

# **Sustainable Production of Primary Aluminium in Greenland using Green Energy and Alumina extracted from Anorthosite**

## **A sustainable project in the Arctic Region.**

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# Megatrends supporting demand for aluminium products

## Megatrends

Urbanization

New middle class

Environmental  
Sustainability

## Aluminium solutions | **Greener products**



### **Food production: 30% of emissions**

Conserving and protecting food better in storing and transport



### **Transportation: 25% of emissions**

Making cars lighter with aluminium



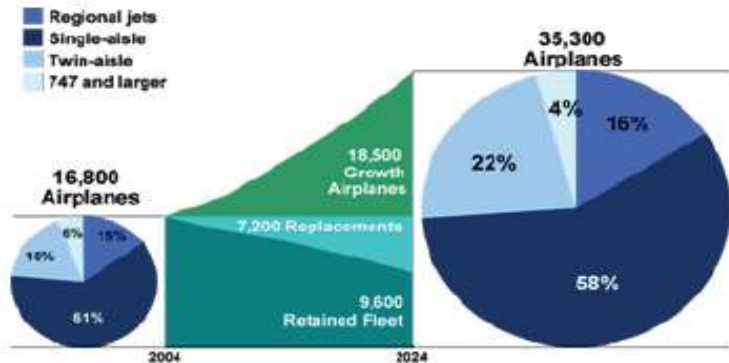
### **Buildings: 15% of emissions**

Reduce energy consumption and emissions from buildings

Megatrends basis for future growth in aluminium products

# Market Dynamics

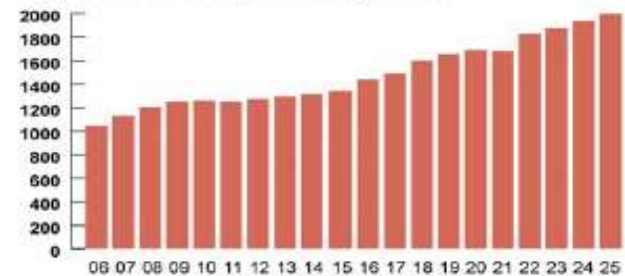
## Aerospace



Source: Boeing 2005 Current Market Outlook

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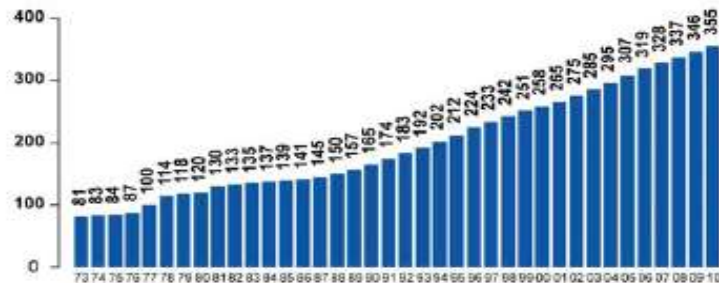
### Commercial Aircraft Delivery Forecast Large Commercial Transports & Regional Jets



Source: Airline Monitor, 01/06

## Automotive

### North American Light Vehicle Aluminum Content lbs. per vehicle



Source: Ducker

## Oil and Gas



Chemical: Al is a Metal:

-Non-corrosive due to formation of  $\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3$  surface layer.

Physical: Al is Light:

-Density =  $2700 \text{ kg/m}^3$  versus Steel  $\sim 7800 \text{ kg/m}^3$ .

Mechanical Strength is High per Unit weight:

-Al  $\sim$  Steel Strength per Unit Weight:  $E/\rho \sim 26 - 27 \text{ MPa/kg/m}^3$

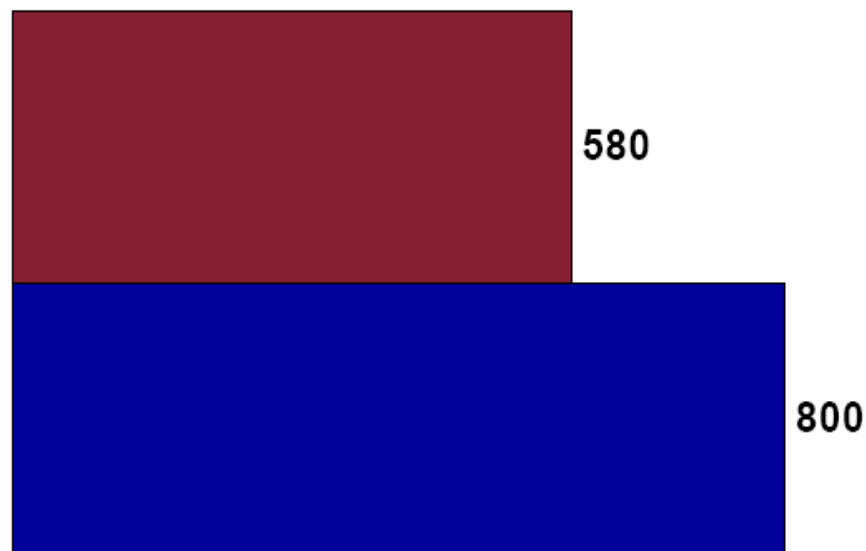
Electrical Conductance: 2 x Cu per Unit Weight:

-Conductance per Unit Weight:  $\gamma/\rho \sim 13,333 (\Omega \text{ kg/m}^2)^{-1}$

Energy Efficient Recyclability:

Primary Aluminium  $\sim 285 \text{ GJ/tonne}$ , versus:

Secondary Aluminium  $\sim 15 \text{ GJ/tonne}$ ;



Source: IAI

- Global Metal Pool (Inventory) (tonnes)
- Total Metal Produced (tonnes)

