

DGO Gold Limited

Leveraged to the gold price with exploration upside

DGO Gold Ltd (ASX:DGO) is a gold and copper discovery company with a suite of tenements throughout WA and SA in highly prospective provinces with access to processing infrastructure on success. DGO also has strategic shareholdings in a number of complementary ASX-listed gold companies, 14.5% holding in De Grey Mining (ASX:DEG), 6.8% in Dacian Gold (ASX:DCN) and 20.1% in Yandal Resources (ASX:YRL). The company's strategy is wealth creation from investment appreciation and, exploration and evaluation across its organic options, from extensive drilling and geophysical campaigns, which are expected to continue through 2022. The key to delivering tangible value is through organic discovery and that means working the asset base. DGO's differentiated strategic portfolio approach leverages deep domain expertise. The company anticipates maintaining an underlying exploration spend to <5% of its market capitalisation, in the order of \$8mn pa to be funded through realising its portfolio holdings, utilising its secured debt facility of \$15mn (currently drawn to \$3mn) and equity issues. In a post-COVID environment with the world heading along a changing energy and technology pathway, the future for metals demand and pricing looks robust.

A differentiated business model

DGO is a gold and copper exploration company offering a differentiated approach; exploration of highly prospective greenfield opportunities and strategic equity holdings (ordinary shares) in complementary ASX-listed metals plays. The company strategy is to create shareholder value through exposure to both the upside potential of their own exploration projects assets and a portfolio of liquid listed investments with tier-1 growth potential. DGO's current investments are De Grey Mining (ASX: DEG), Dacian Gold (ASX:DCN) and Yandal Resources (ASX:YRL).

There is exploration with encouraging results at Pernatty

DGO aims to maintain a consistent level of exploration expenditure in the order of \$8mn pa pursuing large-scale mineralisation plays. Recent key drilling results include highly encouraging data at Pernatty, Stuart Shelf (SA), defining a 15km transition zone with intersections of ~4m grading up to 0.9%CuEq. A gravity survey is planned through the current quarter to better define another three priority Carrapateena-style targets at Pernatty, whilst further drilling will be undertaken at the Bryah, Yerrida in the Murchison area. By definition, early-stage exploration is a high risk process, with potentially high return in the success case, but can be long-dated and expensive. The Mallina tenements adjoin DEG's Mallina Gold province including the intrusion-related gold at Hemi. The Bryah and Yerrida tenements target DeGrussa style copper-gold and Zambian copper belt mineralisation potential.

Capitalised for its investment portfolio

The company's capitalisation trades at a discount to its portfolio of listed share investments, providing a 'free option' on the success of the exploration portfolio. DGO's strategy is differentiated from its ASX-designated peer companies providing an alternate, potentially attractive return profile to the gold price and a nominal free option on any future discoveries.

Historical earnings and ratios (In A\$m unless otherwise stated)						
Year end	Revenue	EBITDA adj.*	NPAT adj.	NPAT rep.	EPS adj. (c)	EPS rep.
06/18a	0.0	(0.4)	(0.4)	(0.6)	(3.8)	(5.6)
06/19a	0.0	(1.0)	(1.0)	(5.1)	(4.0)	(19.6)
06/20a	0.0	(3.0)	(3.2)	(0.1)	(5.5)	(0.2)
06//21a	0.0	(11.5)	(11.7)	(7.0)	(15.9)	(9.9)
Source: Company data; *EBITDA, NPAT and EPS adjusted for one-time, non-cash items						

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Share Performance (12 months)



Upside Case

- A leveraged play on the gold price through its share portfolio provides direct upside
- Exploration results deliver above-expectation outcomes
- Board and management bring significant gold, mining and finance experience

Downside Case

- Gold price volatility likely to have more share price impact than operational results
- Exploration results disappoint or require additional capital
- Further equity issues cannot be discounted to support in-ground works (dilutionary)

Catalysts

- Gold price rally on geopolitical tensions continues
- 2022 exploration results

Comparable companies (Aust/NZ)

Genesis Mining (ASX:GMD), Carnaby Resources (ASX:CNB), Encounter Resources (ASX:ENR), Musgrave Minerals (ASX:MGV)

Board and Management

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