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Project Risk Management

In 44 & ½ minutes

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01 Why YOU are the most important person in the room

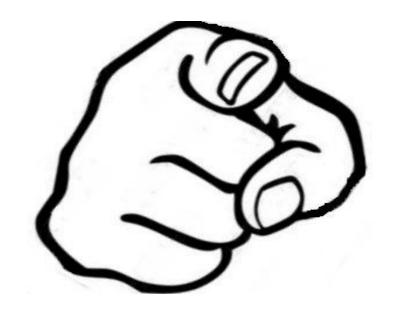
YOU

The way risk professionals are valued appears to be fluctuating

You can influence strategy – you just might not know it

A lack of understanding how to sell your value as a professional.

What if we changed your title?



Risk sans Safety

• This is **NOT** a safety presentation

Today is about \$\$\$

• Today is about managing risk to WIN.



Why manage risk anyway?

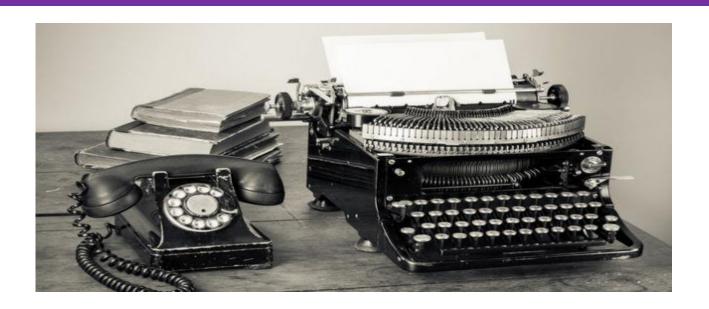
ISO31000:2009 – Risk is the effect of uncertainty on **objectives**.

Our **objective** is to win the bid/project/work. We manage risk to win by managing:

- Bid and estimating risk to successfully win the contract
- Project risk to increase margins and win greater profits
- Commercial risk to win a competitive advantage
- Operational risk to win the respect of our stakeholders.

02 The Evolution of Risk Management

Traditional Approach

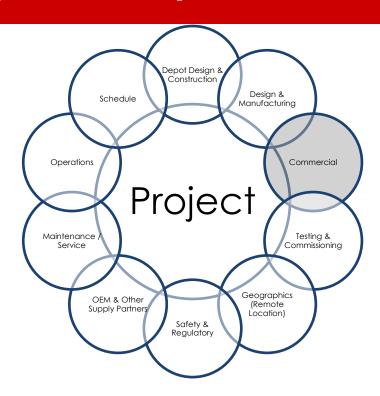


Contemporary Approach



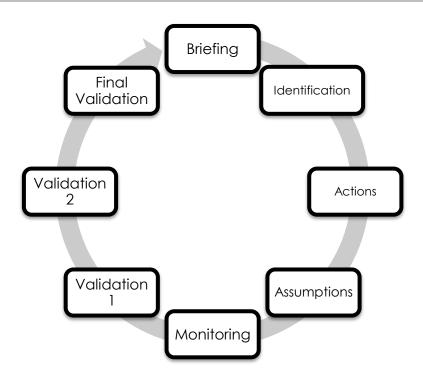
03 A Quick Project Risk Masterclass

Project Example - Streams

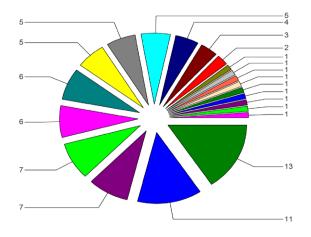




Interactive Sessions



What's inside the portfolio

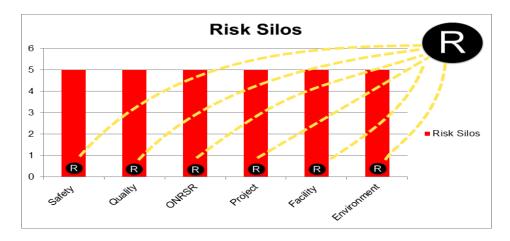






Connectivity

What if you could design and implement a system that could extract the risks out of project silos and shine a spotlight on this connectivity to eliminate risks?