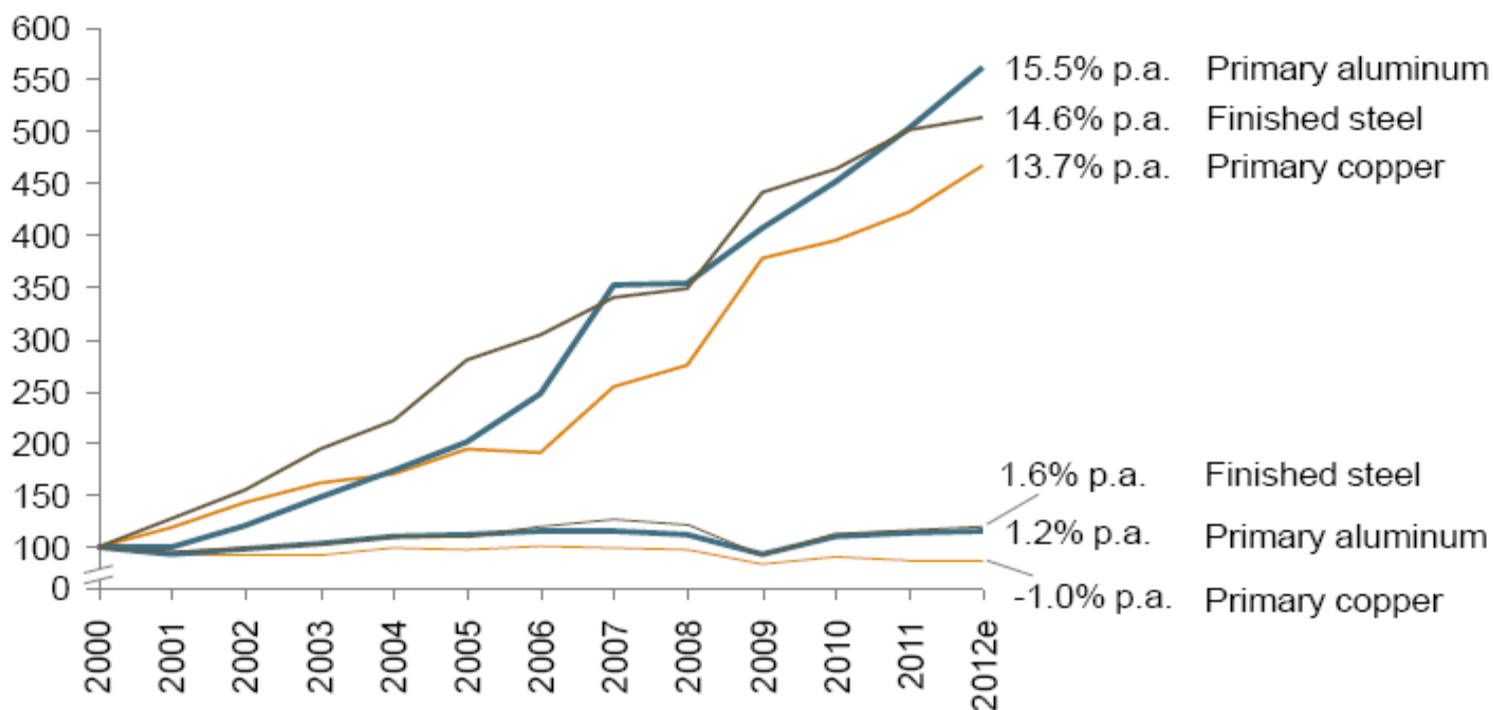
- 73% of all aluminum ever produced is still in use today
- Since 1888, about 800 million tonnes of aluminium have been produced.
- About 580 million tonnes of this amount is still in productive use.
- Recycling the metal currently stored in use would equal 15 years' primary aluminium output.



## Strong past aluminum demand

Global consumption increase of aluminum, copper, and steel

Demand (2000 = 100)



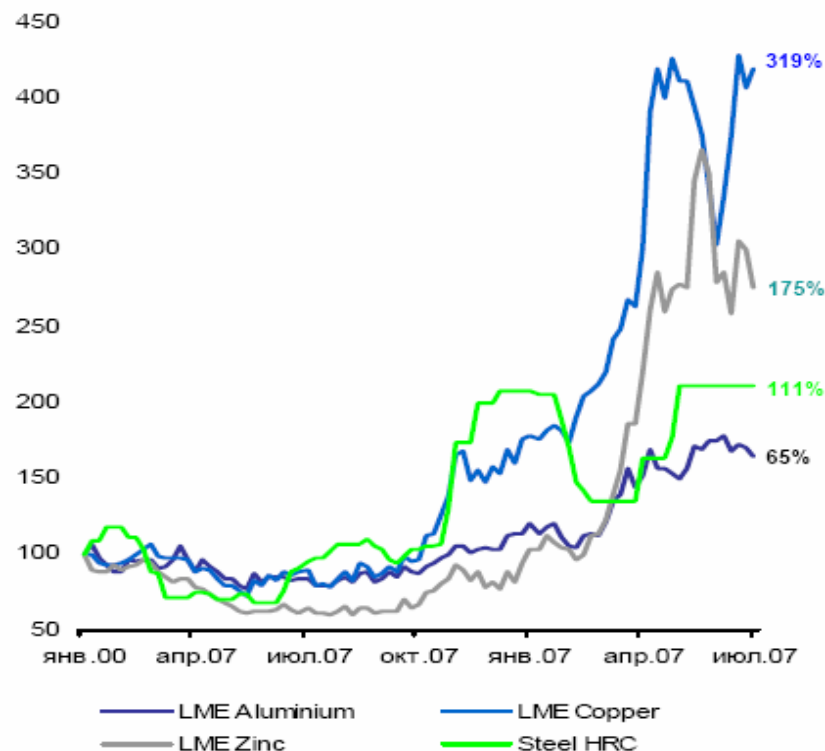
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# INCREASED COMPETITIVENESS OF ALUMINIUM



- Competitive price compared to copper, zinc and steel
- Aluminium has become an increasingly attractive substitute of zinc and steel, enhanced by its versatility for end uses (construction, transportation, power, consumer)
- Steel prices have also out-performed aluminium, stimulating demand for aluminium as a lower-priced substitute
- Switching costs make it difficult to go back to other materials once the switch to aluminium is made
- Toughening of international environmental legislation offer more opportunities for the use of aluminium as a light metal

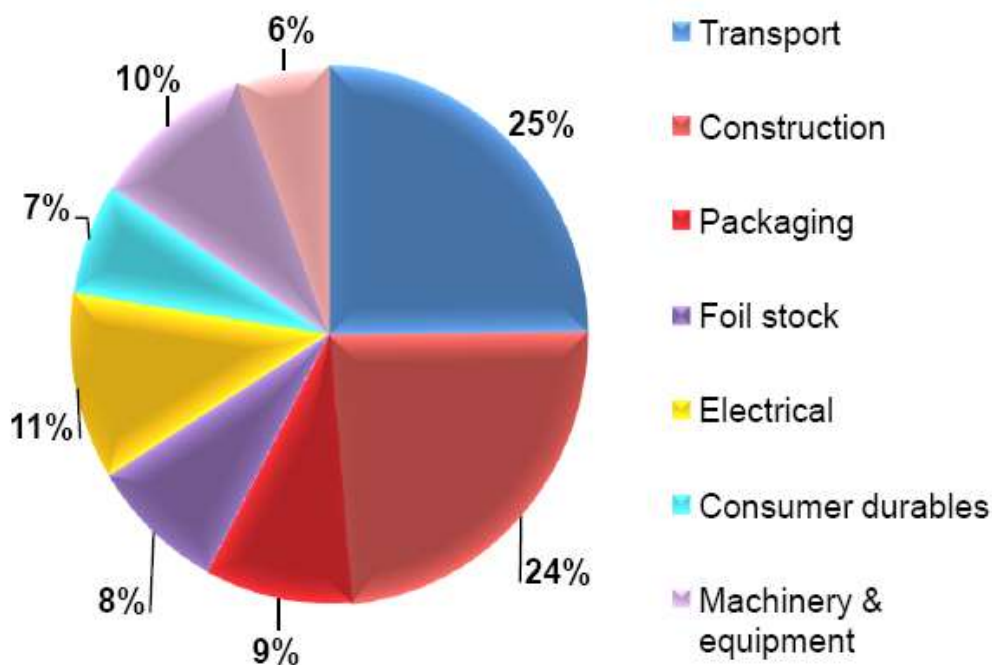
**Relative performance for copper, zinc, steel and aluminium**  
(rebased to 100 as of January 2000)



