

ESG and mining in Francophone West Africa

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Agenda

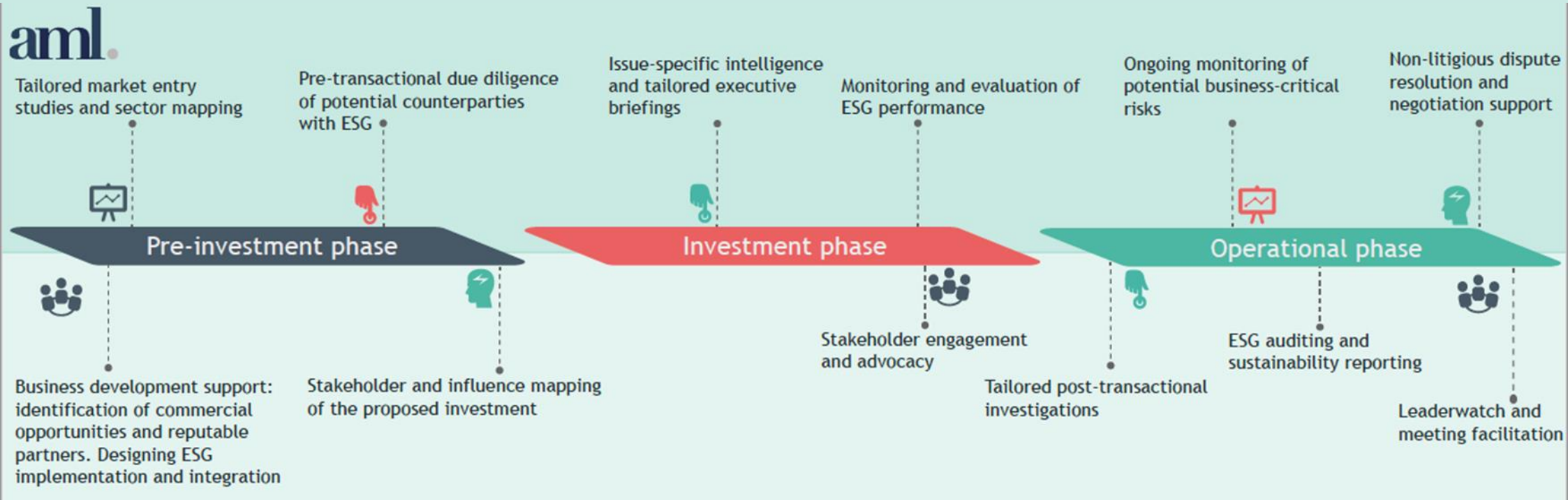
- Introduction to Africa Matters Ltd – who we are, what we do.
- A brief overview of existing and evolving environmental, social, and governance risks for mining in Francophone West Africa.
- The ‘social’ pillar as the new frontier for investors – a 2021 ESG megatrend.
- Strengthening sustainability in mining operations - case studies:
 - The nexus between security and ESG in Malian gold mining.
 - The race to iron ore in Guinea: what is holding back Nimba and Simandou?



Who we are

- Strategic advisory firm, involved at all stages of the investment lifecycle, from market entry to decommissioning.
- 24 years' of experience advising companies operating across Africa.
- Diverse client base, traditionally focused on extractives, but increasingly growing to include financial services, telecommunications, infrastructure, FMCG and renewable energy.
- Maintain high-level relationships with governments and senior business figures across the continent, allowing us to facilitate stakeholder engagement and non-litigious dispute resolution for our clients.

Our services



ESG risks in West Africa

Investors' sensitivity to miners' risk exposure is increasing

SPECIAL REPORT-How jihadists struck gold in Africa's Sahel

The Sahel: Terror, poverty and climate change

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Major manufacturing companies oppose mining in Atewa Forest, Ghana

