

RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES





COVID - 19 CORONAVIRUS

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Risk management strategies following the effects of COVID-19

- Why risk management is crucial in a crisis.
- Strategy formulation in an uncertain environment (dealing with risk)

Think the unthinkable! .. Expect the unexpected!





On April 15, 1912, RMS Titanic sank with the loss of more than 1500 livesone of which was its Captain-E.J.Smith



OVERVIEW OF ERM Methodologies and Approaches

WE UNDERSTAND THAT TIME IS MONEY

GET 24HRS 7DAYS A WEEK 365DAYS A YEAR UPTIME





Recap of definition of Risk, Risk Management and RM Framework



Risk: Effect of uncertainty on objectives

Risk Management: <u>Coordinated activities</u> to direct and control an organization with regard to risk.

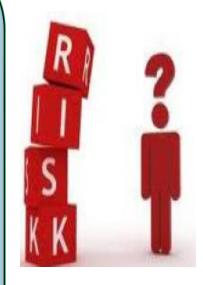
- Aim achieve best balance of risk and opportunity and not to eliminate risk

RM Framework: A set of components that provide the <u>foundations</u> and <u>organizational arrangements</u> for designing, implementing, reviewing and continually improving risk management throughout the organization.

ENTERPRISE RISK MANAGEMENT (ERM)



"... a process, effected by an entity's board of directors, management and other personnel, applied in strategy setting and across the enterprise, designed to identify potential events that may affect the entity, and manage risks to be within its risk appetite, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the achievement of entity objectives."



Source: COSO Enterprise Risk Management – Integrated

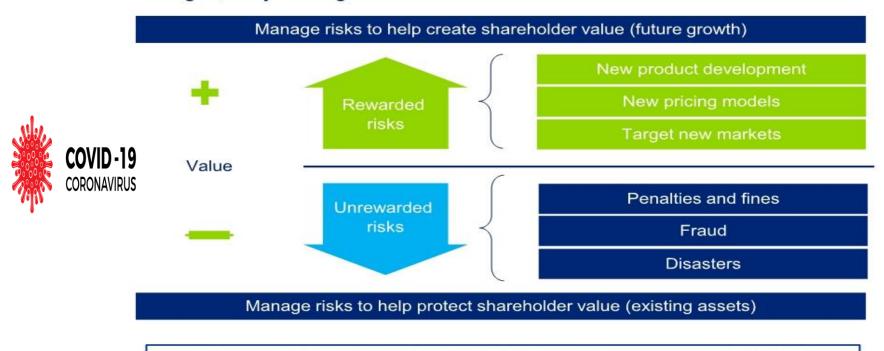
Framework

Two Faces of Risk



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In value based risk management, it is important to recognize that risks should be managed, not just mitigated or avoided



Businesses thrive by taking risks, but falter when risks are managed ineffectively. Organizations should devote resources for both risk taking and risk management.

RM Frameworks





Similarity

1. Identify

2. Assess

3. Manage

4. Monitor

Objectives

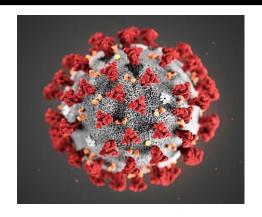
RISK UNIVERSE







Why Risk Management is crucial in a Crisis....



Best Practices in ERM

- Risk Institute Survey on ERM impact



■ Trendsetters
■ Others

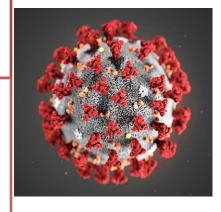


Board Oversight During The COVID-19 Pandemic: A Checklist For Directors



The **global COVID-19 pandemic** and its rapid evolution has placed <u>enormous pressure on organizations</u> as they seek to adapt to the situation and communicate their response.

