# GoldFinX

Decentralized Microfinance
Empowering Artisanal Gold Mining

WHITEPAPER V.4

# G1X: A DIGITAL ASSET POWERED BY GOLD MINES AND BLOCKCHAIN

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# 2 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

GoldFinX (GFX) is a FinTech 2.0 company that provides financing to Artisanal Small Gold Mines (ASGM) worldwide and gets in exchange a share of their production. Thousands of tonnes of Gold that exist around the world are ready to be mined, provided you have the capital and the right technology. Exploiting this previously neglected potential is at the heart of this venture.

#### THE OPPORTUNITY

There are 20 million people engaged worldwide in Artisanal and Small Gold Mines, which accounts for nearly 90% of the entire gold-mining workforce. The remaining 10% work in industrial mines, often owned by multinationals.

But ASGMs mine only 20% of the 3,000 tons produced annually. Without reasonably fair and easy access to credit, they cannot increase their production. In a mutually beneficial agreement, we give these ASGM miners the means to invest in mechanization, pay for claims and titles, and hire workers.

The GoldFinX business model doesn't require market surveys or consumer panel analysis, as the final product is Gold, a highly liquid class of assets. It is one of those rare industries that commercially absorbs whatever volume is being produced.

#### A TOKEN POWERED BY GOLD EXTRACTION

GoldFinX is raising funds with the G1X token listed on major decentralized and centralized crypto exchanges as well as authorized staking platforms.

The 2021-2024 objective is to invest US\$250M in the private and public crypto markets to cover the investment and working capital needs of 200+ Gold mines distributed in 5 countries.

GoldFinX already financed 2 Gold mines in the Ivory Coast with ongoing production in Q1 of 2022. GoldFinX is currently reviewing additional applications from numerous Artisanal miners, and countries like Canada, Ghana, and Bolivia will benefit from the micro-lending program in Q1 of 2023, with production expected in Q3-Q4 of 2023.

The gold from these mines will be sold, and proceeds will be dedicated to the buy-back of G1X tokens on the public market, fuelling a steady demand for the cryptocurrency and guaranteeing a profitable exit for all token holders.

Over the next ten years (2023-2033), the total turnover from the 200+ mines is estimated at 15 billion USD. The portion reserved for the G1X buy-back is estimated at 2.28 billion USD. It takes 16 months to recoup the investment in each mining operation.

#### WITH A SOCIAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

An integral part of the GoldFinX Business Plan is its social and environmental objectives. Due to a lack of capital, the ASGM sector often operates illegally, creating a precarious social situation for the rural mining communities and irreversible damage to the environment. Taking measures to penalize the use of toxic processing methods has proven inadequate; it is time to make alternatives available to ASGMs to replace the millions of tonnes of harmful material, like mercury and cyanide, that flow into rivers and oceans. When providing a mining operation with sufficient resources, helping to structure itself technically and administratively, small-scale producers can now hope to get 80% to 90% of the quoted international gold prices, as compared to the 40% to 60% today.

#### AND POWERED BY THE BLOCKCHAIN

With the advent of blockchain technology and the recent rise of cryptocurrencies as a third class of financial assets (alongside debt and equity), we now have a new tool to finance an industry segment rejected by traditional financial institutions.

Our Blockchain solution also ensures the total transparency of all financial transactions relating to G1X, ensuring that the Gold production is trackable from its extraction to its sale on the international circuit. This tamper-proof traceability meets the increasingly demanding requirements of the financial authorities. It will

directly benefit mines, which will finally be able to sell their documented production on the official international markets under the same pricing conditions as the multinationals in the sector.

#### **DECENTRALIZED MICRO FINANCE:**



- A token is issued and sold privately and on public decentralized and centralized exchanges.
- The proceeds are then used to prepay the gold production of selected qualified ASGM companies for an equivalent amount to cover their exploitation needs for the commencement of efficient extraction.
- Once the mines start producing "Cleaner Gold," they deliver to GoldFinX in priority the quantity that has been prepaid, and then we receive a share of all future production (20%) until the end of the mine's life-cycle.
- The precious metal received by GoldFinX is sold and the proceeds finance the buy-back of G1X Tokens on the public market.

#### LIOUIDITY OF G1X

G1X will be listed and tradable on several exchanges, decentralized and centralized.

The G1X market price resulting from its supply and demand determines its value. The scrupulous execution of the Business plan, the Buy-Back program, an effective marketing & communication strategy combined with the appetite for alternative currencies having an impact on real life problems will drive up the value of G1X, allowing it to join the most popular cryptocurrencies.

The GoldFinX Business Plan also plans to provide a solution to the underbanked artisanal gold mines by allowing this community to be the first to use G1X for its commercial exchanges with its local and international suppliers, its employees, and state organizations.

An electronic debit card is also under development, and it will integrate the conversion functions of G1X to crypto, G1X to fiat and vice versa, as well as allow the withdrawal of traditional currency from automated teller machines (ATM)

G1X is, therefore, much more than a cryptocurrency, it is a global project aimed at providing pragmatic solutions to a strategic sector of the global economy

#### **ACHIEVEMENTS AND MEDIA ATTENTION**

GoldFinX started its unique business concept in 2018 and today has partnerships or MOUs with Artisanal gold mines in Canada, Ghana, Bolivia, and the Ivory Coast. The latter is producing gold today thanks to micro-loans provided by GoldFinX.

GoldFinX has a local presence across the globe, its team is spread out in Singapore, Montreal, Yamoussoukro, La Paz, London, Paris, and Lisbon. Due to its outreach, GoldFinX has been showcased in major mainstream and industry media outlets such as Forbes, Entrepreneur, Coinspeaker, Mexico Business and Hakernoon.











