



# Enterprise Risk Management An Escalated Focus

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# Enterprise Risk Management: Think Big, Start Small

## Agenda

- What is ERM? What is it not?
- ERM Events Contributing to its Escalated Focus
- The COSO ERM Framework
- Why is it important?
- Who is talking ERM?
- ERM survey results
- ERM structure examples
- Case study
- Practical tips to start

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# **ERM** - Definition

### "... 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. 2004. COSO.

# ERM is not...

- a Strategic Planning process
- an Internal Audit process
- a process that does not exist at all in companies today
- a SOX driven initiative
- a process that will prevent all control failures
- a process used by the company's insurance policy buyers
- a process focused just on cash loss
- a project...it is a process
- a business risk assessment

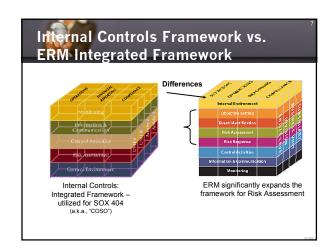
ERM is about managing the risks, supportive of the organization's strategic activities.

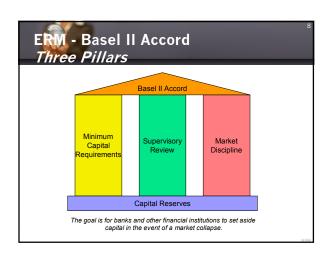
# **ERM - Significant Events**

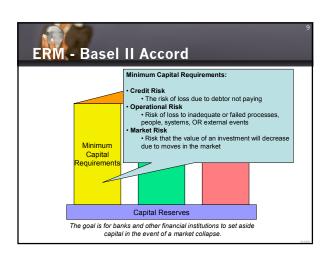
- S&L Crisis of late '80's
- Integrated Framework of Internal Control, released by Committee of Sponsoring Organizations (COSO), 1992
- Blue Ribbon Committee release directed at Audit Committee
- Enron, WorldCom, etc.
- Sarbanes-Oxley enacted and Integrated Framework of Internal Control anointed as "the standard"
- Significant financial statement restatements follow and continue
- COSO releases its ERM integrated framework, 2004
- The current "Financial Meltdown"
- Everybody is talking ERM
  - Many companies have begun, few are finished

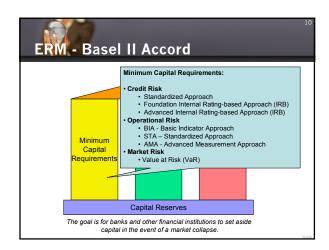
  - Those that have, are reevaluating Those that have not started, are thinking more seriously about beginning
- No "Standard", yet......

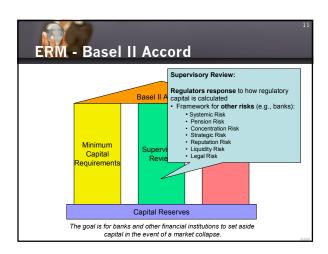
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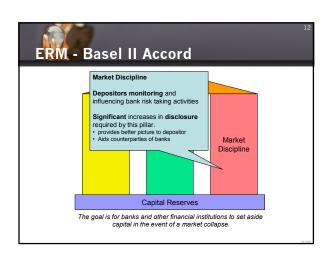












# **ERM** - Why is it important?

Recent study of Audit Committee Members:

- Top 3 concerns
  - 1. Accounting judgments and estimates
  - 2. Risk management
  - 3. Internal Controls
- Audit Committee's not satisfied with oversight of risk management, nor management's process

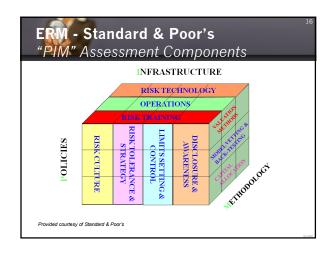
   Fraud, taxes and IT Security
- Audit Committee's do not believe they should have primary responsibility for ERM
- ERM not clearly defined at the Board level

# **ERM** - Why is it important?

- Reasonable assurance significant risk identified, understood, measured, mitigated
- Enhances interaction with regulators, rating agencies, auditors, shareholders
- Improves efficiency of capital deployment and allocation
- Reduces risk of "surprises" and potential catastrophic impact on capital
- Mitigates organizational threats and can promote business opportunities
- Supports an organizations' ability to achieve critical success factors
- Potential for process improvements and enhancements

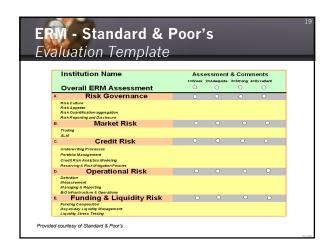
# ERM - Who is talking ERM?

