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Value at Risk?

An Overview of the Financial Implications of Global Climate Change

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Company Overview

Equity Research

- **Specialist equity research provider that caters to both socially responsible and mainstream investment markets**
- **Innovest Strategic Value Advisors was founded in 1995 and is headquartered in New York, USA**

Products & Services

- **EV'21[®] Company Report – Assessment & rating of environmental performance**
- **IVA[®] Company Report – Assessment & rating of social performance**
- **Sector Reports – Cover key intangible industry factors**
- **Sub Advisory Management – Product development with strategic clients**

Coverage

- **1,700 global stocks across all sectors, comprising:**
 - **S&P 500**
 - **EUROTOP 300**
 - **FTSE 350**
 - **200 Asia-Pacific stocks**

Innovest's Recent Carbon Finance work

- **'Value At Risk'** (with CERES) - April 2002
 - **Fiduciary Duty and the implications of climate change at sector level**
- **UNEP Finance Initiative** - July 2002
 - **Understanding the relevance of climate change to the financial services industry and charting a course for action**
- **Carbon Disclosure Project** - ongoing
 - **Institutional investors targeting global Fortune 500 on climate risks and management responses**
 - **Innovest Strategic Value Advisors to process results and compile report**

Climate Change: Risks and Opportunities for Companies

Climate Change: the Scientific Evidence

- **Estimated temperature increases over next century:**
 - 1.8-5.4°F - wider use of clean fuels
 - 6.3-13.5°F - 'business as usual' case
- **Potential effects:**
 - Reduced lake levels and outflows & reduced water quality
 - Changes in the frequency, intensity, and duration of heavy precipitation events
 - Changes in the nature and extent of “disturbance factors” - forest fire, disease/pest outbreaks, floods, etc.
 - Potential loss of specific ecosystem types
 - Altered food production dynamics
 - Increased frequency and severity of heat waves
 - “discontinuity scenarios”

Risks to Companies & Shareholder Value

2 main sources of risk:

- Economic & competitive risks from climate change itself (e.g., weather-related effects)
- Exposure to the regulatory and competitive implications of attempts to mitigate GHG emissions

Risks to Companies & Shareholder Value

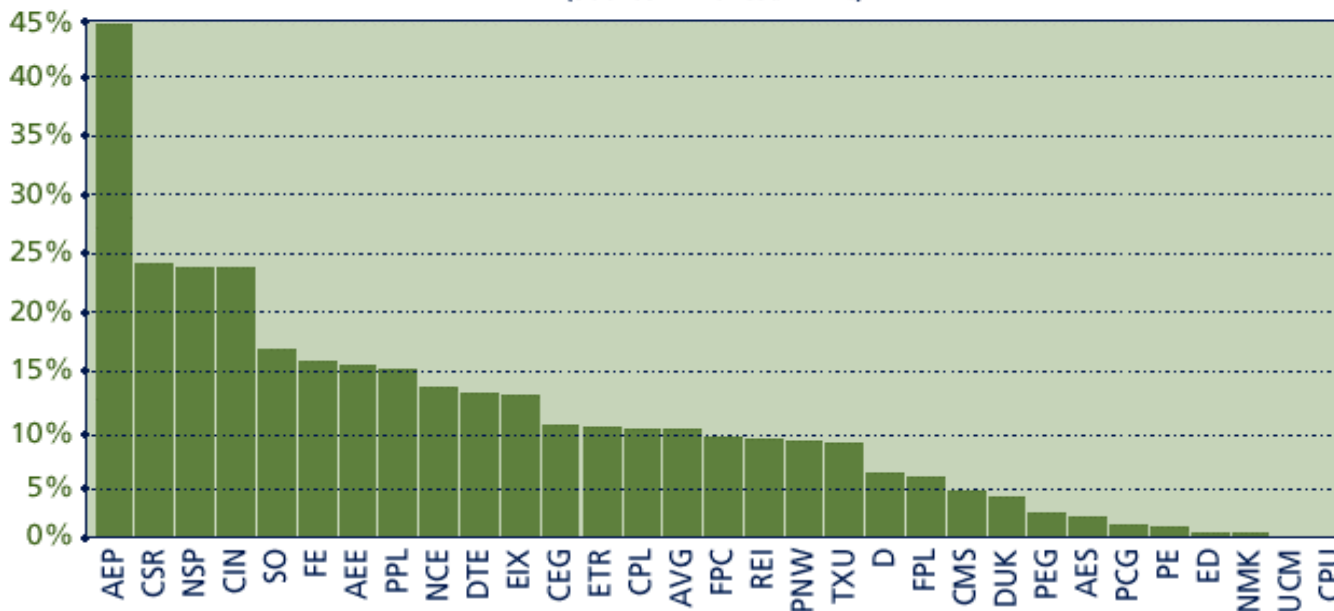
Major 'climate risks' to shareholder value :