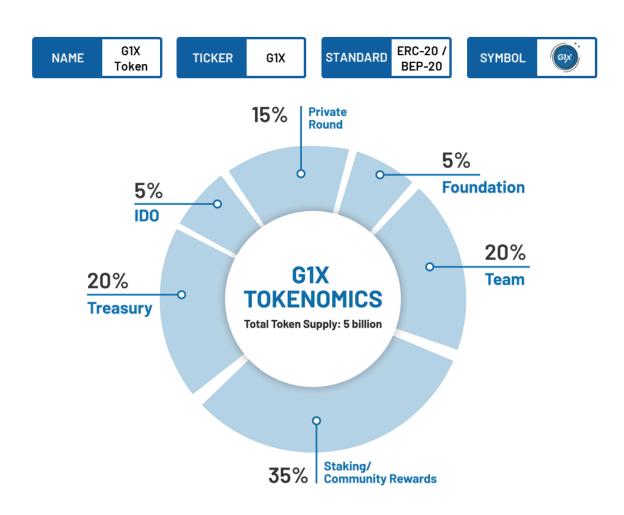




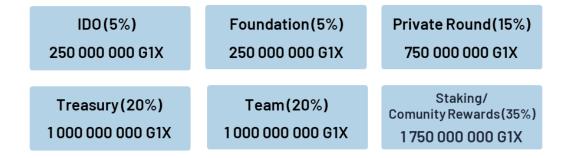




# **3** G1X - TOKENOMICS



#### **Total Supply: 5B Token**



# **4 GOLD - THE PRECIOUS METAL**



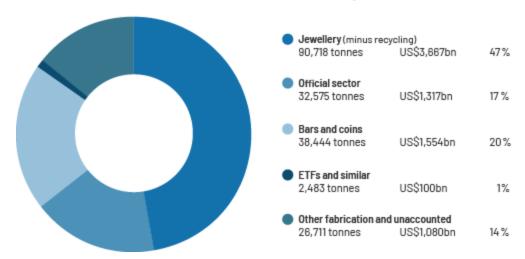
#### **LIMITED SUPPLY**

Gold has fascinated civilizations as early as the shiny metal was found in rivers and underground. It has also been coveted and obsessed over since the Mayan and Roman empires right up to modern times. Humans have been drawn to gold for many reasons: its emotional sustainability as an owned hard asset; its importance as a preferred fashion and decorative ornament; as a means of investment, wealth protection, and security; and to fulfill a growing demand with its industrial usage.

Knowing we can't manufacture it, there will never be more gold than what the meteorites deposited on the planet millennia ago. This limitation of supply and the inability to manufacture this exclusive metal confers it a special value. It further attracts our instinctive willingness to associate this precious metal to a secured monetary value.

#### Financial gold accounts for more than a third above ground gold stock

Market size (in tonnes and US\$ value) for various gold sectors\*



\*Estimated tonnage as of 30 November 2017. US-dollar values calculated using YTD 2017 average LBMA Gold Price of US\$1,257/oz. Financial gold is defined as the sum of official sector holding, bars and coins, and ETP\*\*(75,595 tonnes, US\$3bn, 38%)

Source: Bloomberg; GFMS, Thomson Reuters; ICE Benchmarch Adminisration; Respective ETP Providers; World Gold Coucil

#### PRICE OF GOLD

2020 and 2021 will probably always be remembered as the years of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). The global financial markets took a serious hit in March of 2020 amid the growing fears of its spread throughout the world. The price of gold wavered up and down during this month, but has remained stable compared to other asset groups. The reason is that in times of economic uncertainty, investors often turn to gold as a hedge to protect their portfolios. Many economists believe the price of gold should be significantly higher right now. Popular economist Peter Schiff has said that many people underestimate the current monetary & fiscal policy mistakes, as well as the long term effects of the global pandemic, and "when they figure it out en masse, gold will skyrocket."

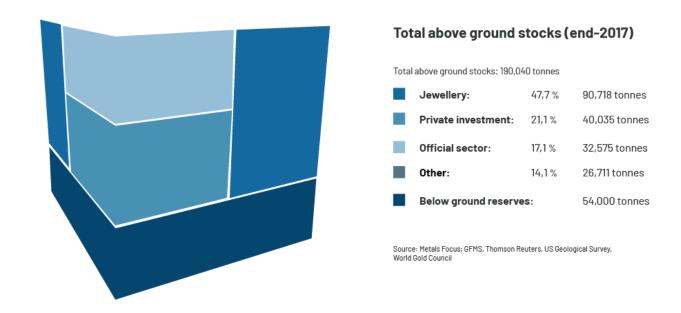
#### The Gold Price (5 year progression)



<sup>\*\*</sup>ETPs include gold-backed exchange traded funds (ETFs) and similar product.

#### **GOLD RESERVES**

All the gold extracted since the beginning of recorded history (about 6,000 years) could fit in an area of 9000 cubic meters and would weigh about 190,000 tons. There are inventoried reserves for at least 54,000 tons still underground and classified as minable. And possibly much more is still not discovered.



#### **GOLD EXTRACTION**

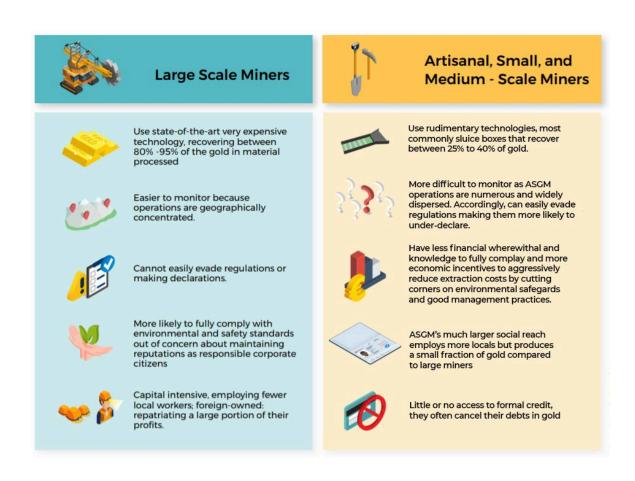
Annually, gold is extracted by two main groups: the industrial complex mostly constituted by large public companies (Barrick, Newmont, GoldCorp, AngloGold, etc.) and small mining operations worldwide. The latter consists of about 15-20 million miners, referred to as ASGM (artisanal small gold mining-operation). The main difference separating the two segments is the huge gap in the amount of starting capital they respectively have access to.

