



EU Environmental Regulations Risk or Opportunity for the Finance Sector?

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Sustainability and Financial Implications for Insurance Industry

- Insurance has long-term horizon
- The organization of solidarity now and in the future on market principles
- Environment impacts:
 - Health
 - Climate
 - Economic Development





Climate and Romanian Insurance



- Increase in weather-related claims
- Rapid economic development
- Infrastructure lags
- Environmental protection in early stages of enforcement





Climate and Romanian Insurance



- Individual claims focus on restitution indemnities
- Acceleration of demand for business interruptions covers
- Wide range in terms and conditions for underwriting risks





What is Next?



- Public awareness increasing
- Financial losses burden public purse
- New legislation on mandatory household insurance for natural catastrophes
- Difficulty in measuring risks





Interamerican Romania and Environmental Regulations

- Member of Dutch-based Eureko Group (Achmea, UNEPFI signatory since 2001)
- Strong Corporate Social Responsibility Culture
- Emphasis on climate-related insurance issues and sustainability





Interamerican Romania and Environmental Regulations

- Long, long-term horizon
- Environmental factors part of underwriting and pricing processes
- Leading health insurance and medical services provider
- Continuous adherence to EBRD's Environmental Policy since mid-2002
- Active participant in international developments
- Plans for insurance products to cover environment-related events & liabilities





Anticipating the Future

- Continue careful monitoring of environmental factors in portfolio
- Advocate industry-wide measures to mitigate risks and promote environmental factors in underwriting, conditions and pricing
- Manage financial impact of environmental risks
- Capture opportunities presented by new legislation on environmental topics

