

## Emerging risks and insurability in a complex environment

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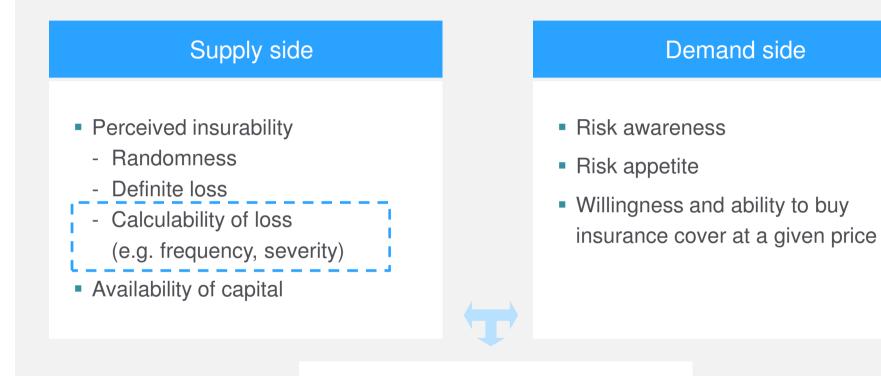
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- Knowledge and insurability
- Emerging risk management at Munich Re
- Challenge of increasing interconnectedness and complexity

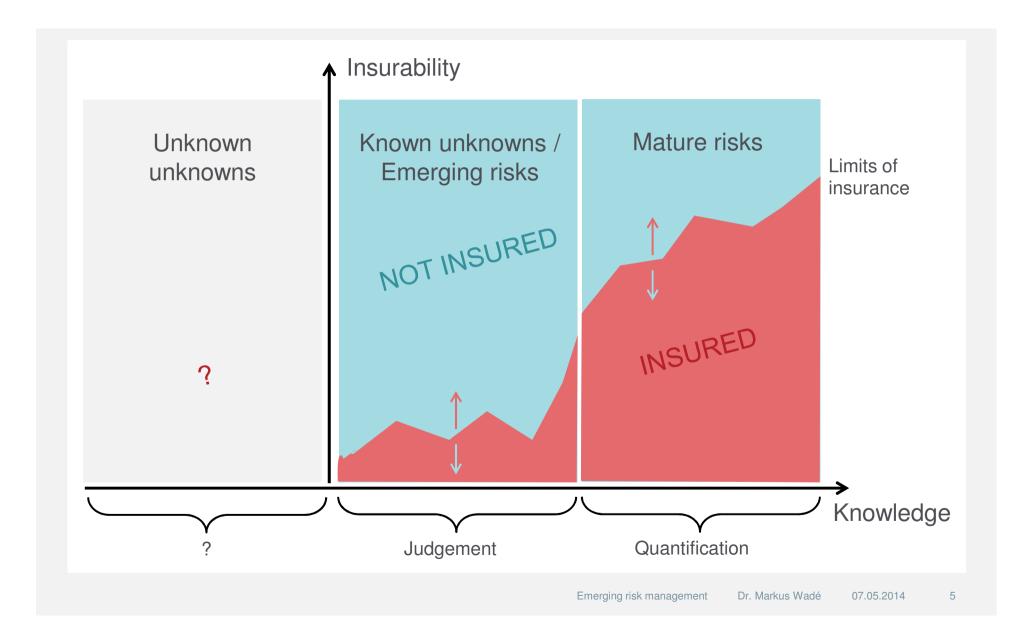
# What defines the limits of insurability and private insurance?