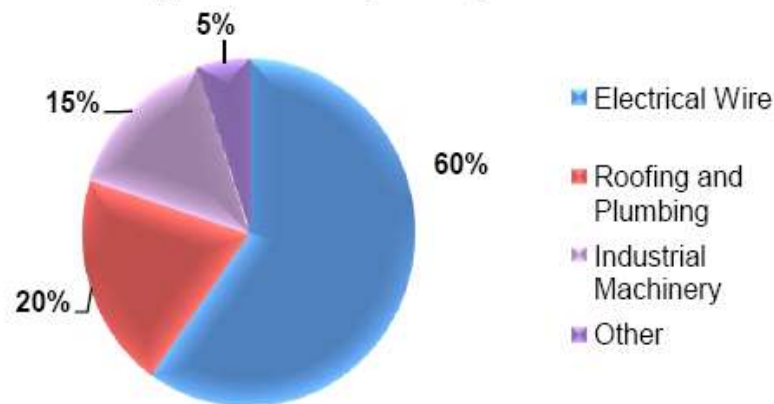


# End use – Aluminium has a very diverse range of end uses with potential for substitution over other metals

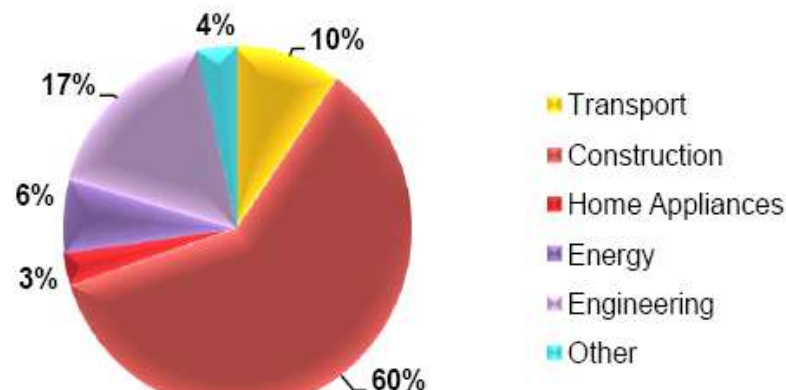
**Semi-finished Aluminium consumption by end-use**



**Copper consumption by end-use**



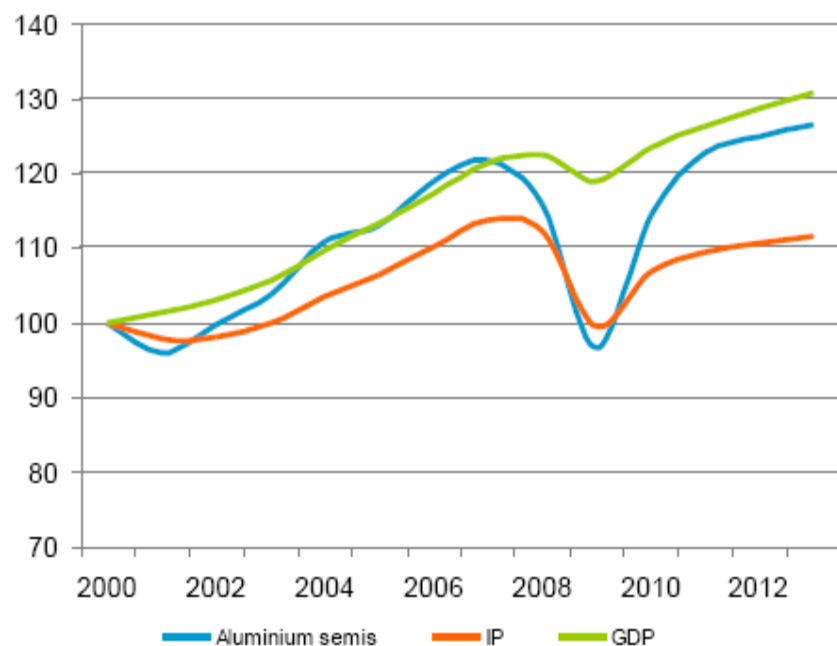
**Steel consumption by end-use**



# Aluminium demand correlating with economic growth, outperforming other base metals

World ex. China aluminum demand, IP and GDP

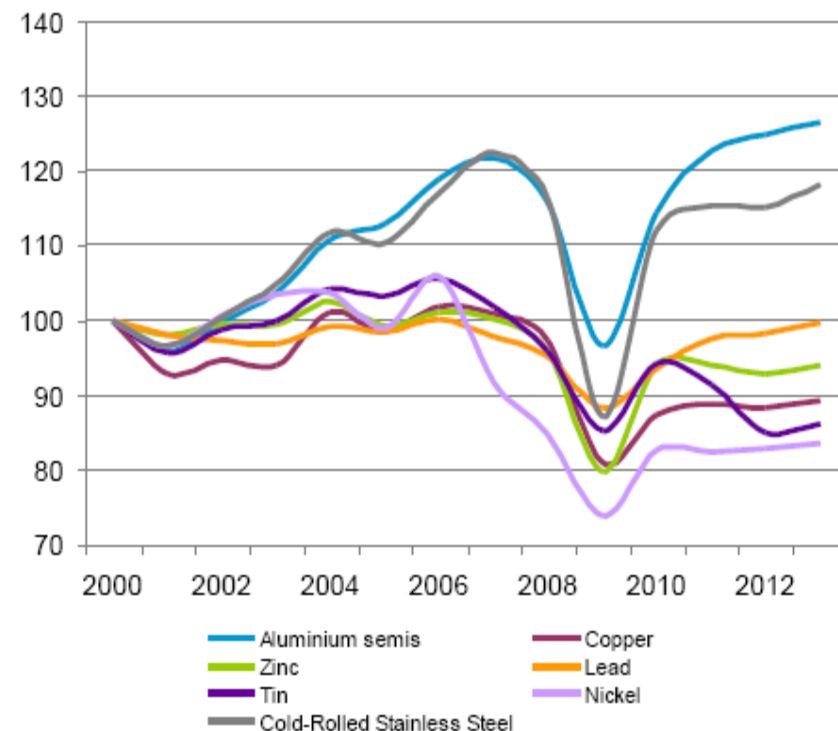
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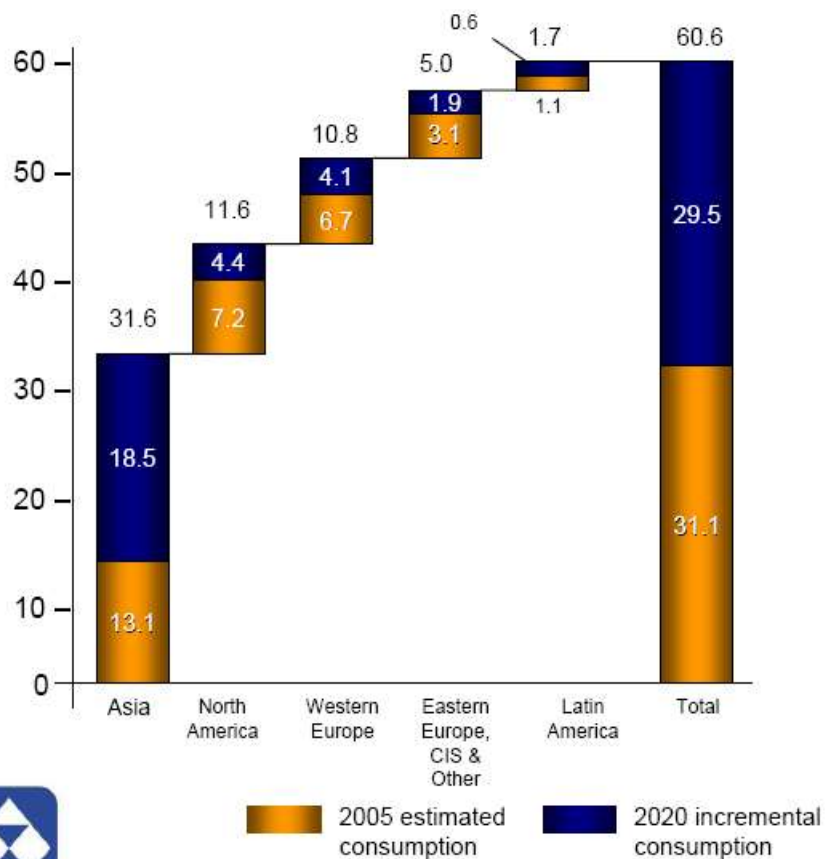
Source: CRU/Global Insight