- **Direct Cash Flow & Earnings**
 - Market Share
 - Operating Costs
 - Project IRRs
- **Cost of Capital**
 - Debt charges
 - Credit Risk
 - Insurance premiums
- **Brand/Reputation**
 - Consumer boycott
 - 'Employer of Choice' status
 - Stakeholder Relations

Climate Change risk: Industry Variations

- Significant differences exist between but also *within* industries
- **US Electric Utilities: discounted future costs of stabilising GHG emissions range from \$1.2bn (AEP) to \$51m (PSEG)**

Potential Carbon Tax as a % of Stock Market Capitalization (at Jan. 1/00)
Utility Rankings in Order of Decreasing Liability
Assumes \$20/Ton Carbon Tax
(Source: Innovest/NRDC)



Risks & Opportunities – industry examples

- **Transport (incl. Auto & Rail):**

- **Risk:**

- direct charges due to emission reductions/higher fuel costs
- loss of competitive edge (US vs EU)

- **Opportunity:**

- *use of cleaner technologies*

- **Petroleum:**

- **Risk:**

- direct reduction requirements
- disruptions in fossil fuel demand

- **Opportunity:**

- *natural gas in greater demand*
- *renewables*

- **Tourism:**

- **Risk:**

- exposure to extreme/changing weather patterns

- **Opportunity:**

- *eco' tourism*

- **Manufacturing**

- **Risk:**

- costs associated with high energy & water use
- regulatory risks

- **Opportunity:**

- *increased demand for manufactured goods – fuel cells, UPS, micropower devices*

Other best practice examples...

- **Alcoa:** developing fuel cell-powered smelters
- **RD Shell/BP:** significant GHG reduction commitments
- **Deutsche Telekom:** savings of DM 8m from a/c output adjustments
- **NTT:** energy conservation targets of ¥100 bn over 10 yrs, under 'business as usual' scenarios – Japan's largest electricity consumer
- **Dupont:** aggressive GHG reduction with no guarantee of credits
- **ABB:** developing low-carbon (intensity) technology as a differentiator

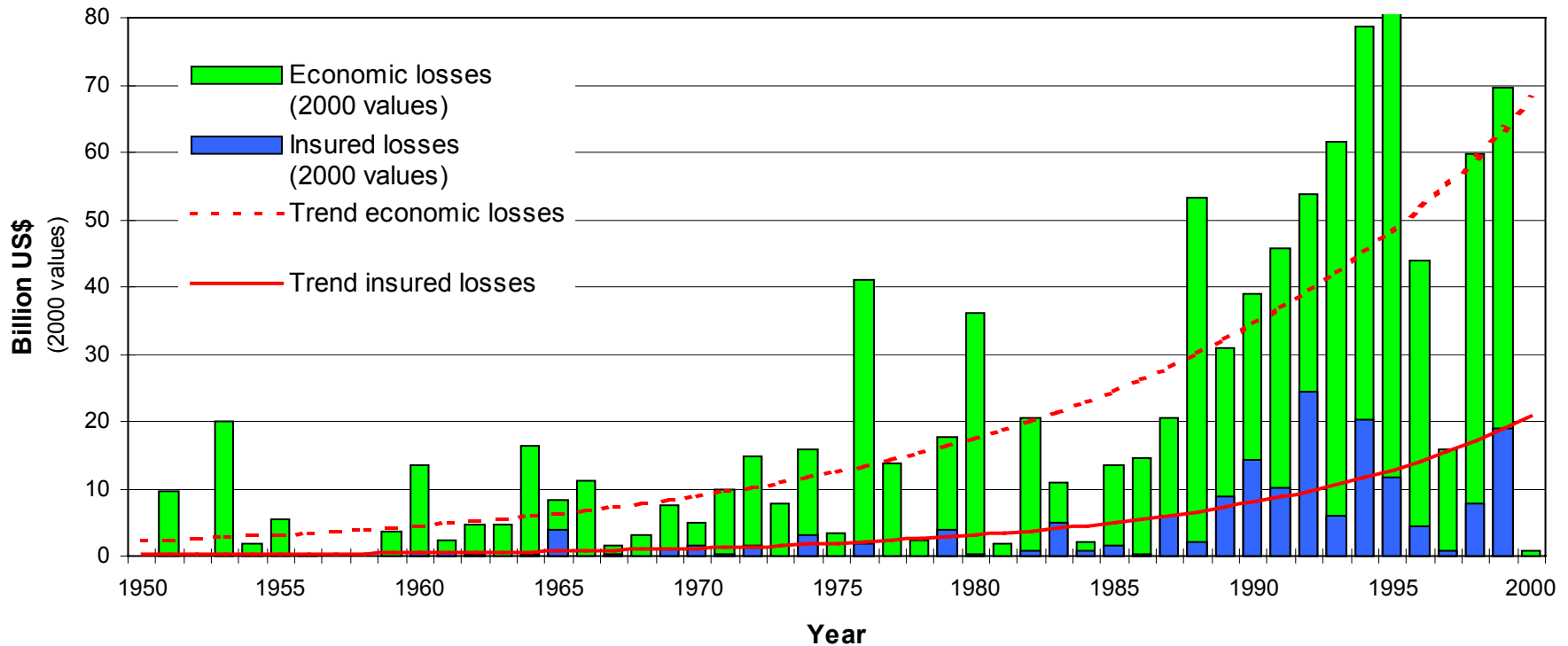
Climate Change: Risks & Opportunities for the Financial Services Industry...

