

The Risk IT Silver Bullet

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Software Silver Bullet

- Of all the monsters that fill the nightmares of our folklore, none terrify more than werewolves, because they transform unexpectedly from the familiar into horrors. For these, one seeks bullets of silver that can magically lay them to rest.



- Fred Brooks Jr., *Computer*, 1987

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Risk Silver Bullet

- Risk is like a werewolf, ... it's normally an innocent part of the background, but can suddenly transform into an organization destroying monster



Is Risk IT our Silver Bullet?

- For Auditors, ... maybe
 - It's a model that can accurately gauge IT Risk Management
- For IT, ... unlikely
 - It's only one of the important risk management best practice frameworks
 - It doesn't really bridge the gaps between
 - Senior Management
 - IT Management
 - IT Project Management

Plan for Session

- ☐ The Risk IT Challenge
- ☐ International Risk Management
- ☐ IT Professional Risk Management
- ☐ The ITGI Risk Context
- ☐ The Risk IT Content
- ☐ Useful, but ...

My Background

- ☐ Involved in computing 50+ years
- ☐ Mixed bag:
 - ☐ Academic, consultant, manager
- ☐ Critical Change ~ 2000
 - ☐ Practical Best Practices
- ☐ Risk Best Practice
 - ☐ IT Professional Responsibility
 - ☐ CIPS Risk Guideline – lead author
 - ☐ ITGI Risk IT – one of the reviewers

ITGI View



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Who's Doing It?

- ☐ Demand on Boards / Sr. Management
 - ☐ Lip service guaranteed
 - ☐ Risk Management Best Practice
- ☐ Prudent Professional Responsibility
 - ☐ Makes practical project sense
 - ☐ Part of legal duty of care
- ☐ IT Management in the Middle
- ☐ Still, ... Audit needs to be ready

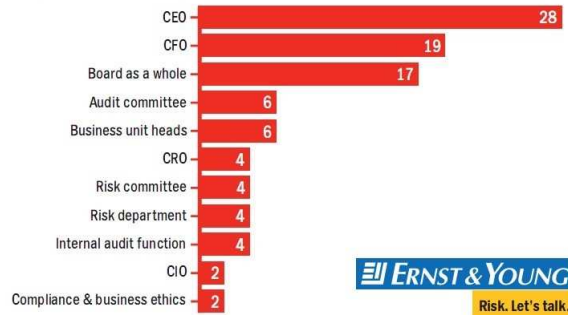
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Risk Management Changes

Risk management issues have fundamentally changed the roles of CEO, CFO and the Board



Q: Who has seen their role change most significantly in response to risk management issues?
Percentage of all respondents (441)

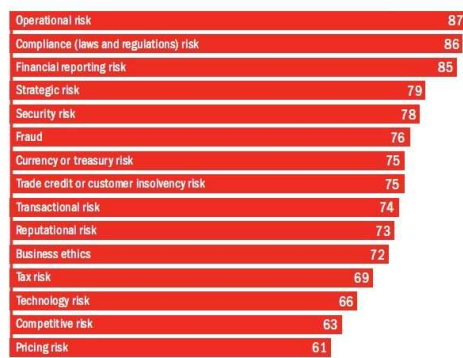
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Risk Management Concerns

Areas included in formal risk assessment process



Q: Which areas are included in your company's formal risk assessment process?
Percentage of all respondents (441)

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Senior Management

- ☐ Risk not part of purchasing
 - ☐ No risk with purchase of a ton of sand
 - ☐ No risk with purchase of new system
- ☐ No easy way to include system risk
 - ☐ No objective system risk rating service
- ☐ Orders come after Board decisions
 - ☐ IT rarely invited to Board discussions

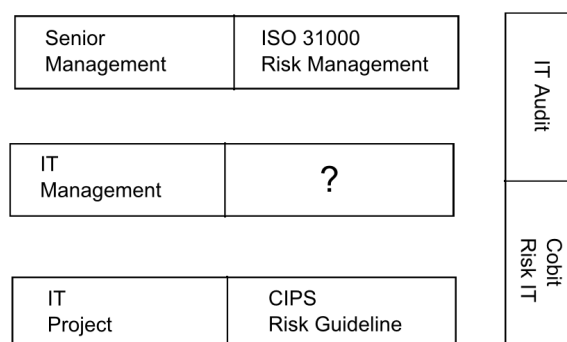
IT Project Management

- ☐ Risk management seen as important
 - ☐ Part of drive to agile, spiral
- ☐ Professional importance of risk management
 - ☐ Prudent for project manager
 - ☐ Required from a professional
- ☐ Growing “traction”

IT Management

- “Man-in-the-Middle”
 - Orders come down from on high
 - Plans come up from below
- Coincidence of risk – happy accident
- Cobit Risk IT provides framework
 - Need empowerment to employ

IT Risk Universe



Clarification

- ISO 31000 *the* International risk management standard
 - Accepted by CSA
- CIPS Risk Management Guideline is only one possible approach
 - Software Engineering Institute
 - Project Management Institute
 - Etc.

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Requisite Variety

- Every Good Regulator of a system must be a model of that system.
 - Conant & Ashby
 - Interpretation: The regulator must have a model that's at least as complex as the model governing the system.
 - Implication: IT Audit needs a risk model at least as complex as that used by IT Management.
- Risk IT important for IT Audit!

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The International Standard

INTERNATIONAL
STANDARD

ISO/FDIS
31000

**Risk management — Principles and
guidelines**

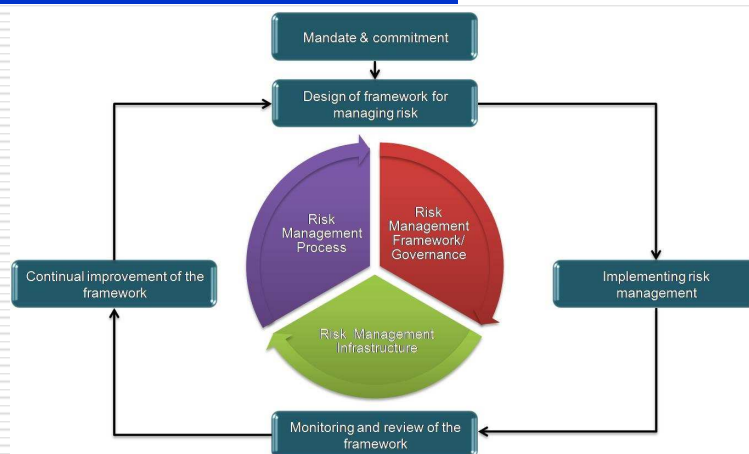
Management du risque — Principes et lignes directrices