For many obvious reasons, ASGMs worldwide do not have access to traditional capital due to the nature of their operations, their geography, lack of formal business education and the usual socio-economic background of ASGM promoters.

Large public companies, on the other hand, have access to an abundance of capital required to build very efficient operations, thus making their extraction and treatment operations safer and more environmentally and socially sustainable – a luxury that ASGMs don't have at present.

ASGMs resign themselves to operate in horrific conditions using inefficient manual processes and out-of-favor methods extremely harsh for both humans and the environment. The outcome is impacting their lives and their finances, as well as the local and national economies of many countries, and if left unchanged, will continue this vicious cycle for generations to come.

The powerful benefits and impact of stimulating the SME (small and medium enterprises) sector in every economy is well documented. It is easy to imagine that if these ASGM miners could have access to adequate capital, the national economy and the lives of communities worldwide would be in much better shape today. There is obviously a massive cost of missed-opportunity with this sub-segment of the gold mining industry worldwide.



# **5 GOLDFINX BUSINESS MODEL**

#### MICRO-FINANCE

The Business model of GoldFinX is to finance Artisanal and Small Gold Mines worldwide. The founders, executives, and advisors of the GoldFinX team have spent years facilitating the funding for this industry, and not only have a thorough appreciation of ASGMs' limited access to capital, but they also see the tremendous potential of this market segment. Providing the necessary funding takes the form of an Advance Purchase Agreement, a process used in Contract Farming. We are creatively bringing this concept to the ASGM industry.

The GoldFinX business model doesn't require either market surveys or consumer panel analysis, as the final product is Gold, a highly liquid class of assets. It is one of those rare industries that commercially can absorb whatever gold volume is produced. Moreover, GoldFinX not only provides the Artisanal and Small Gold Mining industry (ASGM) with the credit it desperately needs, but also gives access to newer and safer technologies and business expertise.

#### MINING SELECTION

The ideal mining projects for GoldFinX are small operations with huge potential. We are prioritizing the alluvial cooperatives and open-pit mining operations, and excluding the in-situ (underground) mining operations in our mine selection process. Each project is thoroughly analyzed internally by our in-house experts and validated by our Mining Selection Committee composed of experienced, seasoned geologists and mining industry experts.

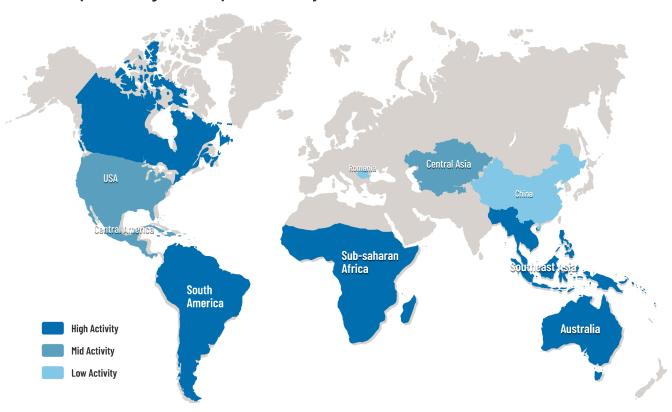
Ideally, each Cooperative partnership should possess approximately 40,000 to 50,000+ oz of gold reserves. By the end of the life of our selected mines, it should have generated (at today's average market price per oz of 1,800 USD) more than 72,000,000 USD.

#### **PROSPECT MINES**

Through its personal contacts from the industry and association with local experts in all regions, GoldFinX has so far identified more than 700 potential mining projects. GoldFinX selects mining prospects based on the people behind these projects and the realistic value of the documented resources. Each project is evaluated based on the following general criteria:

- Determination and motivation of the promoter
- Value of the resources realistically extractable
- Deployment time
- Experience of people connected to, and in association with, the promoter
- Potential impact the socio-environmental program may have
- Accessibility to the site
- Political stability in the region

#### World Map according to our expected activity levels



From this qualified list, we select in priority the projects with a quicker period to gold extraction and more substantial gold revenues. As a result, we quickly execute the Buy-Back program, fund our own operations, and finance our socio-environmental efforts.

From the 700+ qualified worldwide mining projects, we shortlist a minimum of 200 of them, implementing 200+ Partnership Agreements from the net proceeds of the GoldFinX Token sale.

GoldFinX is counting on the exceptional technical expertise and diverse field experiences of its Mining Advisors to validate its internal analysis regarding the prospective mines. After a complete in-house analysis and on-the-ground due diligence, the Mining Advisors will intervene to further grade each prospect and validate the analysis and conclusion. The outcome of their evaluation will determine which projects are finally accepted and in which order they should be executed. The Advisors will also be called upon for special consulting opportunities such as the potential selection and evaluation of new extraction or processing technologies and other special projects from time to time.

#### CONTRACT MINING AGREEMENTS

The ideal mining projects for GoldFinX are small operations with significant potential, and we prioritize already producing alluvial operations. GoldFinX will help ASGM miners by utilizing our Contract Mining agreement structure.

This contract is inspired by the United Nations FAO-encouraged Contract Farming concept whereby large buyers pay for annual productions in advance to farmers. The amount paid helps start and manage agriculture production to a higher-quality level and therefore meets the high standards of the buyer. Buyers get a financial discount on the price paid and also receive exclusivity while the farmer receives funds for its efficient operations ensuring a quality crop production. This scenario creates a win-win structure for all parties involved.

GoldFinX is bringing the same concept to the ASGM world. We identify the financial resources required for successful and sustainable mining operations and structure a pre-purchase agreement around the capital needed. These agreements will then be executed in such a way to be profitable for all parties while also having a significant social and environmental benefit.