- It is crucial that **boards and management** <u>collaborate</u> to find the best way forward for the organization.
- Management has the principal role in navigating this storm, by taking steps to safeguard the organization's people and resources, executing on a crisis response plan and addressing the organization's day-to-day needs





1. Focus on top priority: Health and Safety

- Monitor management's efforts to support containment of COVID-19 and
- Satisfy planning and execution of those plans is sufficient.
- on the agenda of every board meeting,
- Communicated externally







2. Stay Informed directors should track
reports on the effects of
the pandemic

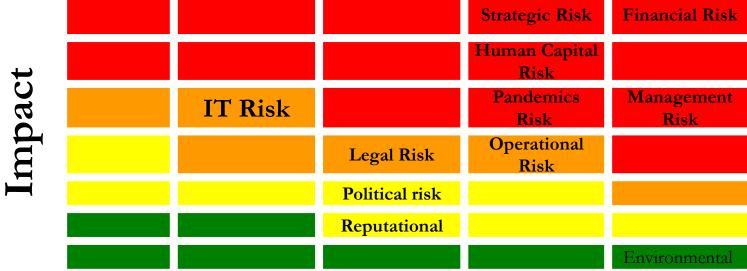


3. Assess and reassess financial resources



RISK HEATMAP - PROFILE





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Probability

"controls" in ISO 27001 speak refers to the policies and actions you take to address risks.



4. Review Crisis Response plans

- highlight the **responsibilities and contact details** for key team members, both internal and external
- address responsibility for communications, including a media spokesperson and leadership internally for employee communications
- require careful prior review of public statements about the organization's decisions to minimize the risk that they may be misconstrued
- require consideration of the potential impact on affected stakeholder groups, including contact information for communicating with key stakeholders
- include a business resumption plan to get things back on track as quickly and efficiently as possible.





4. Review Crisis Response plans..cont.

- balances the competing needs of preserving corporate reputation and minimizing legal liabilities.
- Consider vulnerabilities that <u>may not</u> have been fully considered by management in preparing the crisis response plan and identifying and managing the principal risks of the organization.





5. Oversee and assess management's assessment of risks and its response to manage them

- Supply chain risk
- Technology risk
- Regulatory/legal
- Cashflows
- Internal Controls
- Human capital
- Business Continuity/Contingency risk





6. Assess managements communication strategy: - in a fair, balanced and timely manner.

7. Oversee Managements response of the crisis

- considering and asking probing questions regarding management's plans;
- considering the long-term implications of decisions that are being made in the heat of the moment;
- helping management find the right balance for communications;
- assessing and advising management on its handling of the crisis; and
- helping management prepare for the eventual transition back to the new reality.





- 8. Help safeguard the organisations values and culture:- "we cannot lose sight of who we are."
- 9. Consider Opportunities..?
- 10. Assess risk of opportunistic behavior
- 11. Keep a long term focus
- 12. Engage in a "Lessons learnt" exercise once the dust settles



9. Opportunities???





9. Covid-19 Opportunities



- businesses operating in the health care industry and those which support them. Facilities and employees may be repurposed to meet some of the urgent needs of healthcare providers and the community during the pandemic.
- The sudden drop in stock market prices has not affected everyone equally, and there may be new investment or acquisition opportunities that would be value-enhancing.
- Some technology-based companies are facing unprecedented demand as a result of the accelerated move to telecommuting, online ordering and increased use of technology precipitated by the pandemic.

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Strategic Planning Risk Shared Processes Risk Management

Business Benefits

- Enhanced management information and analytics for key decision makers
- Management's understanding of the risks associated with planned initiatives
- Preparedness to navigate through unexpected situations
- Appropriate incentive creation through riskadjusted performance measurement
- Enhanced returns through capital optimization
- Full understanding of risk and opportunity

The symbiotic relationship between Risk Management & Strategic Planning

Internalizing GRC....





GRC Improves traditional RM

ERM focuses on a global array of risks Strategic
Financial
Operational
Environmental
Human Capital
Reputation
Technology
Compliance

ERM is able to improve strategic decision making by addressing:

- Strengths
- Weaknesses
 - -Threats
- -Opportunities

(SWOT/PESTEL)