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ISO 31000 Universe

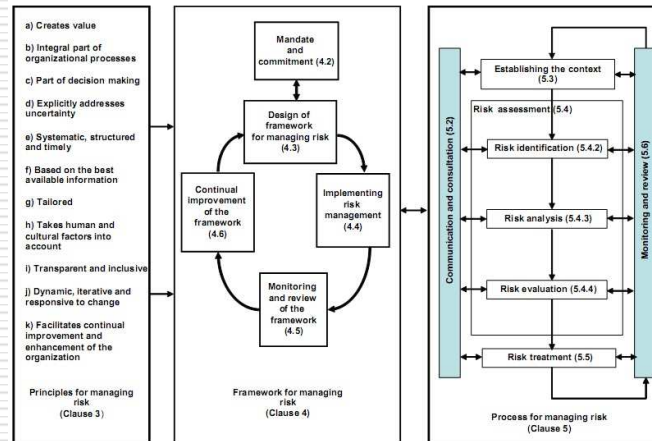


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ISO 31000 Overview



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Managing Risk Principles

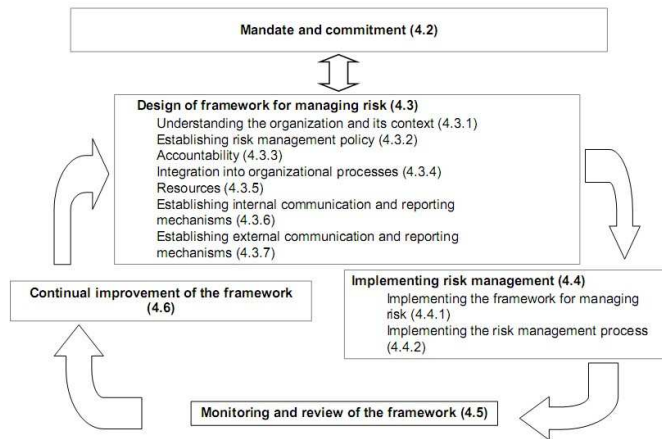
- ☐ Creates and protects value
- ☐ Integral part of organizational process
- ☐ Part of decision making
- ☐ Explicitly addresses uncertainty
- ☐ Systematic, structured and timely
- ☐ Based on the best available information
- ☐ Tailored
- ☐ Takes human and cultural factor into account
- ☐ Transparent and inclusive
- ☐ Dynamic, interactive and responsive to change
- ☐ Facilitates continual improvement of the organization

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Activity Breakdown

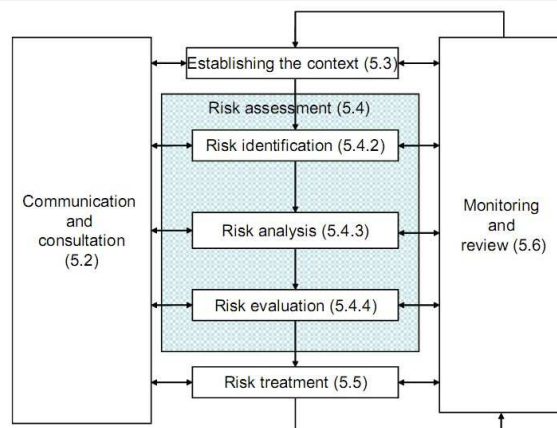


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Risk Management Process



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View of ISO 31000

- Framework is valid and valuable
- Has been accepted internationally
 - and in Canada too
- But it's only a framework
 - Tailoring (instantiation) essential
- Useful starting point

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IT Professional Risk Guideline



Risk Management Practice Guideline

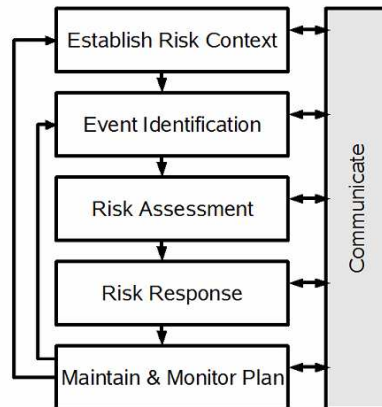
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CIPS Risk Management Flow



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Communicate

- ☐ Important to tell people about risks
 - ☐ Above
 - ☐ Below
 - ☐ Besides
 - ☐ Following
- ☐ It's a *professional* responsibility
- ☐ It makes *business* sense

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Risk Context

- ☐ What practices are to be followed?
- ☐ Event assessment
 - ☐ Who has a voice, how much detail?
- ☐ Outcome gap assessment
 - ☐ Who has a voice, how much detail?
- ☐ Risk response plan
 - ☐ Who has a voice, how much detail?

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Event Identification

Four broad approaches

1. Judgement – individuals/groups use their best judgement
2. Scenarios – examine qualitatively different alternatives
3. Models – formally model the activities under review
4. Check Lists – use check lists or taxonomies of possible risks

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Risk Assessment

- Assess *likelihood* and *impact* of all identified risk events
- Use quantitative *and* qualitative methods
- Determine *inherent* and *residual* risks
 - Effort to mitigate, then ...
 - How much risk remains?

Risk Response

- Four broad approaches:
 - Tolerate – live with the consequences, e.g. self insure
 - Transfer – find insurance/contractor to assume the risk
 - Reduce – change plans to reduce probability or impact
 - Eliminate – don't engage in activities with unacceptably severity

Maintain & Monitor Plan

- ☐ Control activities to implement necessary risk responses
 - Costs, benefits, responsibilities
- ☐ Ensure committed actions are really owned
- ☐ Active monitor for risk events
- ☐ Monitor execution of plans
- ☐ Review/revise with stakeholders

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It's More Than Projects

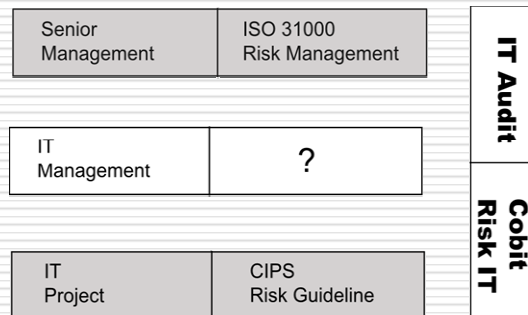
- ☐ Acquisition
 - Buy the wrong thing (bad spec/selection)
 - Thing evolves incorrectly (wrong dynamic)
- ☐ Operations
 - Not adequately managing operations
 - Successful external attack on system
- ☐ Development
 - Failure to meet the project's goals
 - Failure to address *real* opportunities