The amount of funds needed for each mining operation is related to:

- Capital expenditures linked to specific technologies and systems selected
- Manpower and expertise required
- Relevant general expenses and needed working capital until the mine is cash-flow positive

As part of the Contract Mining Agreement, the ASGM miners will not only obtain the necessary funds required for the efficient start of their operation, but they will also benefit from the additional support provided by GoldFinX. Providing the technical expertise and experience in the following areas will manifest the essence of the partnership:

- Engineering and design of the operational plan (including equipment and technologies)
- Technology selection for operational, managerial and administrative requirement
- Creation of a strategic socio-environmental plan
- Maximization of the value of the production
- On-going technical, managerial and administrative support from GoldFinX

This continuous support by GoldFinX will maximize the full potential of extraction, which in turn benefits the ASGM operation, GoldFinX, and also, just as importantly, the holder of the G1X coins.

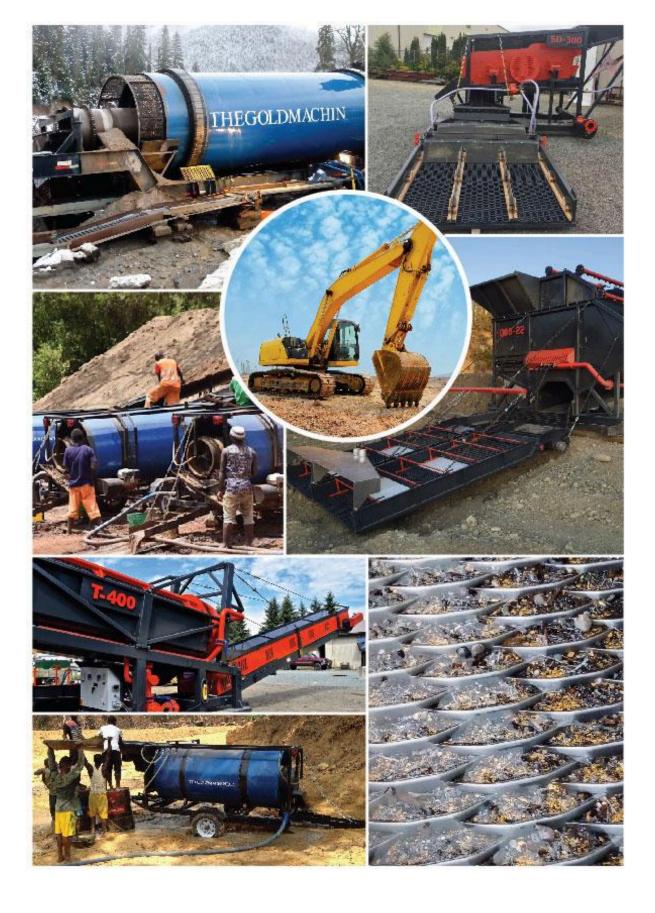
#### MINING EQUIPMENT

The goal of the GoldFinX micro-financing platform is to provide sufficient starting funds to ASGMs to allow them to operate their gold reserve efficiently. Providing them with the most up-to-date equipment and infrastructure not only means a more profitable operation, but safer for them, their community, and the environment. Strictly speaking, this provides AGSMs with enough funds to allow them to make the right and profitable business, social, and environmental decisions.

# FROM THIS ...



# **TO THIS ...**



The proper equipment (see example above) will provide a drastic improvement to any ASGM operation. GoldFinX will assist the mine promoter with the design, selection, and negotiation of the most appropriate equipment and technology. The ASGM will obtain the most relevant state-of-the-art equipment for their specific reserve and terrain.

The obvious benefit of the extraction engineering solution GoldFinX provides, outside of socio-environmental aspects, is the throughput of the production. A single week, and sometimes just one day of production with the appropriate equipment and infrastructure, would be equal to one year of manual work. This productivity will bring increased profitability in addition to better community life, better respect for the environment, and safer working conditions for the ASGM.

GoldFinX will favor mobile station units for mineral extraction allowing for more efficiency and flexibility. It provides the benefit of assigning the portable extraction machinery more optimally, quickly adapting to higher concentrations, easier access, temporary vein extraction, rainy seasons, geological elevation, etc. Most mining operations have more than one extraction station operating concurrently.

#### OPERATIONAL CONTROL

The equipment and systems co-selected and approved by GoldFinX provide efficient means to monitor and control the production and volume of gold extracted. The mobile stations are equipped with sensors monitoring the following: the flow of slurry-soil treated; working hours; GPS location and movement; magnetic resistance for gold estimate and other telemetric data; and video and still images of the stations in key areas.

Each mining property is digitally mapped. This not only allows for better ongoing operational management but also provides the possibility to validate the production and extraction volume reported. The use of drones allows us today to accurately estimate changes in the terrain (e.g., where soil has been removed or added or calculating a volumetric estimate of a pile such as tailing.)

Essentially, today's technology allows GoldFinX to have a decent overview of each mobile station operating worldwide and have an appropriate feed of telemetric value to remotely monitor from a central operational dashboard (control center) at the Headquarters of GoldFinX.

Additionally, as per the contract mining agreement, GoldFinX has ground personnel for audits, security, management support, NGO and local government coordination, and logistical aid related to the gold expedited to refiners.

GoldFinX requires a lien on the equipment provided until the advanced purchased quantity of gold is delivered. After this time, GoldFinX will also remain with a claim on the mineral rights of the ASGM to legally extract on the territory to ensure protection related to the payment of its 20% production share from each mine partner.

#### **SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT: TruOrigin**

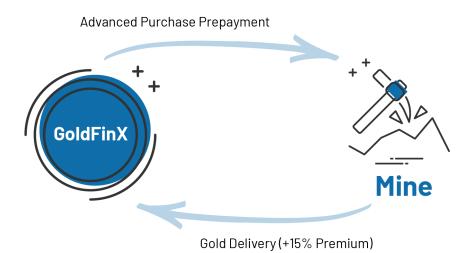
GoldFinX built TruOrigin, a Supply Chain Management System (SCMS) supported by Blockchain technology to document and ensure the source integrity of the gold extracted all the way up to the refining process, at which point raw gold is transformed into an irrevocable and valuable asset, granted by its LBMA certification (World authority in gold value) after refining.

TruOrigin helps ensure the accurate documentation of the origin of the gold and will, in turn, satisfy the financial regulatory restrictions forbidding transactions of undocumented or insufficiently transparent origins. It provides for a convenient and official transaction record system for the mines. It, therefore, increases the value of their gold production by allowing them to sell at higher prices due to proper documentation. It also provides for a more precise and streamlined process to report the production volume of gold and pay relevant taxes/royalties to the Government.