- Regulators ERM blended into their Risk-based Examination process
- Rating Agencies
  - A.M. Best
  - S&P
- Moody's Shareholders
- Board of Directors
- Management
- Common and Best Business Practice
- Competition
- Stakeholders and Other Drivers

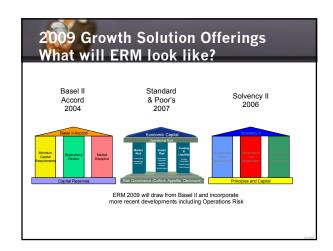


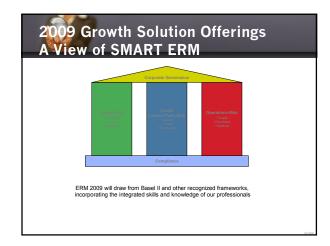


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	Advanced capabilities to identify, measure, manage all risk exposures within
	tolerances
Excellent	Advanced implementation, development and execution of ERM parameters
	Consistently optimizes risk adjusted returns throughout the organization
	Clear vision of risk tolerance and overall risk profile
	Risk Control exceeds adequate for most major risks
Strong	Has robust processes to identify and prepare for emerging risks
	<ul> <li>Incorporates risk management and decision making to optimize risk adjuste returns</li> </ul>
	Has fully functioning control systems in place for all of their major risks
Adequate	May lack a robust process for identifying and preparing for emerging risks
Adequate	Performing good classical "silo" based risk management
	Not fully developed process to optimize risk adjusted returns
	Incomplete control process for one or more major risks
Weak	<ul> <li>Inconsistent or limited capabilities to identify, measure or manage major risk exposures</li> </ul>









# **ERM Survey Results**

- GovernanceMetrics International (GMI) and Marsh, Inc.(Feb, 2009)
  - About 200 major companies worldwide
  - 79% employ a formal ERM program
    - 28% in infancy stage
    - 48% mature, with opportunities for improvement
  - 21% do not have a formal ERM program
    - 40% will in next 12 months
  - Startups of ERM programs gained significant traction in the 2004-2007 period, after COSO ERM framework was released, peaking in 2006

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# **ERM** Survey Results, continued

- GovernanceMetrics International (GMI) and Marsh, Inc.(Feb, 2009), continued
  - No single ERM standard prevails
    - $\blacksquare$  54 % ERM program does not adhere to any particular ERM standard
    - 46% 67% COSO, 16% AS/NZS 4360, both "best practice" frameworks, neither is mandatory
  - ERM Program emphasis
    - Internal Control, Financial Reporting
    - Strategic Planning/Competitive Risks
    - Legal/Compliance Risks
    - Credit/Liquidity Risks
    - IT Systems/Security

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# **ERM Survey Results, continued**

- GovernanceMetrics International (GMI) and Marsh, Inc.(Feb, 2009), continued
  - Lack of integration/siloed approaches biggest challenge
    - 46% ERM program only partially integrated in the company's routine business processes
    - Other key challenges
      - Lack of metrics (27%)
      - Program informality (23%)
      - Lack of tools (21%)
  - 50% Audit Committee has primary oversight

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# **ERM Survey, continued**

- GovernanceMetrics International (GMI) and Marsh, Inc.(Feb, 2009), continued
  - Although ERM continues to gain important, it is not regularly communicated to investors
    - 75% do not communicate and 73% do not plan to in next 12 months
    - 25% use Annual Report to disclose their approach to ERM
    - View is that investors and independent analysts will demand this communication in the near future

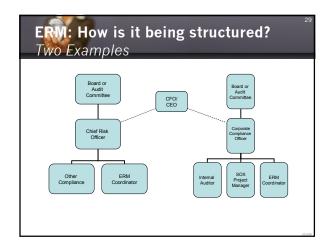
# ERM - Lessons from the Financial Meltdown

- Risk and Insurance Management Society (RIMS) study "The 2008 Financial Crisis: A Wake-up Call for Enterprise Risk Management". Several key failures:
  - Over-reliance on financial models
    - Risk quantification based upon historically-based predictive tools, do not contemplate low probability, worst-case scenarios
    - Affected others as well (i.e.-rating agencies)
  - Too much reliance on compliance and controls
    - Controls can't change human behavior
    - Controls did not evolve in scope or speed sufficiently to keep up with new risks
    - Controls frequently ignored emerging risks

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# ERM – Lessons Learned from the Financial Meltdown, continued