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IT Audit Risk World



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COBIT View



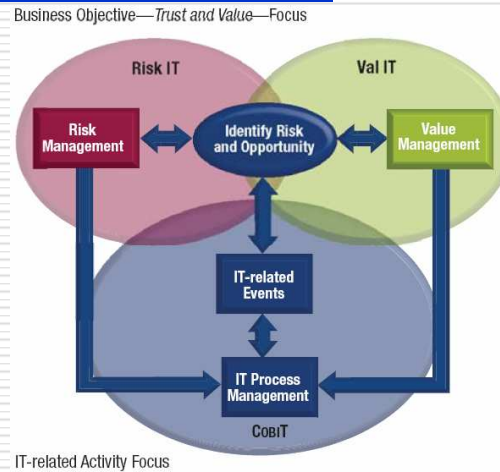
- Strategic alignment
- **Value delivery**
- Resource management
- **Risk management**
- Performance management

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Big 3 ITGI Frameworks



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CobiT Risk Breakdown

Assess and manage IT risks

that satisfies the business requirement for IT of

analysing and communicating IT risks and their potential impact on business processes and goals

by focusing on

development of a risk management framework that is integrated in business and operational risk management frameworks, risk assessment, risk mitigation and communication of residual risk

is achieved by

- Ensuring that risk management is fully embedded in management processes, internally and externally, and consistently applied
- Performing risk assessments
- Recommending and communicating risk remedial action plans

and is measured by

- Percent of critical IT objectives covered by risk assessment
- Percent of identified critical IT risks with action plans developed
- Percent of risk management action plans approved for implementation

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COBIT: Risk Input & Output

P09 Assess and Manage IT Risks

From	Inputs
P01	Strategic and tactical IT plans, IT service portfolio
P010	Project risk management plan
DS2	Supplier risks
DS4	Contingency test results
DS5	Security threats and vulnerabilities
ME1	Historical risk trends and events
ME4	Enterprise appetite for IT risks

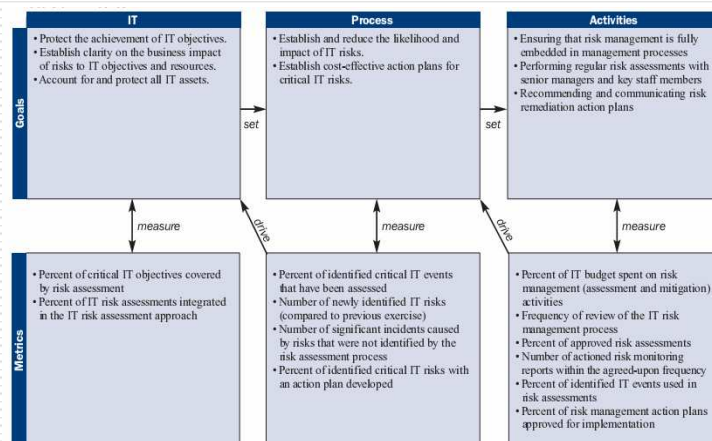
Outputs	To
Risk assessment	P01 DS4 DS5 DS12 ME4
Risk reporting	ME4
IT-related risk management guidelines	P06
IT-related risk remedial action plans	P04 AI6

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Goals & Metrics



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COBIT: Risk RACI Chart

RACI Chart

Functions

Activities

	CED	CPO	Business Executive	CIO	Business Senior Management	Head Operations	Chief Architect	Head Development	Head IT Administration	PMO	Compliance, Audit, Risk and Security
Determine risk management alignment (e.g., assess risk).	A	R/A	C	C	R/A	I					I
Understand relevant strategic business objectives.		C	C	R/A	C	C					I
Understand relevant business process objectives.				C	C	R/A					I
Identify internal IT objectives and establish risk context.				R/A		C	C	C			I
Identify events associated with objectives (some events are business-oriented (business is A); some are IT-oriented (IT is A, business is C)).	I			A/C	A	R	R	R	R		C
Assess risk associated with events.				A/C	A	R	R	R	R		C
Evaluate risk responses.	I	I	A	A/C	A	R	R	R	R		C
Prioritise and plan control activities.	C	C	A	A	R	R	C	C	C		C
Approve and ensure funding for risk action plans.		A	A		R	I	I	I	I		I
Maintain and monitor a risk action plan.	A	C	I	R	R	C	C	C	C	C	R

A RACI chart identifies who is Responsible, Accountable, Consulted and/or Informed.

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CobiT Risk Management Levels

- 1 Initial/Ad Hoc
- 2 Repeatable but Intuitive
- 3 Defined Process
- 4 Managed and Measurable
- 5 Optimised

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3: Defined Process

- "An organisationwide risk management policy defines when and how to conduct risk assessments. Risk management follows a defined process that is documented. Risk management training is available to all staff. Decisions to follow the risk management process and to receive training are left to the individual's discretion. The methodology for the assessment of risk is convincing and sound and ensures that key risks to the business are identified. A process to mitigate key risks is usually instituted once the risks are identified. Job descriptions consider risk management responsibilities."

Time Line

- It started with COBIT
 - Now in version 4.1
- Then Val IT was added
 - Focus on program benefit
 - Now in version 2.0
- Risk IT has been released
 - Timely
 - Completes the picture

Risk / Value Balance

IT as Value Inhibitor
or Destructor



IT Risk

- Adverse IT related events destroying value
- Unrealised or reduced business value through IT
- Missed IT assisted business opportunities

IT Opportunity

- Identify new business opportunities through use of IT
- Enhance business value through optimal use of IT capabilities



IT as Value
Enabler

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Now available ...

