

# On Gold



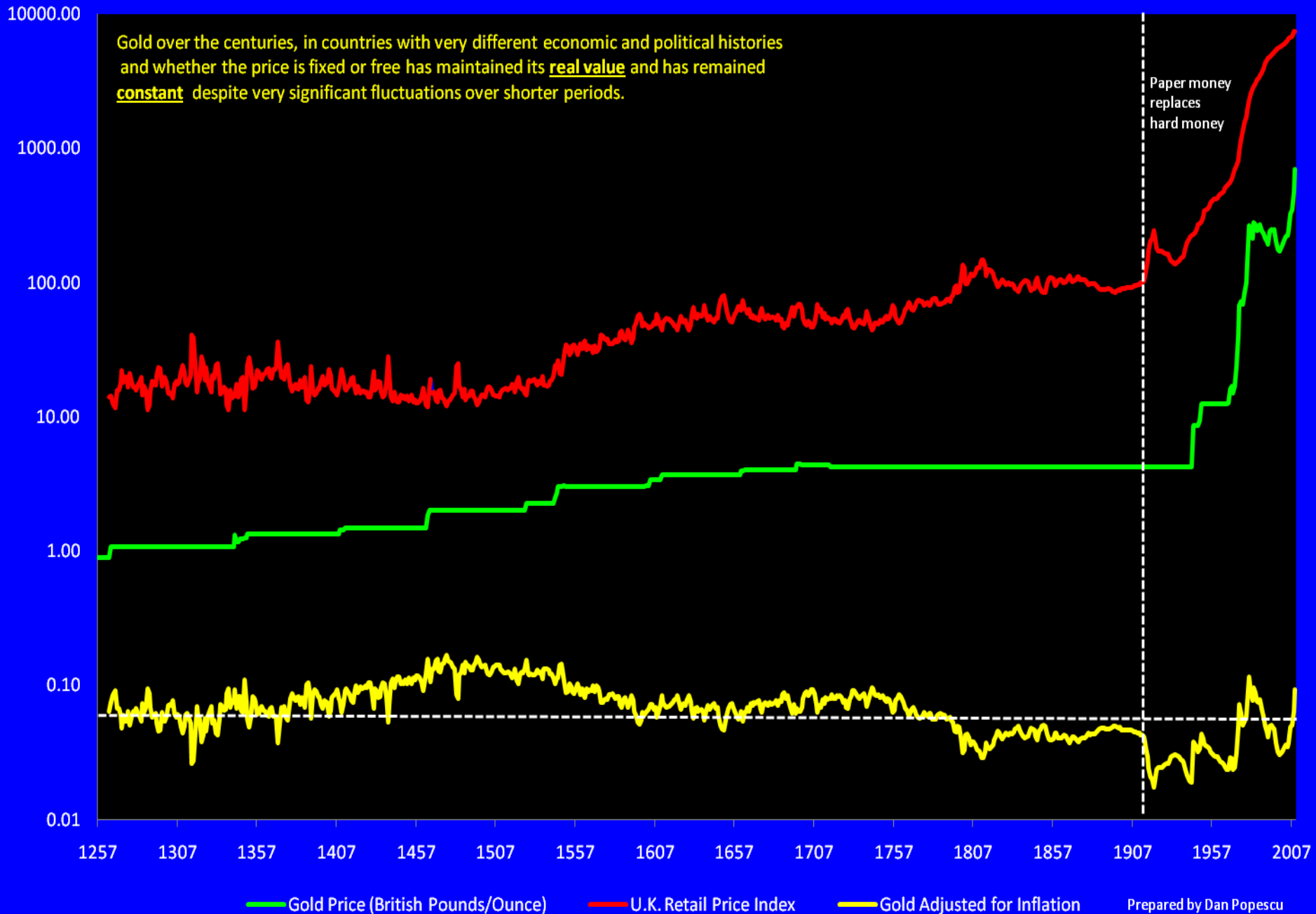
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## A) Gold during crisis

# The Gold Constant

Gold over the centuries, in countries with very different economic and political histories and whether the price is fixed or free has maintained its real value and has remained constant despite very significant fluctuations over shorter periods.

Paper money  
replaces  
hard money



# Purchasing power of the DOW during last financial crisis (when adjusted for Gold)

**DIA:GLD** (SPDR DJIA/SPDR Gold Trust) NYSE/NYSE

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**Op** 0.86 **Hi** 0.86 **Lo** 0.86 **Last** 0.86 **Vol** 0 **Chg** +0.00 (+0.34%) ▲