#### **GOLD DELIVERY**

Once each Contract Mining agreement starts operating, the mine delivers in priority to GoldFinX the pre-purchased volume in gold. This delivery will include a premium of 15% in gold.

#### **Microlending Agreement**

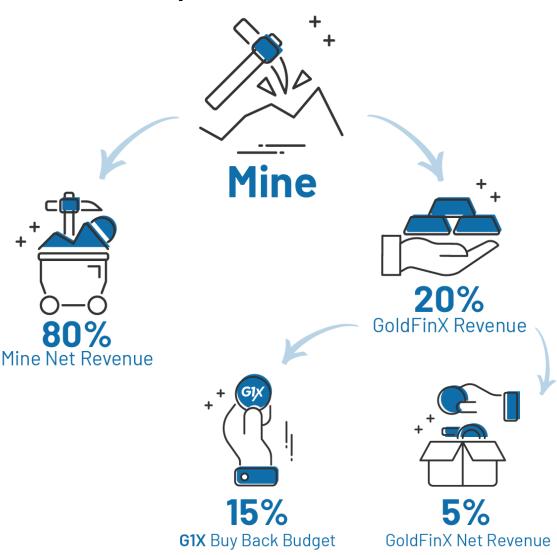


Once the pre-purchase volume is delivered, the mines will then share with GoldFinX 20% of their production in gold for the rest of the economically viable life of the mine. From this 20%, GoldFinX sells 15% at market price to execute the Buy-Back program of G1X tokens on the public exchanges. The remaining 5% will be accounted for as gross revenue for GoldFinX.

From its 5% share, GoldFinX funds its operations, including the necessary services and experts required to support the mines.

GoldFinX also dedicates a portion of its revenue and a special allocation of 5% of the total minted tokens to support the Heart of Mine Foundation (www.HeartOfMine.foundation). This Foundation has the mission of helping miners and communities around the mining operations, bettering their lives and their environment.

# **Production Split Between Mines - GoldFinX**



#### **REPORTING**

GoldFinX provides token holders with the most current information, accessible in its newsletters, website, and social media. With the appropriate transparency, GoldFinX will report the up-to-date status of the operations and its achievements.

Starting June 2023, GoldFinX will publish a quarterly Buy-Back program statement.

#### **BUY-BACK PLAN**

Once the 250 million Dollars are eventually invested and the contract mining agreements are executed, we expect the following results at the end of the life of the selected mines (10+ years):

- 200+ Co-op Partners should have produced \$15B+ in revenue
- The Gold revenue should be around \$2.28B of pure gold

The table below is a depiction of the potential production and the G1X Buy-Back budget.

Table: Revenue and G1X Buy-Back Forecast

	Mines Revenue/Production	Revenue and Buy Back G1X Budget
3 YEARS	3,126,780,114 \$	469,017,017 \$
5 YEARS	6,231,756,085 \$	934,763,413\$
10 YEARS	15,200,454,223 \$	2,280,068,133 \$

# 6 THE G1X COIN OFFERING

#### THE PERFECT HEDGE

Gold has always been the perfect hedge against volatility. And Blockchain technology is also known for its immutable ledger security and rapid and convenient transfer of value. When they are combined, it enables GoldFinX to offer the next step in the future of finance. The value of G1X Token is derived from pure gold extracted from real mines that are part of the GoldFinX portfolio of mines. We are the first Fintech company to micro-finance gold extraction from a source that is within our control and provides support to its token market price.

#### **G1X COIN UNIQUE ADVANTAGES**

Our token is ERC-20 / BEP-20 standard and deployed on the Ethereum and Binance Smart Chain networks; a global, secure decentralized verification network that enables to "tokenise" our blockchain fund. The G1X has a Max Supply of 5,000,000,000 G1X tokens.

#### G1X Token Features:

- High Appreciating Asset supported by a disruptive Buy Back Program based on real Gold Sales.
- 35% of token supply allocated to generate YIELD for G1X Holders
- Pure gold extracted through a partnership with mines
- Gold sales continually increasing
- Transparent, decentralized and nationless
- Transferable, exchangeable, tradeable
- Also used as currency by gold miners

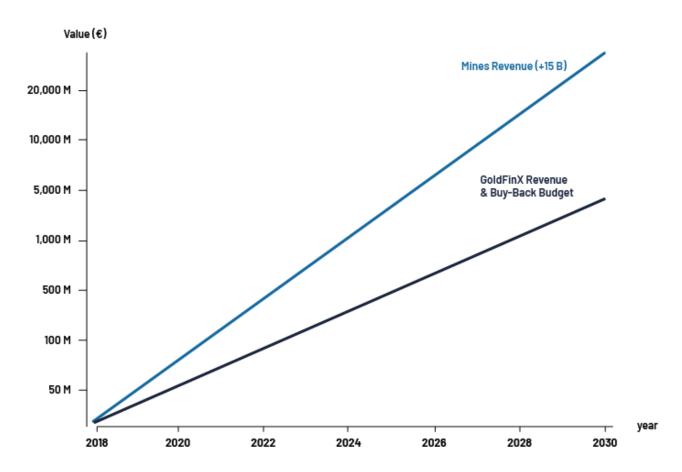


#### **FUNDING STRATEGY**

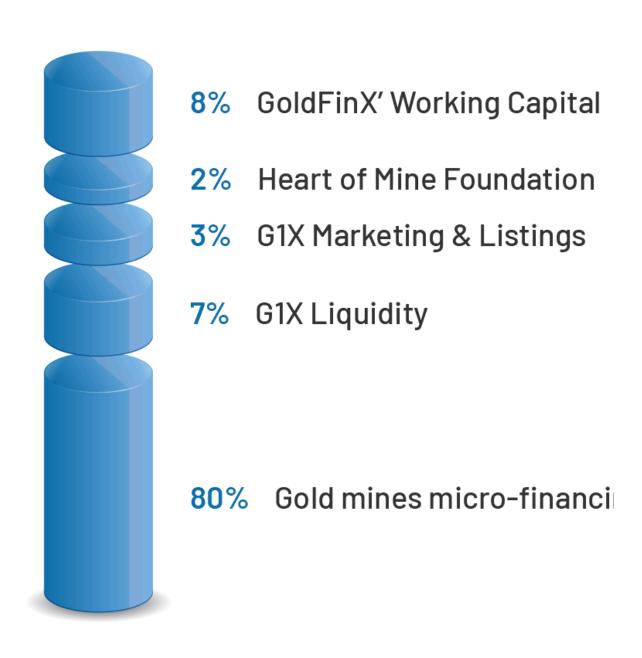
To fund the initial phases of the project, we conduct a fund raising consisting of seed sales, private sales and Initial Decentralized Offering (IDO) of G1X tokens. The targeted placement is \$20 million.