RiskIT
BASED ON COBIT®

IT
GOVERNANCE
INSTITUTE®
LEADING THE IT GOVERNANCE COMMUNITY

THE RISK IT
FRAMEWORK

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Risk IT Definition

- **IT risk** is business risk -- specifically, the business risk associated with the use, ownership, operation, involvement, influence and adoption COBIT of IT within an enterprise. It consists of IT-related events that could IT-related Activity Focus potentially impact the business. It can occur with both uncertain frequency and magnitude, and it creates challenges in meeting strategic goals and objectives. IT risk can be categorized in different ways:
 - **IT benefit/value enablement risk**, associated with (missed) opportunities to use technology to improve efficiency or effectiveness of business processes, or as an enabler for new business initiatives
 - **IT programme and project delivery risk**, associated with the contribution of IT to new or improved business solutions, usually in the form of projects and programmes. This ties to investment portfolio management (as in Val IT).
 - **IT operations and service deliver risk**, associated with all aspects of the performance of IT systems and services, which can bring destruction or reduction of value to the enterprise
- IT risk always exists, whether or not it is detected or recognized by an organization.

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Responsibilities & Accountabilities 1

Role Definitions		Risk Governance			Risk Evaluation			Risk Response	
Role	Suggested Definition	Common Risk View	Integrate With ERM	Risk-aware Decisions	Collect Data	Analyse Risk	Maintain Risk Profile	Articulate Risk	Manage Risk
Board	The most senior executives and/or non-executives of the enterprise who are accountable for the governance of the enterprise and have overall control of its resources								
Chief executive officer (CEO)	The highest-ranking officer who is in charge of the total management of the enterprise								
Chief risk officer (CRO)	The individual who oversees all aspects of risk management across the enterprise. An IT risk officer function may be established to oversee IT-related risk.								
Chief information officer (CIO)	The most senior official of the enterprise who is accountable for IT advocacy; aligning IT and business strategies; and planning, resourcing and managing the delivery of IT services and information and the deployment of associated human resources. The CIO typically chairs the governance council that manages the portfolio.								
CFO	The most senior official of the enterprise who is accountable for financial planning, record keeping, investor relations and financial risks								
Enterprise risk committee	The executives who are accountable for the enterprise-level collaboration and consensus required to support enterprise risk management (ERM) activities and decisions. An IT risk council may be established to consider IT risk in more detail and advise the enterprise risk committee.								

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Responsibilities & Accountabilities 2

Role Definitions		Risk Governance		Risk Evaluation		Risk Response				
Role	Suggested Definition	Common Risk View	Integrate With ERM	Risk-aware Decisions	Collect Data	Analyse Risk	Maintain Risk Profile	Articulate Risk	Manage Risk	React to Events
Business management	Business individuals with roles relating to managing a programme(s)									
Business process owner	The individual responsible for identifying process requirements, approving process design and managing process performance. In general, a business process owner must be at an appropriately high level in the enterprise and have authority to commit resources to process-specific risk management activities.									
Risk control functions	The functions in the enterprise responsible for managing certain risk focus areas (e.g. chief information security officer, business continuity plan/disaster recovery, supply chain, project management office)									
Human resources (HR)	The most senior official of an enterprise who is accountable for planning and policies with respect to all human resources in that enterprise									
Compliance and audit	The function(s) in the enterprise responsible for compliance and audit									

Legend of the table:

- Blue cell—The role carries responsibility and/or partial accountability for the process.
- Red cell—The role carries main accountability for this process. Only one role can be the main one accountable for a given process.

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Risk IT Principles

- Effective enterprise governance of IT risk always connects to business objectives
- Effective enterprise governance of IT risk aligns the management of IT-related business risk with overall enterprise risk management
- Effective enterprise governance of IT risk balances the costs and benefits of managing risk
- Effective management of IT risk promotes fair and open communication of IT risk
- Effective management of IT risk establishes the right tone from the top while defining and enforcing personal accountability for operating within acceptable and well-defined tolerance levels

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Risk IT Principles II

- Effective management of IT risk is a continuous process and part of daily activities
- Attention is paid to consistent risk assessment methods, roles and responsibilities, tools, techniques, and criteria across the enterprise
- Risk management practices are appropriately prioritised and embedded in enterprise decision-making processes
- Risk management practices are straightforward and easy to use, and contain practices to detect threat and potential risk, as well as prevent and mitigate it

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Risk IT Overview

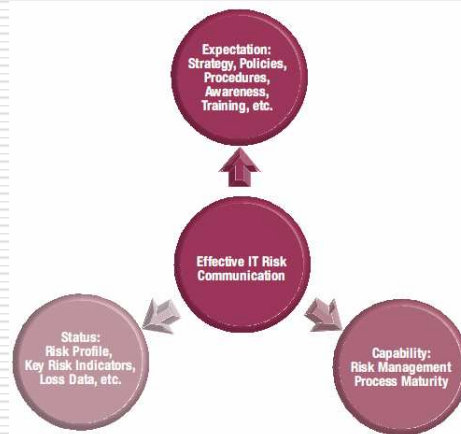


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Risk Communication

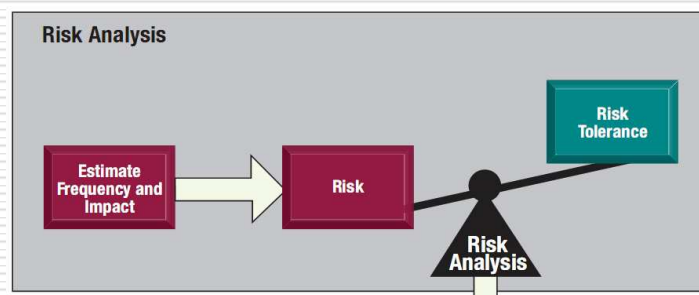


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Risk Analysis

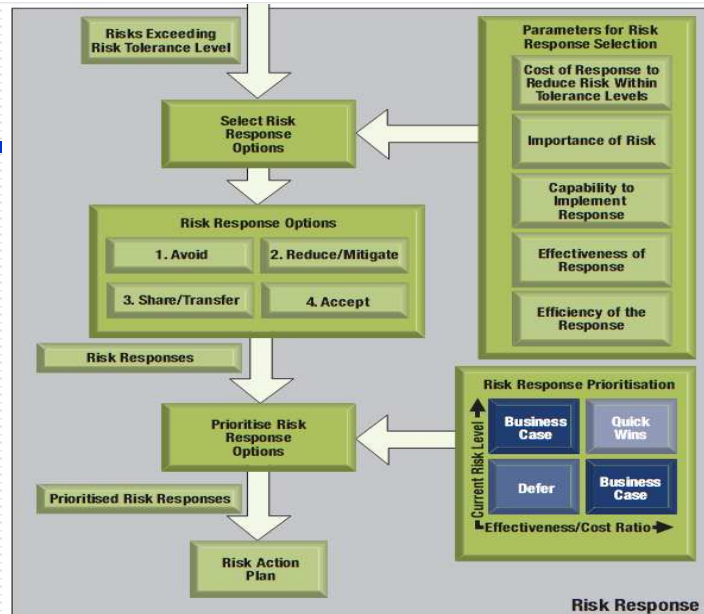


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Risk Response



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Risk IT Domains

- Domain—Risk Governance (RG)
 - RG1 Establish and Maintain a Common Risk View
 - RG2 Integrate With Enterprise Risk Management (ERM)
 - RG3 Make Risk-aware Business Decisions
- Domain—Risk Evaluation (RE)
 - RE1 Collect Data
 - RE2 Analyse Risk
 - RE3 Maintain Risk Profile
- Domain—Risk Response (RR)
 - RR1 Articulate Risk
 - RR2 Manage Risk
 - RR3 React to Events