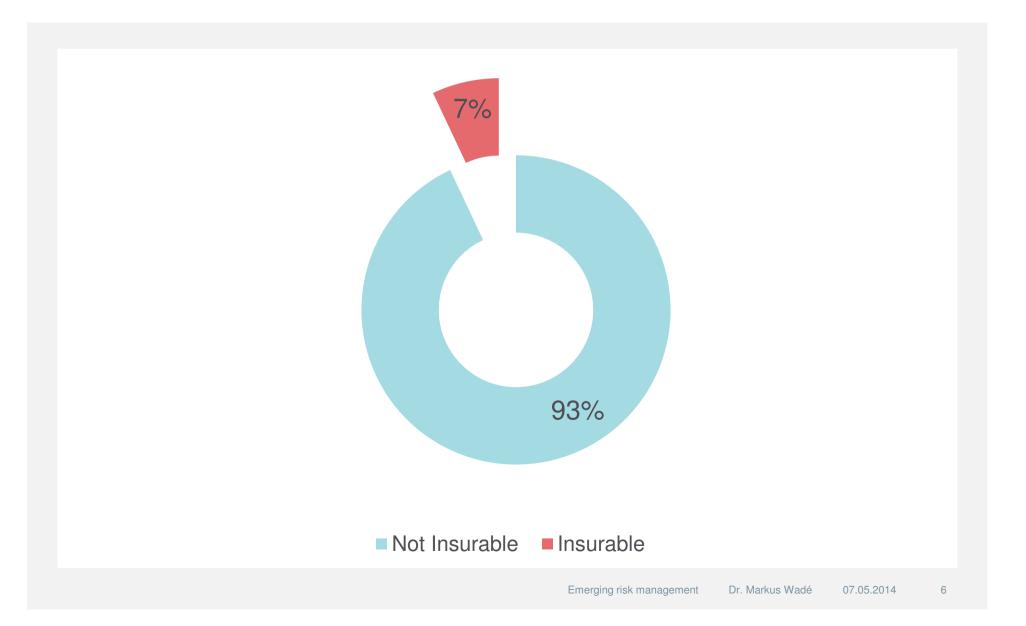
- Regulatory restrictions
- Role of public vs. private insurance





Corporate risk manager: "Of all the risks I have there are..."





Paradigm-changing events for risk management (Examples)



Starting 1970s/80s Asbestos

11.9.2001 Terror-attack on WTC

29.8.2005 Hurricane Katrina

Starting 2007/2008 Financial Crisis

8-10/2011 Thailand Floods









Major global trends in the risk landscape with increasing complexity and interdependencies





Significant consequences of these trends already observable – Speed of transition and future impact hard to forecast



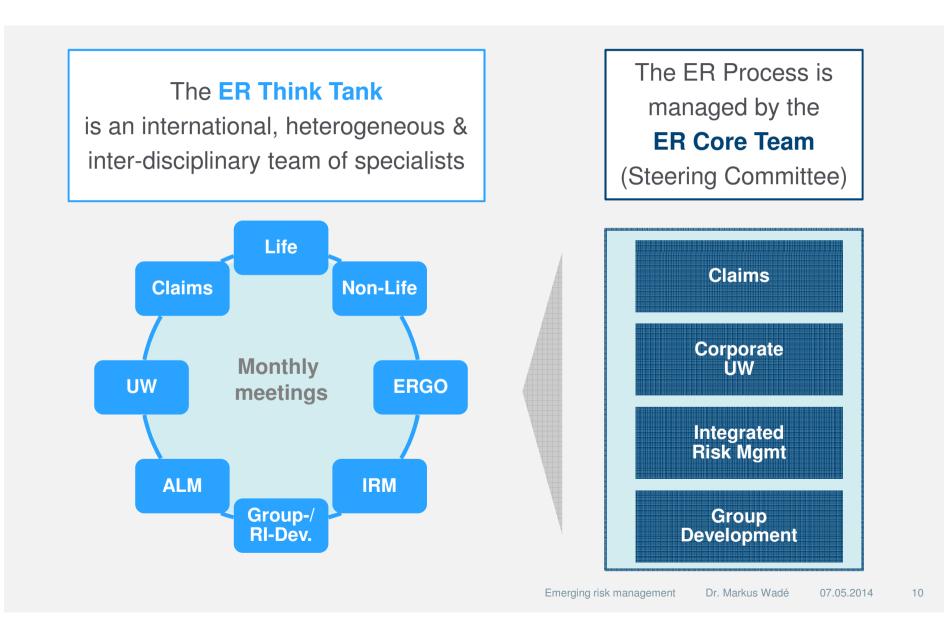
#### Emerging risks (ER) are newly developing or changing risks

They include trends and potential shock events with

- a high degree of uncertainty (occurrence probability, loss amount)
- a substantial potential impact on an organization







Integrating knowledge from a group-wide ER community Munich RE and external experts

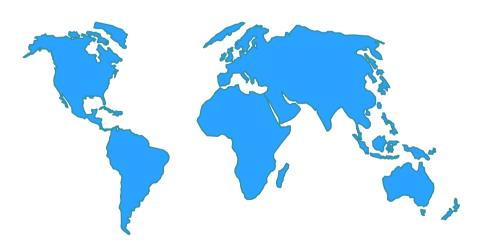
#### Internal

Round tables / Conference calls:

- Europe & North America
- Asia & Australia
- Africa & South America

#### External

- Clients (e.g. CRO Forum Emerging Risk Initiative)
- Non-governmental organizations
- Regulatory authorities
- Universities, research institutes



## Emerging risks recently analysed



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Focus topic cyber risks **Related publications** Dependency on TOPICS TOPICS The magazine for tream Facts, markets, position **RISK SOLUTIONS MAGAZINE** IT infrastructure Cyber liability IT viruses Cloud computing Cyber war Munich RE Munich RE

#### Selected topics discussed in 2012/2013

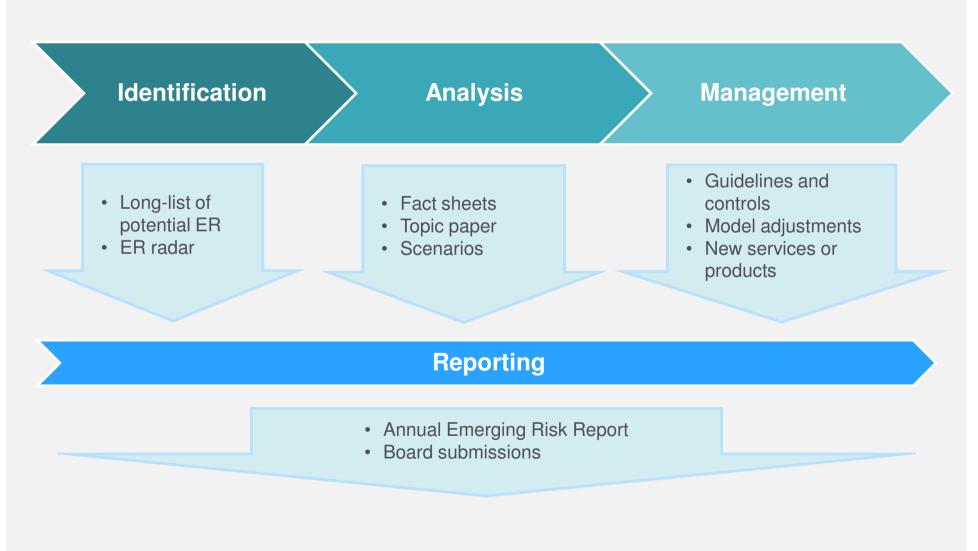
- Technology at the limits of controllability
- Biometrics
- Social media
- Artificial Intelligence
- Privatisation of government responsibilities

- Solar storms
- Obesity
- Scarcity of resources
- Protectionism
- Migration of species
- Loss of biodiversity
- Contentious diseases

- Autonomous vehicles
- Counterfeit products
- Distressed cities
- Food security & safety
- Wind turbines
- Hydrofracking
- Social unrest