CLIMATE CHANGE
Climate change, conflict: What is fuelling the Lake Chad crisis

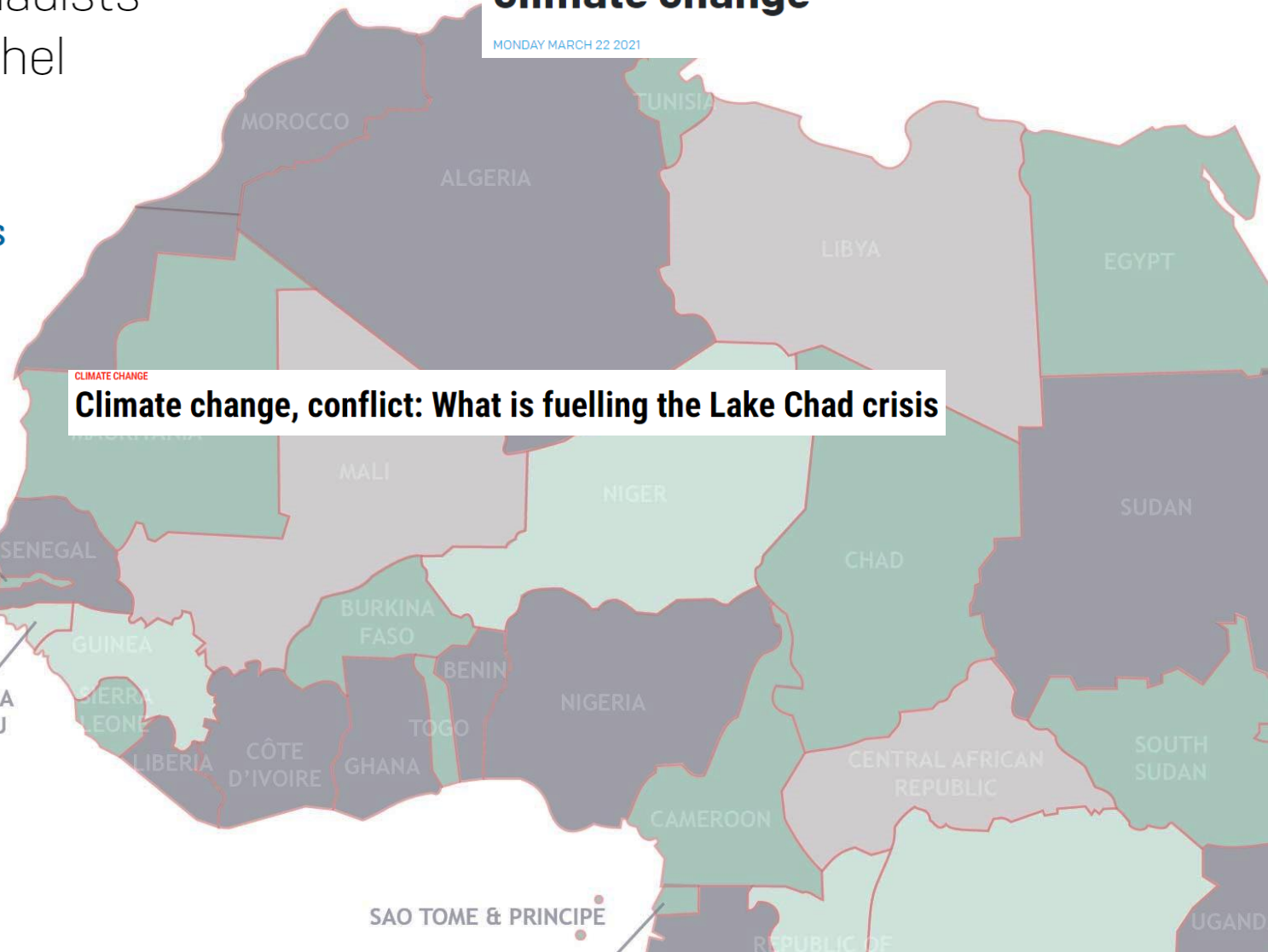
In Guinea, environmentalists and locals are divided over the building of a dam near a wildlife park

