

### The Emerging Force in the Premium Zircon Industry

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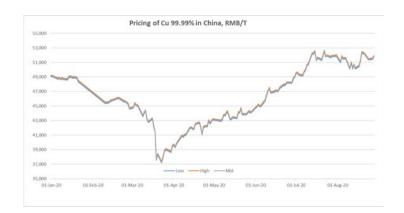
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# High Volatility of Commodity Pricing in 2020







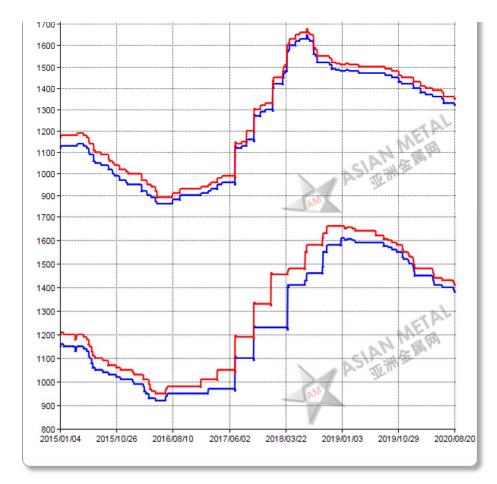




#### **GLOBAL ZIRCON MARKET**







#### Zircon Sand Indonesian Zr(Hf)O2 66%min CIF China USD/mt

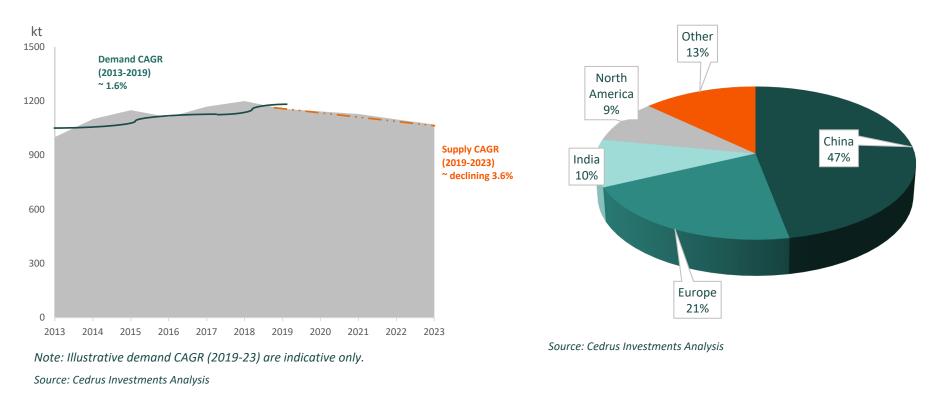
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# Zircon Scarce & Concentrated Supply, Boosting Price



#### **GLOBAL ZIRCON SUPPLY AND DEMAND OUTLOOK**

#### **GLOBAL ZIRCON DEMAND BY REGION (2018)**



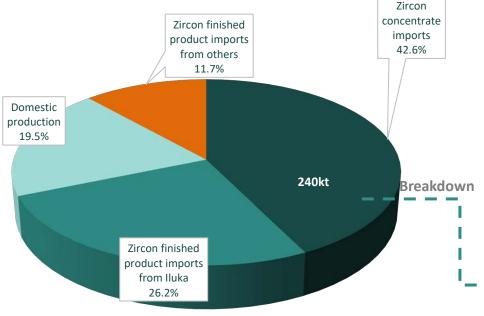
Analysts expect a substantial supply short-fall to emerge, supporting a robust zircon price environment in the coming years.

# China Zircon Demand



#### CHINA ZIRCON DEMAND BY SOURCE OF SUPPLY

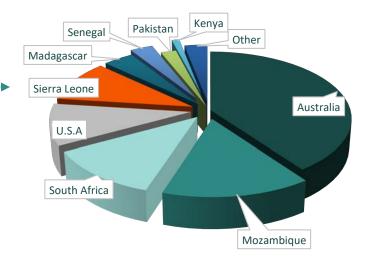




- Aprox 50% of global supply
- Zirconium reserves rank fifth globally (0.7% world wide)