Risks to the Financial Services Industry

- **Climate change impacts will not be limited to a few 'containable' areas**
- **Rather, climate change will have a pervasive influence throughout the global economy creating risks across the financial services industry**
- **Precautionary action should be taken**
- **Financial services need to understand upside & downside of climate change...**
 - **e.g. worldwide economic losses due to natural disasters/severe weather events are increasing**

Economic & Insured Losses – trend since 1950...

Economic and insured losses with trends



So – the risks are clear....

Risks & Opportunities - examples

Financial services industry has broad risk exposure...

- **Insurance - Risks**

- **Liquidity problems due to increase in extreme weather effects & resulting payouts**
- **Uncertainty over potential regulatory changes**

- **Insurance – Opportunities**

- **Increased demand for insurance products (as risks increase)**
- **Safeguarding GHG offset/clean energy projects**
- **Microinsurance**
- **Alternative risk transfer/hedging methods**
- **Consulting/Advisory services**

Risks & Opportunities - examples

- **Asset Management – Risks:**

- **Macroeconomic disruptions affect long-term asset appreciation**
- **Hidden carbon liabilities**
- **Real estate holdings impaired by weather damage...**

- **Asset Mgmt – Opportunities:**

- **Outperformance from investing in climate leaders/ best-in-sector securities**
- **Climate-related theme funds**

Risks & Opportunities - examples

- **Corporate/Retail Banking & Project Finance – Risks:**

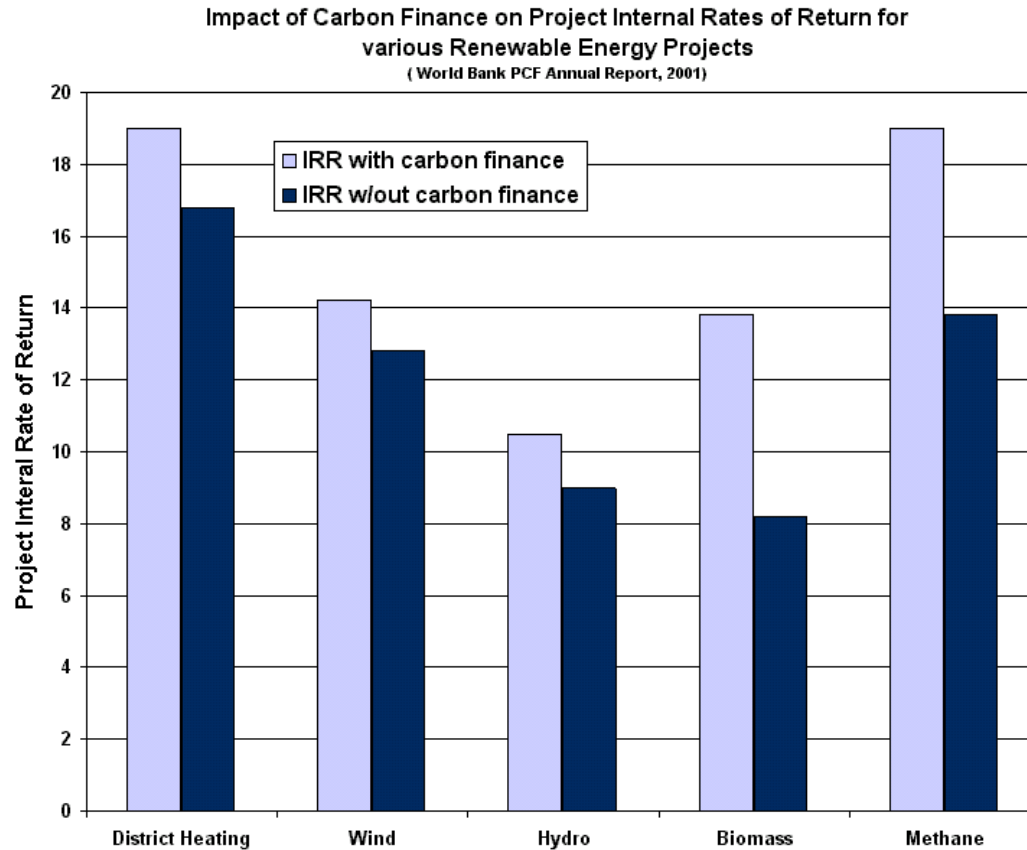
- **Property damage risks to real estate & project finance**
- **Unanticipated GHG emissions reduction costs at project level**