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Risk Governance

- Domain Goal:
 - Ensure that IT risk management practices are embedded in the enterprise, enabling it to secure optimal risk adjusted return.
- Domain Metrics:
 - The degree to which the strategic use of IT in leveraging enterprise resources reduces overall enterprise risk.
 - Percentage of staff trained in critical risk management techniques (e.g., standard risk analysis techniques, crisis management, project management, skills of people (audit, etc.) to detect when something IT related is amiss)

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RG1: Common Risk View

- Process Goal:
 - Ensure that risk management activities align with the organization's objective capacity for IT-related loss and leadership's subjective tolerance.
- Key Activities:
 - RG1.1 Develop an enterprise-specific IT risk management framework
 - RG1.2 Develop IT risk management methods
 - RG1.3 Perform an enterprisewide IT risk assessment
 - RG1.4 Propose IT risk tolerance thresholds
 - RG1.5 Approve IT risk tolerance
 - RG1.6 Align policy and standards statements with IT risk tolerance
 - RG1.7 Promote an IT risk aware culture
 - RG1.8 Promote effective communication of IT risk

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RG1.1 Develop an enterprise-specific IT risk management framework

From	Inputs	To	Outputs
RG1.3, COBIT ME4	Enterprise appetite for IT risk	RG1.2, RG1.3, RG1.8, RE2.1	IT risk management framework
RG2.3	IT risk management scope		
RG2.3	Enterprise integrated risk reporting requirements		
RG2.4	Updates to IT risk management framework		
COBIT PO9	IT-related risk management guidelines		
*	Enterprise risk management framework		

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RG1.2 Develop IT risk management methods

From	Inputs	To	Outputs
RG1.1	IT risk management framework	RG1.3, RG1.4, RG1.6, RG2.4, RG3.1, RE2.1, RE2.2, RE3.2	IT risk management methods
RG2.3	IT risk management scope	RG2.4, RR3.4	IT risk management process monitoring methods
RG2.4	Updates to IT risk management methods		
RG2.4	Updates to IT risk management process monitoring methods		
RR3.4	Process improvements		
COBIT PO9	IT-related risk management guidelines		
*	Enterprise risk management framework		

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RG 1.3 Perform an enterprisewide IT risk assessment

From	Inputs	To	Outputs
RG1.1	IT risk management framework	RG1.1, RG1.4, RG1.5, RG2.3, COBIT PO9	Enterprise appetite for IT risk
RG1.3	IT risk management methods	RG1.4, RG1.5, RG2.3, RG3.3, RE3.1, RE3.4, COBIT PO1, COBIT PO9, COBIT DSI, Val IT VG1	Key services and supporting business processes and systems
RG1.8, RR3.4	Request for enterprise-wide IT risk assessment	RE2.1	Risk analysis focus areas
RG2.3	Enterprise risk elements to be included in IT risk assessments	RG1.5, RE3.2, RE3.4	Prioritised inventories of risk and impact categories
RE1.4, RE1.5	Risk factors		
RE3.3	IT capability mappings		
Val IT PM1	IT strategy and goals feedback		
Val IT IM7	Service portfolios		
COBIT PO1	IT service portfolio, strategic IT plan, tactical IT plan		
COBIT ME3	Report on compliance of IT activities with external legal and regulatory requirements		
COBIT ME4	Enterprise strategic direction for IT		
*	Enterprise strategy, objectives and goals		

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RG 1.4 Propose IT risk tolerance thresholds

From	Inputs	To	Outputs
RG1.2	IT risk management methods	RG1.5	Proposed IT risk tolerance thresholds
RG1.3	Key services and supporting business processes and systems		
RG1.3, COBIT ME4	Enterprise appetite for IT risk		
RG1.5	IT risk tolerance thresholds		
*	Enterprise risk management framework		
*	Business risk tolerance thresholds		

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RG 1.5 Approve IT risk tolerance

From	Inputs	To	Outputs
RG1.3	Key services and supporting business processes and systems, prioritised inventories of risk and impact categories	RG1.4, RG1.6, RG1.7, RG3.3, RG3.4, RE2.2, RE2.3, RE3.2, RE3.5, RE3.6, RR2.2, RR3.2, COBIT PO9, *	IT risk tolerance thresholds
RG1.3, COBIT ME4	Enterprise appetite for IT risk		
RG1.4	Proposed IT risk tolerance thresholds		

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RG 1.6 Align policy and standards statements with IT risk tolerance

From	Inputs	To	Outputs
RG1.2	IT risk management methods	RG1.7, RG2.2, RG3.3, COBIT PO4, PO6, PO7, PO8, PO9	Updated policies and standards
RG1.5	IT risk tolerance thresholds		
COBIT PO4	Technology standards		
COBIT PO6	IT policies		

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RG 1.7 Promote an IT risk-aware culture

From	Inputs	To	Outputs
RG1.1	IT risk management framework	RE1.5	Performance metrics on cultural shift toward risk awareness
RG1.5	IT risk tolerance thresholds	COBIT PO6	IT-related risk management guidelines
RG1.6	Updated policies and standards	COBIT DS7	Specific training requirements
RG1.8	Plans for ongoing IT risk communication	*	Communication of risk principles and concepts
RG2.1	IT risk RACI charts		
Val IT VG1	Leadership commitment		
COBIT ME2	Report on effectiveness of IT controls		
*	Risk culture survey results, data on adherence to policy and standards, data on IT risk thresholds vs. policy vs. operations		

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RG 1.8 Promote effective communication of IT risk