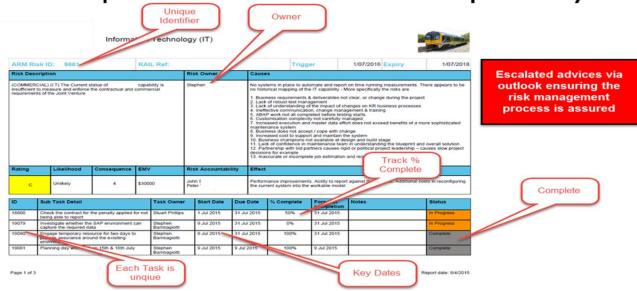
The Real Trick - Returning Contingency to Revenue

- Understanding exactly what uncertainties exist
- Identifying which 'stream' they sit in
- Knowing who owns them
- Discovering what drives them
- Estimating the range of exposure
- Investigating every opportunity to mitigate the exposure.

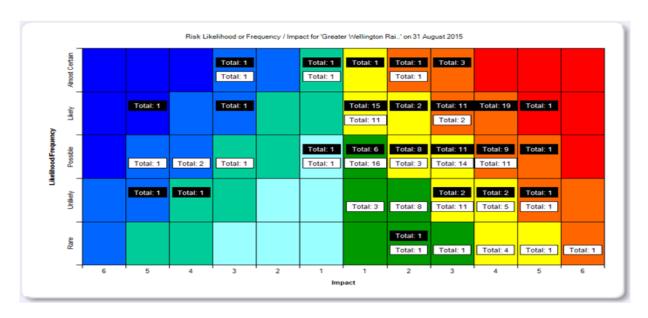


Unique Identifiers

Unique Identifiers – In Perpetuity



Probability Impact Diagrams or "Heat Maps"



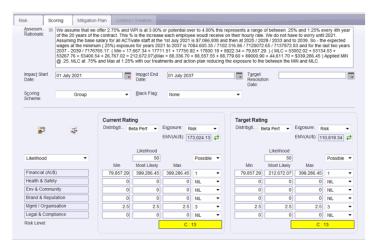
The 'black' position of the unique identifier represents the pre mitigated position of the discreet risk whilst the 'white' position represents the impact post mitigations

3 Point Estimates & Monte Carlo's (Not the Biscuit)

Three point estimates for each risk are generated by the SMEs and modelled which generates a probability distribution curve based on the BetaPert distribution.

This distribution is similar to a 'normal' distribution curve, but it can be generated from three point estimates on the curve, and is widely used within risk management systems.

The individual risk distributions are then combined (called a convolution sum) to give an overall probability distribution. The distribution is then used in a Monte Carlo type simulation to generate a range of outcomes.

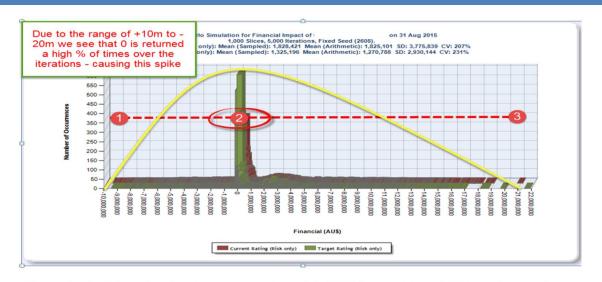


Price risk with the key stakeholders by applying a 3 point estimate.