— DIA:GLD (Daily) 0.86



# Gold ~ Zero real rate of return



1oz Gold  $\approx$  350 loaves of bread

**450 BC**

**Pericles**

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**2019 AD**

**Today**

**Across 2,500 years  
gold has retained  
its purchasing power**

# Two main sources for GOLD...

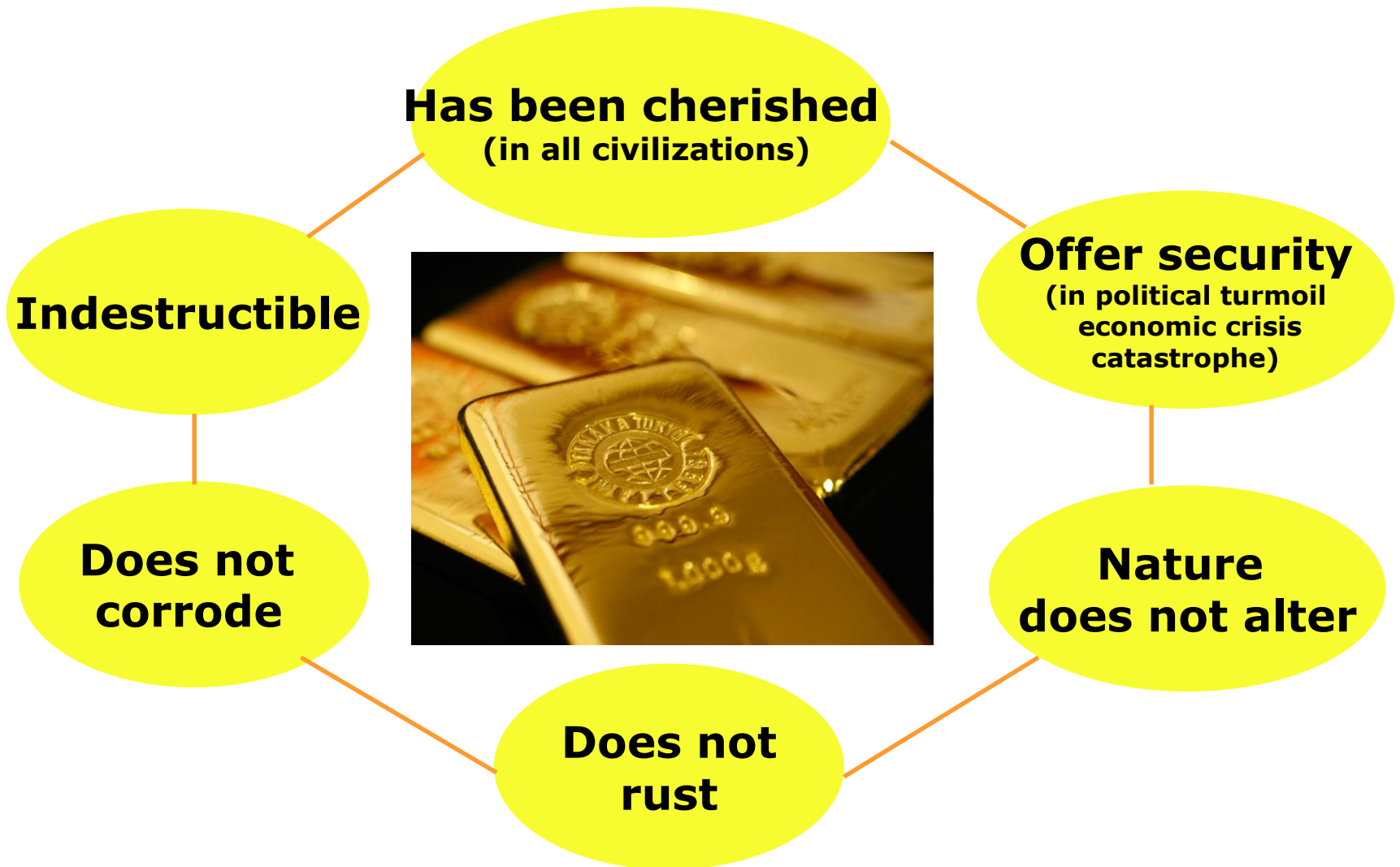
- **Buying (existing) Gold**



- **Extracting (new) Gold from Earth & financing gold mining**



# Gold everlasting characteristics...



# Gold supply & demand

## Gold demand

- Jewellery demand
  - 70% of usage
  - Price sensitive
  - Gold  Jewellery demand 
- Investment demand
  - Transacted over the counter
  - Not measurable
  - Is the marginal driver of gold
  - Gold  Investment demand 