- At least 200+ mines will generate \$15B of gross revenue throughout the life of the mines (10+ years)
- In 10+ years, the G1X token will derive its value from the massive Buy-Back Program funded with a total of \$2.28B

#### 200+ Mines Funded



#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**



#### **G1X FUTURE VALUE EXPECTATION**

For all prices of commodities, currencies, and general assets, it's always difficult to predict their evolution in the short term. With cryptocurrencies, it is even more the case since it is a new type of financial instrument. We are still learning how individual emotional sentiments are influencing a collective perception towards a valuation of this particular asset.

During the early months of 2021, we saw a significant increase in public awareness of cryptocurrencies. The incredible rise in the price of Bitcoin has brought formerly resistant financial institutions into the fray. These new industry players have further stimulated new retail investment into the market, creating a perfect milieu for widespread adoption. The typical retail investor is not just betting on Bitcoin but has been aggressively purchasing altcoins in the search for the next Bitcoin.

There has also been an adoption by major companies such as Home Depot, Starbucks, and Whole Foods to accept payments in cryptocurrency. The digital coin landscape is changing and brings with it good news for G1X.

#### **BUY-BACK PROGRAM**

Most of the revenue (75%) generated by our micro-financing operations will be dedicated to buying back G1X tokens on the exchange. The expected budget allocated to this program is \$2.28 Billion over the next 10 years, and the first purchase will take place in Q3 2023. This buying pressure is expected to drive the G1X token price up.

#### **SPECULATION**

For most commodities and assets, value can also be influenced by conjectural consideration. The simple emotional perception of engaging in a business transaction with a chance of large gains is often enough on its own to upwardly pressure its market value.

We have witnessed this phenomenon with some of the cryptocurrencies launched in the last few years. Most of them were lacking a true business plan, and yet many of them managed to show an exponential increase in market value. GoldFinX should be able to benefit from a similar emotional aspect, especially considering its strong and profitable business plan.

#### **EXECUTION OF THE PLAN**

GoldFinX has developed a simple yet creative business plan to be executed in a flourishing industry and managed by seasoned business veterans. Furthermore, the plan doesn't require much marketing effort and sales channels management, the usual major challenges in the execution of most business plans.

The gold mining's inherent positive condition, to easily and almost automatically sell all the gold that can be extracted, creates an idealistic environment to perform in. Reduced uncertainty gives high chances of success in executing the plan and creates favorable conditions for the type of momentum that pressures the ascendant value of the G1X Token.

#### **COMMUNICATION / PUBLIC RELATION**

Among the many elements that can influence public perception of an asset, communication, marketing, and public relations are powerful tools. The attractive aspect of its solid business plan, its social and environmental component are all positive elements that will play well in a strong, appropriately funded and well-constructed communication plan.

Keeping the current coin holders well informed on the on-going progression, and informing the public of its continuous achievements, will attract potential new buyers and will contribute to building momentum of the favorable perception of the G1X Token

#### ATTRACTIVE MARKET OF CRYPTOCURRENCIES

The popularity and enthusiasm toward blockchain technology and cryptocurrency is sufficient enough to cause buyers worldwide to seriously rethink the composition of their investment portfolio. More people are thinking to allocate a portion of their portfolio to cryptocurrencies and more traditional investment organizations are reacting by creating new investment tools for their clients.

#### **CRYPTO CURRENCIES SUCCESS STORIES**

It is possible that some of the best success stories in the blockchain ecosystem will have a positive effect on the future value of the G1X Token as buyers of coins are looking for opportunities having the potential to duplicate extraordinary increases of value. We cannot accurately predict the future price of our G1X Token in time, but we are aiming at being among the successful Coins in the industry because of our key differentiators: a real business plan, positive characteristics of the gold industry, the social-good emphasis of our plan, and more importantly, the comforting aspect of the vaulted reserve.

#### **INCREASING PRICE OF GOLD**

Based on its historical trend, one can extrapolate that Gold will most likely continue to gain in value over time, regardless of the typical short-term fluctuations. Gold was once below \$250 in the 1970's, but its price today is over \$1,800. Clearly the price of gold will influence the price of the G1X token as any increase will improve our bottom line and strengthen our Buy-Back program.

Therefore, in conclusion, it's very plausible the G1X will appreciate by 30-50+ times over its original price.

# 7 SOCIAL & ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

#### **USE OF PROCEEDS**

Improving the lifestyle of miners and their families through GoldFinX is not charity. It is an extremely good business model that not only rewards the risk taken by initial coin holders, but also financially benefits gold miners while positively impacting rural communities both socially and environmentally.

GoldFinX's social and environmental conscious efforts ensure benefits to everyone within the cycle of the project. To this effect, GoldFinX structures an important compulsory "Social Impact Program" around the funding of each operation it finances. It also creates a financially sustainable Foundation to drive positive social impacts by finally providing an ecosystem that fosters better and safer environmental surroundings.

The Heart of Mine Foundation will spend on positively-impacting social programs, handled jointly with local and International NGOs, and reaching throughout the territories surrounded by the mining operations. It will focus on education and training with the clear objective to favor higher quality of life for families in those areas.

