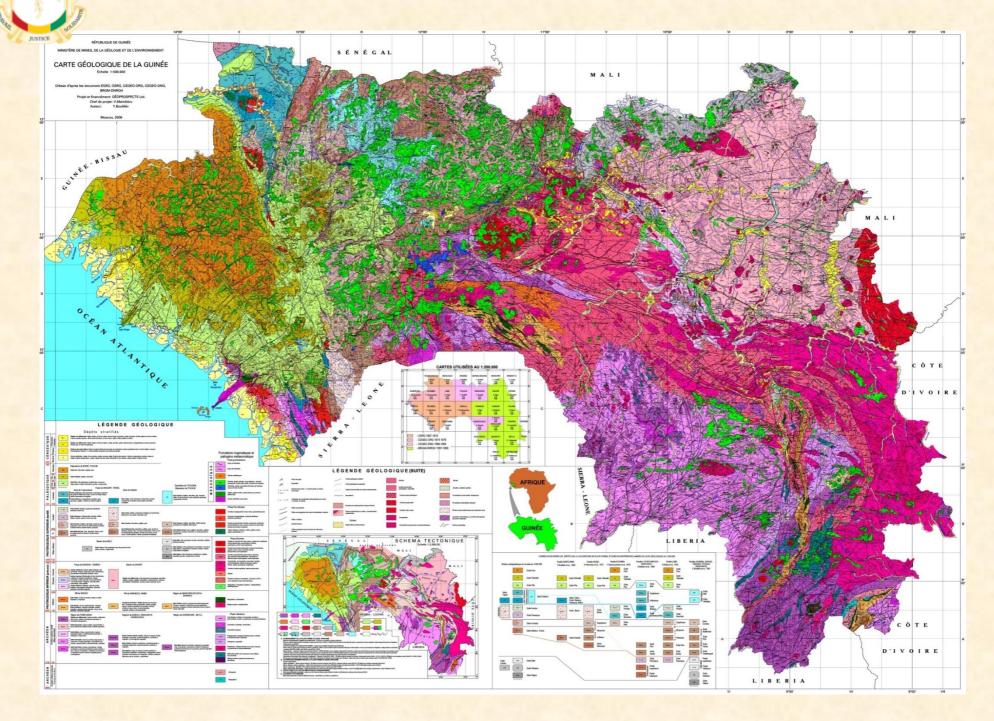
## **A NATURAL RESOURCE RICH COUNTRY**

- Guinea is a natural resource-rich country with tremendous potential in agriculture, hydropower and of course mining (Bauxite, Iron ore, Gold, Diamond...).
- In the last seven years, Guinea has seen its **economy stabilized** and the country opened up to the world.
- Government's actions are focused on attracting massive and high quality investments to unlock its tremendous potential.