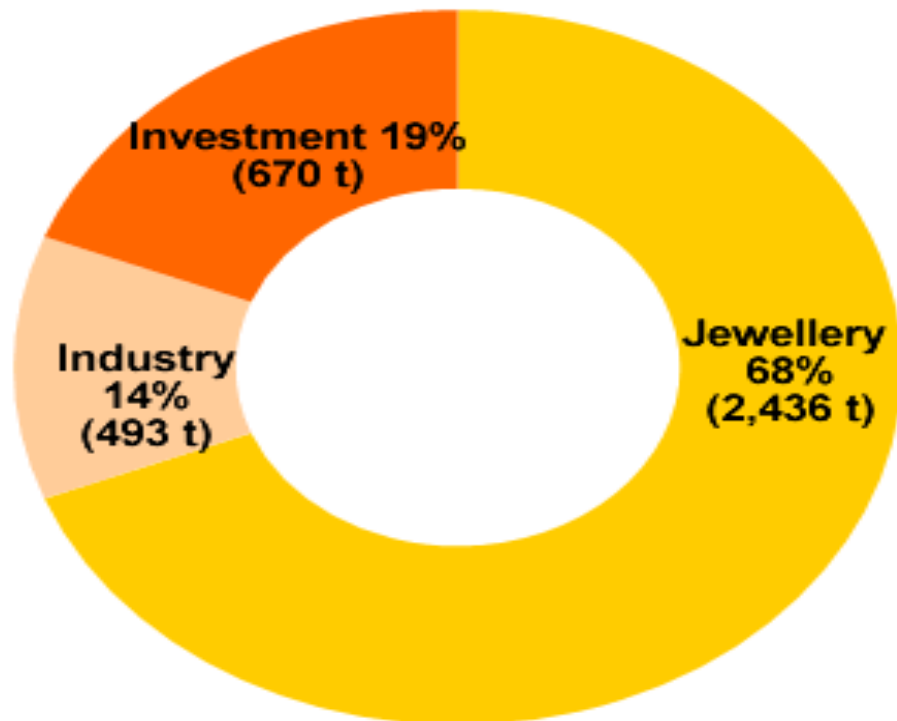
## Gold supply

- Annual increase in supply is a small fraction of aboveground stocks
  - Unknown underground
  - Unknown aboveground?
- Global
  - Hidden & lost gold
  - Space!!

# Gold demand & supply

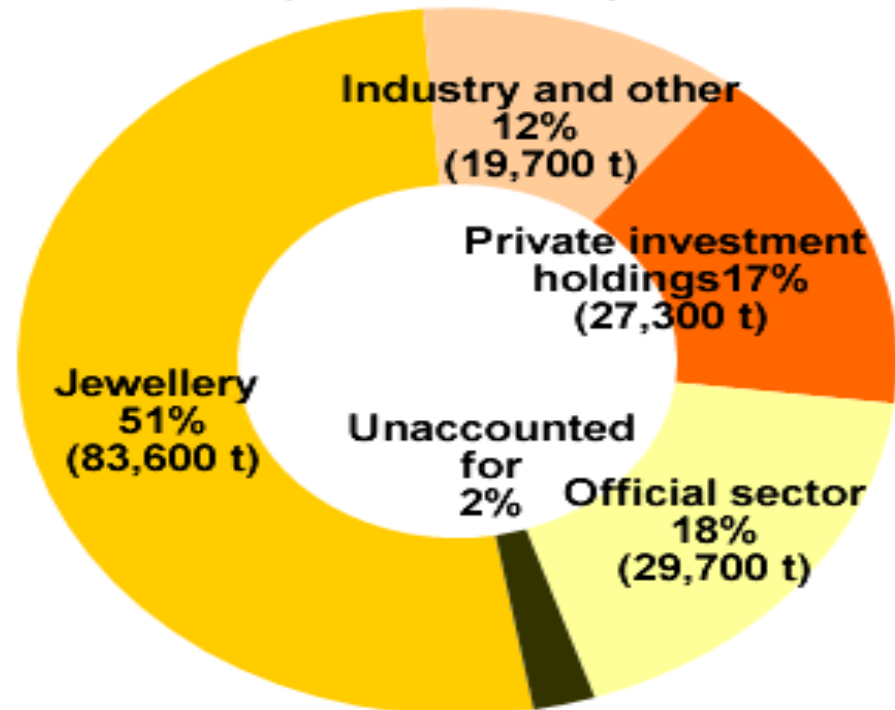
## Gold demand

**Demand Flows**  
5 year average (2004-2008)



## Gold supply

**Above-ground stocks, end 2008**  
(total: 163,000 t)



Data: GFMS Ltd.