From	Inputs	To	Outputs
RG3.3	Potential risk issues and opportunities	RG1.7, RG3.4, RR3.2, COBIT PO6	Plans for ongoing IT risk communication
RR1.2	State of compliance reports	RG1.3	Request for enterprise-wide IT risk assessment
COBIT PO4	IT organisation and relationships		

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RG 1 RACI Chart

Key Activities	Board	CEO	CRO	CIO	CFO	Enterprise Risk Committee	Business Management	Business Process Owner	Risk Control Functions	HR	Compliance and Audit
RG1.1 Develop an enterprise-specific IT risk management framework.	A	R	R	R	C	I	R	I	C	I	C
RG1.2 Develop IT risk management methods.	C	C	A	R	C	I	C	C	C	I	C
RG1.3 Perform an enterprise-wide IT risk assessment.	I	A	R	R	C	I	R	C	R	C	C
RG1.4 Propose IT risk tolerance thresholds.	I	I	C	R	C	I	A	C	C		C
RG1.5 Approve IT risk tolerance.	A	C	C	C	C	R	C	C	C	C	C
RG1.6 Align policy and standards statements with IT risk tolerance.		I	A	R	I	C	R	I	C	R	I
RG1.7 Promote an IT risk-aware culture.	A	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R
RG1.8 Promote effective communication of IT risk.	A	R	R	I	I	R	I	I	I	I	C

A RACI chart identifies who is Responsible, Accountable, Consulted and/or Informed.

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RG 1 Goals & Metrics

Activity Goals	Process Goal	RG Goal
- Establish enterprise-wide accountability for managing IT risk. - Establish accountability for IT risk issues. - Co-ordinate IT risk strategy and business risk strategy. - Adapt IT risk management practices to organisational risk management practices. - Provide adequate resources for IT risk management.	Integrate the IT risk strategy and operations with the business strategic risk decisions that have been made at the enterprise level.	Ensure that IT risk management practices are embedded in the enterprise, enabling the enterprise to secure optimal risk-adjusted return.
Activity Metrics	Process Metrics	RG Metrics
- Percentage of employees whose performance metrics and rewards reflect risk management objectives - An alignment score related to RACI regarding the ranking of actions to take (e.g., percentage of key IT risk-related accountabilities accepted by business and IT personnel) - Number of different risk reports provided to the board; extent of integration of reporting on IT risk - Percentage of IT risk practices adopted to ERM organisational expectations - Percent of IT risk management action plans approved for implementation - Percentage of core ERM activities with embedded IT risk considerations - Number of different issue management processes and platforms - Extent to which budgets are allocated based on risk significance (e.g., per risk assessment results) - Number of open positions in the risk management staff	- Percentage of business executives and managers who have received training on the enterprise's reliance on and usage of IT, the related risk, IT risk strategy and framework - Percentage of IT risk management operational expenditures that have direct traceability to business risk strategy - Percentage of business projects that consider IT risk - Percentage of core ERM activities that consider IT risk - Frequency of IT risk as an agenda item for the executive committee - Extent of alignment between organisational objectives and IT risk management objectives - Extent of overlap of risk management activities performed by business units, risk and control functions, and internal audit	- The degree to which the strategic use of IT in leveraging enterprise resources reduces overall enterprise risk - Percentage of staff trained in critical risk management techniques (e.g., standard risk analysis techniques, crisis management, project management, skills of people [audit, etc.] to detect when something IT related is amiss)

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RG2: ERM Integration

- Process Goal:
 - Integrate the IT risk strategy and operations with the business strategic risk decisions that have been made at the enterprise level.
- Key Activities:
 - RG2.1 Establish enterprisewide accountability for managing IT risk
 - RG2.2 Establish accountability for IT risk issues
 - RG2.3 Coordinate IT risk strategy and business risk strategy
 - RG2.4 Adapt IT risk management practices to organisational risk management practices
 - RG2.5 Provide adequate resources for IT risk management

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RG3: Risk Business Decisions

- Process Goal:
 - Ensure that organisational decisions consider the full range of opportunities and consequences from reliance on IT for success.
- Key Activities:
 - RG3.1 Gain management buy in for the IT risk analysis approach
 - RG3.2 Approve IT risk analysis results
 - RG3.3 Embed IT risk considerations into strategic business decision making
 - RG3.4 Accept IT risk
 - RG3.5 Prioritise IT risk response activities
 - RG3.6 Track key IT risk decisions

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RG Defined - 3

- IT risk management is viewed as a business issue, and both the downside and upside of IT risk are recognised. There is a designated leader for IT risk across the enterprise; this leader is engaged with the enterprise risk committee, where IT risk is in scope and discussed. The business understands how IT fits in the enterprise-wide, or portfolio view, risk perspective. Enterprise risk tolerance is derived from local tolerances and IT risk management activities are being aligned across the enterprise. Formal risk categories have been identified and described in clear terms. Risk awareness training includes situations and scenarios beyond specific policy and the structures and a common language for communicating risk. Defined requirements exist for a centralised inventory of risk issues. Workflow tools are used to escalate risk issues and track decisions.

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Risk Evaluation

- Domain Goal:
 - Ensure that IT related risks and opportunities are identified, analysed, and presented in business terms.
- Domain Metric:
 - The cumulative business impact from IT-related incidents and events not identified by risk evaluation processes.

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RE1: Collect Data

- Process Goal:
 - Identify relevant data to enable effective IT related risk identification, analysis, and reporting.
- Key Activities:
 - RE1.1 Establish & maintain a model for data collection
 - RE1.2 Collect data on the external environment
 - RE1.3 Collect timely event, incident, problem and loss data
 - RE1.4 Identify risk factors
 - RE1.5 Organize historical IT risk data

RE2: Analyze Risk

- Process Goal:
 - Develop useful information to support risk decisions that take into account the business relevance of risk factors (e.g., threats, vulnerabilities, value, liability).
- Key Activities:
 - RE2.1 Define IT risk analysis scope
 - RE2.2 Estimate IT risk to and from critical products, services, processes, and IT resources
 - RE2.3 Identify risk response options
 - RE2.4 Perform a peer review of IT risk analysis results

RE3: Maintain Risk Profile

- Process Goal:
 - Maintain an up-to-date and complete inventory of known risks and attributes (e.g., expected frequency, potential impact, disposition), IT resources, capabilities and controls as understood in the context of business products, services, and processes.
- Key Activities:
 - RE3.1 Map IT resources to business processes
 - RE3.2 Determine the business criticality of IT resources
 - RE3.3 Understand IT capabilities
 - RE3.4 Connect threat types & business impact categories
 - RE3.5 Maintain the IT risk register and IT risk map
 - RE3.6 Design and communicate IT risk indicators

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RE Defined – 3

- There is an emerging understanding of risk fundamentals. Gaps between IT-related risk and opportunity and overall risk appetite are being recognised. Responsibility and accountability for key risk evaluation practices are defined and process owners have been identified. The capability is in place to evaluate IT risk on an enterprise-wide basis alongside other risk types. Dependency analysis and scenario analysis procedures are defined and performed across multiple business activities, business lines and products. Skill requirements are defined and documented for all enterprise risk areas, with full consideration of data collection, risk analysis and profiling. Data collection tools generally adhere to defined standards and distinguish between threat events, vulnerability events and loss events.

