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RG8 Investor Update and Q&A Webinar Presentation

As previously announced, it gives us great pleasure to confirm that Regal Funds Management's Co-Founder and Chief Investment Officer Long/Short Equities, Philip King, will be providing a portfolio update today by webinar on the Regal Asian Investments Limited (ASX:RG8) strategy.

The webinar will commence at 11.30am (AEST) today and the presentation slides are enclosed with this announcement.

Sharing his investment outlook and insights into broader thematics, Philip will be joined by members of Regal's Asian listed equities investment team to delve into opportunities on offer across the Asia-Pacific region.

Investors can register to view, and receive a recording of, the webinar via the following link:

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The presentation will be followed by a Q&A session. We encourage attendees to submit their questions in advance to allow the team to respond to as many queries as time permits. This can be done by registering to attend the webinar and submitting your questions when prompted, or by emailing investorrelations@regalpartners.com.

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ABOUT RG8

RG8 provides investors with access to an actively managed, concentrated portfolio, comprised of long investments and short positions in securities with exposure to the Asian region. In June 2022, portfolio management responsibilities for RG8 transitioned from the VGI Partners investment team to specialist alternatives investment manager Regal Funds Management (Regal) under an investment advisory agreement with Regal Asian Investments Management Pty Ltd. In November 2022, the Company changed its name and ticker from VGI Partners Asian Investments Limited (ASX:VG8) to Regal Asian Investments Limited (ASX:RG8) to reflect those changes. Utilising a fundamental, bottom-up investment approach, the portfolio leverages Regal's extensive experience, network and specialist investment team.



Introduction

Charlie Aitken, Regal Partners



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(ASX:RG8)



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- In November 2022, the Company changed its name and ticker from VGI Partners Asian Investments (VG8) to Regal Asian Investments (RG8) to reflect those changes.
- Utilising a fundamental, bottom-up investment approach, the portfolio leverages Regal's extensive experience, network and specialist investment team.
- Dividend policy: RG8 will seek to pay dividends of \$0.05 per share on a six-monthly basis.



Strong performance across all listed investment vehicles



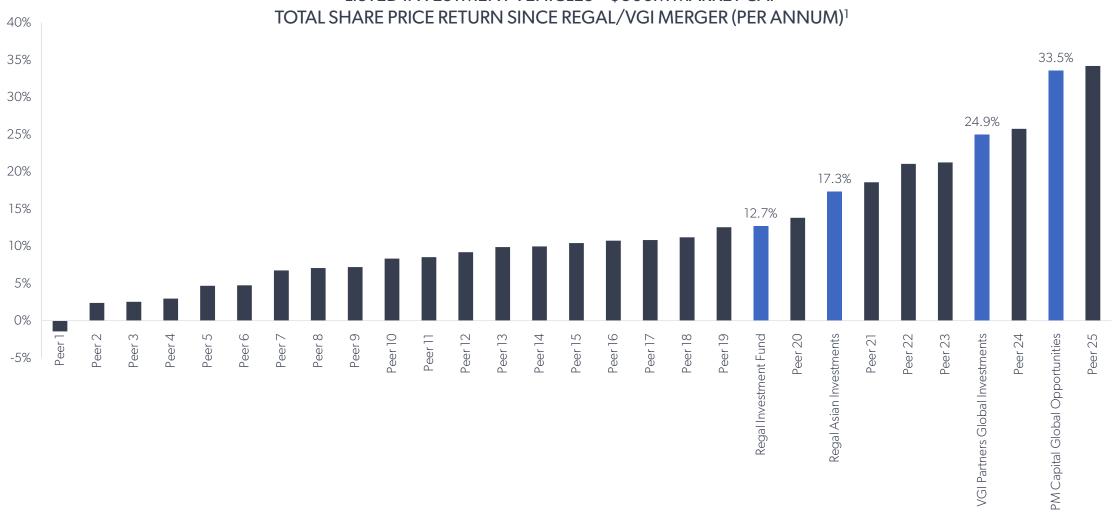
Fund	Launch	Description	l yr portfolio return ¹	Portfolio return since inception/ merger p.a. ^{1,2}	TOT .	AL SHARE PRICE RETURN INDEX ³ ——PGF ——RF1 ——VG1 ——RG8
PGF PM Capita	2013	Global L/S Equities	35.9%	15.0%	140	137
RF1 REGAL	2019	Multi-strategy alternatives	26.2%	19.4%	130	129 126
VG1 VGI PARTNERS Global Investments	2017	Global L/S High Conviction	18.0%	15.5%	110	114
RG8 REGAI	_s 2019	Asian L/S High Conviction	17.4%	10.9%	100	
						n-23 Aug-23 Nov-23 Feb-24 May-24

Source: Regal, VGI Partners, PM Capital, Bloomberg. 1. Return as at 31 May 2024. Net of fees and costs and is adjusted for capital flows including those associated with the payment of distributions/dividends and tax, share issuance and/or cancellations (option exercise, distribution/dividend reinvestment plan (pre franking benefits), share purchase plan, and equal access buyback) where relevant. 2. VG1 and RG8 portfolio returns since merger calculated from 1 July 2022 - 31 May 2024. 3. Total share price return (including gross dividends) per Bloomberg as at 31 May 2024 (weekly data) indexed to a starting value of 100. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

