



Uranium mining

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Uranium market

- Demand : 400 plus reactors – to grow drastically
 - : 68,000 t/yr – 43,000 t/yr annual production
 - balance through reprocessing

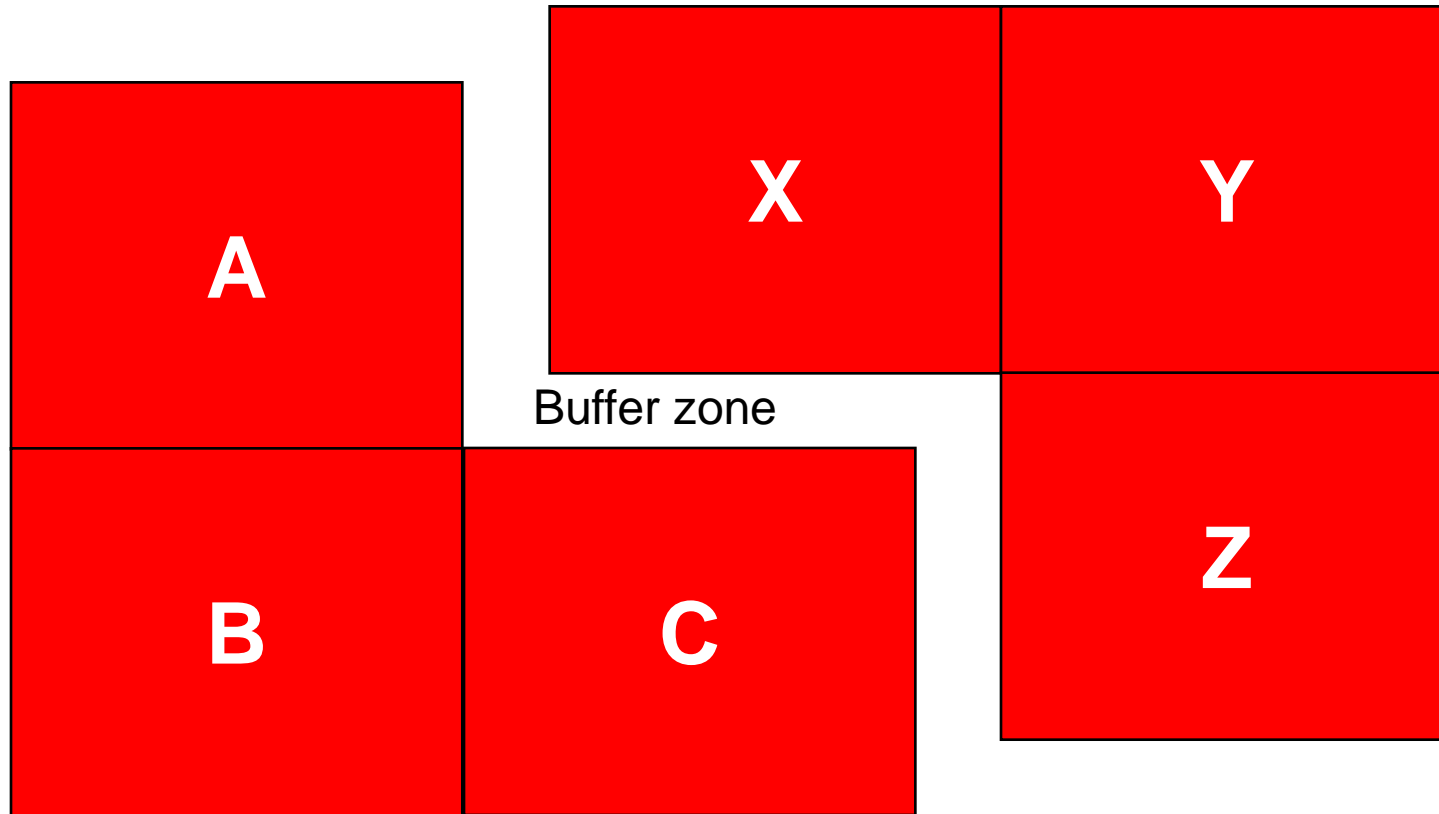
- Supply : 70% through 4 key players: Areva, Cameco, Rio Tinto, Kazatomprom
 - : 40% of annual production through 4 mines

