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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Copper prices breaking records

Key points

- A demand fuelled by the green transition
- More copper used in Evs
- New mining projects needed; lower grades imply higher environmental impact

Mitigation

- Recycling and circular economy
- A more global picture / Which levers on a FR / EU level ?

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THE QUICK RESTART OF THE CHINESE ECONOMY IN Q2 2020 AND SUPPLY DISRUPTIONS UNDERPIN RESURGENCE OF SPECULATIVE BUYING

- Copper prices hit a 10-year high of just over 10,000\$t during the final week of trading in April (still on-going!).
 This compared to the all-time high of US\$10,190/t that was set back in February 2011.
- Prices have increased on the back of a combination of renewed speculative interest, declining LME stocks, a weaker dollar and lower production numbers that suggest some Covid-related supply problems continue

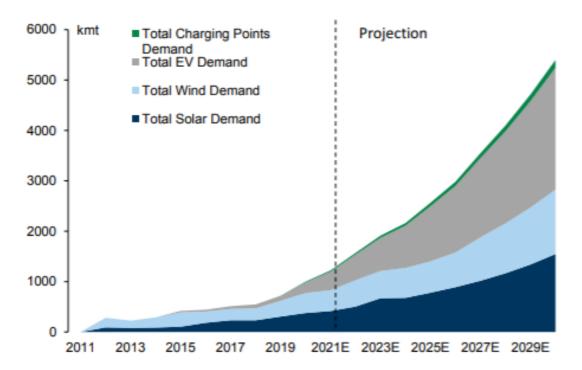


DEMAND INDICATORS ARE POSITIVE FOR COPPER, ESPECIALLY WITH GREEN TRANSITION

 The green-related copper demand could grow from 1Mt in 2020 to 5,5 Mt in 2030

(to be compared to 2020 mined production ~20Mt)

Copper demand, per year, by green sector

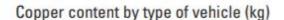


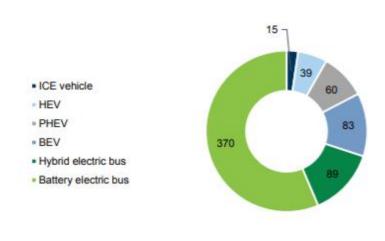
Source: IEA, IRENA, ICA, CDA, Goldman Sachs Global Investment Research

- President Biden's 2 trillion\$ plan, coupled with the ongoing focus on green infrastructure, have fuelled optimism in copper
- Indeed, sales of electric vehicles (EVs) are increasingly gaining popularity: Although the pandemic drove global car sales down by 16 % in 2020, EV sales jumped by around 40% to around 3M vehicles. This trend has continued into the first quarter of 2021, especially in the regions where governments have provided or extended fiscal incentives
- Upside risks for copper demand emerges as China aims to become carbon neutral by 2060: Achieving carbon neutrality means a much higher rate of electrification, more EVs on road, a higher share of renewable power

THE COPPER CONTENT IN VEHICLES WILL INCREASE WITH THE ELECTRIFICATION

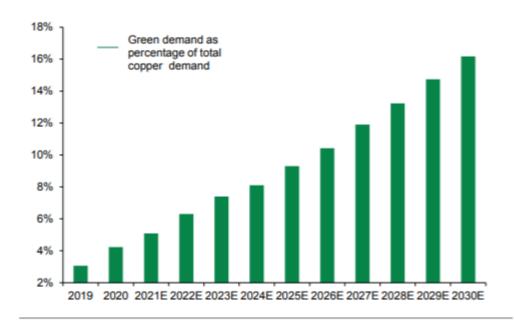
- We consider that there is four times more copper in an electric vehicle than in a combustion vehicle
- EV : ~80 kg copper





Source: ICA, Goldman Sachs Global Investment Research

Green copper demand as percentage of total copper demand



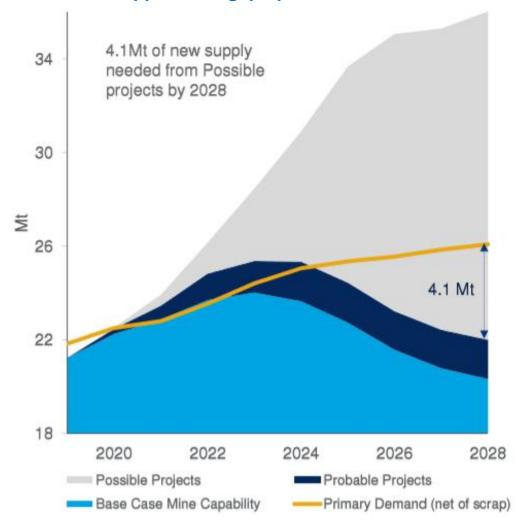
Source: Woodmac, Goldman Sachs Global Investment Research