Integrates risk management into Strategic Process



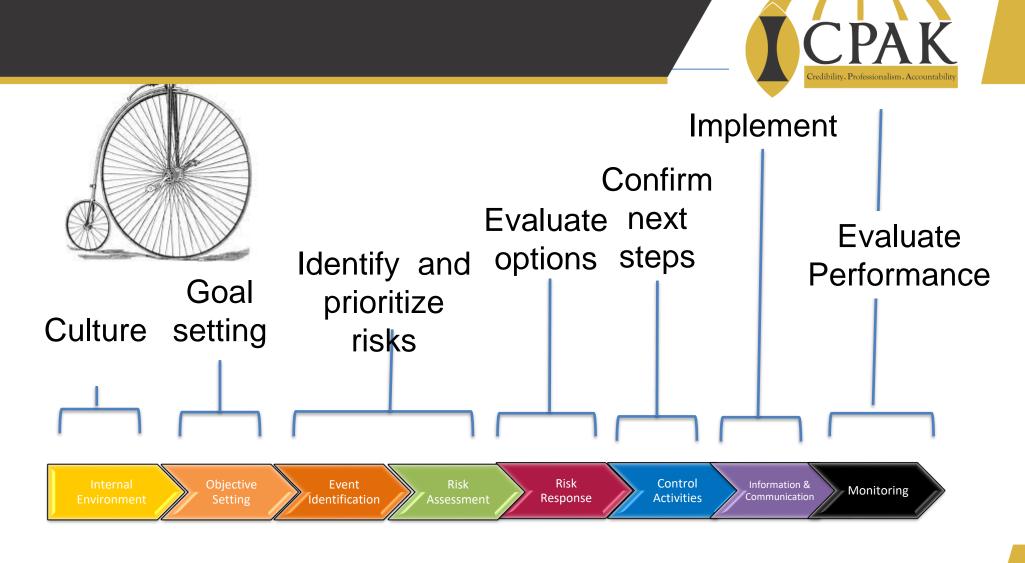
Deployment of ERM into Strategic Planning

Seeks to maximise value when setting goals

Find an optimal balance between performance goals and targets to related risks

ERM also considers how one strategic initiative might introduce risks that are counterproductive e to goals associated with another strategy

ERM may reveal areas where the organization is being too risky averse or is ineffectively responding to some of their risks



ERM Life Cycle

Linking Organizational Performance to Strategy



- ☐ Leaders and staff can be assured of being headed in the same direction when the organization's strategy is aligned with:
 - Key projects or program areas that <u>link to personal and</u> team accountability.
 - ☐ Business process with key program areas that link to personal and team accountability.
 - ☐ Business plan objectives with key indicators that link to personal and team accountability.

Key components of Balanced Scorecard Approach



Operating plan strategy: Understand why the targets will be met.

Deliverables: Know the performance measurement targets.

Performance indicators/measurements: Show how to meet targets.

Organization: Understand who is accountable for targets.

ERM Maturity Continuum

Initial Adhoc Institutio nal capacity lacking Relies on initiative Just do it Reliance on Ley

Repeatable

Defined

Managed

Optimized

Intuitive

Qualitative

Quantitative

Continuous <u>feedback</u>

people

- Processes established and repeatable
- Common Language
- Define tasks
- Quality people assigned
- Initial infrastructure component

- Policies, processes and standards institutionalize
- Firm wide
- Rigorous methodologies
- Remaining infrastructure components

- Risk measured and managed
- Risk aggregated firm wide
- Rigorous measurement methodologies/ **Analysis**
- Debate on risk/ reward

- Risk mgt is competitive advantage
- **Emphasis** on taking and exploring risks
- World-class processes
- Knowledge mariagemen

QUOTABLE QUOTES

"In looking for people to hire, you look for three qualities: Integrity, Intelligence, and Energy: And if they don't have the first, the other two will kill you "

Warren Buffet

"A body of men holding themselves accountable to nobody ought not to be trusted by anybody."

Thomas Paine

Way Forward – to overcome Challenges



Review of Risk Policy

Review Audit Charter/Structure

Institutionalise RMF



Integrate Risk into PC/Appraisal system

Risk Based Strategic Planning

Cascade TRAINING to all levels

Way Forward - to overcome Challenges



- The PFM Act, 2012
- The PFM Regulations 2015
- Strategic Plan for the Entity
- The Service Charter
- Performance Contract
- Budget
- Procurement Plan
- Risk policy framework and risk profile

- Internal Audit Strategic Plan
- Internal Audit Charter
- Internal Audit Budget
- Internal Risk Based Annual Work Plan
- Audit Committee Charter
- Any other relevant legislations, guidelines or documents