INCREASE SUPPLY
DIVERSIFY SUPPLIERS

Opportunities for MENA

- Known uranium reserves
- Phosphates contain 1.2 million tonnes
 - one of the largest reserves in the world
- Income – depends on price and cost of extraction
- Fuel

Exploration and mining zones



- Competing Interests
- Other mining rights

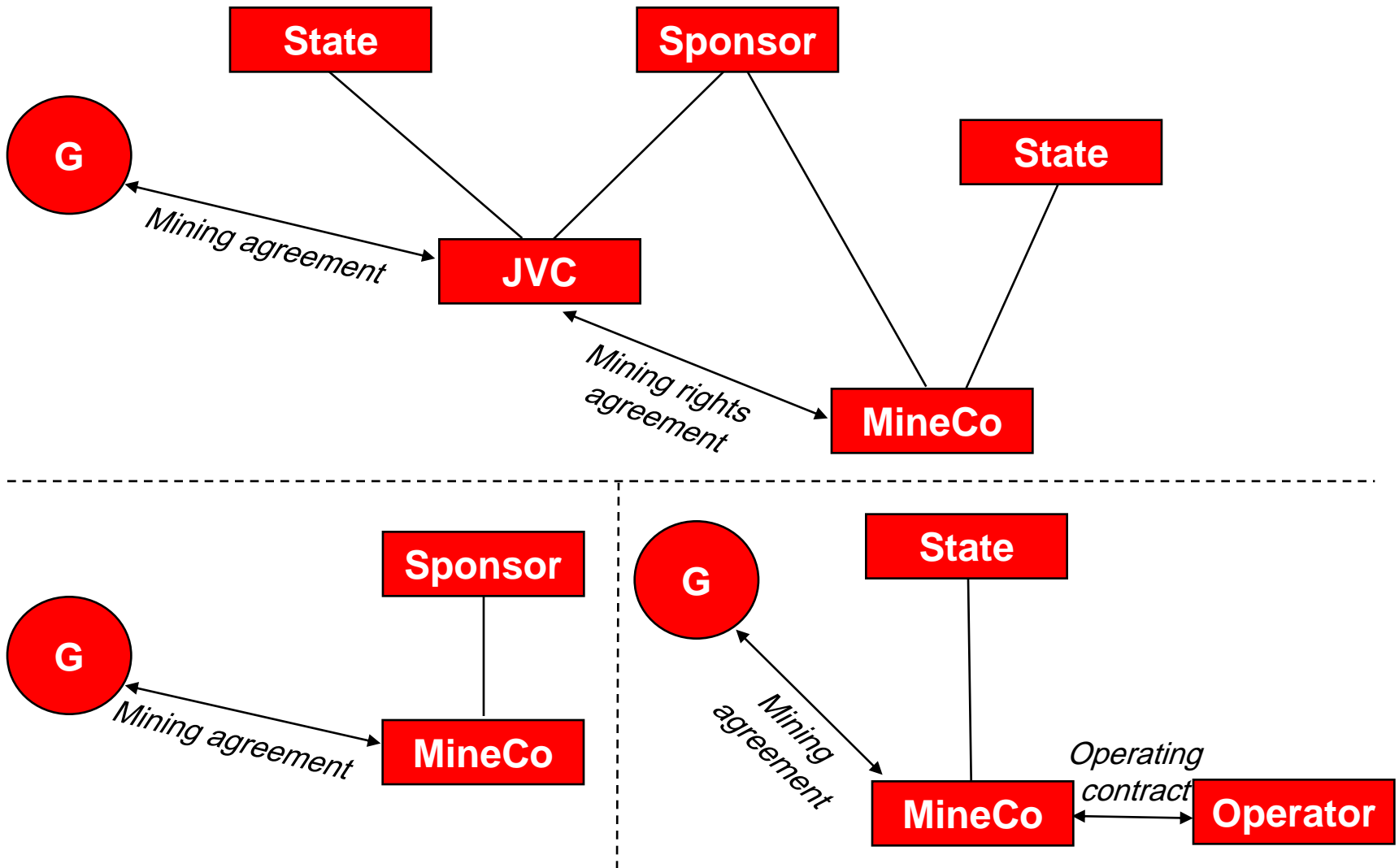
Promoting development

- Mining companies want stable and predictable investment environment
- Supporting infrastructure
- Tax regime – compensation mechanic
- Foreign exchange rights
- Local workforce/materials content
- Irrational behaviour