SUPPLY DEMAND FOCUS AND FORECAST

- A deficit larger than expected in 2021 (some disruptions due to covid in Chile for example)
- ... before surpluses building through to 2023

- After 2024-25, new mining projects are still required to meet future demand for copper: further investment is required (implies incentive prices for copper!)
- Project quality is a hurdle, with lower grades, higher capital and operating costs => higher environmental impacts for the new greenfield projects

The copper mine gap opens from 2024 / 2025



Sources: WMK, HSBC, MS, internal studies

RAW MATERIALS STAKES FOR THE AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY

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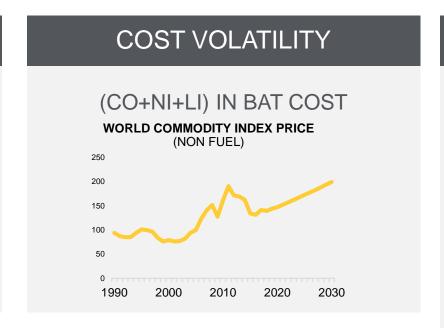
PLANET RENEWABLE RESERVE OVERUSE IN LESS THAN 1/2 YEAR

COPPER RESERVES 37 years 1 EV = 4 x 1 ICE

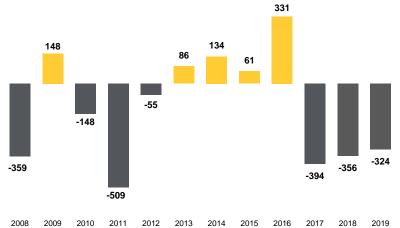
(80kg engine + battery + cables)

