

# Keliber

## Lithium Mining for Fast Growing Markets



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# Keliber in brief

- A Finnish mining company with a target of producing high purity lithium carbonate
- The most advanced lithium project in Europe: DFS completed in June 2018 and production estimated to start in 2020
- Largest ore reserves at highest lithium grade for European lithium projects
- Vertically integrated battery grade lithium carbonate production in strategically excellent location
- Cleantech process and circular economy: efficient and environmentally sound production

# Litium Project highlights

<b>1</b>	<b>Strong business case demonstrated by DFS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Only European lithium project in DFS stage</li><li>• Pre-tax IRR 24 %</li><li>• Pre-tax NPV (@8%) MEUR 295</li><li>• Pre-tax pay back period 5.5 years</li></ul>	<b>page 5</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Growing resources</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Mineral Resources (Measured and Indicated) 9.47 Mt 1.16 % Li<sub>2</sub>O</li><li>• Ore Reserves 7.408 Mt @ 1.04 % Li<sub>2</sub>O</li></ul>	<b>page 10</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Strong markets</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rechargeable battery sector forecasted 19.6 % pa growth through to 2032</li><li>• Driven by global electrification of transportation</li><li>• Upside potential through by-products and scalable operations</li></ul>	<b>page 15</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Strategically attractive location</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Located near to fast developing European markets</li><li>• Production within an already established infrastructure</li></ul>	<b>page 19</b>



# Strong business case



# The most advanced lithium project in Europe

- Only European lithium project in DFS stage
- Largest ore reserves at highest lithium grade for European lithium projects
- First mining company in Finland accepted to the pre-consultation procedure for permitting

Production estimated to start in 2020 to meet the brisk market demand

Tentative timeline for the next stages	2018	2019	2020
<b>Permitting</b> (environmental, mining and other) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completion of EIA processes during Q2-Q3/2018</li> </ul>			
<b>Detailed Engineering</b>			
<b>Construction</b>			
<b>Off-take negotiations and preparations for construction financing</b> (ongoing)			
<b>Commissioning and production ramp-up</b>			

# Key DFS project assumptions

The current life of mines is 13 years, but the project is extended to 20 years by purchasing spodumene concentrates from third parties

Expected mine life (Expected Life of Operations)	13 (20) years
Annual mine production	570 ktpa average
Annual spodumene concentrate production	112 ktpa average
Annual battery grade lithium carbonate sold	10,745 tpa average
Battery grade lithium carbonate price between 2017–2032 (in real terms)	10,320 US\$/t - 13,931 US\$/t
Exchange rate	EUR/US\$ 1.00€ = 1.21 \$



# Attractive project economics

Total Revenue (Expected Life of Operations), MEUR	2,281
Total EBITDA (Expected Life of Operations), MEUR	1,213