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Risk Response

- Domain Goal:
 - Ensure that IT-related risk issues, opportunities, and events are addressed in a cost effective manner and in line with business priorities.
- Domain Metrics:
 - The cumulative business impact from IT-related incidents and events anticipated by risk evaluation processes but not yet addressed by mitigation or event action planning.

RR1 Articulate Risk

- Process Goal:
 - Ensure that information on the true state of IT-related exposures and opportunities is made available in a timely manner and to the right people for appropriate response.
- Key Activities:
 - RR1.1 Report IT risk analysis results
 - RR1.2 Report IT risk management activities and state of compliance
 - RR1.3 Interpret external IT assessment findings
 - RR1.4 Identify IT-related opportunities

RR2 Manage Risk

- Process Goal:
 - Ensure that measures for seizing strategic opportunities and reducing risk to an acceptable level are managed as a portfolio.
- Key Activities:
 - RR2.1 Inventory controls, capabilities, and resources
 - RR2.2 Monitor operational alignment with risk tolerance thresholds
 - RR2.3 Respond to discovered risk exposure and opportunity
 - RR2.4 Implement controls
 - RR2.5 Report on IT risk action plan progress

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RR3 React to Events

- Process Goal:
 - Ensure that measures for seizing immediate opportunities or limiting the magnitude of loss from IT related events are activated in a timely manner and are effective.
- Key Activities:
 - RR3.1 Maintain incident response plans
 - RR3.2 Monitor IT risk
 - RR3.3 Initiate incident response plans
 - RR3.4 Conduct post mortem reviews of IT-related incidents

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RR Defined – 3

- Across the enterprise there is individual understanding of business-impacting threats and the specific actions to take if the business threat materialises. Responsibility and accountability for key risk response practices are defined and process owners have been identified. Control deficiencies are identified and remediated in a timely manner. An enterprise-wide risk response policy defines when and how to respond to risk. Job descriptions include expectations for risk response. Employees are periodically trained in IT-related threats, risk scenarios, and controls relevant to their roles and responsibilities. A plan has been defined for use and standardisation of tools to automate certain risk mitigation activities, such as user provisioning.

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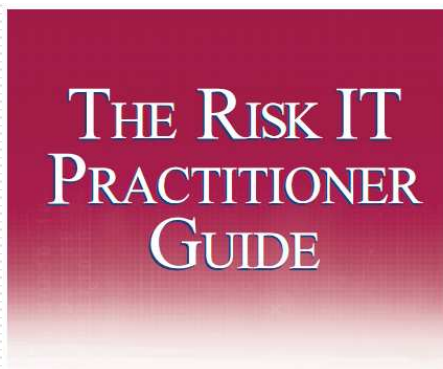


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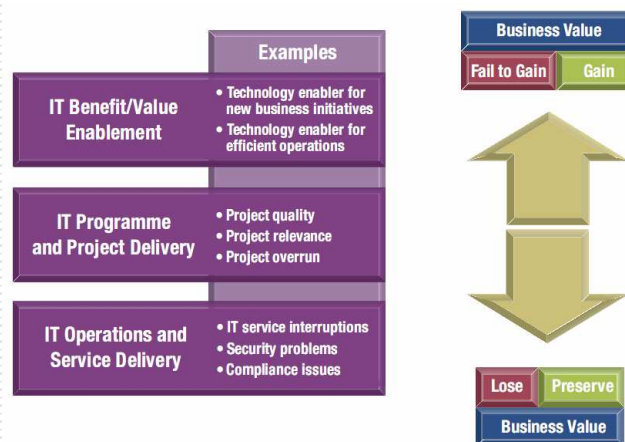
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Types of IT Risk

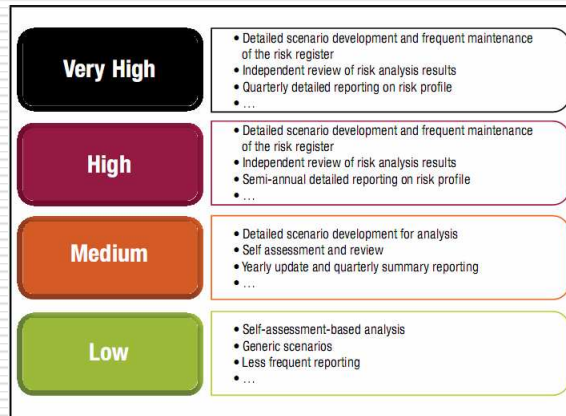


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IT Risk Management Scope

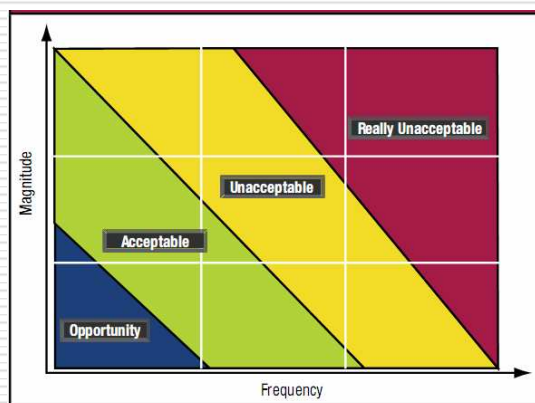


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Risk Appetite Bands



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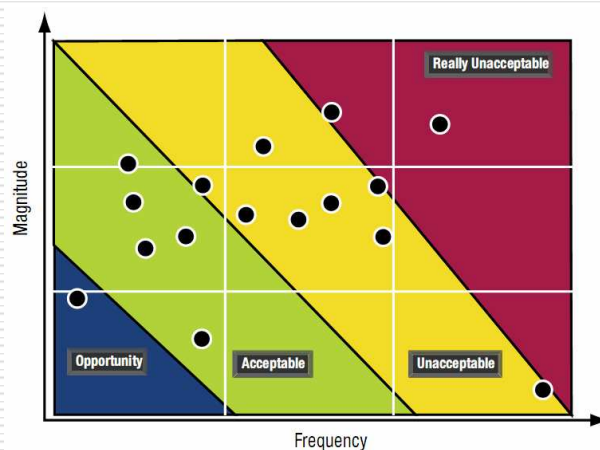