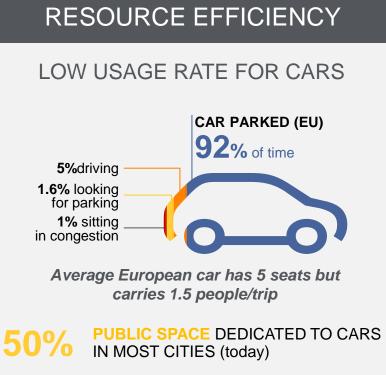


Source: Deutsche Bank, United States Geological Society

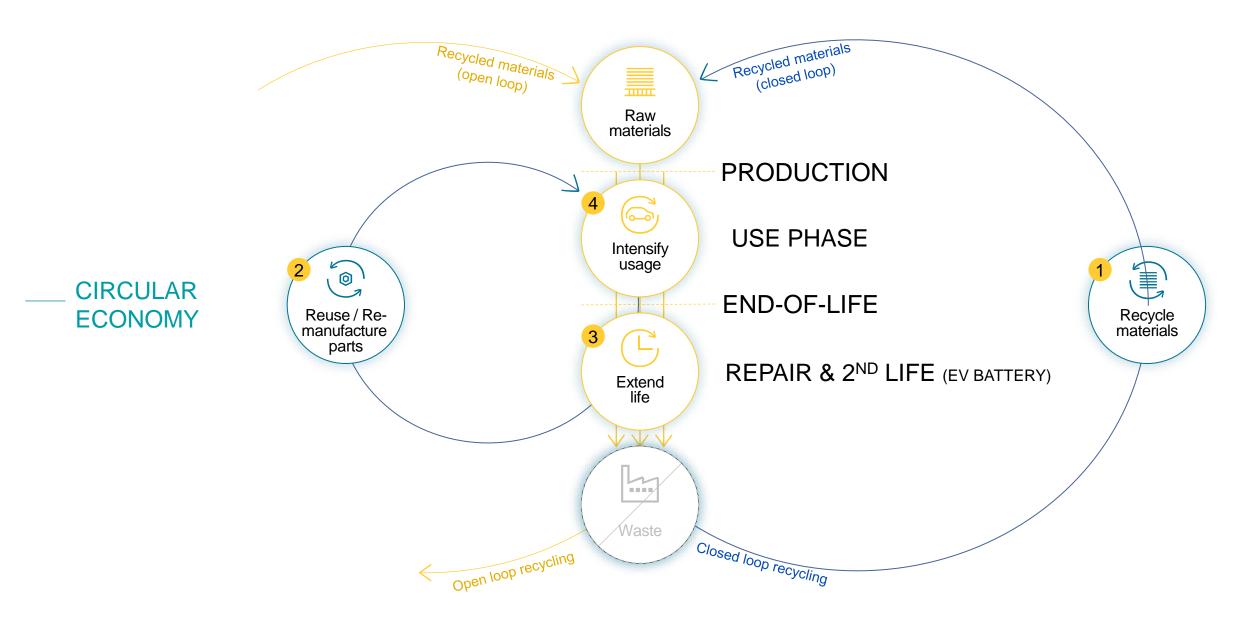






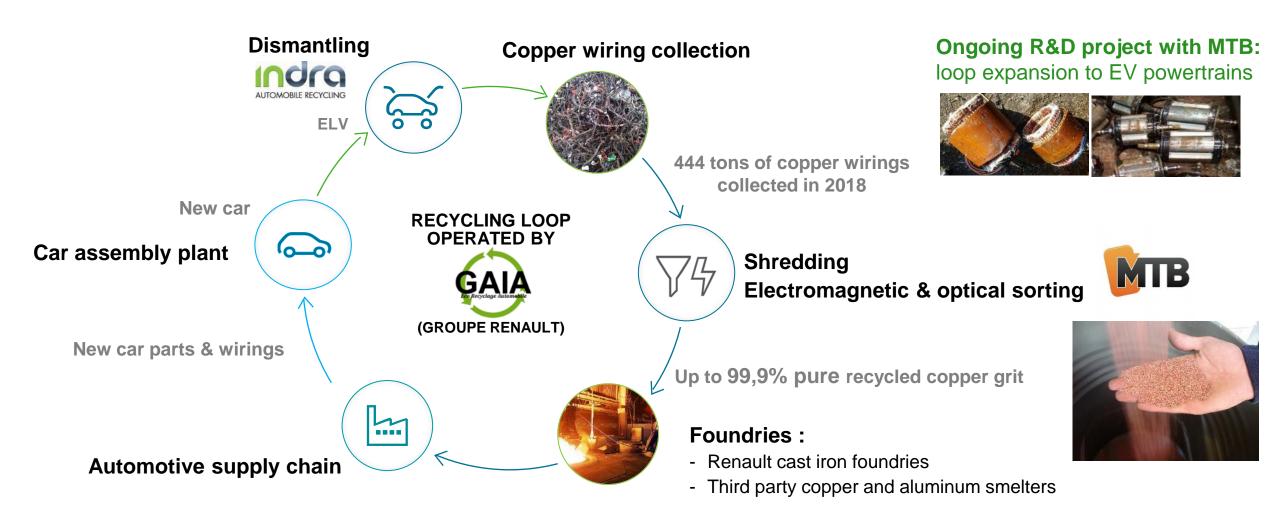


ONE WAY TO MITIGATE: FROM A LINEAR TOWARDS A CIRCULAR BUSINESS MODEL



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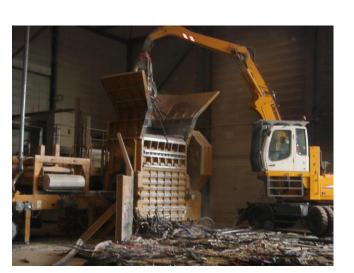
CLOSED LOOP RECYCLING OF COPPER FROM AUTOMOTIVE WIRINGS

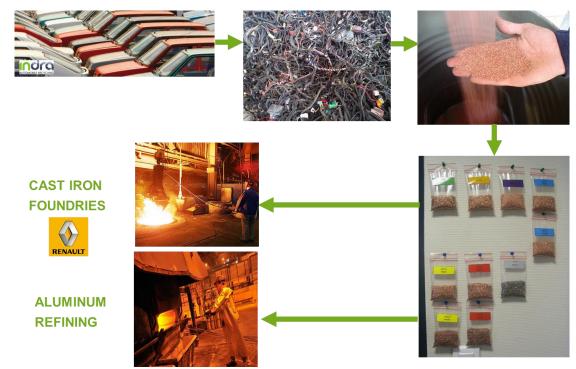


EXAMPLE OF COPPER FROM END-OF-LIFE VEHICLES (AND PLANTS)