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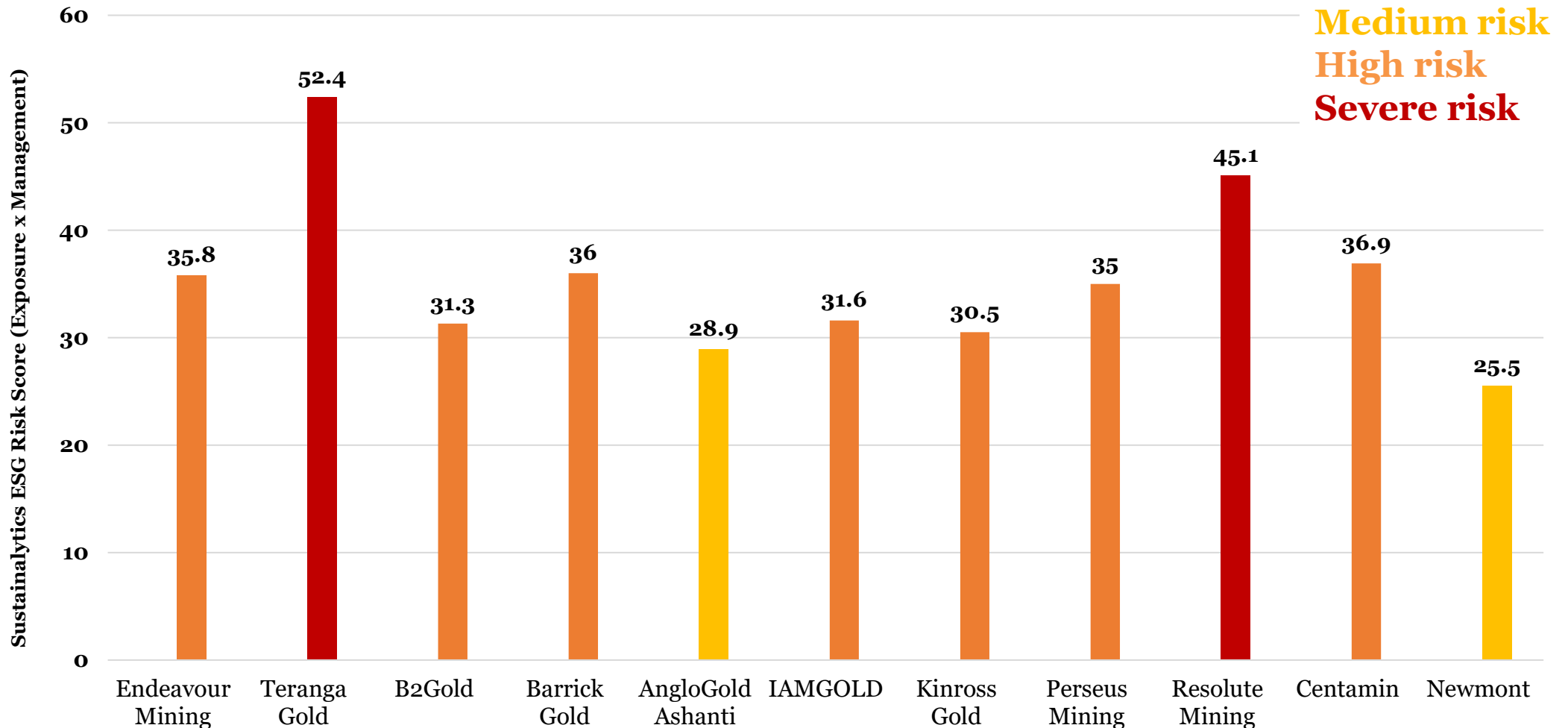
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How do top miners compare?

Proliferation of disclosure frameworks, ESG standards, surveys from agencies and investors can be overwhelming



Social as the new frontier for mining investors

2020's legacy is more scrutiny on the 'S' pillar



Strengthening sustainability in Mali and Guinea

Security and ESG in Malian gold mining



Effective security strategies rely on ‘cycle-proof’ community engagement

- ✚ ESG auditing provides assurance for investors, mitigating material operational and disruption risks, and strengthening business performance
- ✚ Supportive communities are imperative to protecting mine sites, forming a first line of defence
- ✚ Nuanced approaches to community engagement
- ✚ Sustainable and effective supply chain management



The race to iron ore in Guinea



Do ESG risks explain the lack of progress on megaprojects Nimba and Simandou?

- 🔨 Nimba's proximity to biodiversity hotspot and World Heritage Site
- 🔨 World Bank's MIGA coverage is a step in the right direction
- 🔨 Conakry's continuing negotiations with Monrovia over export railways
- 🔨 Governance at Soguijami holding up Winning's progress at Simandou





Questions?

Thank you!

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Indigo is an Associate Director at AML, with focus on Francophone and Southern Africa. She specialises in advising the mining and energy and financial services sectors. Indigo has particular proficiency in ESG risk and supply chain management. Born in Johannesburg, she is now based in London.

Indigo has a deep understanding of the political, social, regulatory, and economic environment across the continent and enjoys providing solutions to clients that are sustainable and results driven. Indigo's recent work has included a deep-dive study into the drivers of resource nationalism in gold mining in Ghana and South Africa, and a ESG investor risk report for a gold miner in Mali.

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