# Gold & Silver

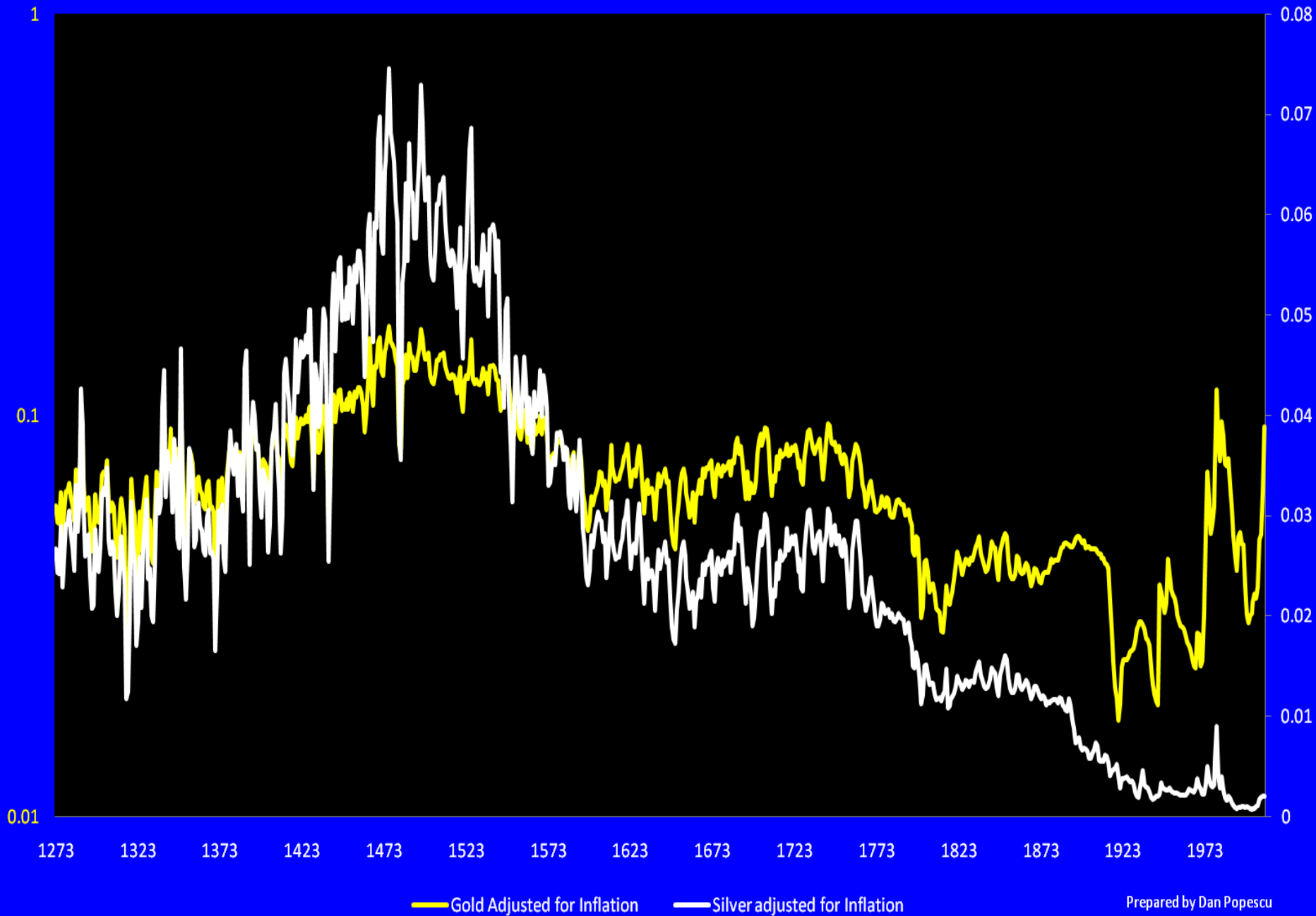
## Gold

- Demand
  - Industrial 13%
  - Investment 19%
  - Jewellery 68%
- Supply
  - Mine production 1.5%
- Store value
- Currency of last resort
- Gold/Silver relationship has changed around 1876

## Silver

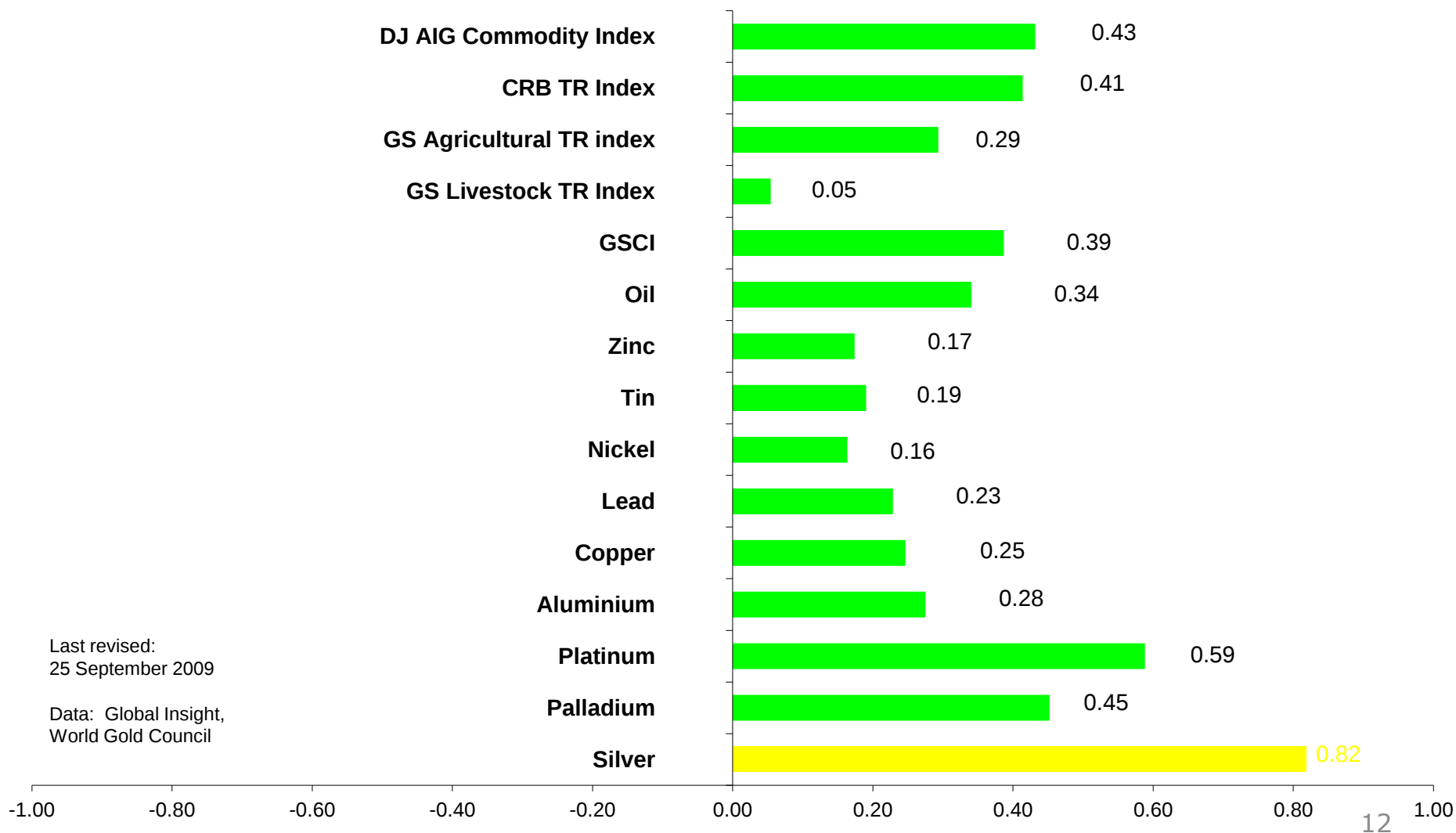
- Demand
  - Industrial 64%
  - Investment 26%
  - Jewellery 10%
- Supply
  - Mine production 75%
- Poor's man gold
- Not a medium of exchange
- A 0.80 correlation with gold