#### **GEOLOGICAL MAP OF GUINEA**

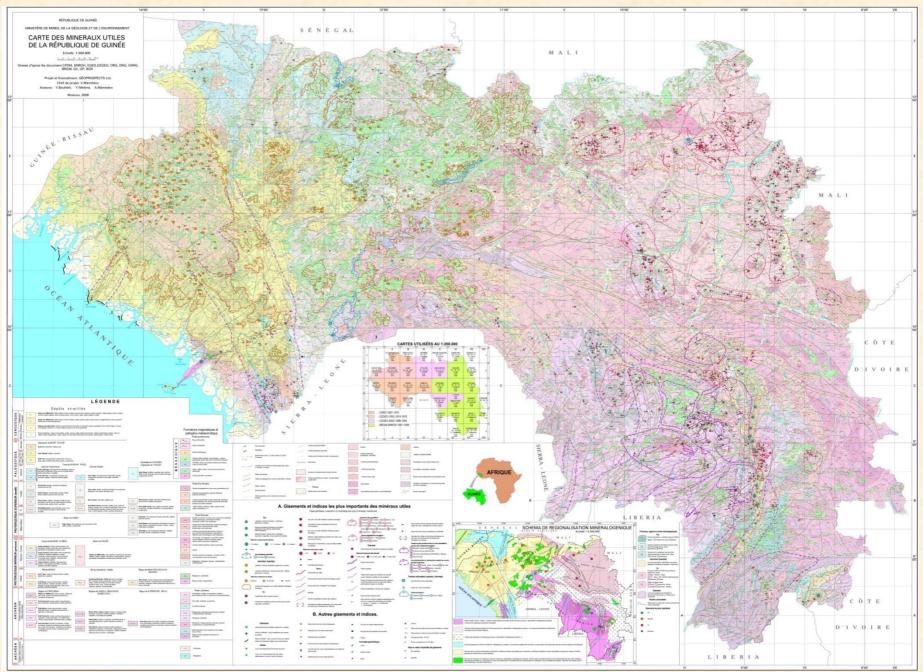






#### **MINERALOGICAL MAP OF GUINEA**



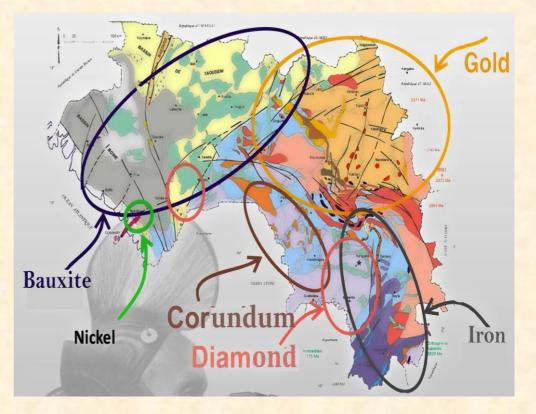




#### THE MINERAL POTENTIAL

A large Potential to Unlock, World-class Deposits :

- Bauxite: Guinea holds the world's largest deposits; resources are estimated to be 40 billion tons, with a grade higher than 40%.
- Iron ore: Guinea has the largest and best untapped iron ore deposits in the world; 20 billion tons of the world-class reserves (high grade: more than 60%).
- Gold: Guinea is one of the top prospective countries for Gold. Reserves of Gold are estimated to be more than 1 000 tons.
- Diamonds: 30 million carats, with other untapped primary deposits.
- Base metals (nickel, copper, cobalt, manganese...): Existing indicators need to be confirmed by further researches.





Many other companies are coming into the country and developing projects





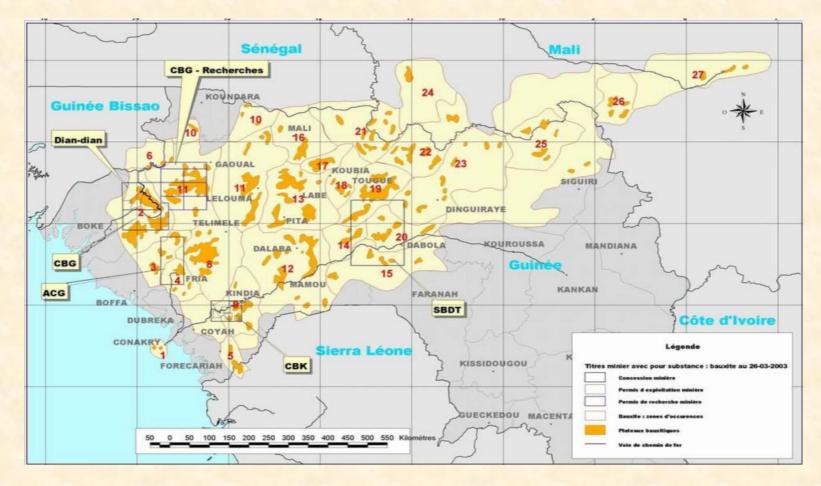


## **II. BAUXITE BOOM**



#### **TRANSFORM POTENTIAL INTO REALITY**

- 1/3 of World reserves of bauxite with a relatively high alumina content, of 40% to over 50%.
- Bauxite deposits do not require complex extraction techniques

