

Plataforma Regional para la Reducción del Riesgo de Desastres de las Américas Invertir en RRD para proteger los avances del desarrollo

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Disaster Risk Financing:

The Evolving Role of (Re)Insurance and Financial Markets

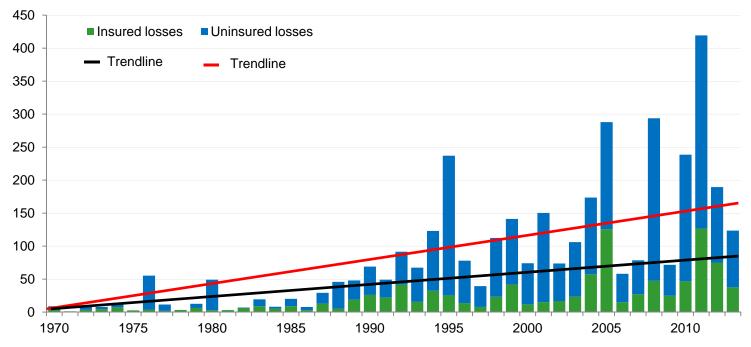
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Massive gap between total and insured losses highlights potential exposure for the public sector

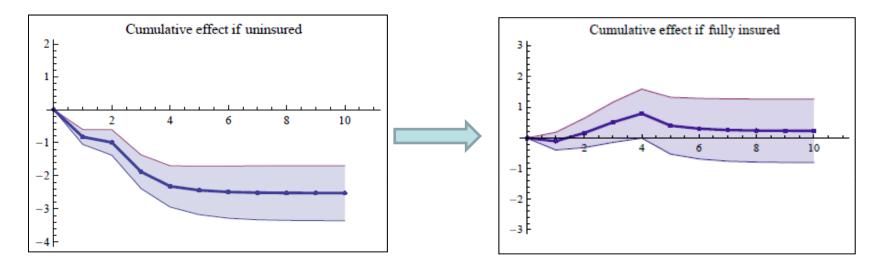
Natural catastrophe losses 1970-2013, in USD billion (2013 prices)



Source: Swiss Re Economic Research & Consulting, sigma catastrophe database



Risk transfer is key to sustaining economic growth after a disaster

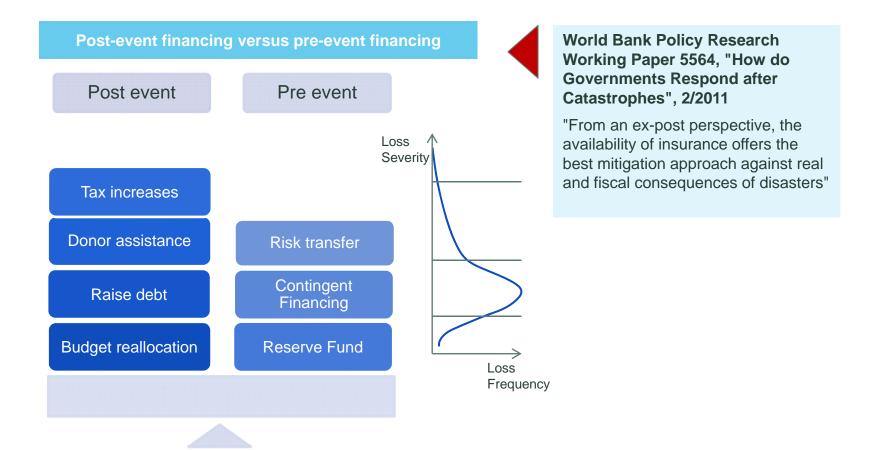


- BIS developed a model from which they can simulate the impact of natural catastrophes on a country's growth path
- Countries generally do not recover their previous growth paths and consequently
 - Natural catastrophes leave behind a permanent macroeconomic cost, over and above the direct loss from the destruction.
- Sluggish growth in each subsequent year after an uninsured disaster brings the cumulative permanent loss to nearly 4% of GDP
 - However, following an insured event, the cumulative output gain is 2.4%



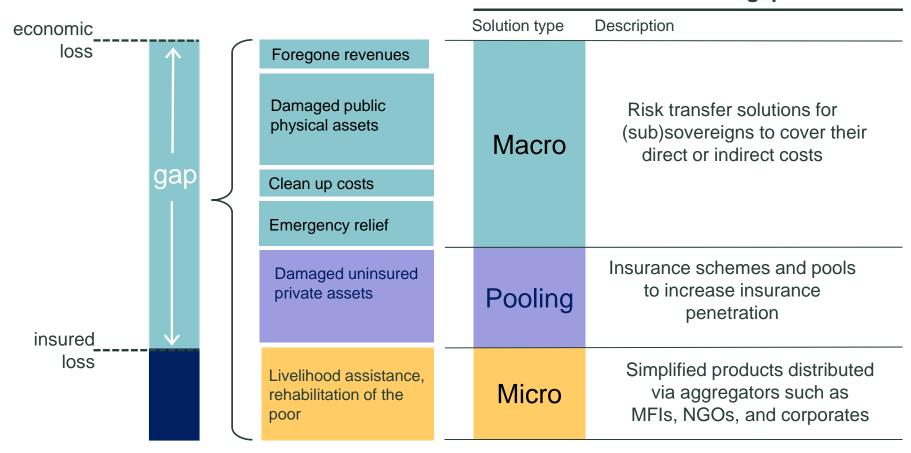
Source: Bank of International Settlements