Validate the assumptions by evidence or reasonable hypothesis to arrive at a range of exposure



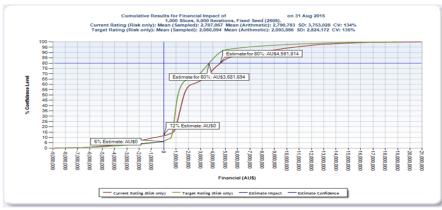
Monte Carlo – Simulation (Risks & Opportunities)



The spike is driven by the simulation when risk 9457 is considered. This is due to the range from \pm 10M upside to \pm 20m exposure being modelled in the risk portfolio and when the Monte Carlo simulation is applied



Monte Carlo – Simulation (Risks & Opportunities)



Whilst the range @ Silver was m NZD it was expected that the 'tail'* displayed will be less evident at silver as the range assumptions are refined. Range is now decreased btn 4.591m and 3.681m but the tail remains due to risk 9457

The 'red' line represents the pre mitigated P80 position of the quantified risk portfolio whilst the 'green' line represents the exposure post mitigations

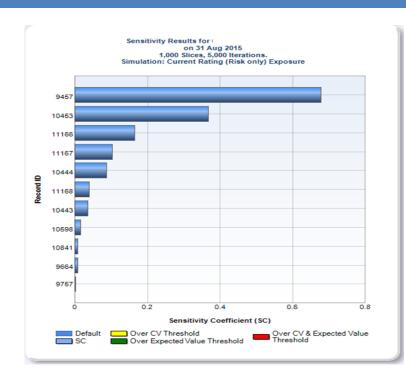
Note*

A long-tail distribution will arise with the inclusion of values unusually far from the mean, which increase skewness. In a project sense this means a number of our risks have exposures well outside the mean and these will be addressed prior to Gold



Risk Sensitivity (Tornadoes)

Risk sensitivity allows STEERCO to identify which risks in their portfolio have the greatest **effect on the mean contingency** cost and this can re-focus the bid team to address those risks which have the greatest chance of affecting the overall contingent cost of the project.



With a confidence level of 80%, based on the information supplied by the team leads, the three point estimates and reliant on the assumption and scenarios discussed with the team the provisional contingency required for the life of the operations and maintenance contract is 4.591m NZD (Silver was 14.9m NZD)

04 Lets Assume ASSUMPTIONS & RANGE

What can we rely on?

- Evidence
- Reasonable Hypothesis
- Assumptions



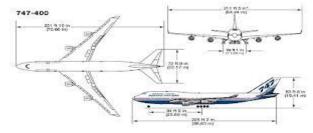
- Be wary of optimism bias
- Understand the 'Elephant Alpha' in the Room
 - Be sober, adult, professional and challenge

Simple Maths First

- A boy walks into a shop. He buys a bat and a ball.
- The bat costs \$1 more than the ball
- The total price is \$1.10
- How much did the ball cost?

Assumptions & Range

- Provide your 80 percent confidence interval a number range within which you believe the answer lies, with 8 percent confidence, e.g. you believe there is a 10 percent probability that the true answer is higher, and a 10 percent probability that the answer is lower.
- For example, a 747's wingspan can't be one mile wide, for example, nor could it be as short as you are tall, say 6 feet.