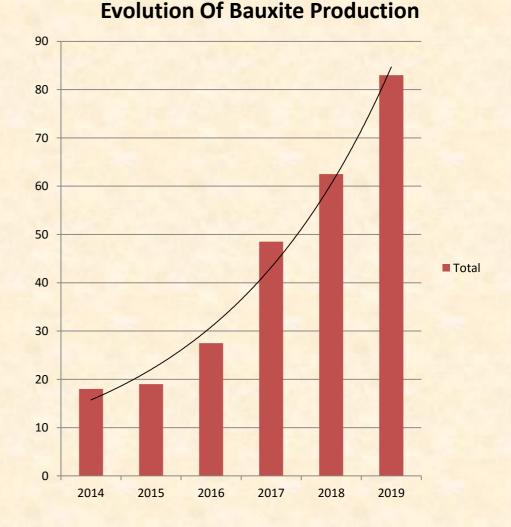




#### FROM BAUXITE EXPORTER TO DOMINANT WORLD SUPPLIER

The government goal is to produce more than 30.5million tons year- to- date and more than 80 to 100 million tons by 2020;

- Compagnie de Bauxite de Guinée (CBG) has started the first phase of its 1bn extension project in 2016
- Guinea Alumina Company, an EGA subsidiary is building a 1bn mine in Guinea. First samples have been exported in December 2016
- Alufer raised 240 millions US \$ in 2016
  to develop the Bel Air Mine in the
  Northeastern region of the country
- Other major projects include those of SMB, AMC, Henan Chine, Rusal, etc.





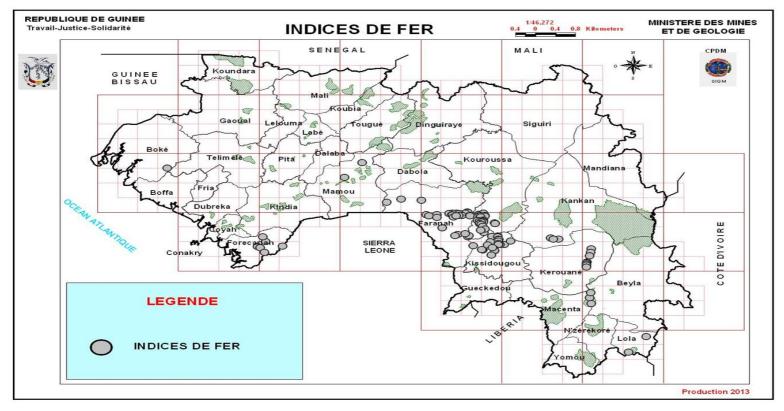


## III. OTHER OPPORTUNITIES IN THE GUINEAN MINING SECTOR

#### **IRON ORE**



- Some of the best untapped iron ore deposits: Simandou North, Nimba, Zogota, others.
- High grade deposits > 60% iron content
- o Infastructure

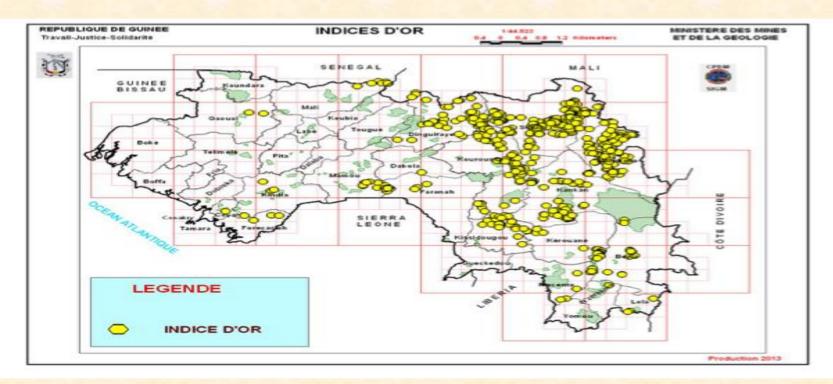


#### GOLD Available and unexploited gold zones



The gold potential is estimated at hundreds of tons. The foundation of the mining code, the high price of gold and the dynamism in world mining exploration up to 2005 led many foreign companies to settle in guinea,