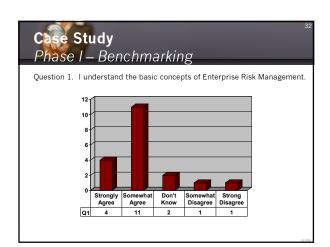
- RIMS study, continued
  - ERM was not embedded throughout the organizations
    - Usually "stuck" at the top
    - Needs front-line ownership and governance as well
  - Organization failure to communicate the risk appetite and monitor to that tolerance
    - Need "brakes" and limits
  - Positive note The Goldman story
    - Adjusted it position in mortgage-backed securities beginning in 2006, when many competitors thought they were just being overcautious
  - Story at Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac not as pretty

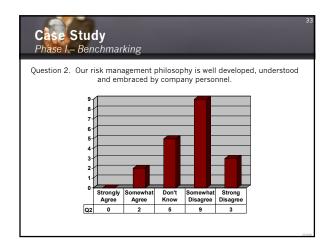


ERM - Getting Started Case Study	30
US Based Insurance Company	
<ul> <li>Multi-country</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Well capitalized</li> </ul>	
<ul><li>Two day retreat, NYC</li></ul>	
<ul><li>Top 20 officers</li></ul>	

# Case Study Phase I – Internal Environment

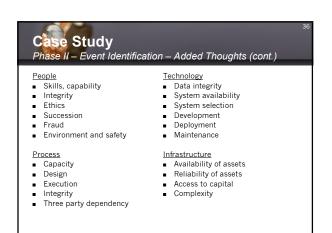
- A. ERM driven by CEO
- B. Architect retreat two months prior
  - Identify participants
  - Benchmark ERM at the start three weeks prior
    - Share results at start of retreat
    - Compare months later
- C. Evaluate mistakes / lessons learned from others
- D. Define "risk appetite" and "risk tolerance"
  - Be as specific as possible
- E. Articulate Objectives





# Case Study Phase II – Identify Events A. Events vs. Risks B. Ensure completeness of risks

### Case Study Phase II – Event Identification – Added Thoughts Economic <u>Political</u> Capital availability Credit issuance, default Concentration ■ Governmental change Legislation Public policy LiquidityFinancial Markets Regulatory Social Unemployment Competition Privacy Merger/Acquisition Terrorism Demographics, consumer behavior Natural Environment Natural disaster <u>Technological</u> ■ Emissions, waste Energy ■ Interruption Emerging technology Data collection and reporting Sustainable development



# Case Study Phase III – Risk Assessment

- A. Robust debate within smaller groups
- B. Identify "Top 10" settle for "5 best (or worst)"
- C. Impact and probability of each risk
- D. Most complex business problems rose to the top

# Case Study Phase IV – Risk Response

- A. Robust debate within smaller groups
- B. Reconfigure groups for balanced perspective
- C. Existing strategy and controls
- D. Additional or modified strategies
- E. Responsible Officer / Accountability

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Phase	III – Risk and Response (example)

Risk 10: Collection of re-insurance /failure of re-insurer

Risk Category: Medium

Risk Assessment Consideration: ABC is largest receivable

If ABC deal goes bad, could lead to litigation, affect re-insurer's ability

to pay. Re-insurer suffers a catastrophe.

Impact: Medium Likelihood: Medium Time Horizon: Immediate / Ongoing

Risk Response/Management:

Existing Strategy and Controls – existing controls to monitor losses ...

Additional Identified Strategy/Control Issues Regarding Action in 2007 – increase frequency to review re-insurer...

Responsible Parties: David Smith (losses recoverable), Janet Stewart (contingent commission) and Tina Brown (premiums recoverable)

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# Case Study Phase V – Control Activities and Information & Communication A. Data is one critical factor in moving forward B. Quantification and modeling

# Case Study Phase VI – Monitoring A. Charter

- B. Team composition
- C. Meetings, frequency
- D. Internal Audit role

# ERM - Lessons Learned

- Cookbook approach is not feasible too much depends upon organization culture
- Create a formal, dedicated effort to identify all significant risks
- Risks must be ranked on a scale of importance, severity, dollar amount
  - Frequency or probability
- Measure financial risk with most sophisticated, relevant tools available
  - available

    VAR, Stress testing or another understandable method (e.g., earnings at risk)

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# ERM - Lessons Learned (cont'd)

- Define the organization's risk appetite
- Apply more rigor to non-financial risks whenever possible
  - Modeling is not often possible
  - Random nature of operating risks
- Recognize various combinations of acceptance, transfer and mitigation to manage risk
  - Continuously re-evaluate
  - Transfer when opportunity arises
- Consider risk as part of management's decisionmaking process

# ERM - Practical Tips to Start

- Start Small avoid going deep and long for now
- Keep to the Top 10 Risks contain discussion to the top officers of the organization
- Keep your own score sheet do not overemphasize quantification of risk, start with qualification
- Create the expectation that ERM is not your baby serve as a process facilitator
- Focus on Operation's controls ERM is overly inclined to take a financial path

# Thank you!

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