Emerging Risks CAS ERM Seminar Minneapolis, MN October 1-2, 2015

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Agenda

- What are Emerging Risks?
- About the Survey
- Survey Results
- Blending Trends and Strategy



What are Emerging Risks?

- Evolving risks (creeping, mean reverting)
 - Home mortgage market
 - Climate change
- Tail risk (recently unseen)
 - Asteroid/disease



Rumsfeld's Unknown/Unknowns

- Known/unknown
 - Risks we know to be unclear;
 - Napa fault line
- Unknown/known
 - Where we think we know something, but actually don't
 - Improper pricing
- Known/known historical data
- Unknown/unknown what risks are out there that aren't on our radar screen at all?



Emerging Risks

- May be internally or externally generated
 - Higher order impact/interaction (e.g., oil spill/tourism)
 - May be positive/unclear events (e.g., drones, driverless cars, genetically modified food)
 - Environmental scan, internal survey, external workshops, stress testing
- Outliers in real distribution
- Next big risk is likely to be something new
- Time horizon longer than your business plan



About the Survey

- Eighth survey of Emerging Risks by Joint Risk Management Section (JRMS)
- JRMS is a collaboration between the CAS, CIA and SOA
- Latest survey based on 167 responses from:
 - JRMS members
 - North American CRO Council
 - LinkedIn groups related to risk management



About the Survey

- The first survey was in 2008
- The latest survey was from November 2014
- Includes 23 emerging risks identified by the World Economic Forum
- Max Rudolph, FSA, CFA, CERA, MAAA is the author of the underlying report and many of these slides



Emerging Risks (% of Top 5 Risks Identified)

Economic

- Energy price shock (3%)
- Currency trend (1%)
- Chinese economic implosion (6%)
- Asset price collapse (7%)
- Financial volatility (9%)

Environmental

- Climate change (4%)
- Freshwater loss (2%)
- Tropical storms (1%)
- Earthquakes (1%)
- Severe weather (2%)



Emerging Risks (% of Top 5 Risks Identified)

- Geopolitical
 - Terrorism (9%)
 - Weapons of mass destruction (2%)
 - Interstate/civil wars (4%)
 - Failed and failing states (6%)
 - Transnational crime (2%)
 - Globalization fallback (2%)
 - Regional instability (8%)

- Societal
 - Infectious diseases (6%)
 - Chronic diseases (1%)
 - Demographic shift (5%)
 - Regulatory (5%)
- Technological
 - Cyber security (12%)
 - Technology / Space weather (1%)



Current Environment Matters

April 2008

- ➤ Oil price \$114
- > S&P 500 1,386
- ➤ Currency 1.56 \$/Euro

November 2008

- ➤ Oil price \$68
- > S&P 500 969
- ➤ Currency 1.27 \$/Euro

Fall 2012

- ➤ Oil price \$92
- > S&P 500 1,440
- ➤ Currency 1.29 \$/Euro

Fall 2014

- ➤ Oil price \$91
- > S&P 500 1,972
- ➤ Currency 1.26 \$/Euro



Anchoring – Behavioral Finance

- April 2008
 - 57% Oil price shock
 - 40% Climate change
 - 40% Blow up in asset prices

- October 2014
 - 58% Cyber security
 - 44% Financial volatility
 - 41% International terrorism

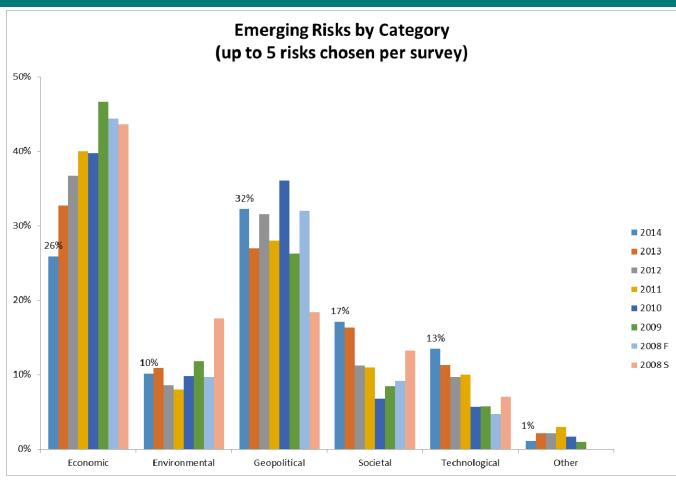


Interesting Revelations 2014

- Cyber now top risk
 - Continues to evolve
- Geopolitical category increased
 - Russia/Crimea
 - Syria, Iran
- Societal category increased
 - Ebola outbreak in West Africa
- Economic category decreased
 - Steadily declining as we get further from the financial crisis
- Move toward leading indicators
- ERM finding role within strategic team