# Gold and Silver Inflation Adjusted



# Gold correlation...during 2009 financial crisis

Commodities: three year correlation of weekly returns on key asset classes and gold (USD)



## B) New Gold -Mining

# Gold mining

## Gold mine production

- ◆ Historically, only 161,000 tons of gold has been mined
- ◆ Almost 100,000 tons extracted past 50 years
- ◆ Mine production declining since 2001
- ◆ Harder to find new reserves
- ◆ High-grade, low cost deposits increasingly rare
- ◆ New deposits
  - ◆ higher cost
  - ◆ higher political risk jurisdictions

## Costs of mining

- ◆ Increasing cost of production
- ◆ Total production costs \$600 / oz. (2009)
- ◆ Instability in blessed countries
- ◆ Information costs
- ◆ Exploration budget
  - ◆ \$2 billions (2002)
  - ◆ \$13 billions (2008)



Gold mining production represents only 1.5% of the total gold supply  
(insignificant amount to affect price)

# Supply flows five-year average (2004-2008)

**Recycled  
gold (scrap)**  
28% (1,016 t)



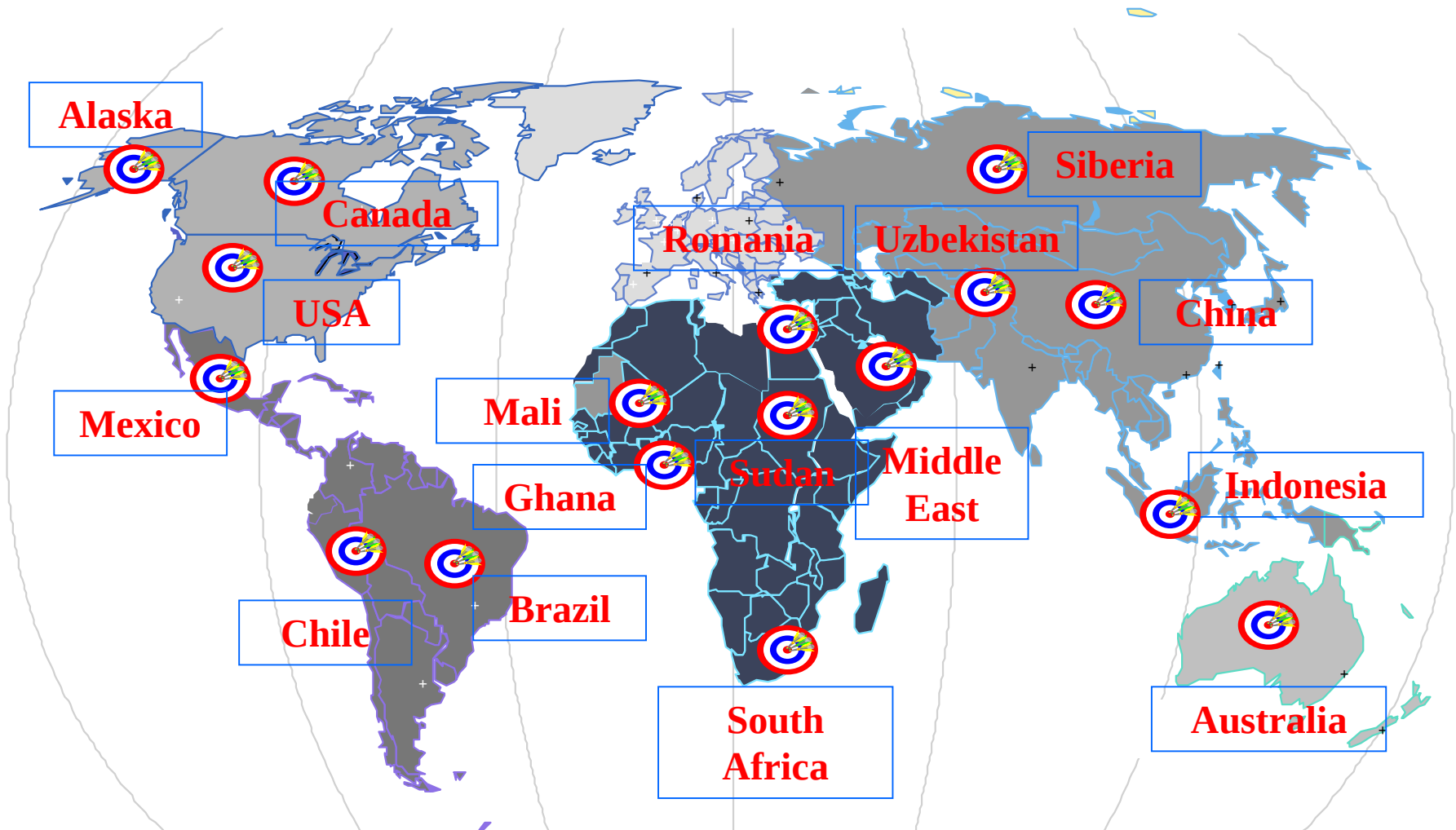
**Net central  
bank  
sales**  
12%  
(447 t)