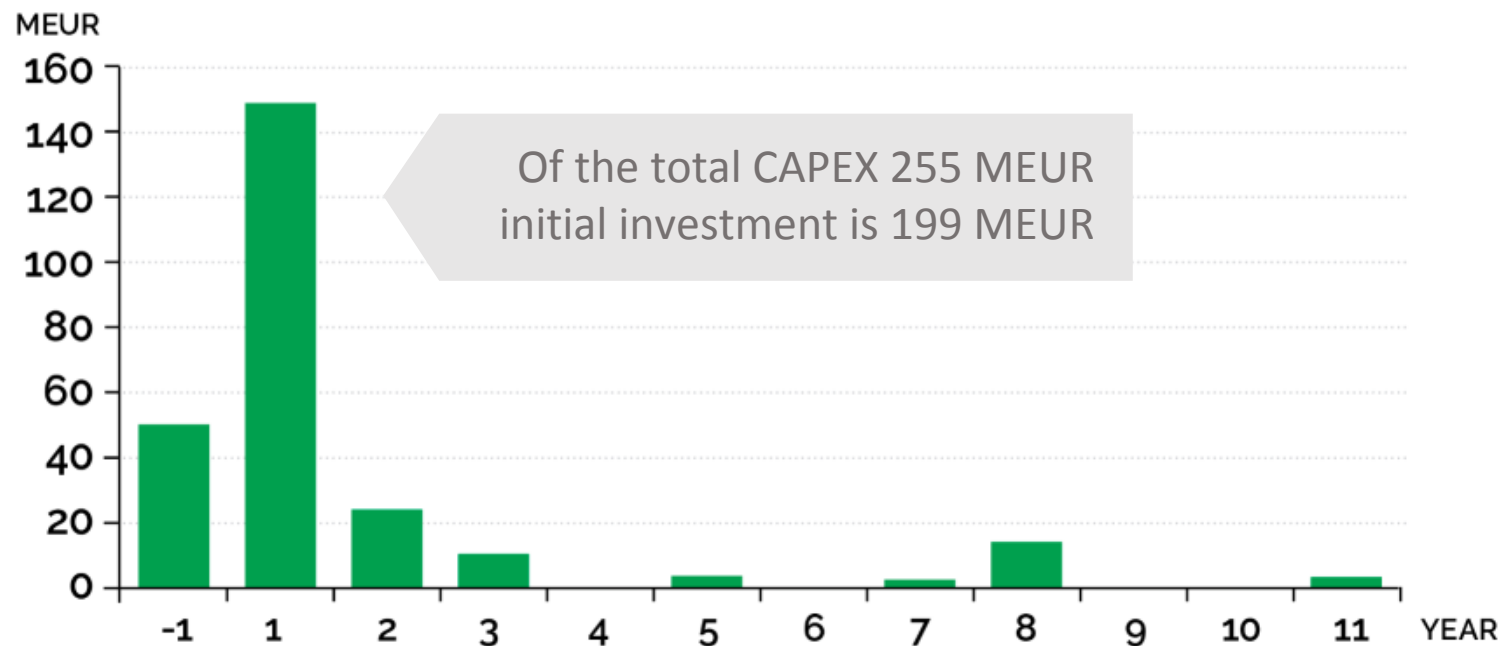
**Pre-Tax**  
Payback Period  
Years **5.5**

**Post-Tax**  
Payback Period  
Years **5.7**

PRE-TAX NPV  
**295** MEUR  
@ 8%  
POST-TAX NPV  
**225** MEUR

Pre-Tax  
IRR % **24**  
Post-Tax  
IRR % **22**

# Capital and operating expenditures



CAPEX	MEUR
Direct	205
Indirect	50
<b>Total CAPEX</b>	<b>255</b>

**Unit Total OPEX, EUR / t Li<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>**  
(produced from Keliber's currently known ore reserves) **4 427**

**Unit Total OPEX, EUR / t Li<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>**  
(incl. purchased spodumene concentrate) **4 866**



An aerial photograph of a mining or construction site. The site is surrounded by dense green forest. In the center, there is a large pile of grey gravel or crushed rock. Several pieces of heavy machinery are visible, including a red excavator, a yellow excavator, a red truck, and a yellow truck. A dirt road runs along the left side of the site. The text "Resources and cleantech process" is overlaid in large white letters across the middle of the image.

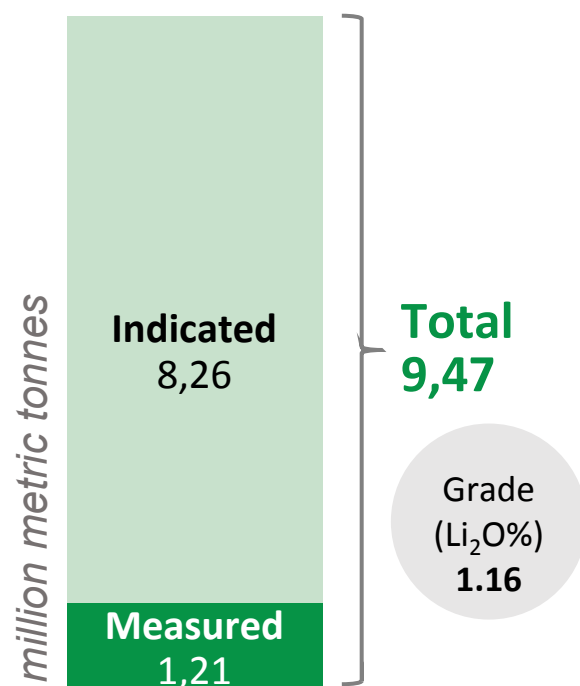
# Resources and cleantech process



# Growing resources and reserves

Latest estimate of mineral resources and ore reserves (million metric tonnes)