A more balanced mix of financing is needed





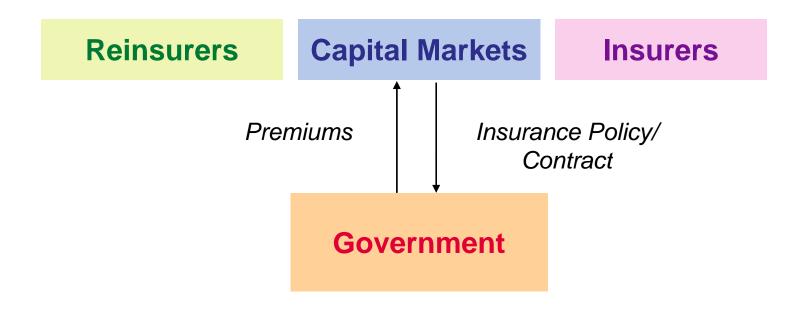
Risk transfer: efforts required on all fronts Macro, micro and pooling



How to close the gap?



Structure of risk transfer solutions

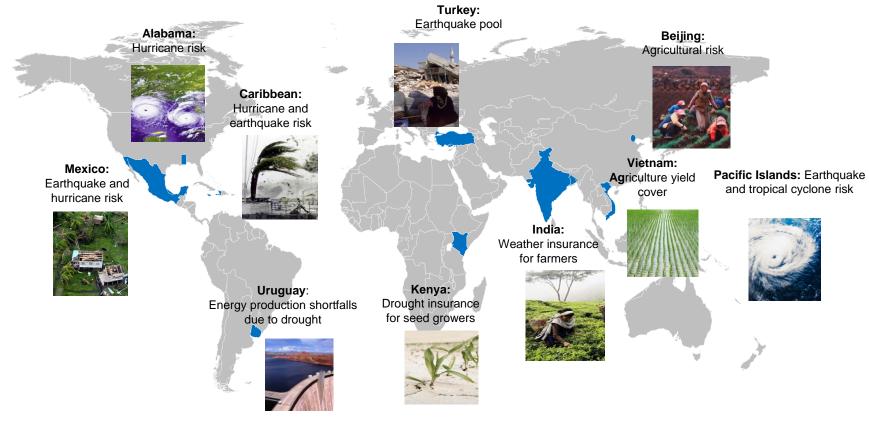


- Policy: Insurance linked securities ("cat bonds"), swaps and reinsurance
- Risks: Natural catastrophes, agriculture risk, pandemics, longevity
- Use of funds: Emergency costs, long term liabilities, internal funding



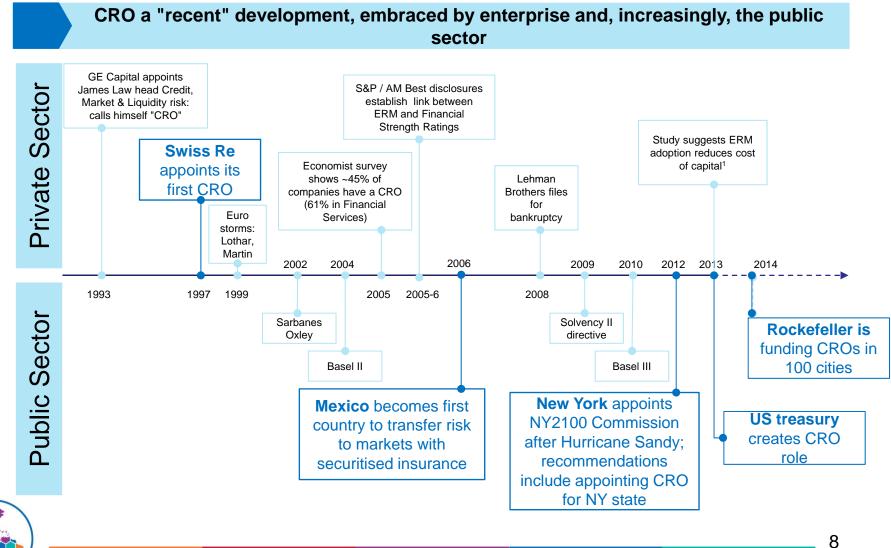
Macroinsurance expanding to cover new disaster risks

The list of potential risks that governments can "insure" is growing, including catastrophes, weather and commodity-linked weather





More holistic public sector risk management



Mensaje final



El sector privado tiene la función de apoyar al Gobierno y la sociedad en la gestión del riesgo de desastres



PROFESSIONAL PROFILE



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Claudia works at Swiss Re since March 2008 when she joined the company as Client Manager for the Brazilian market, serving as well the Southern Cone region. Her responsibility was to develop and manage all reinsurance opportunities across the different countries in South Latin America.

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