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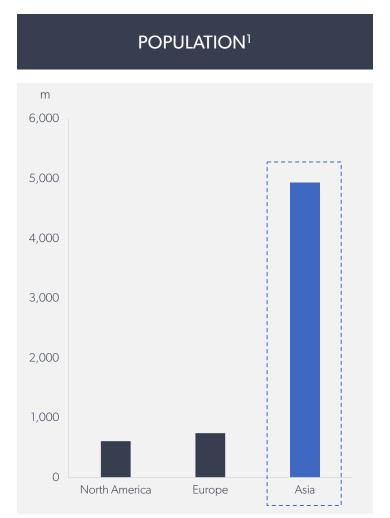


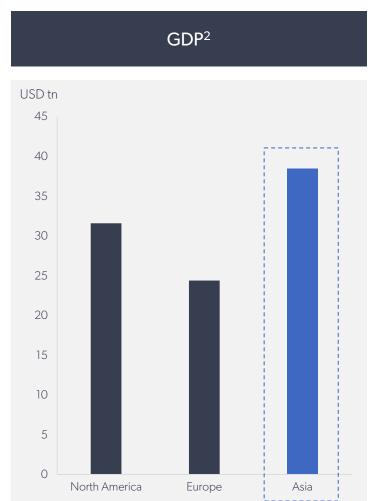


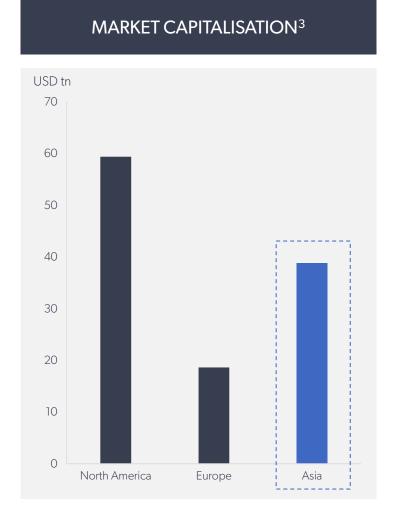
Source: Bell Potter, Bloomberg as at 31 May 2024. Excludes LICs classified as Fixed Income and Private Equity. 1. Total share price return (including gross dividends) per Bloomberg. Returns calculated from 1 July 2022 as a proxy for returns since Regal Funds Management Pty Limited merged with VGI Partners Limited. Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance. It should not be relied upon as (and is not) an indication of future performance.

Asia leads in population & GDP but not market capitalisation REGAL





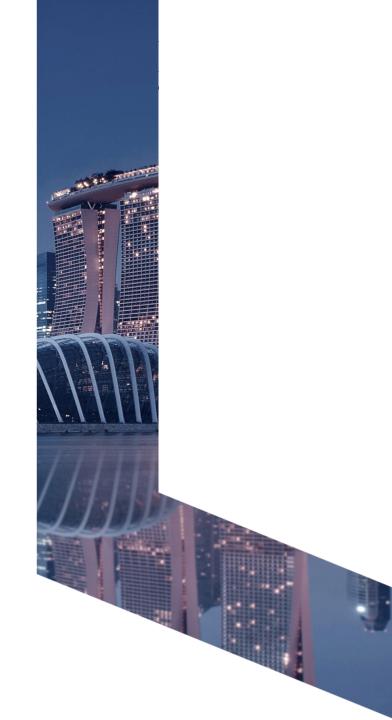




Market Outlook

Philip King, CIO Long/Short Equities, Regal Funds





Market update

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Key takeaways

- 1
- Higher earnings yields and lower bond yields make Asian equities particularly attractive

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Asian companies unlocking hidden value

3

Asia provides great exposure to Al through semiconductor manufacturing

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Green transition driving demand for commodities, particularly copper and uranium

Asian equities continue to lag





PRICE TO EARNINGS (12 MONTHS FORWARD)



EQUITY RISK PREMIA BY MARKET



Attractive equity risk premia in Asia



EQUITY RISK PREMIA



Increasing focus on shareholders





- Tokyo Stock Exchange naming and shaming those not optimising earnings for shareholders
- Rising shareholder returns as activists pressure companies to unlock hidden value
- Large increase in dividends and buybacks



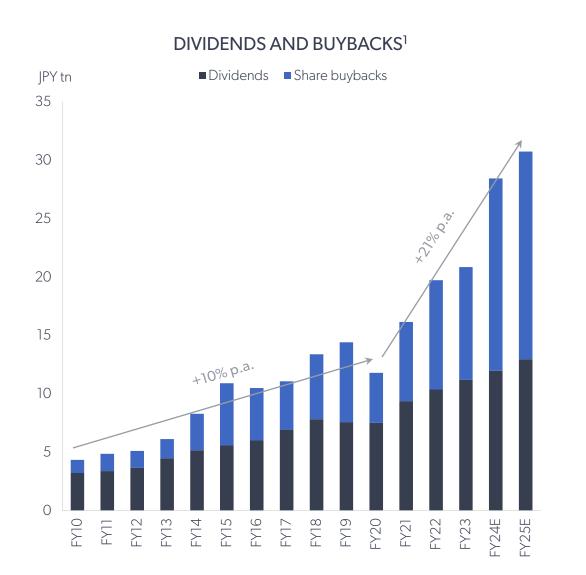
- Trying to improve shareholder returns via Value Up program
 - Seeking to close the "Korea discount" and has numerous similarities with Japan