## RESOURCES (May 2018)



## RESERVES (June 2018)

	Open pit (kt)	Underground (kt)	Total (kt)
<b>Proven</b>	898	247	1 145
<b>Probable</b>	3 739	2 524	6 263
<b>Total</b>	<b>4 637</b>	<b>2 778</b>	<b>7 408</b>
Ore grade (Li <sub>2</sub> O%)	1.07	0.99	1.04

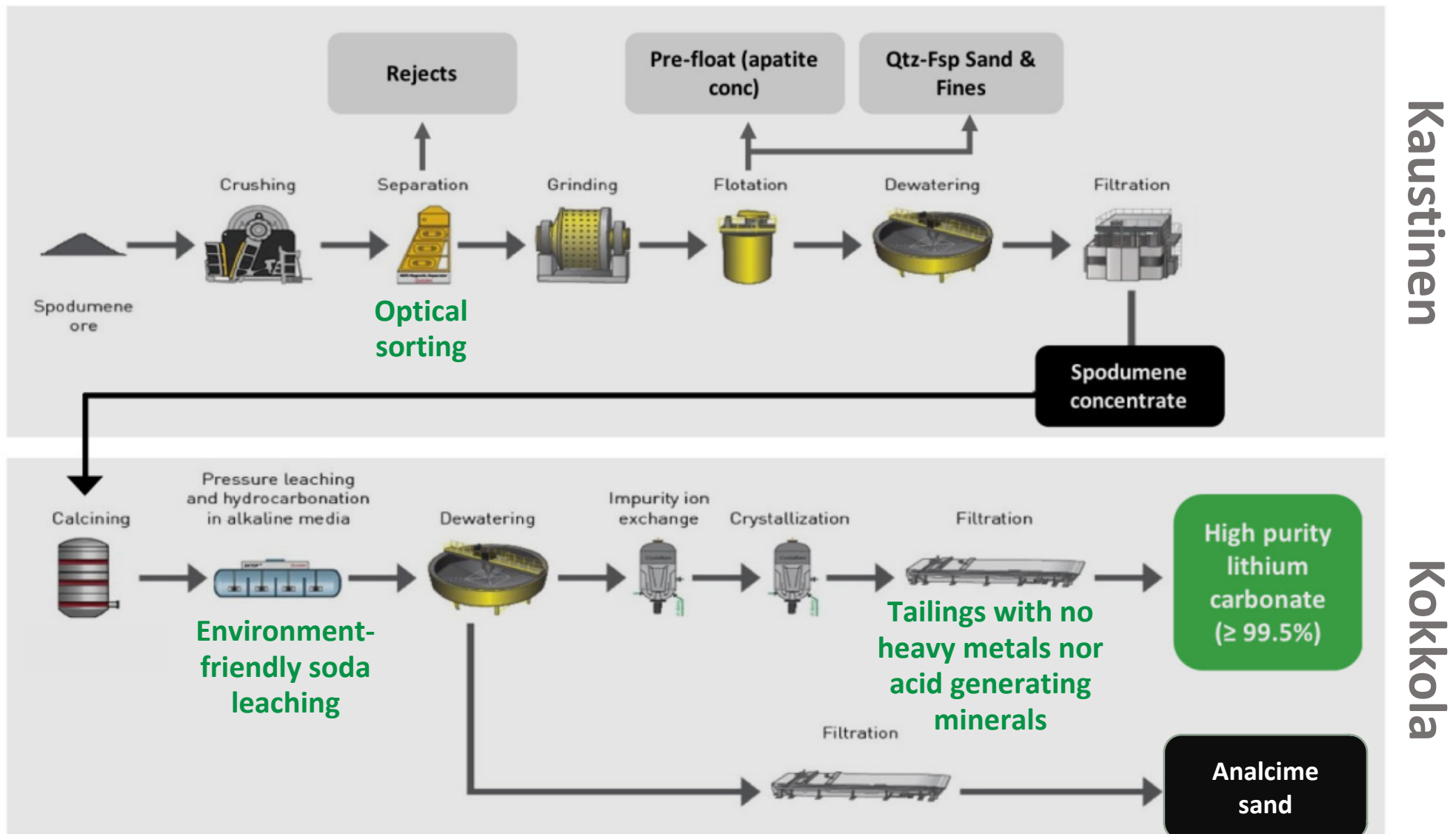
Ore reserves are included in the mineral resources

