THE AUSTRALIAN EXPERIENCE WITH RESOURCES, INFRASTRUCTURE CORRIDORS AND SUPPLY CHAINS

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POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS

- Infrastructure and supply chain planners should take an options-based approach
 to allow for uncertainties about the future scale and type of development, maximize
 and not limit future options and avoid locking in supply chain inadequacies and
 economic inefficiencies.
- Governments and project developers should seek to achieve supply chain integration to maximize efficiency, while avoiding exclusion of new producers by implementing supply chain access regimes and avoiding inefficient duplication of infrastructure.
- 3. Governments, through their control of land, have critical roles to play in identifying, planning and creating infrastructure corridors and development precincts for private sector investment, and to conclude strategic land access agreements and environmental approvals to facilitate development of individual projects.
- 4. Governments need to implement effective cross- and inter-government mechanisms to co-ordinate and facilitate investment in resources development and infrastructure.
- 5. Infrastructure to support communities is essential for them to be able to attract and retain workers needed for resources projects and supply chains, to achieve scale for liveability and business capability and to enable resources regions and their people to derive sustained benefits from development.