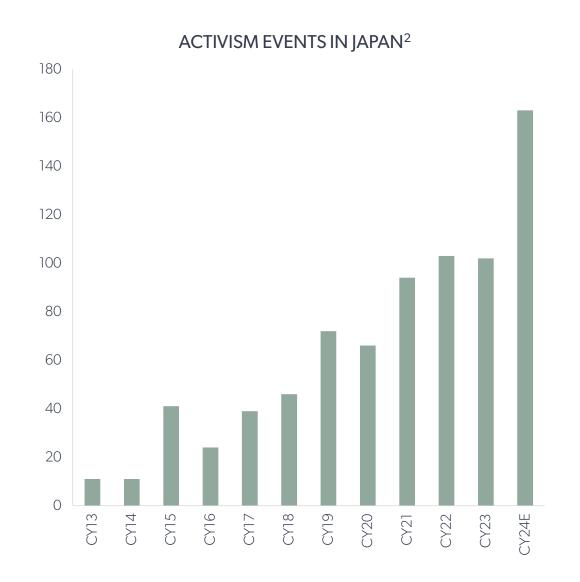


- Various new policies, particularly targeted at State Owned Entities (SOEs), focused on improving shareholder returns, corporate governance and increasing competitiveness
- Recently released Nine-Point Guideline focused on developing the stock market and aiming to promote stability, improve long-term growth, increase investor confidence and enhance transparency

Japanese corporates are unlocking hidden value



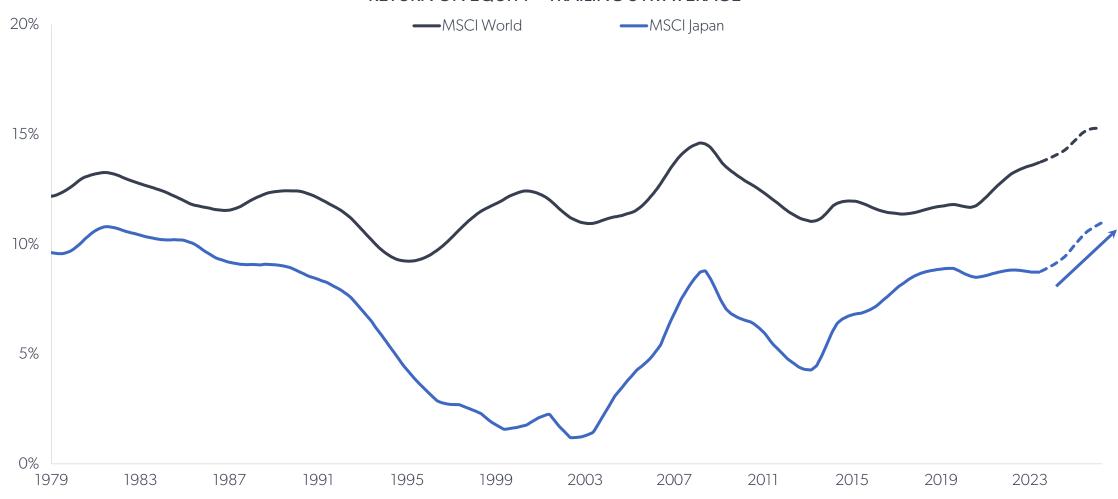




Japan's return on equity rising



RETURN ON EQUITY – TRAILING 5YR AVERAGE



Japan: Activism Unlocking Value Is Real

Shannon McConaghy – Senior Analyst





Nihon Kohden





- Leading supplier of medical devices in Japan
 - #1 in patient monitors, EEG, Automatic External Defibrillators and polygraphs
- High exposure to recurring consumables and services (~47% of sales)
- Expanding overseas, particularly in the US:
 - Supplying 18 of the 25 leading US Hospital Integrated Delivery Networks (IDNs)
 - Rising hardware installation leading to more consumables sales
- Leveraging strength in data management to provide new Al solutions
- Operating profits forecast to near double over the coming three years under new management mid-term plan with activist successful in encouraging a structural overhaul



Nihon Kohden: Leveraging data strengths for AI solutions

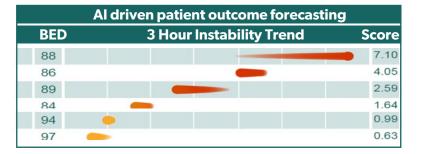


Seamlessly managing patient data throughout treatment process:



Leveraging data management strengths and R&D to provide leading AI solutions that allow hospitals to better allocate

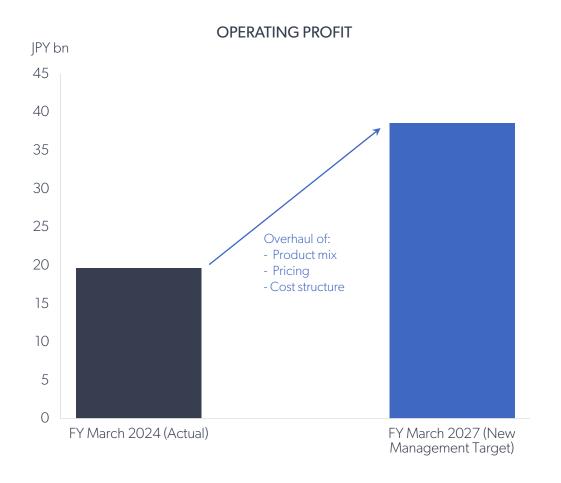
resources:



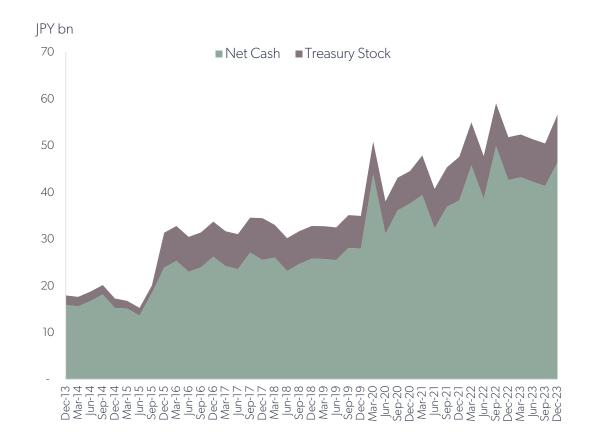
Nihon Kohden: Unlocking value following activist engagement R E G A L



Profit structure reform announced following activist engagement



Management have a war-chest to fund further growth



Asian Semiconductors and AI

Philip King, CIO Long/Short Equities, Regal Funds

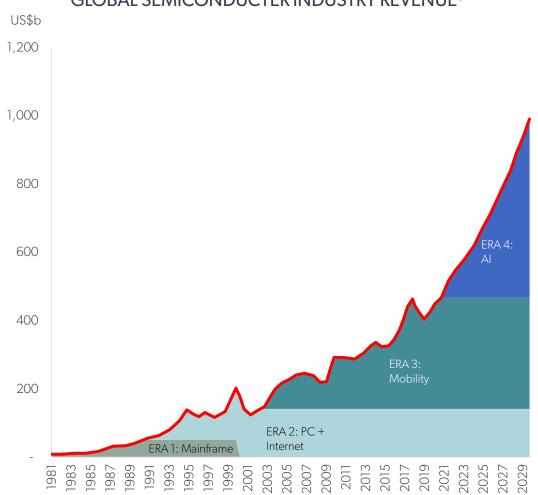




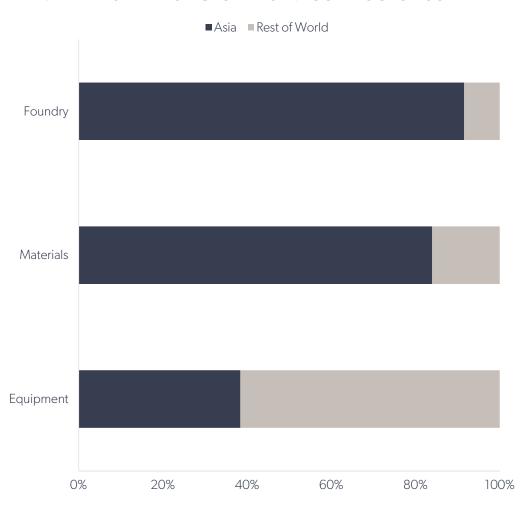
AI demand will drive Asia semiconductor market



GLOBAL SEMICONDUCTER INDUSTRY REVENUE¹



MARKET SHARE OF GLOBAL SEMICONDUCTOR SUPPLY²

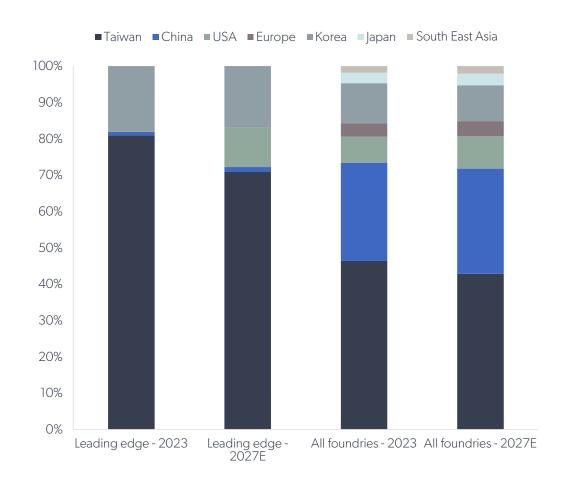


Source: 1. SEMI, Applied Materials. 2. Stratfor 2021.