Top Emerging Risks





Trending the Top Risks

2011

Financial volatility

Failed and failing states

Cyber security/interconnectedness of infrastructure

Chinese economic hard landing

2012

Financial volatility

Regional instability

Cyber security/ interconnectedness of infrastructure

Failed and failing states

2013

Financial volatility

Cyber security/interconnectedness of infrastructure

Blow up in asset prices

Demographic shift

2014

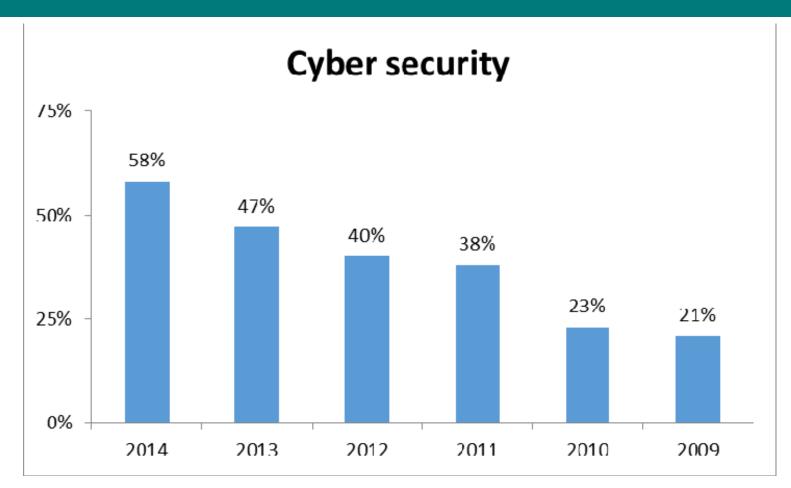
Cyber security/interconnectedness of infrastructure

Financial volatility

International terrorism

Regional instability







Is ERM Working? NO

- ERM is a way for a company to "feel good"
- Illusion: activity without substance (not relied on)
- Bureaucratic
- ERM gives a false sense of security
- Compliance driven (cost)
- So many risks that risk manager freezes up
- Analogy: reduces likelihood of fender-bender, but not likelihood of a serious collision

CULTURE!



Is ERM Working? YES

- Decision makers are engaged
- Risks are more transparent
- Greater awareness of potential risks
- Improved risk/return understanding
- Better risk management in the industry allows more realistic pricing
- Best practices incorporate strategic planning
- Made decision-making more fact-based; enabled better goal-setting.



To access surveys/articles

http://www.soa.org/Research/Research-Projects/Risk-Management/research-emerging-risks-survey-reports.aspx



Blending Trends and Strategy

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ERM Leadership

	Known	Unknown
Known	Management Identified Risks	Model Risks Market Trends Emerging Risks
Unknown	Management Unidentified Risks	Future Risks Black Swans

ERM Risk Reviews

- **Review of Current Risks**
 - Internal
 - Management Risks
 - **Operational Risks**
 - Model Risks
 - Parameter Risks
 - External
 - Market Risks
 - Competitive Strategy
- Review of Emerging Risks
 - Internal
 - Demographic Risks
 - **Technology Risks**
 - Strategy Risk
 - External
 - Competitor Strategy
 - Market Risk





Understanding Strategy

Staying Profitable and Relevant in Markets

Current View

- Strategy what is it that you do
 - Tactics how do you do it
 - Operations make it happen



Bridging Strategy with Trends

Current (Passive)

Future (Active)

- Strategy What do you do?
 Strategy What is it that you
 - should do?
- Tactics How do you do it?
- Tactics How should you do it?

- Operations How do you make it happen?
- Operations How should it happen?