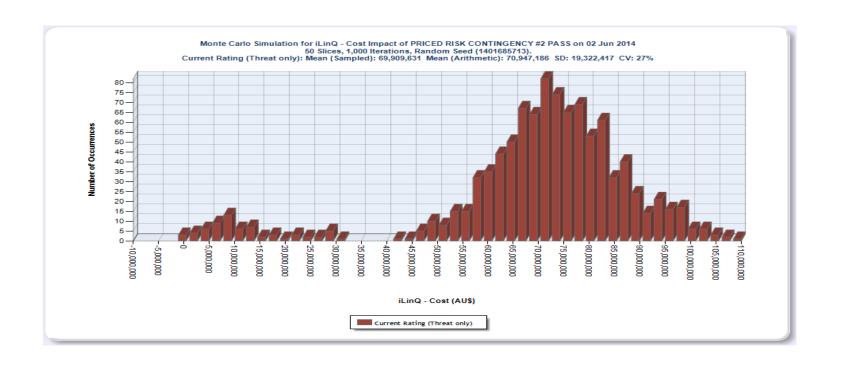
Assumptions & Range

Challenge

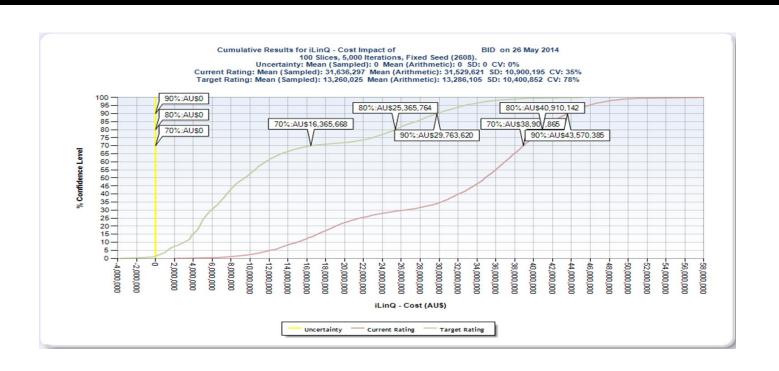


Assumptions

Monte Carlo Simulation



3 Point Estimates & Exposure



05 From Bid to Buck\$

PPP's , SPV and the Risk Transference

Governments have historically used risk transference to:

- Ensure control over the project
- Ensure additional financial support is available to the SPV.
- 'Cost Out' legacy risk.
- The tactic is early risk allocation





Risk Allocation & Large Projects



This is a fantastic way to make money

People don't like risk

They are happy to sell it

They aren't managing it right

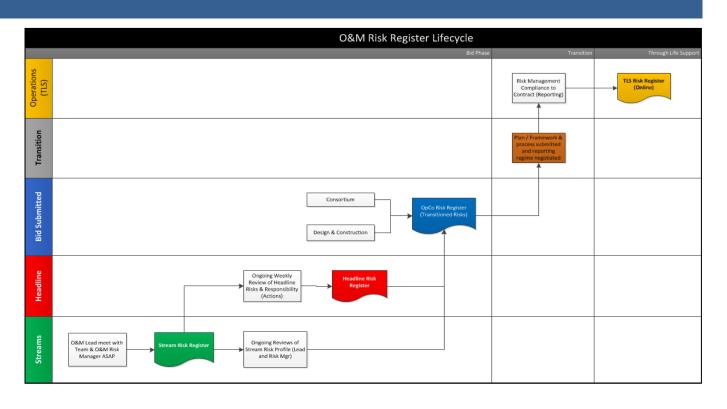
They are afraid of the dark

Register lifecycle from bid to buck\$

You wont be around forever

Decisions you make now will cost/make money

Lessons Learned



05 Selling Risk

Selling Risk



What if I could Provide certainty around whole of business activity by using a contemporary and consistent enterprise wide approach to business risk management allowing the board and executive to make sound business decisions with assurance – creating value, reducing cost and improving revenue?

Would I be the most important person in the room?

'Sweat' your Risk Manager

- If you have a **good one** keep them
- If you have a great one make sure you keep them (see last dot point)
- Use them as a **process champion** to drive the function
- Bring them into the strategy to **strategic alignment**
- Ask them to embed a risk culture not just risk manage
- Flog them as a USP
- Use them across functional business units
- Organisational design (where are they and what does that mean?)

Takeaways

- Approach is totally transportable
- Cross functionality (not just a risk register a sexy & cool certainty process)
- Applicable in WHS/Finance/Operations/Industry/Govt etc....
- Understand its origin to understand its direction
- Embedding is not a half pregnant proposition

As of 9.17am this morning are there any good Jobs out there in the Room?

- 552 Jobs over 200K (Senior)
- 1327 Jobs of 150K (Middle)
- 3588 Jobs over 100K (Junior 1-3 y)
- 3386 Jobs up to 100K (1 Year)

- Don't undersell what can be achieved
- Watch organisational design in the PD
- Play the whole 31000 space
- Create your own risk approach that influences make them come to you

Questions