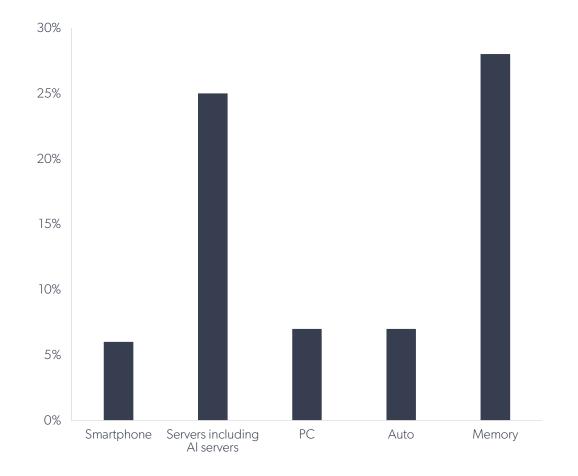
Focusing in on leading edge technology



Taiwan dominates leading edge while China is investing significantly in older technlogies¹



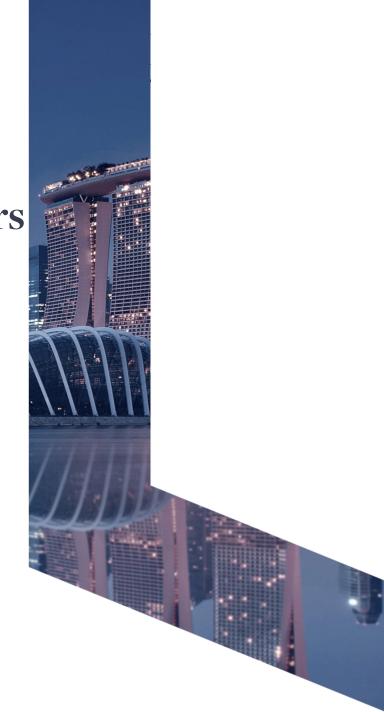
2023-26 annual growth rates for semiconductor revenue by end market 2



Taiwan & Korean Semiconductor Manufacturers

Glen Barnes, Head of Asia Fundamental Research





Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company (TSMC)





- Global leader in contract semiconductor chip manufacturing
- Clear leader in cutting edge technologies for chip manufacturing
- Crucial player in the supply chain for the most advanced chips including Al-related chips

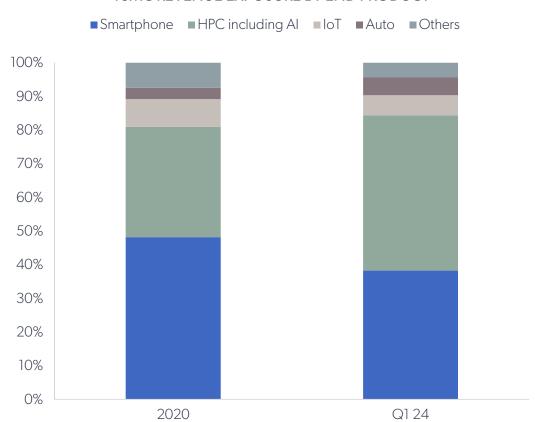


TSMC: AI chip manufacturing a key growth driver

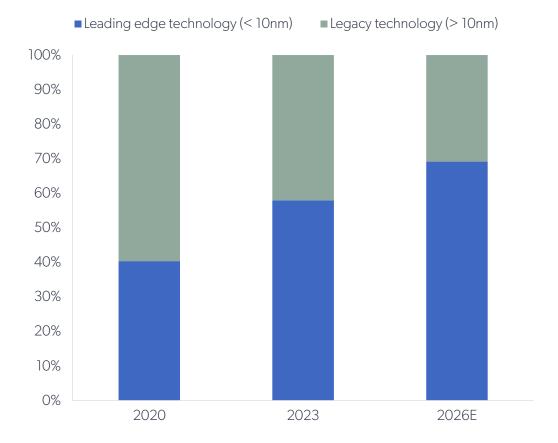


Server and Al server growth is a major driver of High Performance Computing (HPC) and is now the largest division for TSMC TSMC is the global leader in leading edge chip manufacturing and a critical partner in producing Al chips

TSMC REVENUE EXPOSURE BY END PRODUCT



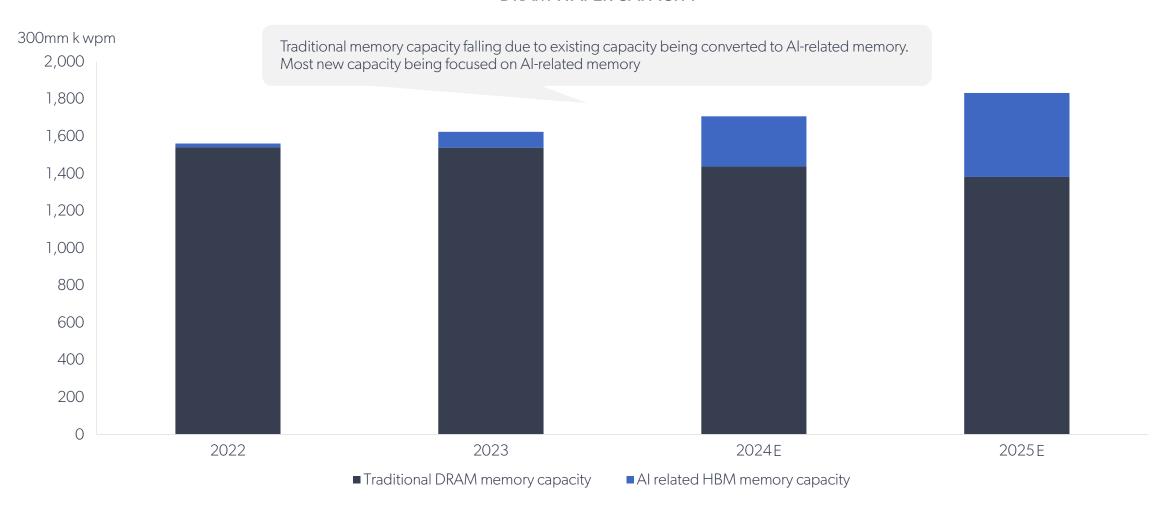
TSMC REVENUE - LEADING EDGE TECHNOLOGY VS. LEGACY TECHNOLOGY