**Mine production\***  
60% (2,209 t)  
\*net of hedging

# Financing gold mining

- 1) Checking country-origin and mine acceptance
- 2) Mapping potential investors
- 3) Selecting bankers
- 4) Selecting stock exchange
- 5) Completing valuation and research
- 6) Preparing company and executing offering
- 7) Raising capital
- 8) Starting exploration and mine developing

# 1) Checking country origin and mine acceptance



## 2) Mapping potential investors



### 3) Selecting bankers

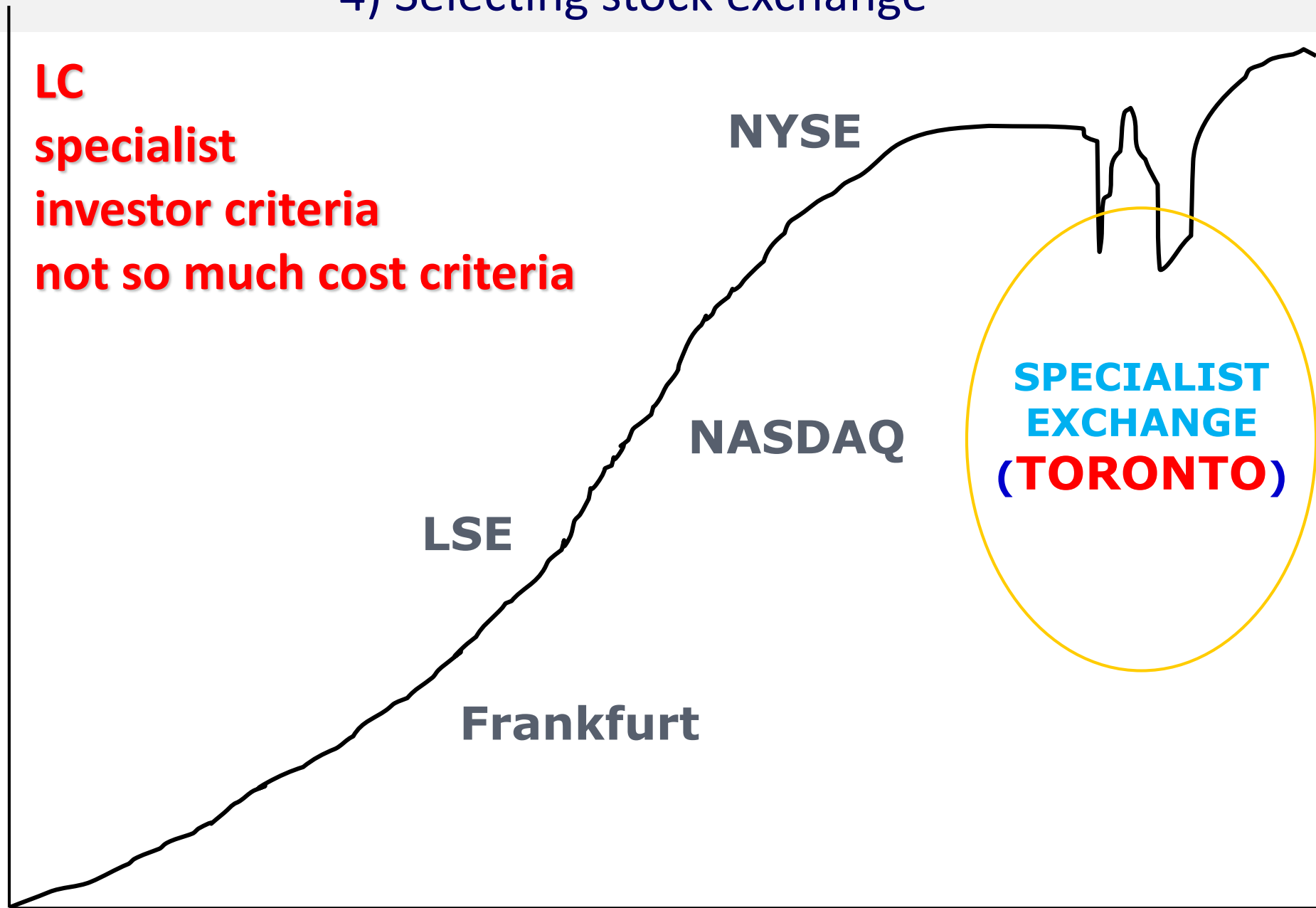
## *“The banks serve the interests of their Investors”*