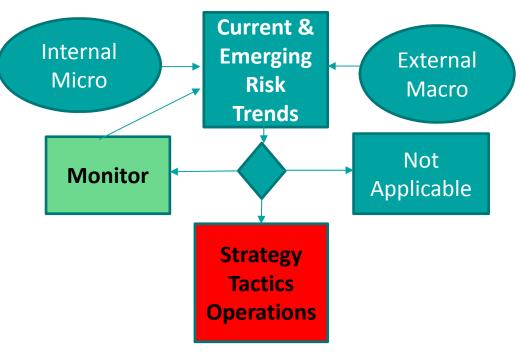


Risk Management of Emerging Risks

Metrics & Leading Indicators Response

Response to Leading Indicators

- Strength of Trend
 - Applicability
 - Horizon
 - Continuity
- Macro Trends to Micro Action
 - Macro Behavior of the Aggregate
 - Micro Behavior of the Individual
- Strategic, Tactical, Operational Impact, if any

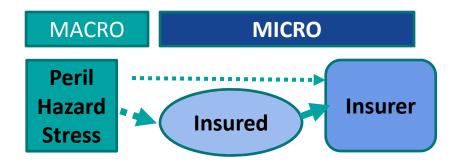




Micro Response to Macro Stresses

Macro System Stresses

- Emerging Risks:
 - Financial
 - Environmental
 - Geopolitical
 - Societal
 - Technological



Micro System Stresses

- Insured: Individual Behavioral Response Mapping
 - Insured Reactions: Moral, Morale, Regulatory, Adverse Selection
 - Value Proposition: Risk Aversion, Cost/Benefit
- Insurer: Business Response
 - Strategy Mapping: Low Cost, Differentiation or Focus
 - Tactical Mapping
 - Competition Strategy
 - LOB, limits, deductibles, exclusions
 - Process Mapping
 - Marketing & Sales
 - Exposure: Underwriting
 - Claims: Systematic or Systemic
 - Legal & Regulatory Issues
 - Investment

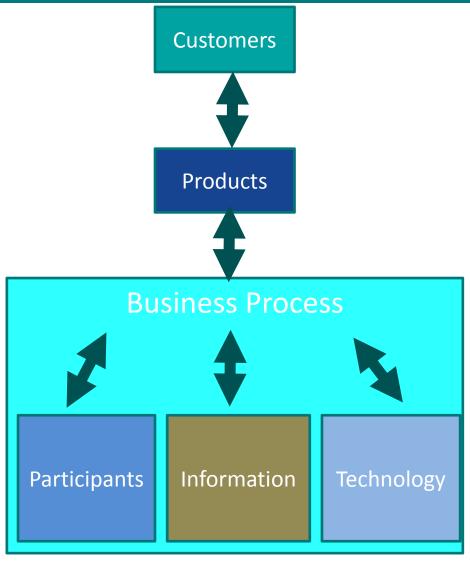


Bridging Strategy with Trends

- Converting Macro Economic Trends to Micro Economic Actions
 - Moving Product Definition
 - SWOT: Evaluation of Strengths/Weaknesses/Opportunity/Threats
 - Proactive vs. Reactive
- Understand your Strategies
 - Low Cost minimum variance
 - Differentiation options & risk margin
 - Focus
- Strengthen your tactics
 - Macro Trends
 - Time Horizons
 - Behavioral
- Evaluate and Introduce operational change
 - Integrate Macro Trends into Micro Analysis & Decisions



Case Study One – Economic Financial Volatility



Review of Investments

External Goals

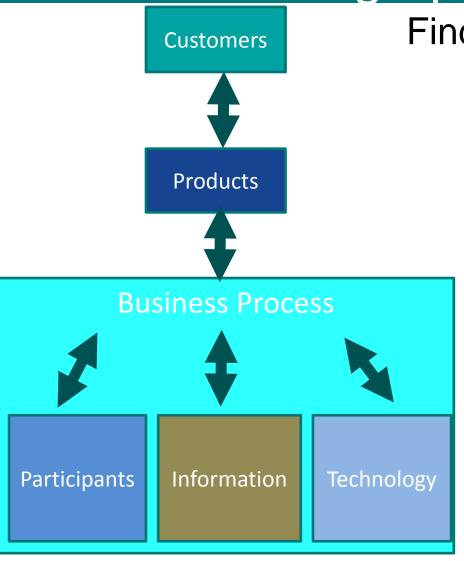
- Architecture
- Performance

Internal Goals

- Infrastructure
- Context
- Risks



Case Study Two – Societal Demographic Shifts



Finding Opportunities for Improvement

Internal Goals:

- Marketing & Sales
- Underwriting
- Claims



Thank you!

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