AI-related memory increasing



DRAM WAFER CAPACITY



SK Hynix





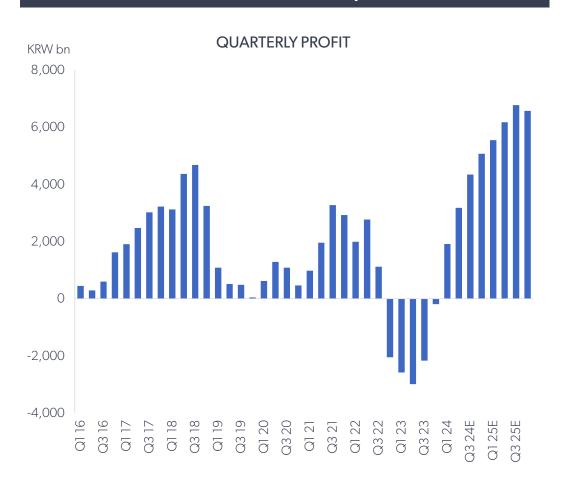
- 2nd Largest memory maker globally, being just behind Samsung
- Clear leader in providing Al-related memory and a key partner of NVIDIA
- Largest pure play memory company in Asia, with significant leverage to the memory upcycle



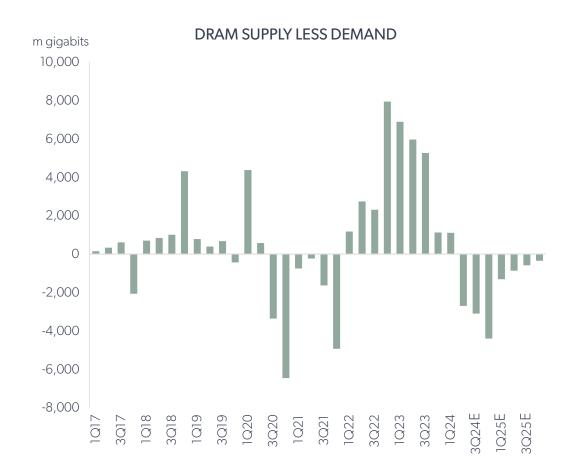
SK Hynix: In the early stages of a cyclical recovery



SK Hynix's profit has only just started recovering after a large downcycle, with Al-related demand a key driver



DRAM memory market expected to stay in supply deficit until at least the end of 2025

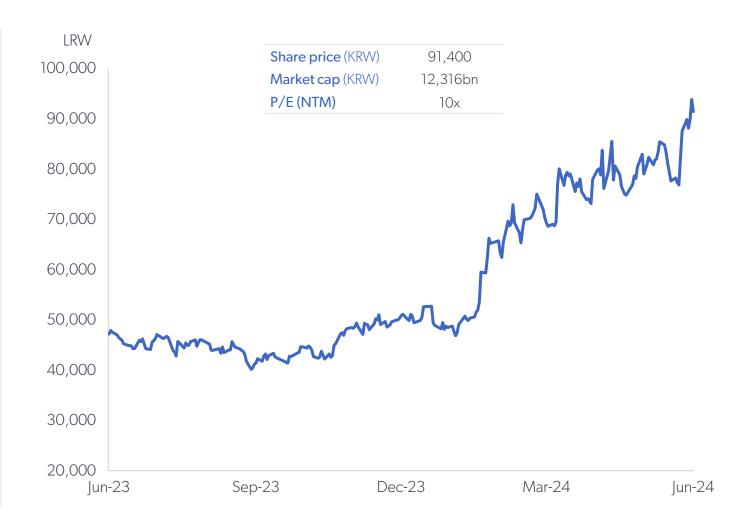


SK Square





- Another way to invest in SK Hynix while also having a value unlock element
- SK Square is an investment holding company in Korea, with c.90% of its net assets relating to its 20% investment in SK Hynix
- SK Square has been actively selling smaller assets and buying back and cancelling stock in SK Square to lower the discount to net asset value



SK Square: Continues to trade at large discount



SK SQUARE DISCOUNT TO NAV



Source: Bloomberg, CLSA estimates.