#### **CHINA ZIRCON CONCENTRATE IMPORTS BY COUNTRIES**

2018 Total Zircon Concentrate Imports ~ 240 kt

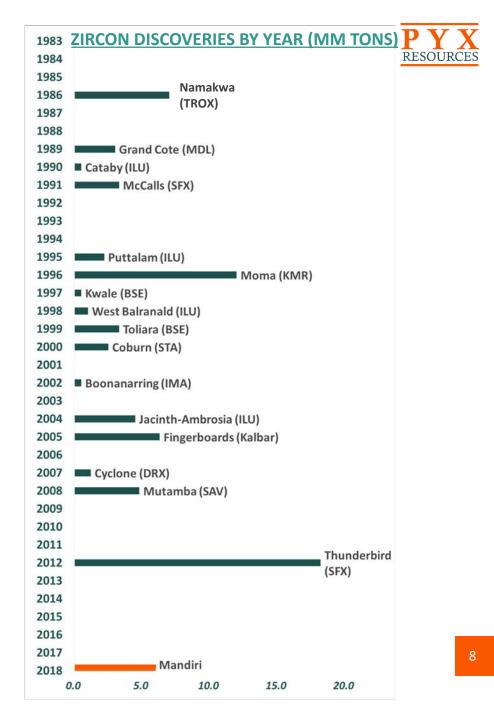


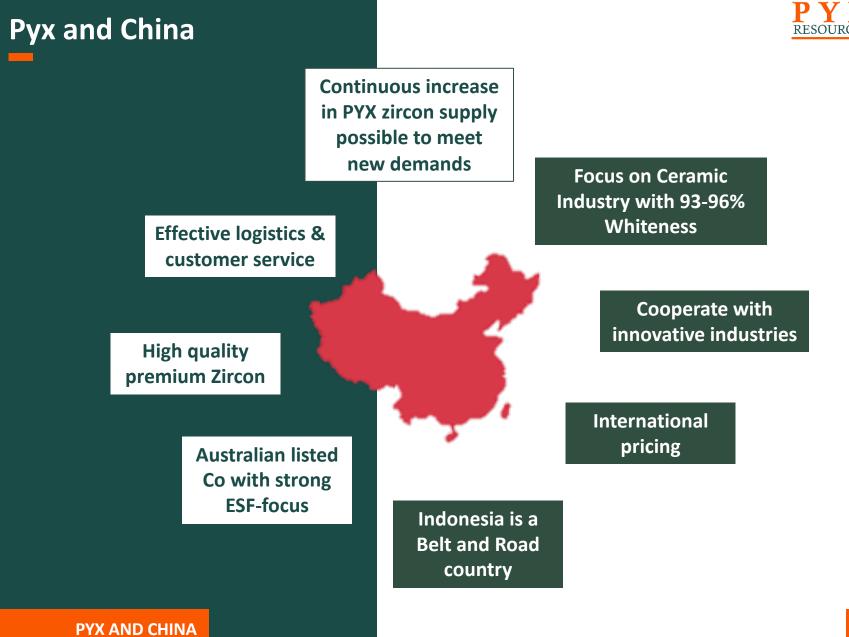
#### Source: China Industry Information Website: www.chyxx.com, Company Analysis

### No New Zircon Discoveries Since 2012

- Pyx's Mandiri project in Indonesia is the 5th largest mineral sands in the world
- Biggest zircon discovery in the world since 2012.

#### **GLOBAL SUPPLY SITUATION**





### **2020 Zircon Market Dynamics**



#### Supply

- Pyx's Mandiri deposit is the only major mineral sands discovery since 2012.
- Global supply is highly concentrated with top 5 producers controlling over 70% of world production.
- Lack of supply potential for the foreseeable future and the future demand may exceed supply.
- Grade of existing deposits is declining and USGS estimates global zircon reserves reduced from 78 Mt to 62 Mt.
- A significant proportion of global zircon supply between 2016 and 2019 are from diminishing inventory, leading to a potential shortage of supply even if demand remains at current level.

#### Demand

- China = 50% of worldwide demand.
- Global zircon milling mostly focused on meeting demand from the ceramics industry (54%), followed by foundry (14%) and refractory (11%).
- Consumption of zircon by other novel applications such as medical implants, zirconium based chemicals (for electronics, fiber optics etc), and extraction of zirconium metal for corrosion resistant alloys and nuclear reactor cores and rods are growing in importance.
- Global trade tensions and COVID-19 pandemic had relatively minor impact on zircon demand with resumed operations in China leading to substantial demand for high-grade zircon.

# 2020 Chinese Market Dynamics



Application	Market Dynamics
Ceramics	<ul> <li>Output and export of ceramic tiles in China is declining due to global economic environment, real estate policy, consumption upgrades and demand shift.</li> <li>However ceramic sanitary ware in China is growing at more than 6% p.a.</li> <li>China's total ceramic export value over US\$ 12.5 billion.</li> </ul>
Foundry	<ul> <li>China's foundry production output to 41 mt of iron cast products and 7.3 mt of aluminum cast products, representing a 48% and 37% of global output, respectively.</li> <li>China's rapid foundries and casting industry growth is driven by the automotive industry, and sectors such as aerospace, high-tech ships, medical devices and agri machinery.</li> <li>China represents 90% of the US\$4.2 billion growth in the foundry market.</li> </ul>
Refractory	<ul> <li>Zircon can be used as a neutral type of refractory, accounting for 60% of the total industry share which was over USD 30 billion in 2018. The market for refractories is anticipated to reach USD 41 billion by 2025, registering a CAGR of over 4%.</li> <li>Strong product demand from aerospace, electrical, automotive, glass, cement industries is expected to drive refractories market size globally.</li> </ul>
Chemical	<ul> <li>Zirconia and zirconium based chemicals are widely used for pigment, electronics, catalysts, fiber optics, and water treatment.</li> <li>Growing importance with higher market share growth than other markets</li> </ul>

### **Alluvial Deposits in Kalimantan**









# Strategic Location









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# **Producing asset since 2015**