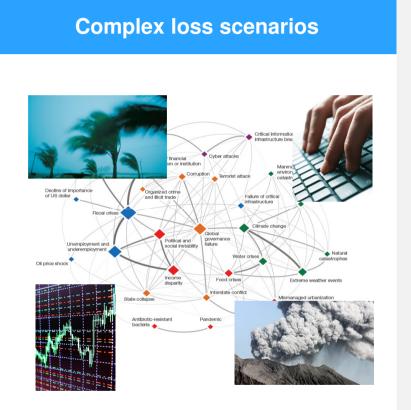
### Output of the emerging risk process





## Increasing global interdependences have an impact on the insurance industry





Source Network: World Economic Forum, Global Risks 2014

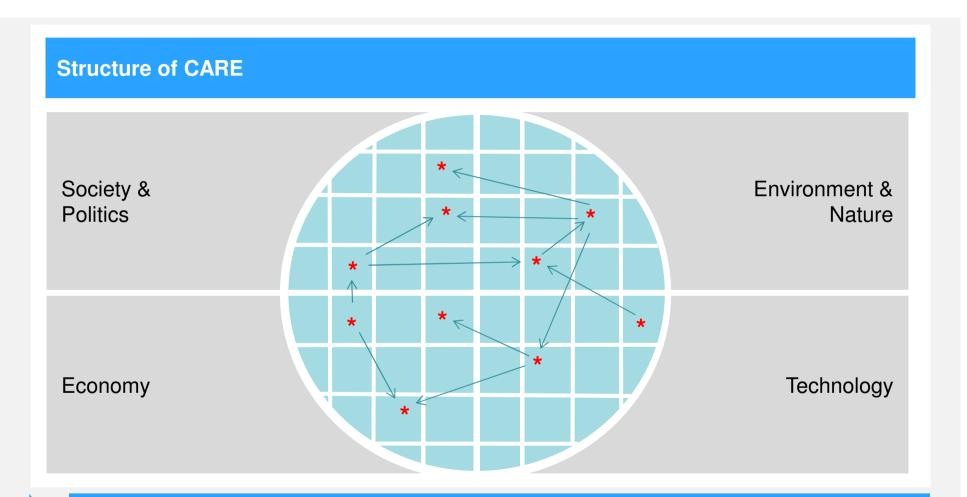
#### **Characteristics**

- Historical data less reliable /not available
- Contagion effects and indirect consequences become more important
- Robust, but fragile phenomena
- Triggers and courses of loss events harder to identify, model and control
- Higher frequency of surprises

- Protecting diversification benefits becomes more difficult
- Danger of a widening gap between client needs and limits of insurability

Project: Development of systematic risk landscape for events and interactions

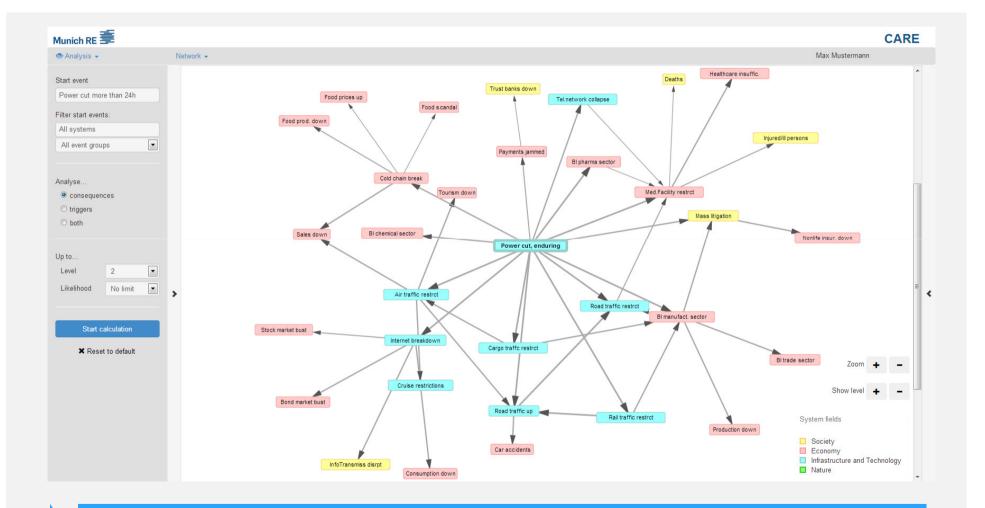




Target is the systematic identification of complex loss scenarios using interdisciplinary expert knowledge

## To analyze the collected information efficiently, we are currently developing a software tool



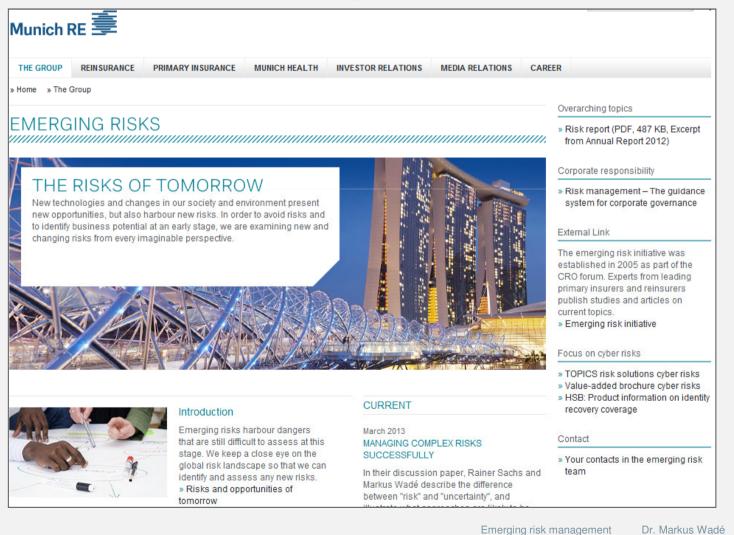


Interactions are used to construct event cascades or networks of variable depth

## External emerging risks information by Munich Re



#### <u>www.munichre.com</u> $\rightarrow$ The Group $\rightarrow$ Emerging Risks



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Thank you very much for your attention

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