- ▶ Check carefully the engagement letter with the banks
- ▶ Select actively the syndicate - prevent collusion – manage conflict
- ▶ Control bookrunner behaviour (trading, allocation)
- ▶ Be part of your valuation
- ▶ Audit and control feedback from Investors
- ▶ Enlarge the pool of targeted Investors
- ▶ Optimize pricing and sustain aftermarket performance

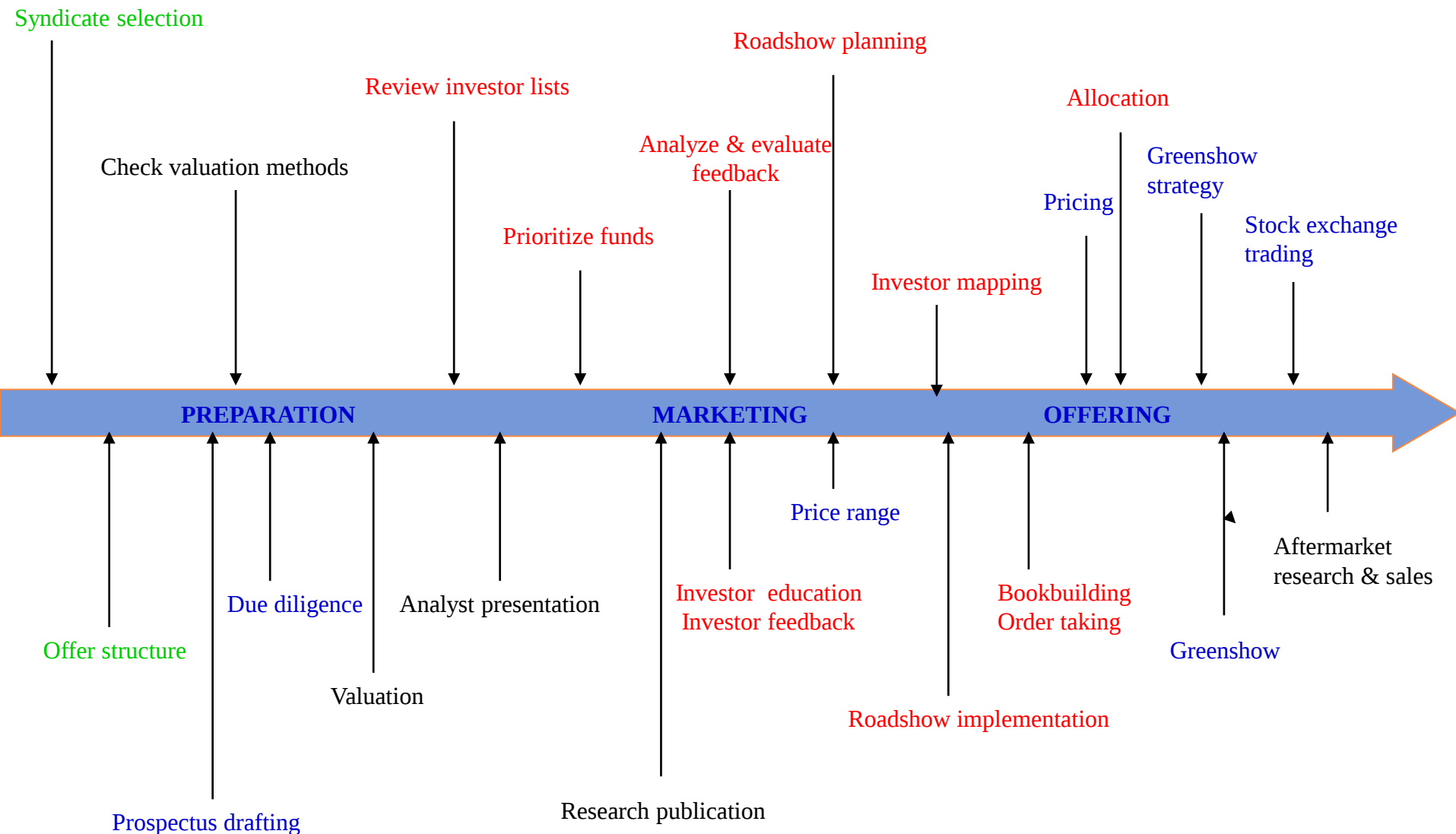
| 1) Pre-IPO                         | Underwriter A | Underwriter B | Underwriter C |
|------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| LEGAL AND REGULATORY FRAMEWORK     |               |               |               |
| LISTING FEE                        |               |               |               |
| LEGAL FEES                         |               |               |               |
| AUDITORS FEES                      |               |               |               |
| OUT-OF-POCKET-EXPENSES             |               |               |               |
| CAPABILITIES                       |               |               |               |
| 1) On-IPO                          |               |               |               |
| BANKS SYNDICATE                    |               |               |               |
| OFFERING ROADSHOWS                 |               |               |               |
| TARGETTING AND SHARE DISTRIBUTION  |               |               |               |
| PRICE SELECTION                    |               |               |               |
| OUT-OF-POCKET-EXPENSES             |               |               |               |
| 1) After-IPO                       |               |               |               |
| FILLINGS                           |               |               |               |
| STOCK EXCHNAGE AND SEC REGULATIONS |               |               |               |
| RELATIONSHIP ROADSHOWS             |               |               |               |
| PROACTIVE ROADSHOWS                |               |               |               |
| LEGAL FEES                         |               |               |               |
| OUT-OF-POCKET-EXPENSES             |               |               |               |
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## 4) Selecting stock exchange