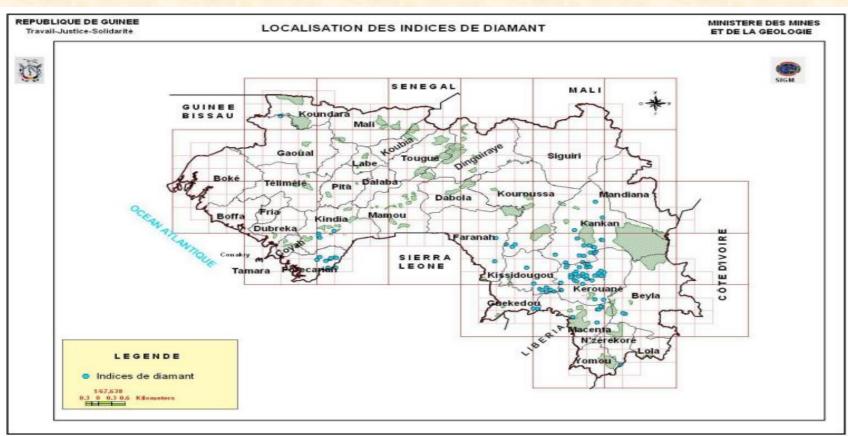
- All the Guinean gold mines are open pit exploitation
- o Host world class deposits (Siguiri, Lero, Mandiana)
- o The Birrimian gold belt still has to unlock its full potential
- Gold producer for a thousand years





#### DIAMOND

- Primary and Secondary Deposits
- The primary deposits: Kymberlite (unexplored)
- Secondary deposits: current source of artisanal diamonds







OIL

The results of the works done in the basin of MSGBC (Mauritania,

Senegal, Gambia, Guinea Bissau and Guinea) have shown in whole that

these countries possess a real potential of hydrocarbon substances or at

least the bedrock, the reservoirs and the coverage exist in all the subregion.

For Guinea no significant results by lack of prospectus.

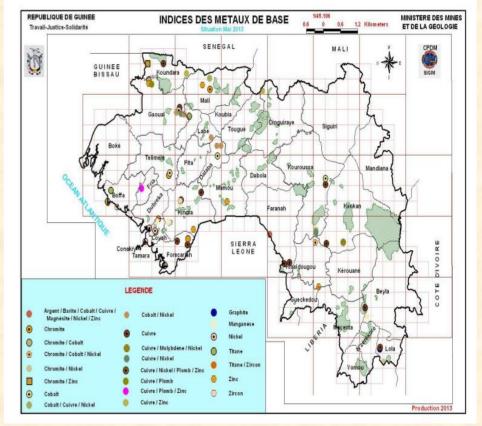
But Hyperdynamic has started the first drilling hole last month (October 2011).