Environment

- Environmental Impact Statement
- Standards
 - domestic and international
- Rehabilitation
 - programme
 - funding

Structures



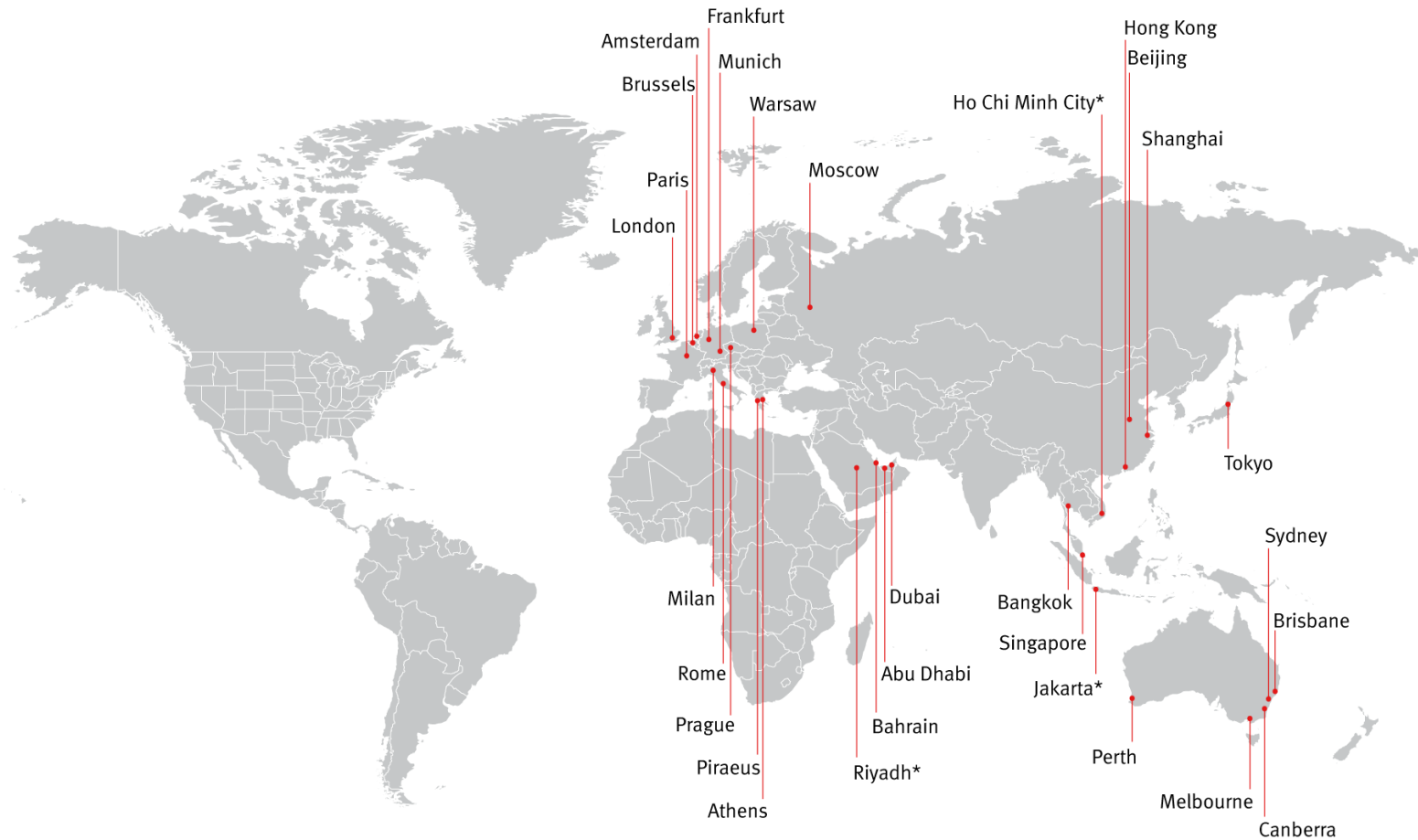
Optimising returns

- Profit share
- Royalty/taxation
- Production sharing agreements
- Regulating super profits
- Sales and marketing

Strategic issues

- Control over production
- Domestic consumption
- Designate production for foreign customers
- Fuel cycle

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