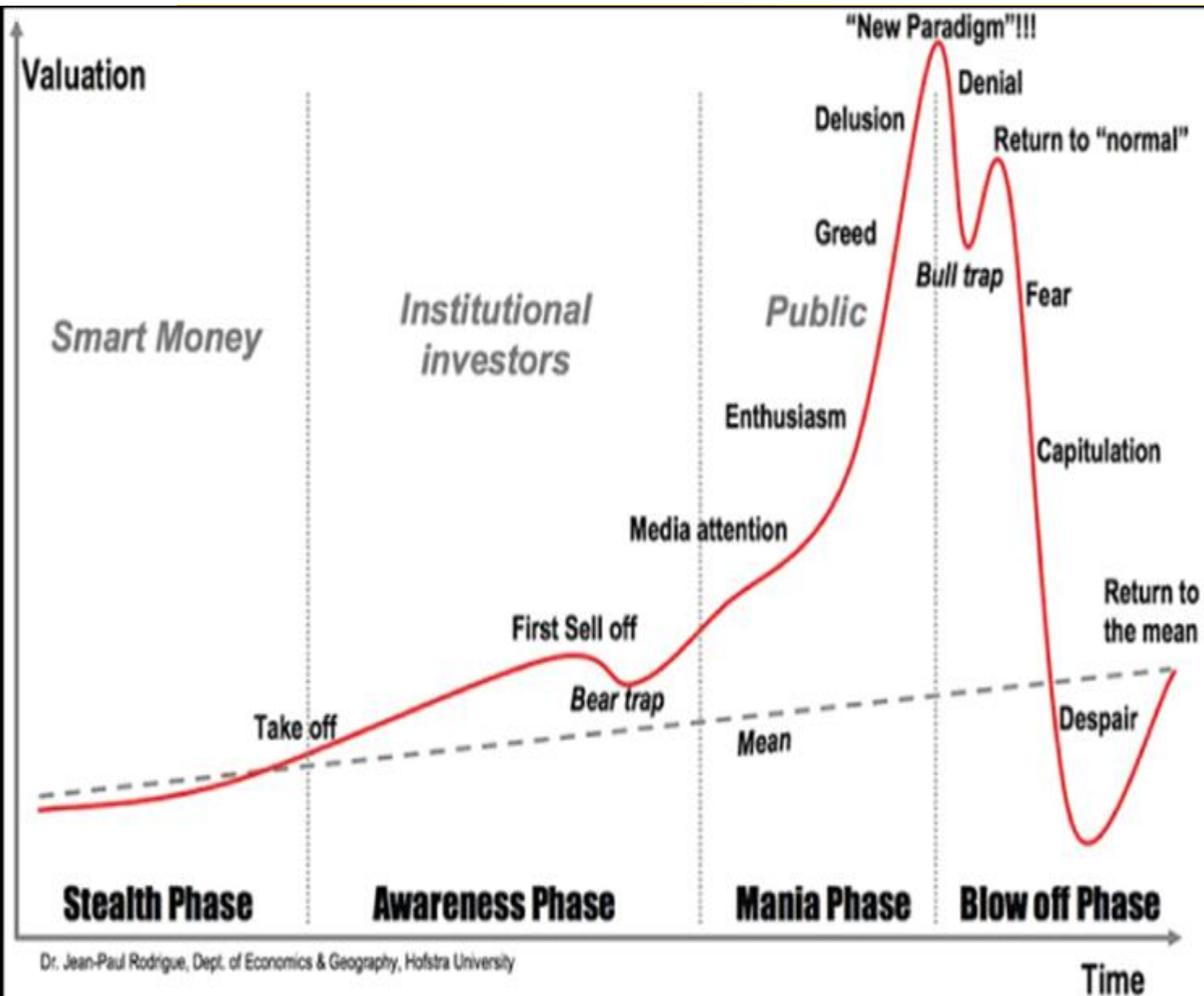
**LC**  
**specialist**  
**investor criteria**  
**not so much cost criteria**



# 5&6) Valuation & offering



## 7) Raising capital



**Convert  
targeted  
potential  
investors to  
shareholders**

## 8) Exploration and mine development



# Looking for Gold...



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