World ex. China demand base metals

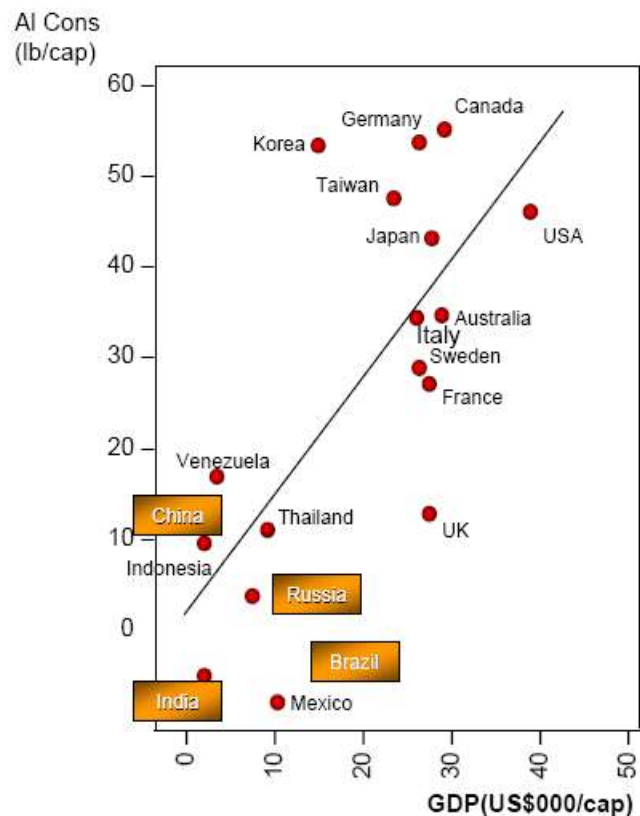
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## Projected 2020 World Aluminum Consumption (M Tons)



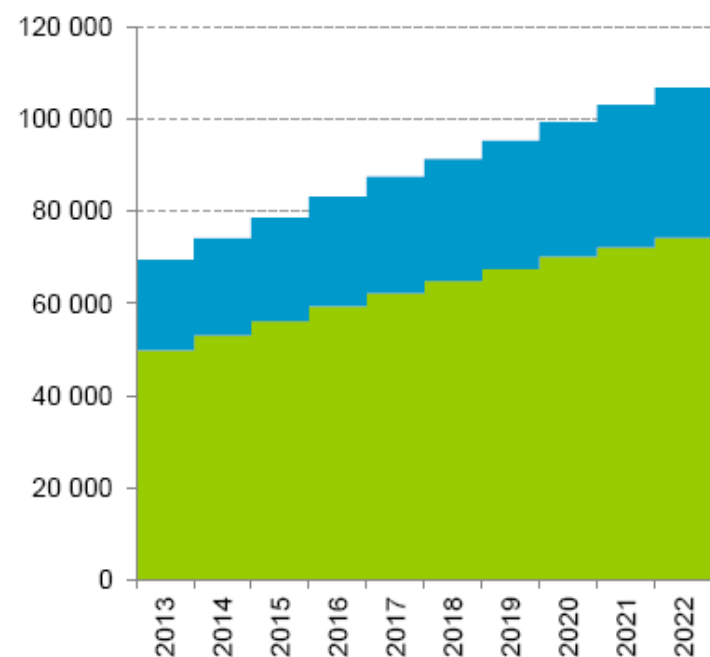
## Aluminum Consumption vs. GDP Per Capita



Source: McKinsey

## Global semis consumption will give upstream aluminium demand growth

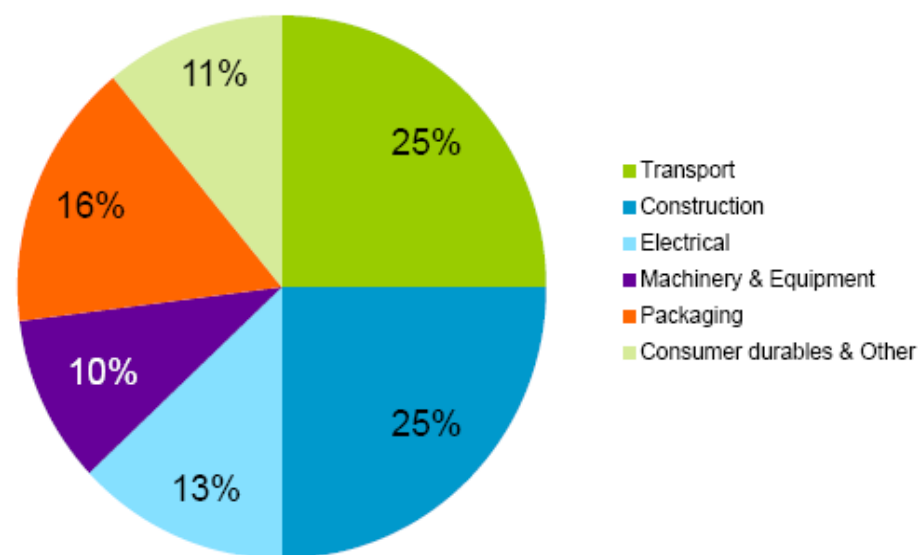
Global consumption ('000 mt)



