

Focus on

Continued price escalation of metals



The Wall Street Journal of April 28th dedicated an article on the recent high prices of metals. As Robert Matthews writes, the world's largest mining companies have been hamstrung by several recent unrelated events, including huge power disruptions, floods, equipment shortage and strikes that have constrained supply and signalled continued price escalation. Prices for aluminium, gold, coal, platinum and other minerals are flirting with 10-year record highs. While sustained strength in metal prices has been largely attributed to demand in China and other development countries, the recent flare-up has more to do with unforeseen constraints in supply. In many ways, the tight supply situation is shielding mining giants in the short term from the impact of the weakening economies in the U.S. and other development countries. Moreover, avenues for ramping up production are narrowing, portending ..read more

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Al recycling plant for China Direct

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Rusal completes acquisition of stake in Norilsk Nickel
UC Rusal has completed the acquisition of a 25% plus one share stake in Norilsk Nickel from Onexim Group. UC Rusal has nominated four candidates to the Board of Directors of Norilsk Nickel - Victor Vekselberg, Oleg Deripaska and Alexander Bulygin, as well as Tye Burt, as an independent director. The election of these candidates to the Board of Directors will be considered at the annual shareholders meeting of Norilsk Nickel in June 2008. Onexim has received, under the terms of the deal, a 14% stake in UC Rusal and a cash component. ..read more

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Metal Prices

Non Ferrous Metal prices
LME official of 05/01/2008

	Cash (ASK)	3 months (ASK)
Aluminium	0	0
Aluminium alloy	0	0
Nickel	0	0
Lead	0	0
Copper	0	0
Tin	0	0
Zinc	0	0

Technical analysis: by Kauffmann & Sons



Aluminium QUOTATION (USD)

	3 MONTH		CASH		Support
	BID	ASK	BID	ASK	
Resistance					
3120	2860	2870	2815	2825	2850
2970					2750
	Totals		Movements		
STOCKS	1038950		-1725		
RSI	44,95				
Short period trend			SIDE		
Medium period trend			SIDE		

ASK : the quoted market selling price.
 BID: the quoted market buying price
 CASH: the current price in the market for cash/spot contracts
 3 MONTHS: the current price in the market for a delivery delayed of 3 months
 SUPPORT: a price area where new buying is likely to come in and stem any decline
 RESISTANCE: a price area where new selling will emerge to dampen a continued rise

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The building shell in 2007

Unceaal's Economic Study Committee offers its usual economic analysis "Il mercato dell'involucro edilizio in Italia - Serramenti metallici e facciate continue 2007 - scenari 2008" ("The building shell market in Italy - Metal windows and doors and curtain walls - Scenarios for 2008").

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'Double skin' facade for the Banca Lombarda in Brescia

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