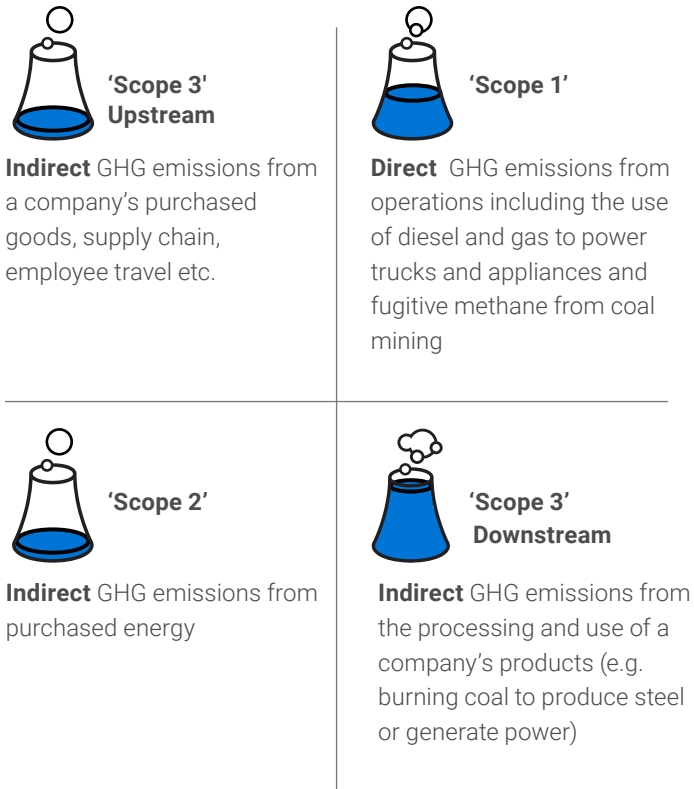



# Net zero: mining

To prevent dangerous climate change, greenhouse gas emissions must reach net zero. What does the **mining sector** need to do?

**4-7%** of human-caused GHG emissions come from the operations of the mining sector

## Sources of emissions

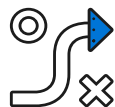


 Source: McKinsey (2020). Range in operational emissions depends on treatment of warming potential of methane



## Challenges

- Loss of hydrocarbon revenues
- Water/energy use
- Costs and complexity of technologies
- Lack of infrastructure
- Limited recycling and scrap availability
- Young age for some high-carbon industrial facilities



## Opportunities

- Key enabler of the low-carbon transition (raw materials for renewables, batteries, electric vehicles etc.)
- Cost reductions
- Increased safety and efficiency

## Companies

## Governments

Key levers	Key policies
Shifting commodity mix to accelerate the energy transition	Higher and more widely applied carbon prices
Electrification and automation to reduce emission from operations	Carbon border adjustment
Phasing out thermal coal	Fugitive methane regulation
Partnerships with vendors and customers	Policies to retrain workforce
	Policies to encourage low-carbon infrastructure



## Other environmental considerations

- Pollution
- Impact on biodiversity
- Impact on land use
- Closure and rehabilitation
- Dam safety

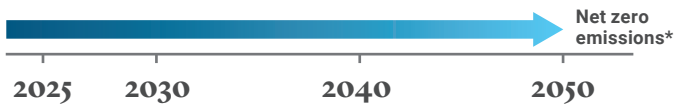
## Social impacts and the 'just transition'

- Maintaining social licence to operate/community rights
- Significant local employer
- Taxes and royalty payments

## Physical risk impacts

- Water scarcity
- Heatwaves and flooding can take mines offline and disrupt supply chains

### Decarbonisation effort



Easier to achieve	Possible with effort
Phasing of thermal coal from portfolios	Increased efficiency and automation
Renewable energy	Deployment of green hydrogen and metals electrolysis
Digitalisation	Low-carbon processing (e.g. inert anodes for aluminium)
Electrification	
Increased recycling of metals	

\*To be followed by reducing emissions of other GHGs such as methane to net zero

### What is needed?



#### Company leadership

Taking responsibility for supporting decarbonisation across the full company value chain



#### Research and innovation

New smelting techniques  
Hydrogen  
Carbon capture and storage



#### Consumer behaviour

Increased demand for renewables and low-carbon materials and parts

**LGIM will vote and implement investment sanctions against companies falling short of our climate expectations.**

### How are we assessing companies' net zero pathways?

<b>Net-zero commitment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the company have a comprehensive target for net zero by 2050 or earlier, including emissions from sold products and has this target been certified by the SBTi?</li> <li>Has the company disclosed a net-zero transition plan, including interim targets?</li> </ul>
<b>Strategy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Are capex decisions analysed according to a well-below 2°C trajectory?</li> <li>Evidence of R&amp;D in / acquisitions of low-carbon technology and critical mineral inputs?</li> <li>Is executive remuneration aligned with the net zero pathway?</li> </ul>
<b>Resilience</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Exposure to physical risk?</li> <li>Resilience of business model in – and alignment to – climate scenarios?</li> </ul>
<b>Targets</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the company have a target to achieve net-zero operational emissions?</li> <li>Does the company have targets in relation to energy transition commodities?</li> </ul>
<b>Collaboration</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Evidence of the company working collaboratively across its value chain to reduce emissions?</li> <li>Evidence of the company advocating for meaningful policy action?</li> </ul>
<b>Red lines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Does the company disclose downstream Scope 3 emissions?</li> <li>Is the company planning to increase thermal coal capacity?</li> </ul>

## For more information...

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