- **Corporate/Retail Banking & Project Finance – Opportunities:**

- **Financing development of clean technology & renewable energy**
- **Lending policies – energy-efficient projects**
- **Enhanced project returns from sale of credits**

World Bank Prototype Carbon Fund (PCF)

Use of GHG credits
has augmented
Project IRRs...



Renewable Energy Market: estimated volumes

- Major opportunities exist for 'clean' technologies
- Overall demand for renewables could reach 15% of worlds total energy needs by 2012
- Cleaner emissions profiles allows participation in GHG trading...

ET vols expected to grow rapidly...

Source	Projection of Size of Greenhouse Gas Emmissions Trading Market
<i>World Bank</i>	\$10 billion by 2005
<i>U.S. Council on Foreign Relations</i>	\$2.3 trillion of trades completed by 2012
<i>Energy Policy Journal</i>	\$24–37 billion of trades completed annually during the period 2008–2012
<i>Resource and Energy Economics</i>	\$46.6 billion of trades annually (unspecified time frame)
<i>The Economist</i>	\$60 billion – \$1 trillion of trades annually (unspecified time frame)

Other best practice examples...

- **Reinsurance: Swiss Re & Munich Re**
 - climate modelling & GHG trading markets
- **Commercial Banking: Fannie Mae**
 - 'Energy Efficient Mortgage'
- **Asset Management: ISIS & USS**
 - **ISIS** – developing carbon risk screening tools
 - **USS** – ground-breaking study on relevance of climate change to pension funds & asset managers
- **Project Finance: World Bank PCF**
 - Renewable energy projects with carbon finance

Barriers to action

- **Despite a strong case for action:**
 - **The majority of directors, fiduciaries & financial professionals are not ready to act**
 - **Even amongst proactive – practical barriers to further action...**
 - **“Monday morning problem”**
- **4 main barriers to action:**
 - **Cognitive**
 - **Political**
 - **Analytical**
 - **Market**

Barriers to action

- **Cognitive**
 - **Issue competition**
 - **Culture clash**
 - **Lack of perceived materiality**
 - **Narrow idea of fiduciary responsibility**
 - **Risk characteristics**
 - **Carbon is 'value-less'**

Barriers to action

- **Political/Regulatory**
 - **Lack of leadership & uncertainty over regulator commitment to ETS**
 - **Low recognition of CC factors by pension fund/fin services regulators**
 - **Climate modelling problems**
 - **Few incentives/targets to encourage investment in ‘clean’ technology/industries**
 - **Lack of capacity within low-income countries to develop (& compete for) new projects**

Barriers to action

- **Analytical**
 - **Lack of quantitative tools & convincing \$\$ arguments**
 - **Insufficient inclusion of ‘carbon analysis’ into commercial banking activities**
 - **Low awareness by key advisors within financial services industry**
 - **Lack of good quality, *material* data from companies**

Barriers to action

- **Market:**
 - **Lack of market mechanisms (links to political barriers)**
 - **Inefficiencies & complexities of ET markets undermines appeal**
 - **Issues of Scale**

Recommendations...

- **Company Boards**
- **Investment Managers**
- **Professional Services
(actnts/analysts/rating
agencies etc.)**
- **Insurance & Reinsurance**
- **Commercial Banks/Project
Finance**
- **Policy Makers & Market
Regulators**

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