Total  
CAGR 4-6%

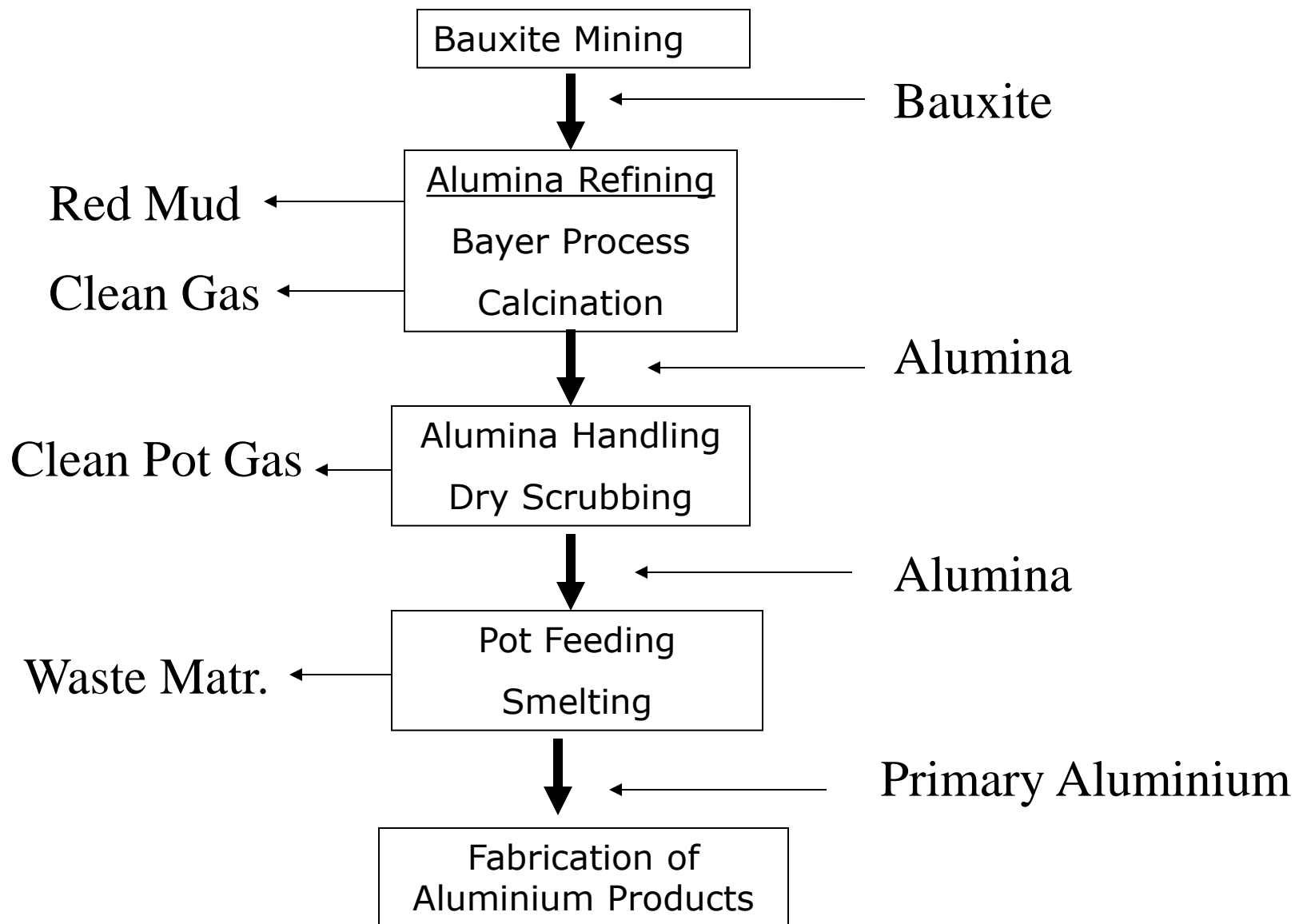
Primary  
CAGR 4-5%

Semis consumption by end-use



Source: CRU

# Aluminium Industry Structure



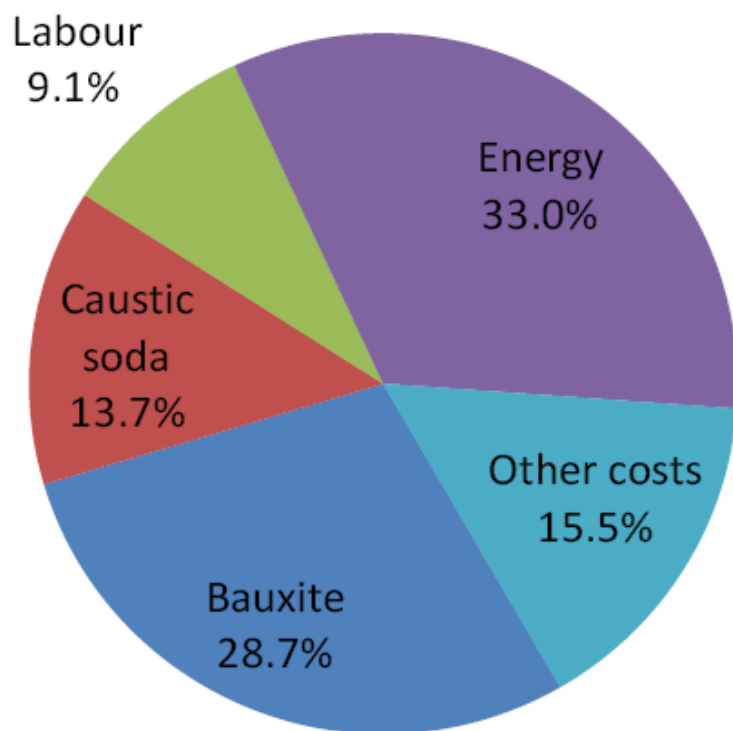
## Bauxite -> Alumina -> Primary Aluminium