#### **CURRENT STATUS**

Today, millions of people worldwide are involved in artisanal and small-scale gold mining. Many of them live in conditions of poverty and insalubrities due to the toxic accumulation of chemicals used, such as mercury and cyanide, in rudimentary gold extraction methods.

In spite of this, the sector has been nearly overlooked by resource economists. There are commonalities of artisanal and small-scale gold mining in different countries of the developing world as follows: low levels of mechanization and technology, labor intensiveness, low awareness of environmental degradation, poor training, child labor, pregnant women as a workforce, violence on illegal territory, sex trafficking, high transience among some miners, and lack of financial savings.

#### **CLEANER TECHNOLOGY**

Technological alternatives and environmentally friendly practices are critical to tackling toxic chemical usage in ASGM. However, while technical alternatives exist, they are not always applicable due to geological, socioeconomic, cultural and other site-specific factors.

One barrier to adopting cleaner technologies for mining communities is cost effectiveness; the technology must increase the amount of minerals recovered and/or reduce efforts. Also, ASGM operators are usually risk-averse and will not change their practices until the benefits have been clearly demonstrated to them.

#### MERCURY AND CYANIDE FREE CONCENTRATION METHODS

The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA, 2017) describes several mercury and cyanide-free techniques to concentrate ore—i.e. to increase the amount of gold in the ore to be processed by removing lighter particles.

These are safer and economically feasible, and could support miners in getting a higher price for their gold on the market (EPA, 2017). If used appropriately, these concentration-based techniques can significantly reduce the use of mercury or even eliminate it totally.

#### REDUCING MERCURY USE IN ARTISANAL SMALL-SCALE GOLD MINING

#### Why is it Hard to Formalize the Sector?



Miners operate in remote areas



Mining legislation is not adapted to this sector



Land use is a source of conflict with farmers



Land ownership is a source of conflict with mining companies



Little or no enforcment of legislation because of Governments' lack of capacity

#### LACK OF ACCESS TO FINANCE



Miners are not aware of sources of financing



Investors are not aware of **miners** unique needs



Investors view the sector as high risk

#### CHALLENGES OF THE SECTOR



Miners have limited or no access to international gold market



Difficult to put in place due diligence across the supply chain because gold is fungible commodity and difficult to trace



Gold buyers do not know how to buy gold directly from the sector

#### REDUCE THE EHS (ENVIRONMENT HEALTH & SAFETY) IMPACTS OF ASM

Governments have been working for several decades to reduce the EHS impacts of ASM, particularly the use of mercury. But due to the large share of gold produced by ASGM, some approaches focus instead on formalizing and regulating the sector to enable ASGM operators to contribute to the country's wealth via taxes while ensuring more environmentally friendly practices (GAHP, 2014). Such approaches, however, need more involvement from stakeholders on site and investment in efficient technologies that are suitable for the local context.

With the rising number of ASM operators and related EHS impacts, correlated with the rise in prices for minerals like gold, several national and international initiatives have been introduced. The Minamata Convention on Mercury was enacted in January 2013. It is a legally binding global instrument meant to support the reduction of mercury trade, supply and use in ASM and several other sectors. A strong focus is placed on ASGM since it is defined as the largest anthropogenic source of mercury emissions worldwide (UN Environment, 2013b).

#### **CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY (CSR)**

Although the legal framework for ASGM varies from country to country, increasingly many international codes, regulations and voluntary initiatives by organizations and the industry itself require companies to make commitments to integrate social and environmental concerns in their business models. Working with local communities is important not only in order to meet legal and voluntary social and human rights requirements and to ensure that communities benefit (including local small-scale miners), but increasingly it is also necessary to gain a "social license" (broad acceptance or approval from the local community and other stakeholders) to operate. Often the surrounding mining community may have been promised various things, but as the mining licenses change hands, these CSR promises may not be upheld.



# 8 THE COMPETITION

#### THE GOLDFINX UNIQUE CONCEPT

GoldFinX brings to the gold mining sub-industry (ASGM) supported by a profitable business plan. There are several projects involving the notion of gold. Some of them have nothing to do with mining but are focusing on buying gold bars. Others are involved in just one Gold mine and often they own it.

The major difference between any of these companies and GoldFinX is we provide working capital directly to several mines worldwide in a win-win partnership (Contract Mining). We reduce the risk by not investing in just one operation, and we benefit from the production of those mines. The gold extraction is central to our operations, and the increasing G1X Buy-back budget makes it truly a different and unique business model.

### 9 ROADMAP

GoldFinX has been laying the groundwork within the Ivory Coast since 2020. Then 2021 was a proof-of-concept year where many important goals were achieved. Among them were key relationships established with mining communities, government, and mining authorities, building a gold-separation lab, a headquarters in the capital city, and the Heart of Mine Foundation servicing the medical needs of the local communities affected by the toxic effects of mercury.



# 10 GOLDFINX ORGANISATION

#### **MANAGEMENT TEAM**

Our team offers a unique combination of extensive business experience, technical skills, international perspective, and hands-on attitude. We blend deep technological skills with creativity, academic excellence, and executive experience. Our aim is to establish ourselves as a Blockchain Technology leader for the crypto currency industry.



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Chief Executive Officer



FRANCOIS DUMONT Chief Operating Officer



ADAM BOULEL
Chief Community Officer



**GONZALO GANDIA** Chief Marketing Officer



CHRISTOPHER PONNIAH
Senior VP Development,
South East Asia



JW DUMONT
Chief Financial Officer

#### **ADVISORY BOARD**

Our Advisory Board has decades of academic and real-world experience in their respective fields. Our Mining Advisors provide high expertise on reserve estimation, mining technology, and mining management. Our Finance Advisors bring extensive experience in the Financial and crypto markets, and have acted as consultants and key advisors for many international companies, including successful Cryptocurrency and Blockchain businesses.



# 11 RISK FACTORS

#### **GENERAL STATEMENT**

Coin holders are usually motivated to buy the cryptocoins with the hope the project becomes successful after it launches, which could in turn translate to a higher cryptocoin value than the original value they purchased them for. Any potential coin buyer must be aware that high risks are associated with the purchase of cryptocoins.

