

New assets. New thinking.

Framing the discussion: Financial Risk Management Perspective

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Global risks for global markets:

■ Global financial assets:

- Total assets: USD 212 trillion start 2011 up from USD 54t in 1990
- Equity markets: USD 45.7 t by end 2011 up from the USD 26.6 t low of February 2009 and down from 2007 pre-crisis USD 63t high
- Bank deposits: USD 54 t by start 2011
- Bond markets: USD 95 t start 2011
- HNW/UHNW: USD 47 trillion up from USD22 trillion in 2000
- China: USD 3.2 Trillion of foreign reserves

■ Global insurance industry:

- USD 4.3 trillion premium in 2010
- USD 24 trillion plus assets under management in 2010

Global risks for global markets:

■ Global infrastructure needs:

- Total estimated spend on urban assets (200-2025) USD 200 trillion with 40% in Asia-Pacific. USD 46 t on fixed urban assets in China.
- For every USD30 million to be invested just USD 100k earmarked for adaptation to climate proof infrastructure.
- IEA estimate USD 1 trillion a year for energy infrastructure upto 2030 (with USD 500 billion to maintain status and USD 500 billion to put on a low carbon, clean energy, resource efficient footing).

Global risks for global markets:

- Economic losses due to climate & natural disasters:
 - UNEP FI 2002 estimated USD 150 billion economic losses per year by 2012. Highest cost to uninsured in vulnerable countries.
 - Figure surpassed in 2005 after Hurricane Katrina.
 - UNEP FI 2007 saw a viable scenario of a USD 1 trillion loss in a given year by 2040.
 - 2011 confirmed as the greatest insurance loss figures in history.
 - Estimates of USD 85 cost per tonne of carbon while current value of carbon hovering below USD 5 a tonne.

Climate change is already underway

- Further changes are already inevitable
- Floods
- Water scarcity
- Food shortages
- Health impacts
- Risk of conflict over resources



Which industrial sectors are most at risk?

- Sectors reliant on long-lived fixed assets, e.g.
 - Transport
 - Mining, oil and gas
 - Energy production
 - Water supply
- Climate-sensitive sectors, e.g.
 - Agribusiness
 - Forestry and forest products



Banking sector action on adaptation

- *“IFC believes that the private sector needs to implement appropriate climate adaptation measures that ensure financial, social and environmental sustainability of its investments in the face of potential climate impacts.”*
- *“Barclays has amended its in-house project finance due diligence approach, requiring environmental consultants producing ESIA’s to include climate change resilience considerations in their environmental risk assessments.”*
- *“EBRD considers that climate change may pose a range of risks to its investments EBRD wants to understand these risks, and their likely impacts on its investment projects, so that projects can be made climate resilient where appropriate.”*



UNEP FI fostering a global insurance industry perspective for the UNFCCC loss & damage work programme:

1. A global insurance sector contribution

1. The UN-backed Principles for Sustainable Insurance from UNEP Finance Initiative

Components & deliverables of the loss and damage work programme from a insurance perspective (i):

- **Component 1:** Establish a common language on loss and damage.
- **Component 2:** Establish a clear understanding of the scope, operations, needs and practices of the UNFCCC and the insurance industry.
- **Component 3:** Use a principles-based approach to loss and damage in the context of climate change adaptation and insurance industry involvement

Components & deliverables of the loss and damage work programme from a insurance perspective (ii):

- **Component 4:** Conduct research and propose pilot projects on public-private partnership models for integrated risk management approaches and climate insurance.
- **Component 5:** Address the lack of relevant systematic and reliable risk data working with relevant meteorological, academic and public agencies.
- **Component 6:** Initiate long-term dialogue and collaboration between the UNFCCC community and the global insurance industry.

■ A transformation begins:

- A new reinsurance facility that enabling developing world municipalities to raise local currency debt with environmental and social factors hard-wired into the offering.
- The \$145 billion Government Employees Fund of South Africa are working to embed employment growth, human capital, environmental infrastructure and low carbon themes into a Pan-African infrastructure fund.
- One of the largest European banks is seeking to foster the emergence of a 'Positive Impact Finance' asset class that reinvents project finance.