### Distribution of aluminium production and bauxite reserves in the World

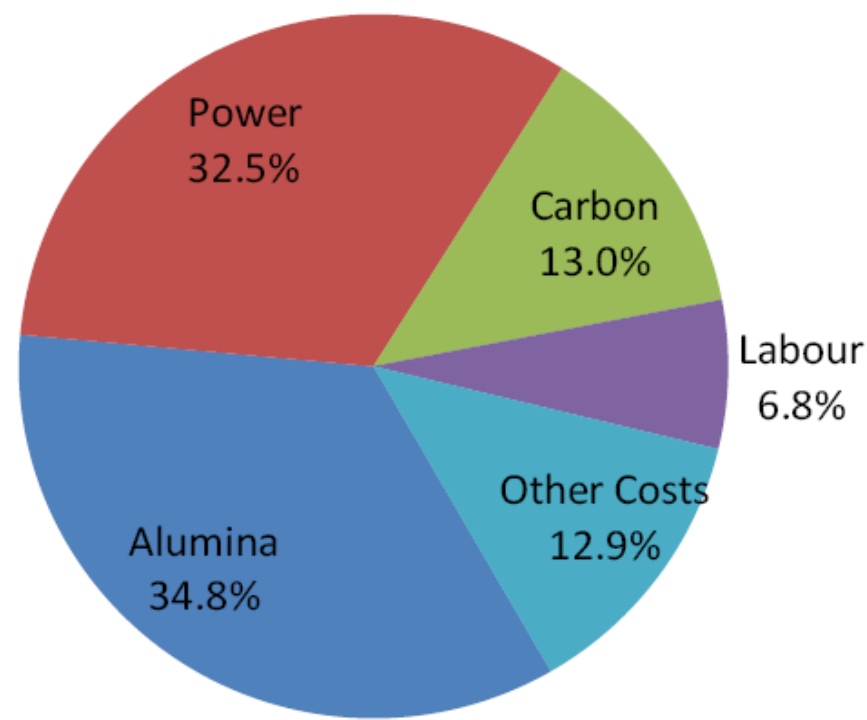
Regions	Aluminium production	Bauxite reserves
China	51 %	3 %
North America	13 %	<1%
CIS	9 %	1 %
Middle East	7 %	1 %
Europe	5 %	9 %
Asia excluding China	5 %	14%
Central & South America	5 %	25%
Australia	4 %	21%
Africa	1 %	26%



## Ala refining and Al smelting costs dominated by raw materials and energy costs



**Alumina refining costs**



**Primary Al smelting costs**

Note: Other costs include other materials and sustaining capital

## 1) Bauxite

- India - Prevented exploitation by Forrest Land Declaration;
- China - Is running out of Good Domestic Quality;
- Indonesia – Will build domestic Alumina Refinery;
- Guinea – Expensive to build domestic Alumina Refinery;

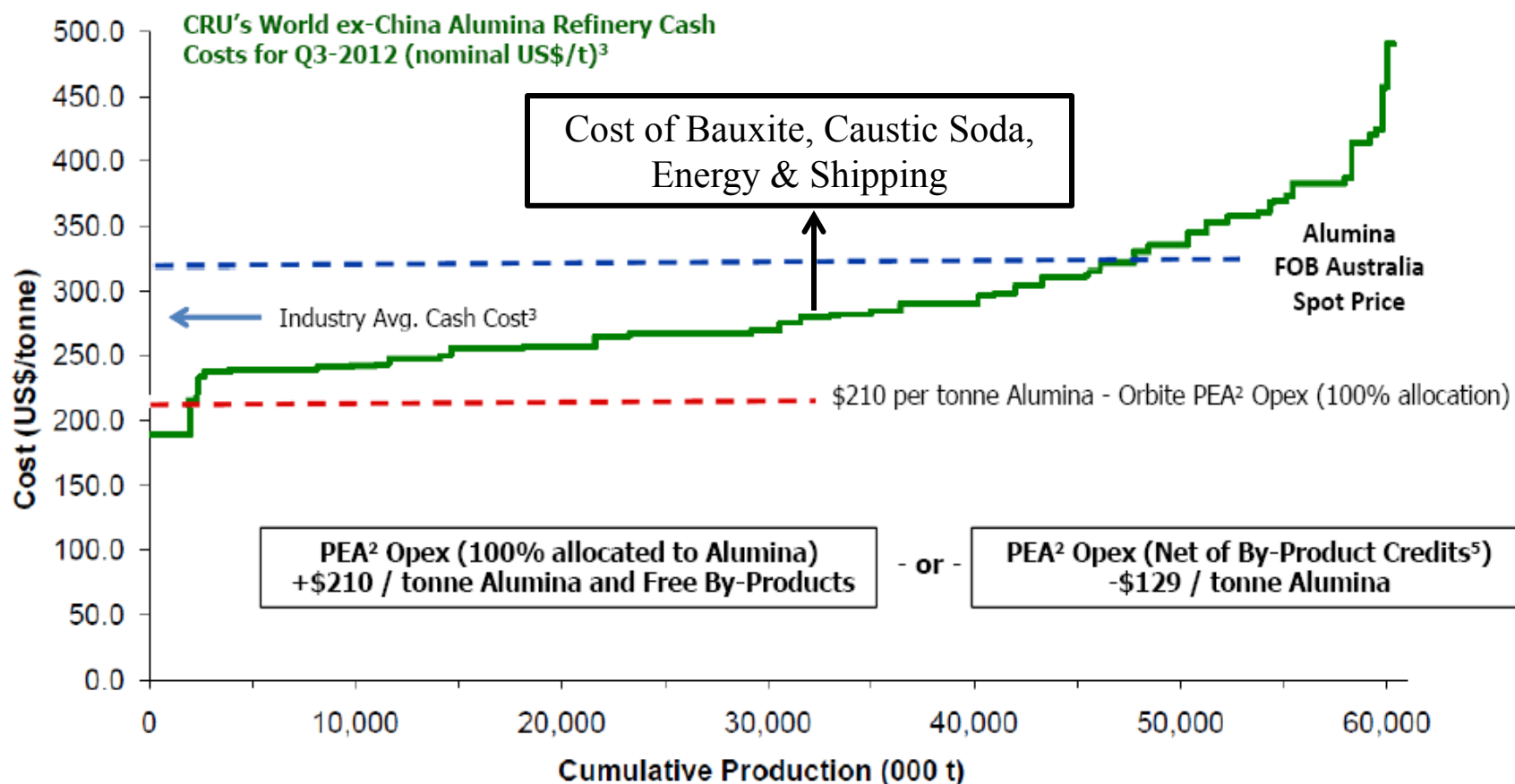
## 2) Alumina

- Increased Bauxite Cost;
- Increased Caustic Soda Cost;
- Increased Energy Cost if using HFO?
- Globalization of Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS);
- Transportaion from Southern- to Northern-Hemisphere;

## 3) Primary Aluminium

- Increased Alumina Cost;
- Increased Carbon Cost for Anodes;
- Globalization of Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS);