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ZrO2+HfO2	66.0% +
TiO2	0.06 - 0.08%
Fe2O3	0.02 - 0.05%
Al2O3	0.2%

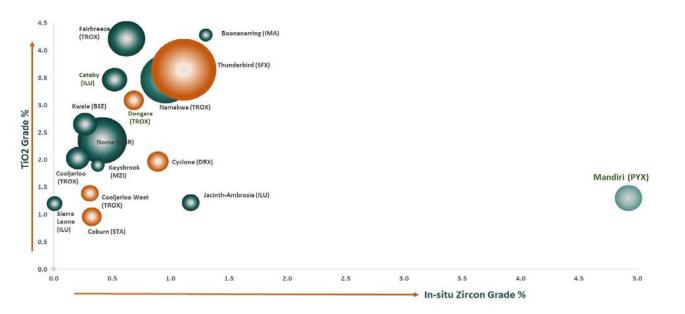
#### Mineral Resources above 2% HM lower block cut-off grade (unrounded)

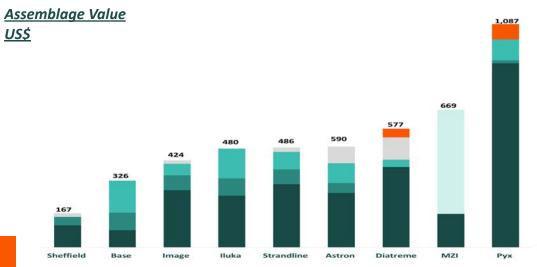
Area	Category	Tonnage (Mt)	HM (%)	Slimes (%)	Oversize (%)
Mandiri	Inferred	126.3	7.43	8.98	16.14

#### Assemblage of Ore and Finished Products

	Mining		Finished Product		
	Mined HM	Assemblage	Finished Product	Assemblage	
	(tons)	(%)	(ton)	(%)	
Zircon	64	64%	64	97%	
- of which Zirconium	43	43%	43	65.5%	
- of which Silica	21	21%	21	32%	
Rutile	8.5	8.5%	0	0%	
Ilmenite	9.5	9.5%	0	0%	
Other	18	18%	1.7	3%	
Slime/OS	0	0%	0	0%	
Total	100	100%	65.7	100%	

### Pyx is a Clear Outlier in Terms of Zircon Grade





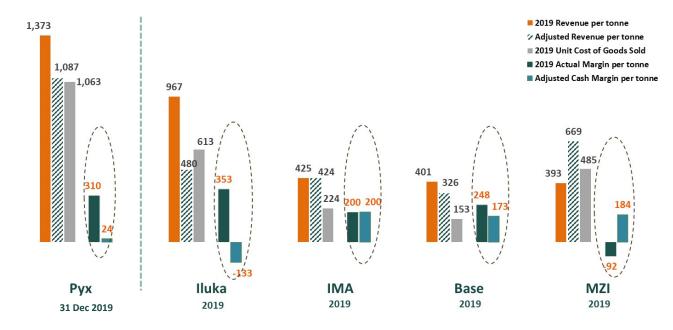
OUR ASSET



# Pyx Superior Cash Margins are Sustainable Long Term



#### ACTUAL MARGIN AND ADJUSTED MARGIN COMPARISONS OF MAJOR ZIRCON PRODUCERS (in US\$)



Note: Adjusted Revenue calculated as the weighted average value on mineral components disclosed on each company's 2019 Resource Statement.

Source: Public Filings, Cedrus Investments Analysis

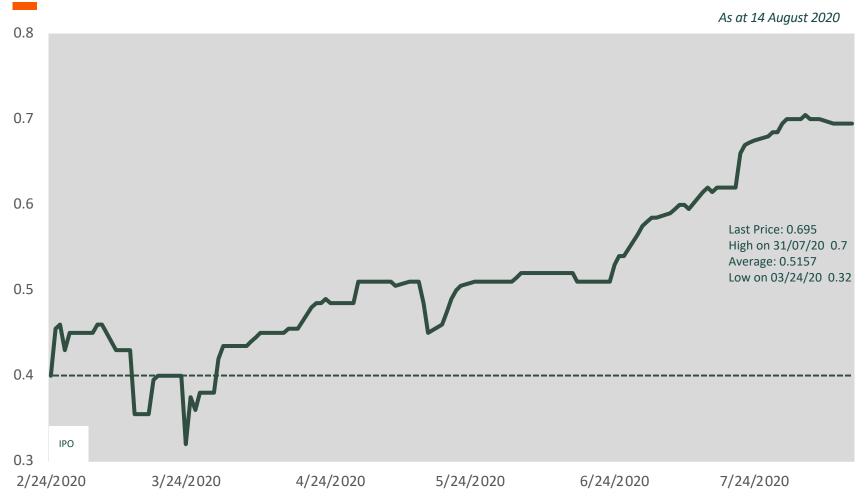
# Additional Upside Potential in the Mid Term





### **Strong Price Performance post IPO**





Note: PYX commenced trading on the National Stock Exchange of Australia (NSX) on 25 February 2020.



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