Japan Semiconductor Materials & Equipment

Shannon McConaghy – Senior Analyst





Ulvac



ULVAC

- Semiconductor and Electronics division is driving growth:
 - Supplier of "sputtering" deposition equipment
 - Benefiting from investment in High-Bandwidth Memory (HBM)
 - "De facto standard" in Metal Hard Masks (MHM) used in leading edge Extreme Ultraviolet (EUV) processes
- Winning orders for next generation battery production equipment
- Revising pricing strategy to better leverage technological strengths and improve margins
- Net cash balance sheet with multiple growth areas to allocate capital for high return on investment



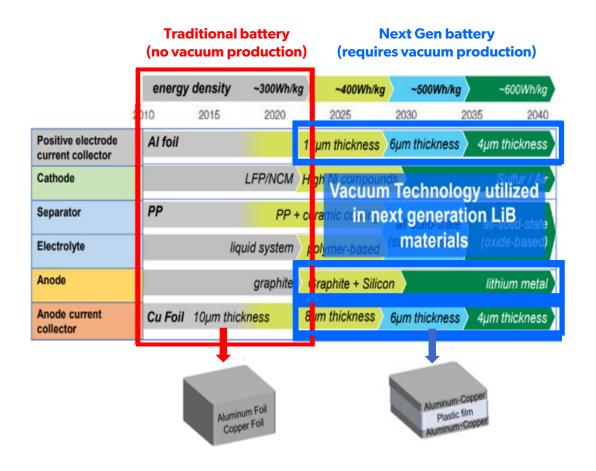
Ulvac: Growth in semiconductor and battery equipment



Leveraged to growth in leading edge HBM and EUV processes



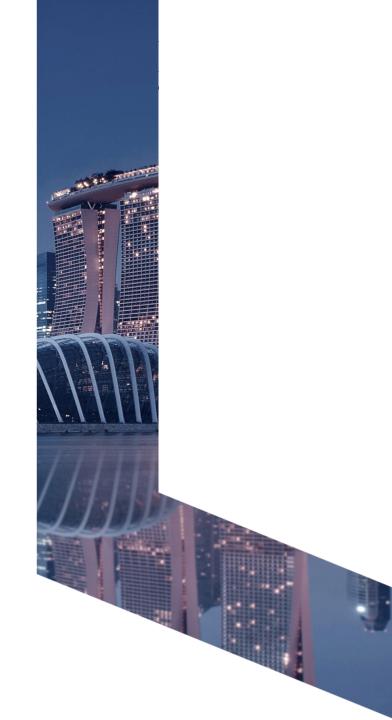
Winning orders in next gen battery production using vacuum technology



Australia

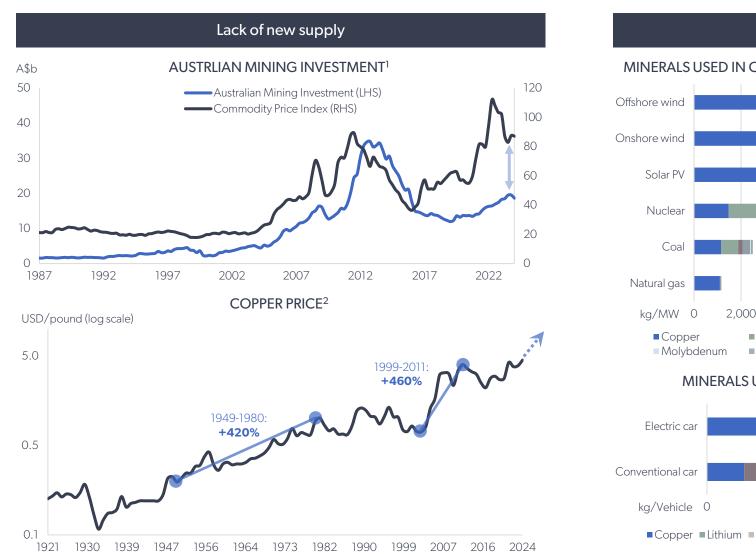
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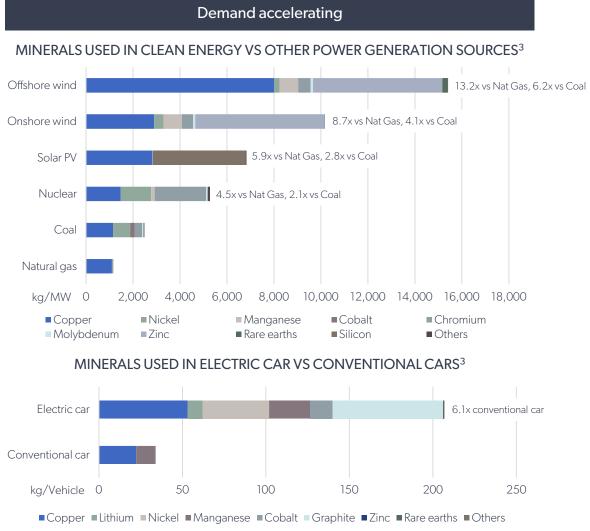




Positive setup for Copper







Source: 1. Minack Advisors as at June 2024. Mining investment annual data interpolated using quarterly new capital expenditure data. RBA non-rural commodity index in special drawing rights (SDR) terms — leading by 3 quarters. 2. Broker research, Bloomberg as at June 2024 (annual data, nominal terms). 3. International Energy Agency (IEA). Past performance is not a reliable indicator of future performance.