Objectives of the ECC Competitive Circular Economy Project :

- Transforming automotive wiring into high purity copper shot (> 99%)
- Keeping the material's property
- Pay only the processing value
- Use this channel to recycle our internal wires
- In the long term, make the European foundries of the Alliance independent from the Market (180T/year)





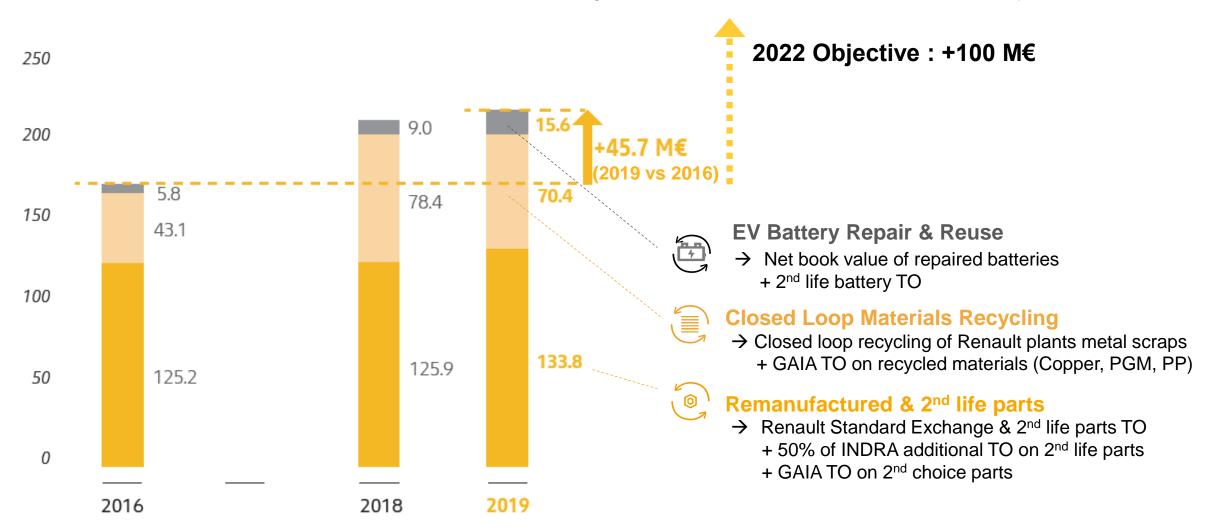
Process already operational, optimized with our partner MTB

- Identification of undesirable items (lugs, boxes, etc.)
- Elimination during the process (sieving) or by pre-treatment
- Quality control at the end of the process

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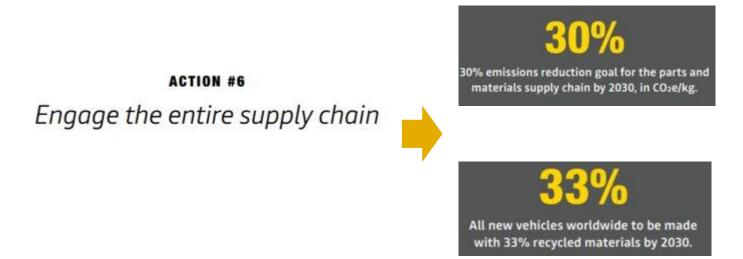
CIRCULARITY KPI: A SYNTHESIS INDICATOR FOR DIVERSIFIED CIRCULAR ACTIVITIES

Value (M€) preserved in the automotive sector through Groupe Renault's circular economy activities



A MORE GLOBAL PICTURE

- Climate claim Renault Luca de Meo April 23rd
 - Renault to accelerate in its commitment to be aligned with Paris agreement 1,5°C. Carbon neutral EU 2040 and WW 2050





- What can be done at national or European level to support the sector and our actions? Which levers or dedicated working groups?
 - Supporting ERMA but not focused on copper at the moment ...

THANK YOU