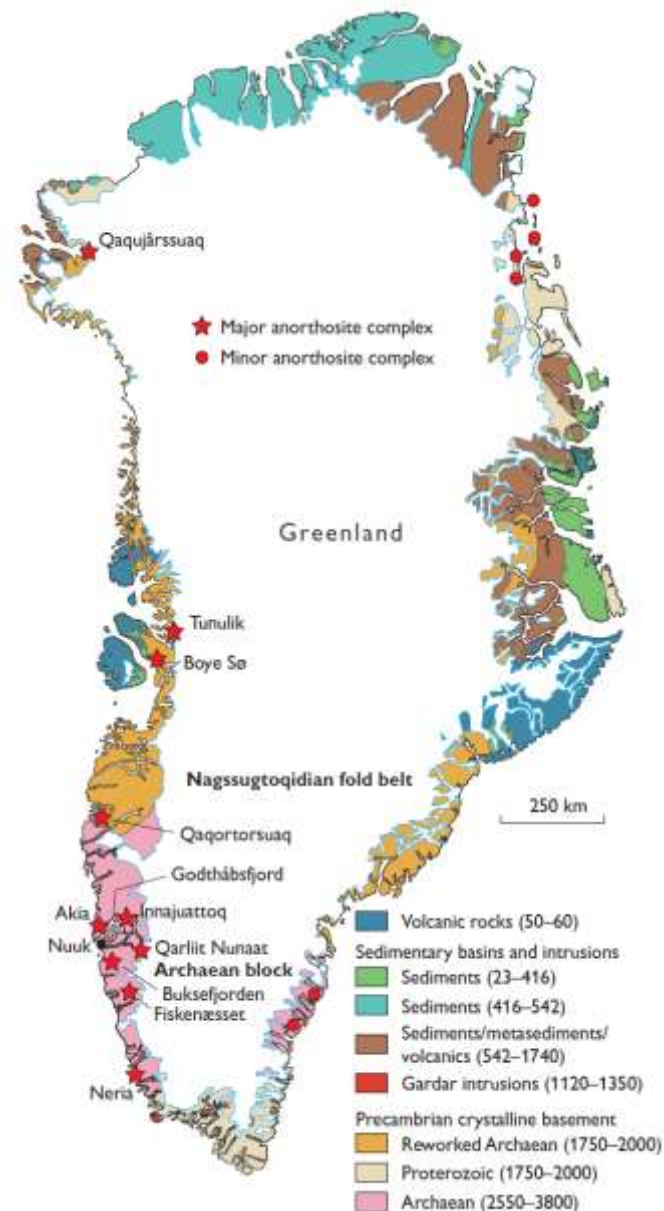
## SGA OPEX<sup>2</sup> versus Alumina Industry Cost Curve<sup>3</sup>

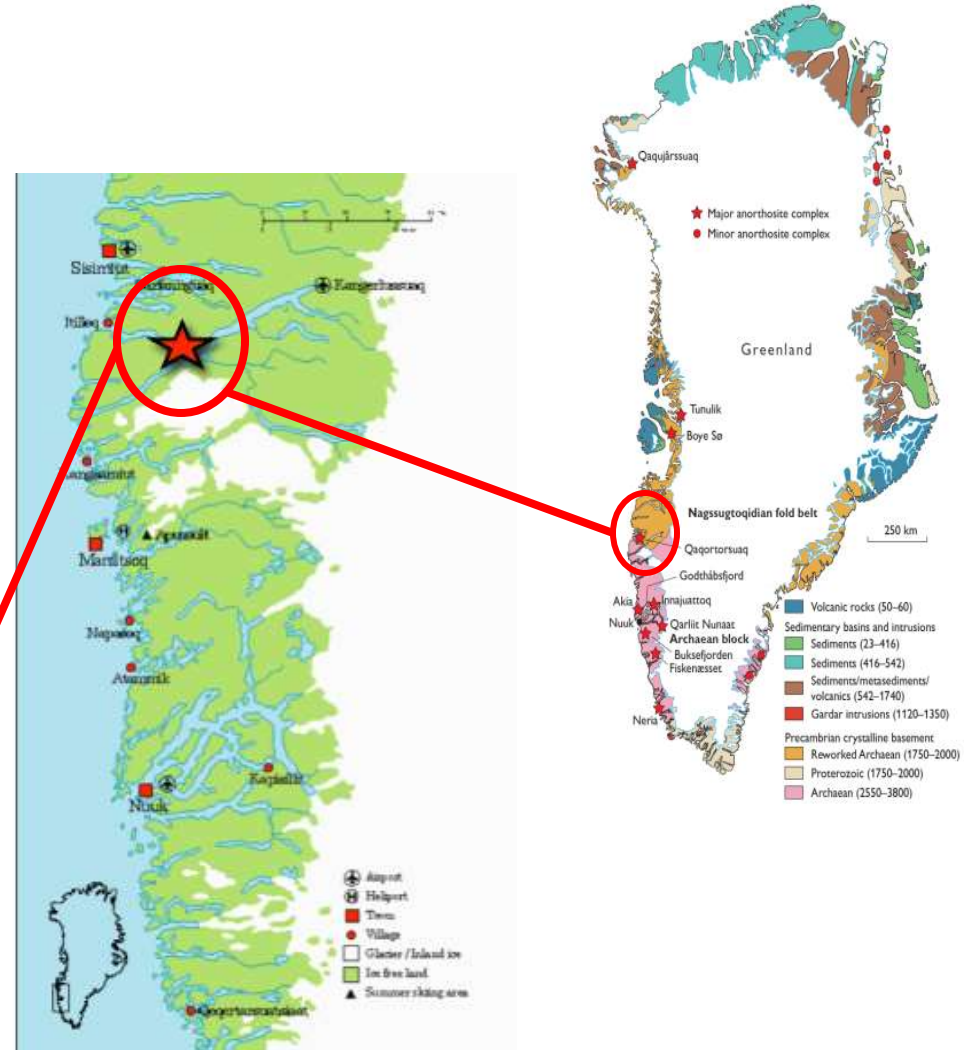
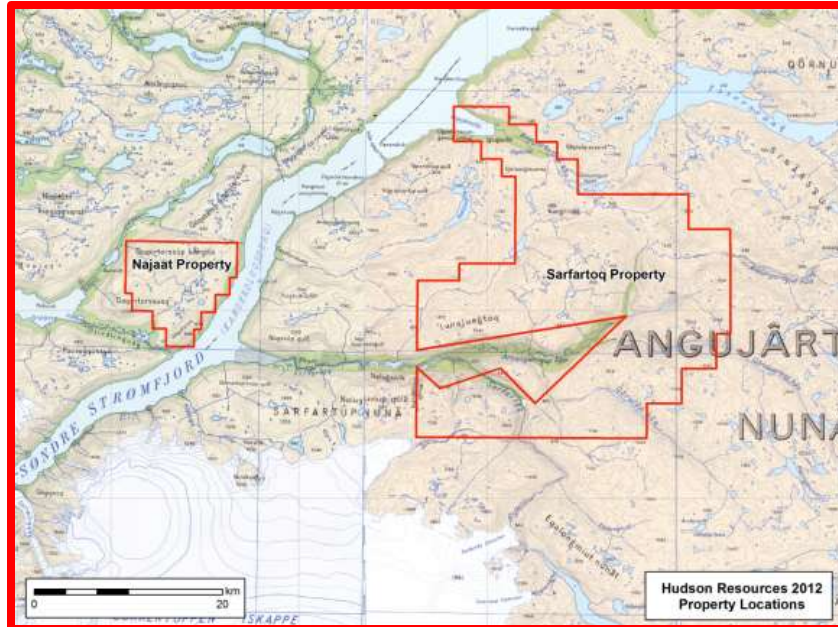