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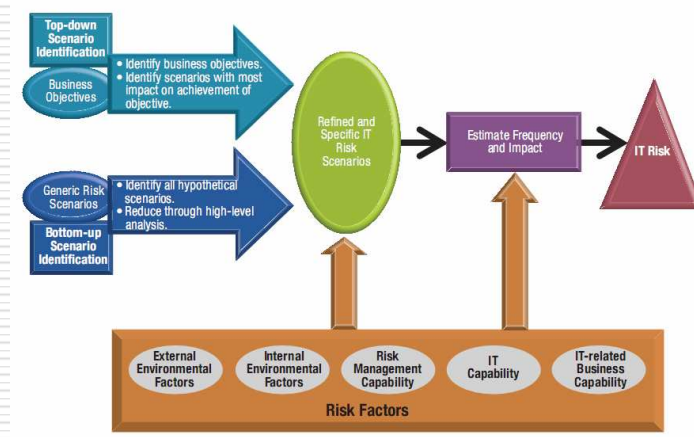


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Risk Scenario Development



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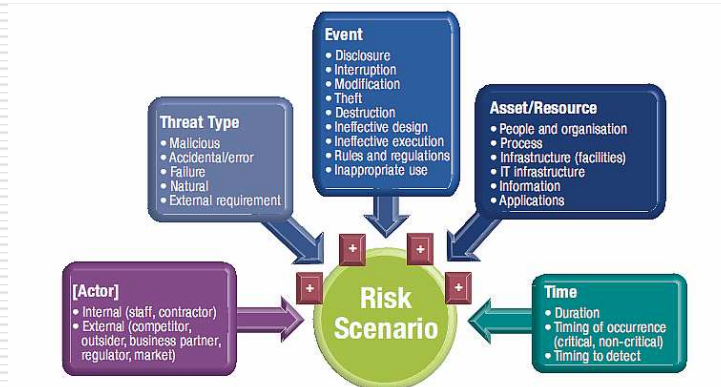


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Risk Scenario



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30 Scenario Examples PT I

1. IT Project Selection
 - ☐ New technologies
 - ☐ Technology Selection
 - ☐ IT Investment Decision Making
 - ☐ Accountability over IT
 - ☐ Integration of IT within business processes
 - ☐ State of infrastructure technology
 - ☐ Ageing of application software
 - ☐ Architectural agility and flexibility
 - ☐ Regulatory compliance
 - ☐ Software implementation
 - ☐ IT Project Termination
 - ☐ IT Project Economics
 - ☐ Project Delivery
 - ☐ Project Quality

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30 Scenario Examples PT II

16. Selection /Performance of third party suppliers
17. Infrastructure theft
18. Destruction of infrastructure
19. IT staff
20. IT expertise & skills
21. Software integrity
22. Infrastructure (Hardware)
23. Software performance
24. System Capacity
25. Ageing of infrastructural software
26. Malware
27. Logical attacks
28. Information Media
29. Utilities performance
30. Industrial action

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New Technology Risk Scenario

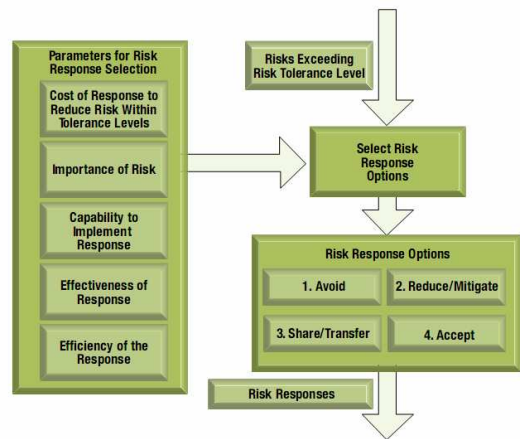
- ☐ Failure to adopt and exploit new technologies (i.e., functionality, optimization) on a timely basis [minus]
- ☐ New and important technology trends not identified [minus]
- ☐ Inability to use the technology to realize desired outcomes (e.g., failure to make required business model or organizational changes) [minus]
- ☐ New technologies for new initiatives or more efficient operations adopted and exploited [plus]

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Risk Response Options



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Other Standards/Frameworks

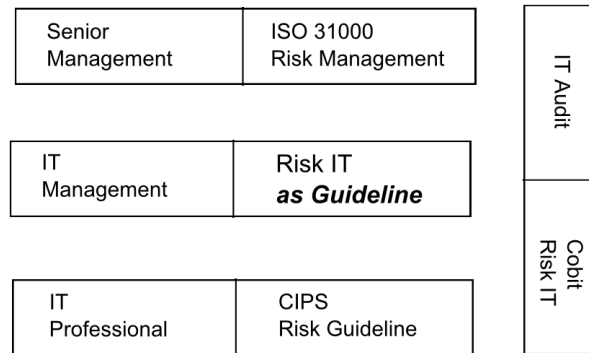
Principle/Feature	Risk IT	COSO ERM-Integrated Framework, 2004	ISO/IEC 31000:2009	AS/NZS 4360:2004	AIRMS, 2002	ISO 20000: 2005, Parts 1 and 2	PMBOK	ISO/IEC 27005:2008	ISO/IEC 27001:2005	ISO/IEC 27002:2005
Risk IT Principles										
Always connect to business objectives										
Align the management of IT-related business risk with overall ERM										
Balance the costs and benefits of managing risk										
Promote fair and open communication of IT risk										
Establish the right tone from the top while defining and enforcing personal accountability for operating within acceptable and well-defined tolerance levels										
Are a continuous process and part of daily activity										
Additional Features										
Availability (to the general public)										
Comprehensive view on IT (related) risk										
Dedicated focus on risk management practices for specific IT areas (project management, service management, security, etc.)										
Provide a detailed process model with management guidelines and maturity models										

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