The purchase of G1X Token is no different and involves a potential degree of risk, including, but not limited, to the risks described below. Before acquiring the G1X, it is recommended that each participant carefully weighs all the information and risks detailed in this White paper and, specifically, the following risk factors.

G1X Tokens do not represent equity ownership nor governance, voting or control over the management of the company. No statement in the white paper is intended as a profit forecast. Any information provided here shall serve solely as the issuer's current views with respect to the future events. Thus, the information is subject to risks, uncertainties, and assumptions related to the company operations, results, and growth strategy as well as unforeseen events. Furthermore, note that the GoldFinX Ecosystem may be subject to other unforeseen risks.

#### RISKS ASSOCIATED TO THE EXECUTION OF THE PLAN

The value of the G1X Token can obviously be affected by factors like, but not limited to, the inability to deploy mines fast enough or the insufficient production from the portfolio of mines.

The success of GoldFinX depends on its ability to properly select those mines that have difficulties gaining access to loans through the mainstream financial system. Although GoldFinX has already signed several agreements, it cannot be totally ruled out that these agreements and future agreements can be terminated or simply not executed.

#### DEPENDENCE ON COMPUTER INFRASTRUCTURE

The G1X depends on the functioning of the software applications, computer hardware, and the internet. This implies that no assurances can be given that a system failure would not adversely affect the use of the G1X. Despite the intended implementation of all reasonable network security measures, the processing centre's servers are vulnerable to computer viruses, physical or electronic break-ins, and other disruptions of a similar nature. Computer viruses, break-ins or other disruptions caused by third parties may result in interruption, delay or suspension of services, which would limit the use of the G1X.

#### REGULATORY COMPLIANCE

The GoldFinX ecosystem comprises activities that may be subject to regulatory scrutiny in various territories. To the extent required by the respective applicable laws, activities undertaken, and services performed are not regulated. However, it cannot be ruled out that the need for regulations might be a possibility in the future.

Blockchain technology, including but not limited to the issuing of coins, may be a new concept in some jurisdictions, which may then be subject to existing laws or new regulations regarding Blockchain technology-based applications. Such regulations may conflict with the current GoldFinX and G1X concept. This may result in the need to make substantial modifications, and the suspension or termination of all G1X

functions. It cannot be ruled out that services and projects described in this document will have to be adjusted or modified in certain countries because of the regulatory environment. It also cannot be dismissed that some services will be impossible to provide in certain jurisdictions. No regulatory authority has examined or approved any information contained in this whitepaper.

#### **SMART CONTRACT LIMITATIONS**

Smart-contract technology is fundamentally coding programs, and it is subject to its inherent nature. This may carry significant operational, technological, regulatory, financial and reputation risks. Consequently, it cannot be ensured that smart contracts to the extent used will properly work, or that they contain no flaws, vulnerabilities or issues which could cause technical problems and, thereby, cause damages. It can also cause further unforeseen delays despite our good faith effort to implement the smart contract.

#### **TAXES**

Holders of the G1X may be required to pay taxes associated with the transactions contemplated herein. It will be the sole responsibility of G1X holders to comply with the tax laws of the jurisdictions applicable to them and pay all relevant taxes.

#### INSUFFICIENT FUNDS RAISED

The G1X coin may never reach the hard cap amount and may not have sufficient funds to execute its full business plan. The positions and plans outlined in this Whitepaper may be altered according to the amount of funds raised.

However, GoldfinX's business plan is totally scalable, and its scope can be reduced to a much smaller but still profitable plan.

#### **FORCE MAJEURE**

The activities connected in relation to the G1X may be interrupted, suspended or delayed due to force majeure circumstances. For the purposes of this Whitepaper, force majeure shall mean extraordinary events and circumstances which could not be prevented and shall include acts of nature, wars, armed conflicts, mass civil disorders, industrial actions, epidemics, lockouts, slowdowns, prolonged shortage or other failures of energy supplies or communication service, acts of municipal, state or federal governmental agencies, other circumstances beyond GoldFinX's control, which were not in existence at the time of this Whitepaper release.

#### DISCLOSURE OF INFORMATION

Personal information received from holders of the G1X, the information about the number of coins owned, the wallet addresses used, and any other relevant information may be disclosed to law enforcement, government officials, and other third parties if GoldFinX is required to disclose such information by law, subpoena, or court order. GoldFinX shall at no time be held responsible for such information disclosure.

#### **FUTURE VALUE OF THE G1X**

Once purchased, the value of the G1X may significantly fluctuate and can even lead to a total loss. The G1X Token may not succeed in creating the necessary momentum and acceptance which may result in low liquidity every G1X holder naturally carries the risk of volatile exchange rate fluctuations of the G1X in relation to both other cryptocurrencies and Fiat money exchange rates.

#### RISK OF UNINSURED LOSSES

Unlike banks accounts or other financial institutions, coins are not insured unless the purchaser obtains a private insurance. Thus, in the event of loss or loss of unit value, there is no public insurer or private insurance arranged by the company to offer recourse to the purchasers of G1X Tokens.

A private key or a combination of keys may be deemed a necessary element to control and trade coins stored in your digital wallet. Accordingly, loss of requisite private key(s) associated with your wallet will result in the loss of G1X Tokens. Moreover, any third party that gains access to such private key(s), including by gaining access to login credentials of a digital wallet you use, may be able to misappropriate your G1X Tokens.

Any errors or malfunctions caused by or otherwise related to the digital wallet you choose to receive and store G1X Tokens, including your own failure to properly maintain or use such digital wallet may also result in the loss of your G1X Tokens.

Additionally, your failure to precisely follow the procedures specifically set forth for buying and receiving, or negotiating G1X Tokens, including, for instance, providing the wrong address for receiving G1X Tokens, may result in the loss of your G1X Tokens.

#### BITCOIN AND ETHEREUM VOLATILITY

The G1X Tokens may be significantly influenced by digital currency market trends and the G1X value may be severely depreciated due to non-GoldFinX related events in the digital currency markets. Cryptocurrencies exchange rate volatility may also impact the company's execution of its plan.

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