Estimates prepared by Competent Persons in accordance with 2012 JORC code

# Cleantech process

Efficient and environmentally sound production of high purity lithium carbonate

## Soda leaching process developed together with Outotec



# Strong commitment to sustainability

Sustainable production process and  
proactive environmental actions

- One of the shortest transportation distances in the world from mine to production of lithium chemicals
- Resource efficiency through optimized production chain
- Circular economy through number of potential by-products that can be used locally
- Proactive and transparent environmental and societal actions





# Project upside potential

- Significant lithium endowment – high exploration potential in the area
- Potential for valuable by-products: Analcime sand and quartz-feldspar sand suitable for circular economy
- Possibility for capacity growth due to excellent location
- Adopted production technology serves potential for diversifying product portfolio
- Chemical plant in harbor close to growing European end-product markets





# Fast developing markets for lithium



# Global megatrend

Towards a more mobile and sustainable world

Global needs to  
reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emission  
and improve air  
quality in big cities

Changes in  
consumer behavior



Accelerated  
investment  
in the lithium  
value chain

Global electrification of  
transportation with continuing  
political and regulative support



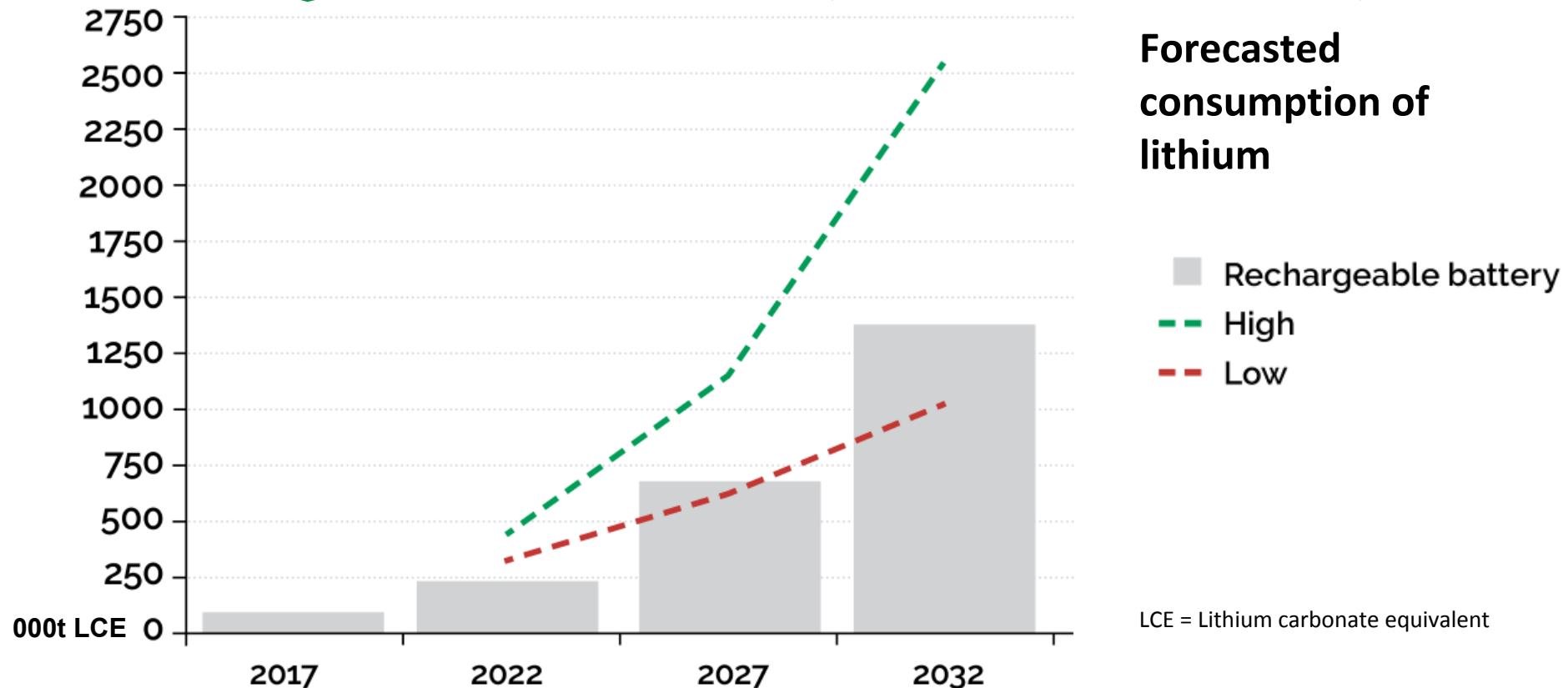
# Increase in demand for lithium

Rechargeable battery sector driver for growth

Increasing global demand:  
19.6% per annum increase  
in the rechargeable battery  
sector

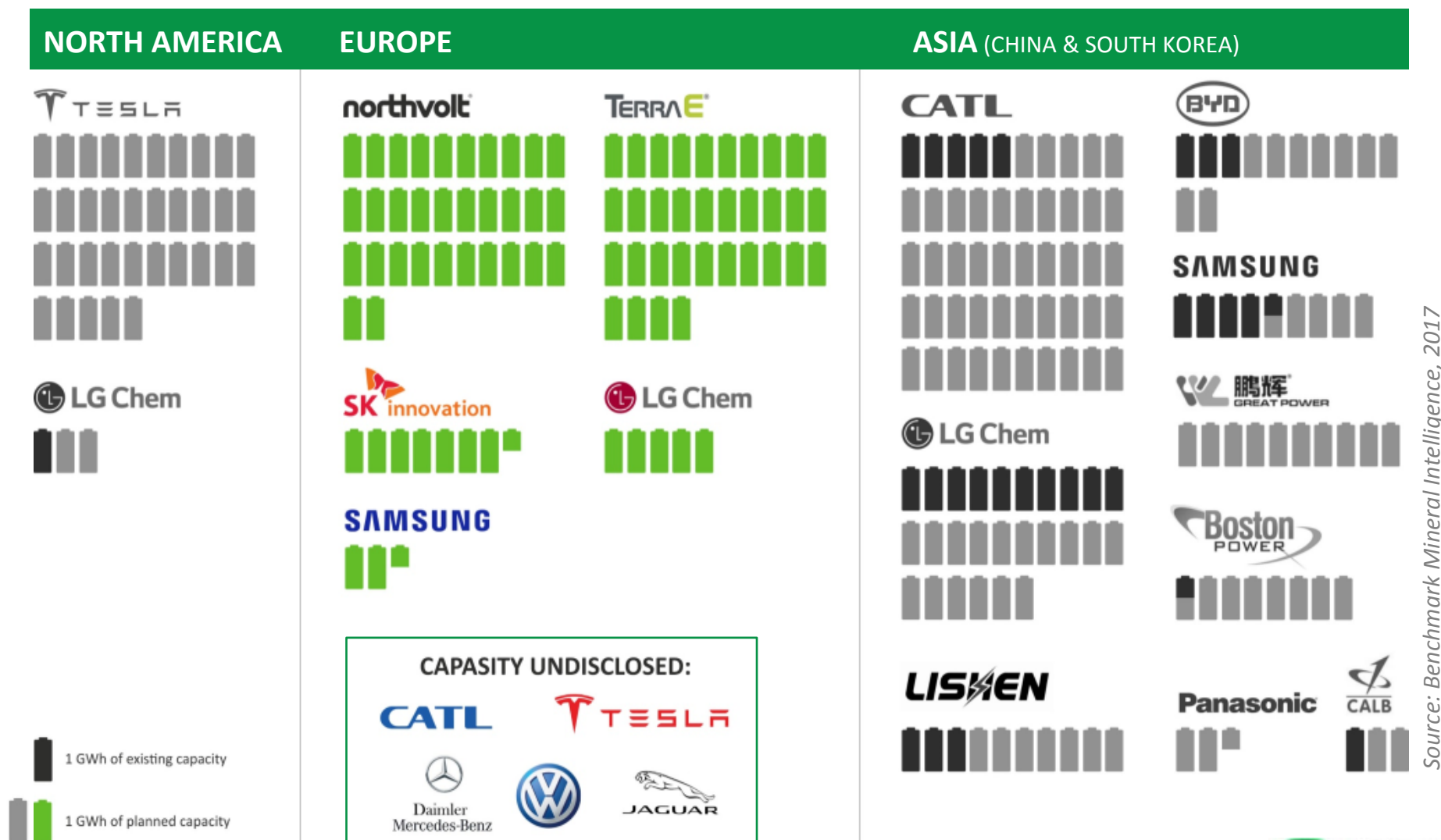
Annual global demand  
growing: 0.21 Mt (2017) →  
0.83 Mt (2027) → 1.56 Mt  
(2032)