#### **OTHER RESOURCES**

Uranium: Kissidougou-Kérouané-Mali

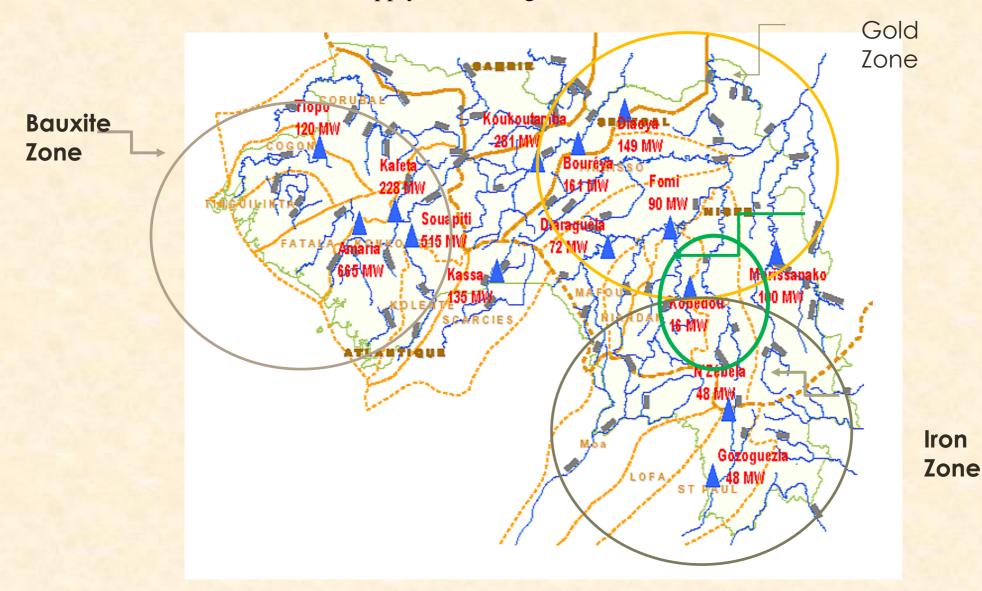
- Base metals (nickel, copper, cobalt, manganese...): Good indicators in the Kakoulima mountains, Koundara, Boffa, Kissidougou-Faranah
- Rare Earths: Some serious indicators have been pointed out by geologists in many areas of Guinea particulary Macenta-Kissidougou-Kérouané
- Graphite: Good indicators are known in Nzerekoré, Lola, Kankan and Yomou





#### **BEYOND THE MINING OPPORTUNITIES: MINING AND ENERGY**

Guinea, as the water tower of West Africa, has a great potential for hydroelectric **power** that may help process some of the mining products, such as bauxite into alumina or even aluminum and supply the sub region.





## **IV. REFORMS AND PRIORITIES**



#### POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC REFORMS

Guinea is in the strongest political and economic condition in its history.

#### **Political Stability**

The country's first democratic elections were held in 2010 and since then :

- Members of the Parliament were elected in 2013
- The army and security forces have been reformed to normalize the security situation
- The President was peacefully reelected in 2015

#### Macro-economic stability

- Growth rate: 0% in 2015, 5,2% 2016 (> 6.2 % growth forecasted by the IMF).
- Inflation rate: 22% in 2011, 8.2 % in 2016

- The IMF 8th review under the Extended Credit Facility (ECF) was successfully concluded in September 2016



#### **REFORMS IN THE MINIG SECTOR(1)**

Reforms are being implemented to make the Guinean mining sector more attractive and transparent :

- A mining code with a competitive tax system
- A master plan to mutualize
  infrastructure to reduce the costs
  associated with mining projects
- A one-stop shop dedicated to mining projects: launched in June 2016 is now fully operational and delivering licenses





• A modernized mining cadaster launched in Sept 2016, provides real

time information on mining licenses : <u>http://guinea.miningcadastre.org</u>

- Delays to obtain mining permitting have been cut substantially with the new cadastral procedures
- A local content policy setting a clear framework adopted
- A fully operational National Mining Commission has been appointed to increase transparency
- The Responsible Mining Development Initiative is being implemented
- (Community Development / Environmental Study/ Local Content/ Infrastructure Sharing/ Energy/ Fair Revenue Sharing ...)



#### **PRIORITIES (1)**

## MAKING GUINEA A TOP MINING DESTINATION

- Extending geological survey throughout the country to improve geoscientic data to better define the mineral potential
- Providing full support to the development of mining projects
- Diversifying mineral production
- Boosting Gold Production
- Attracting new investors for a better assessment of the country's mineral deposits through Public-Private Partnerships



## PRIORITIES (2)

- Keep improving the business environment by implementing the provisions of the mining code and pursuing the ongoing reforms to better respond to investors needs
- Building internal capacities within the Ministry of Mines and Geology
- Improving and strengthening the dialogue between stakeholders through local content and community development
- Promoting local transformation of minerals

## THEY TRUST GUINEA MINING SECTOR







#### **UNITED LOAN GUARANTEE (UFK GERMANY)**





## **KEY WEBSITES**

1 Stop Shop

## www.licences.mines.gov.gn

Guinea Mining Cadastre Website

www.guinea.miningcadastre.org

Ministry of Mines and Geology Website

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