Uranium: Increasingly undersupplied

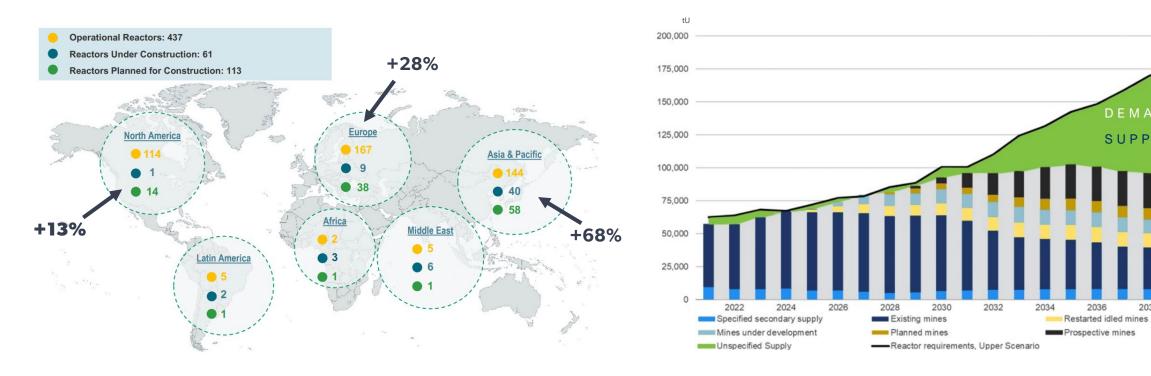


DEMAND

SUPPLY

PLANNED REACTOR BUILD OUT - ASIA & PACIFIC LEADING THE CHARGE (51% OF GLOBAL PLANNED CONSTRUCTION)

WORLD NUCLEAR ASSOCIATION: SUPPLY VS DEMAND (UPPER SCENARIO)²



Asia & Pacific account for 66% of reactors under construction and 51% of reactors planned for construction

Australia Resources

Henry Renshaw, Portfolio Manager, Regal Funds





Capstone Copper





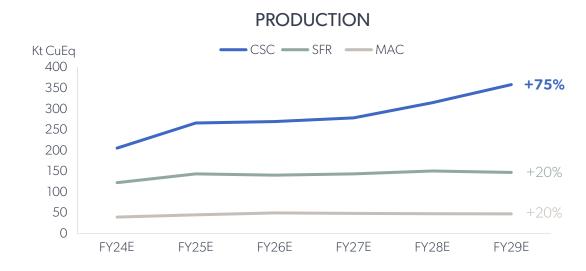
- Copper producer operating assets in USA, Mexico and Peru
- The company have expansion potential in Peru, expanding its producing mine and a large scale greenfield development
 - This is expected to deliver impressive production growth and reduce group unit operating costs
- The company recently dual listed onto the ASX

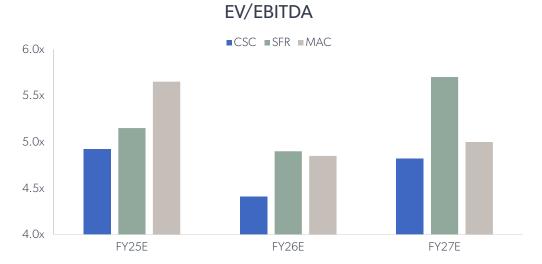


Capstone Copper: Cheap, growth and declining cost profile











NexGen Energy





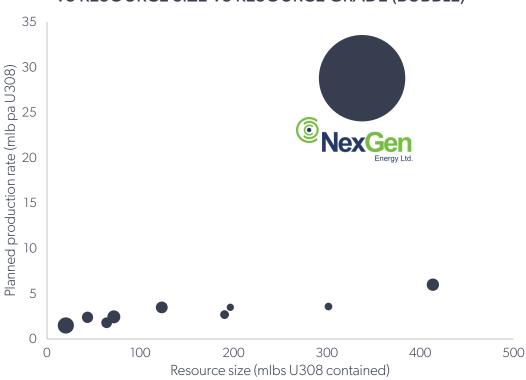
- Uranium developer whose flagship asset is the Rook 1 Project in Saskatchewan, Canada
- The Project hosts the Tier 1 Arrow Deposit
 - 2021 feasibility study demonstrated Arrow as a tier one orebody with world class economics
 - NexGen is aiming to bring Rook I into production in 2028-29
 - Expected to become the world's largest uranium mine, supplying around 15% of global supply

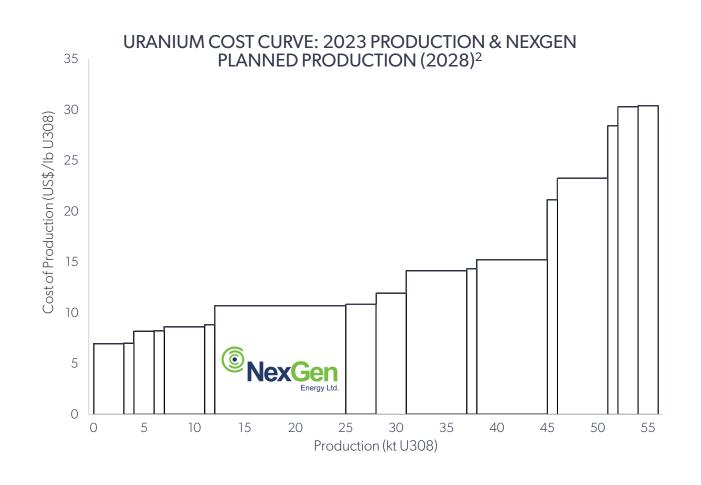


NexGen Energy: A world class development asset



DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS: PLANNED PRODUCTION VS RESOURCE SIZE VS RESOURCE GRADE (BUBBLE)¹





Investor Q&A



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