Other markets also growing  
(ceramics and glass-ceramics,  
polymers, metallurgical  
powders)



Source: Roskill Consulting Group Ltd, 2018

# Lithium-ion Megafactories - Europe enters the game



Source: Benchmark Mineral Intelligence, 2017

A photograph of a port at sunset. In the center, a red container is being lifted by a crane. To the left, a yellow loader is parked near a large white warehouse. To the right, a blue building is labeled 'ALL WEATHER TERMINAL'. The scene is reflected in a body of water in the foreground.

# Strategically attractive location

# Finland well positioned for battery storage growth

## Raw materials

Li

Ni

Co

Graphite

## From mines to chemicals

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**Norilsk Nickel** worlds largest Ni producer (30 % of production refined in Finland)

**Freeport Cobalt** worlds largest producer of Co chemicals

**Terrafame** investing MUSD 200 in Ni and Co battery chemicals

**BASF** announced intention to invest MEUR 400 to battery cathode material production

## Strong political support

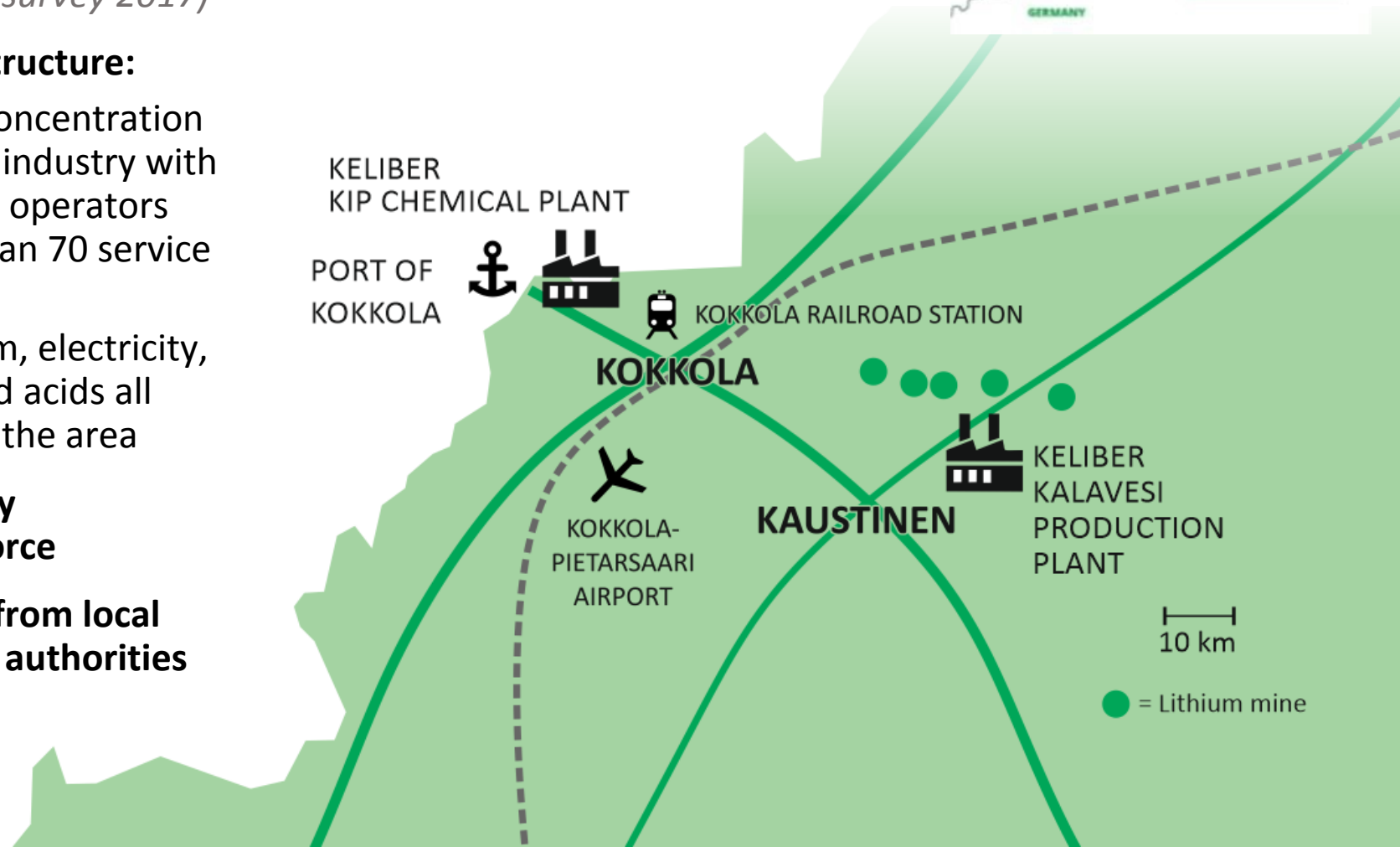
**May 2018:** The Finnish government announced **significant support for the Finnish battery industry** by establishing a joint company ***Finnish Minerals Group*** to pool its ownership and accelerate growth in the industry.



# Excellent location

## Established infrastructure

- **Finland the most attractive jurisdiction for mining investment**  
(Fraser Institute survey 2017)
- **Excellent infrastructure:**
  - Significant concentration of chemical industry with 15 industrial operators and more than 70 service companies