Greenland have two **Comparative Advantages** for producing Aluminium:

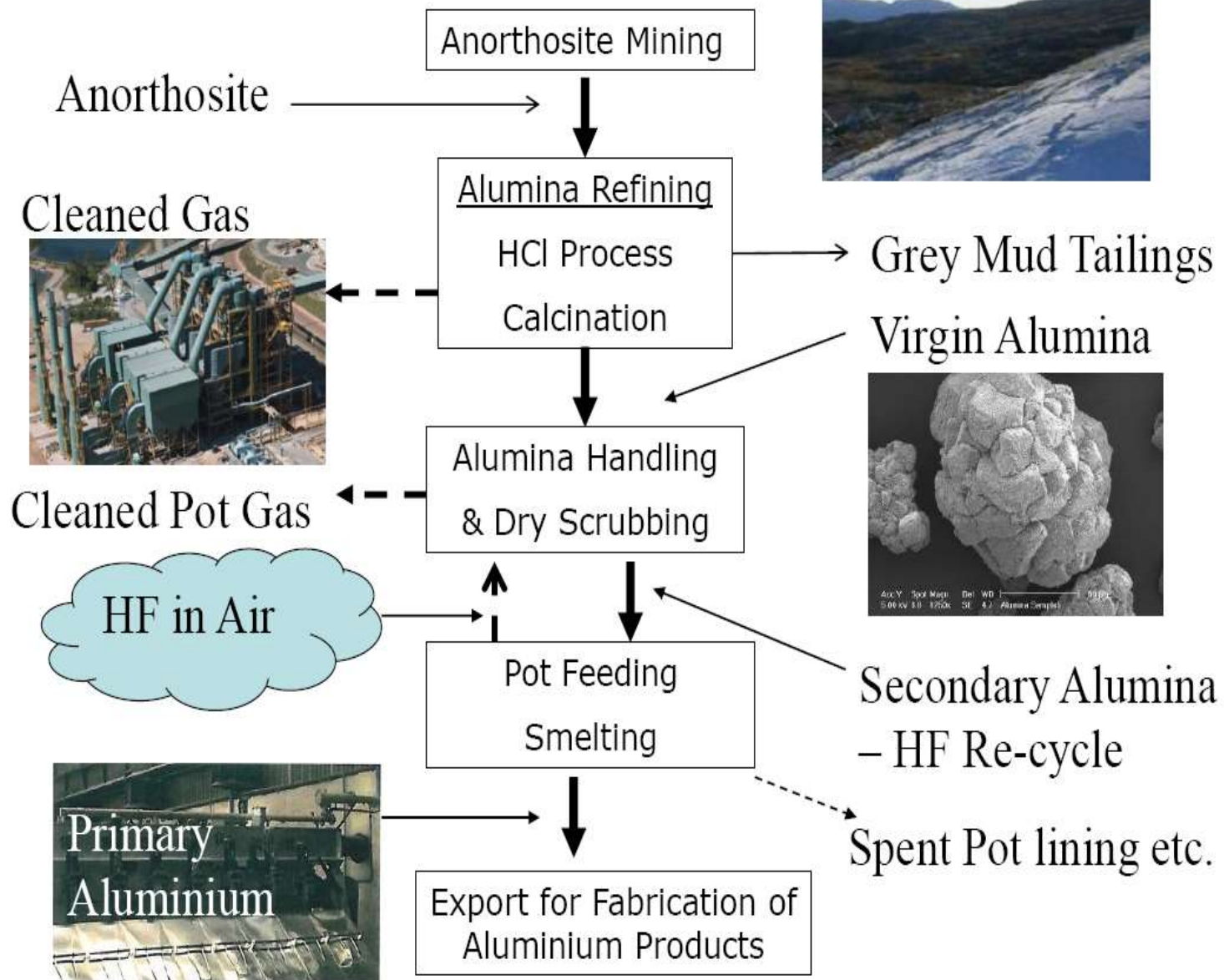
1) **Hydro-Electric Power** to supply about 13 kWh/ton of Primary Aluminium produced.

2) **Anorthosite Raw Material** for producing 2 ton of Alumina – for each 1 ton Aluminium.













**"Some people see the world as it is and ask why?**

**I see the world as it could be and ask why not?"**

**Robert Kennedy, former Secretary of Justice, USA.**

## Al Smelter in Greenland: Project key figures



Construction phase – hydro power	~	5 years
Construction phase – transmission network and furnace	~	2-3 years
Annual aluminum production	~	400,000 tons
Direct employment during the construction phase	~	2,600 persons
Employment in connection to structural investment and services during the construction phase	~	500 persons
Employment at the aluminum plant and hydro power plant during the operational phase (including apprentices)		650 persons
Other employment during the operational phase		500 - 600 persons
Number of hydro power plants		2
Total installed hydro power plant capacity		> 650 MW
Annual electricity production		> 5.5 billion kWh
Total length of power transmission cabling		> 240 km
Total estimated plant cost (hydro power plants, transmission network and aluminum plant)	~	20 billion DKK
Total estimated structural investment(Harbour, roads, accommodation etc. in Maniitsoq)	~	2.3 billion DKK

**Source: [www.aluminium.gl](http://www.aluminium.gl)**

## Stage 1: Power

- Develop **Hydro-Electric Power Project:**

**Time :** Year 1 – 7:

**Financing:** Project Financing (Governments, Institutional and Private Investors)?

## Stage 2: Aluminium

- Establish **Primary Aluminium Smelter:**

**Time:** Year 3 – 10:

**Financing:** Global Aluminium producer sourcing Alumina from elsewhere?

## Stage 3: Alumina

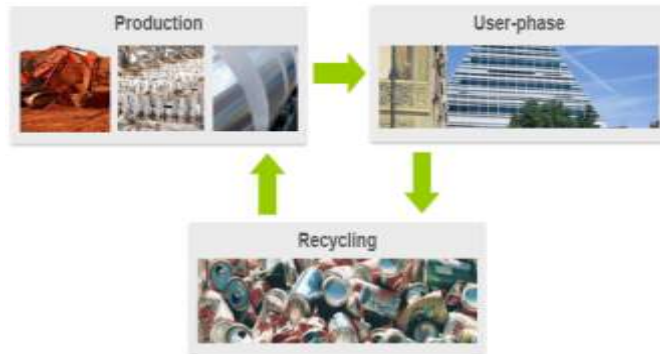
- Develop **Alumina** production from Anothosite (**“White Mountain”**), when proven to work in Pilot/Demo Scale:

**Time:** Year 1 – 15:

**Financing:** EU/KIC, Private and Institutional Investors?

## Why not Greenland – 2021?





**Thanks for your attention!**

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