  - Water, steam, electricity, heat, gas and acids all produced in the area
- **Good availability of skilful workforce**
- **Strong support from local community and authorities**



# Concentrator plant in Kalavesi



Designed for ore throughput  
of 600 000 tpa (nominal value)



# Chemical plant in Kokkola Industrial Park



**Nameplate capacity of 11,000 tons**  
**Area reservation and environmental impact assessment for possible expansions**





# Team and summary

# Experienced management



**Pertti Lamberg**

**CEO**

PhD, Geology

**Recent experience:**

- Outotec (Finland): Director of Plant Products 2015–2016
- Luleå University of Technology: Professor of Geometallurgy 2011–2016
- Outotec Research: Chief Technological Advisor, refinement of minerals 2007–2010



**Jaakko Vilponen**

**CFO**

MSc. Economics

**Recent experience:**

- Boliden Stockholm (BA Smelters): Business Development Manager 2009–2015
- Boliden Stockholm and Kokkola (Smelters business segment): Chief Financial Officer 2006–2009



# Management team

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CEO

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CFO

**Kari Wiikinkoski**  
Environmental  
Manager

**Jarmo Finnälä**  
Communication  
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Manager

**Manu Myllymäki**  
Chief Production  
Officer

**Olle Sirén**  
COO

**Pentti Grönholm**  
Chief Geologist

Team with decades of experience in the mining and metals industry, business development and financing, stakeholder communications and environmental planning and preservation.



# Summary

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