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The on-going revolution of the insurance business model

The Old World

- Risks pooled and borne by the insurers
- Requiring a relatively large amount of capital, not always efficiently used
- No or limited risk management

The New World

- Risks pooled and structured by the insurers
- Requiring moderate amount of capital with appropriate capital management
- Risk management becomes a business enabler



Solvency II should be much awaited by market participants

Industry changes are increasingly acknowledged by rating agencies...

- S&P's Entreprise Risk Management
- Moody's Risk Management Analysis
- Fitch's stochastic model (PRISM)

...and by some local regulators...

- UK's ICA/ICG
- Swiss Solvency Test

...while the Solvency I framework still maintains European insurers in the "Old World"

- No differences between risks
- ALM not taken into account
- Conservative approach to hybrid capital, putting insurers at a disadvantage to banks
- No recognition of diversification and advanced risk transfer techniques
- No harmonisation across Europe











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Solvency II principles are good!

Regulatory benefits from efficient risk management...

- Possible use of internal models, on a fully economic basis
- Diversification benefits

...and harmonization of the European landscape...

- A simple standard model, with limited options
- A clear standard for calibrating technical provisions
- A lead supervisor

...should be a competitive advantage for the European industry

- Streamlining of supervision and harmonization of rules will shape a single European insurance market
- Solvency II is on the front of international developments and will set a standard for further international convergence



The draft directive points in the right direction on key issues...

Economic approach to capital requirements

 Recognition of risk transfer and mitigation techniques (reinsurance, hedging, securitization...)

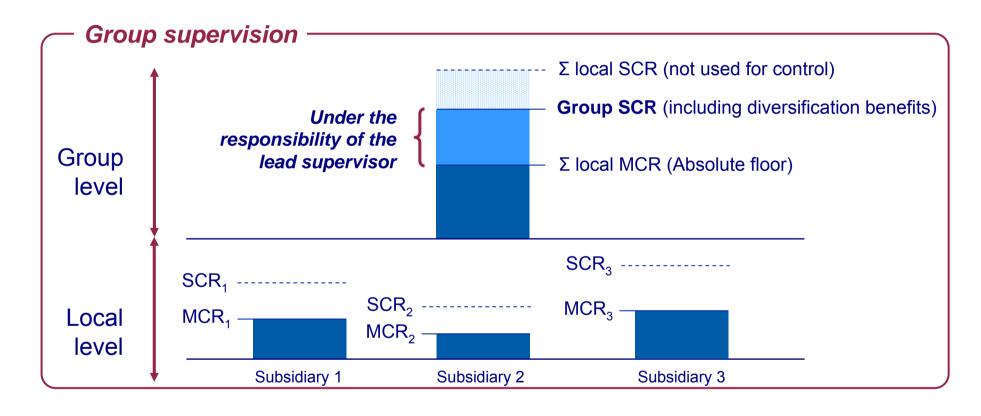
Competitive approach to available capital

- Definitions for tier 1 and tier 2 capital may be in line with banking sector
- Quantitative rules give flexibility (minimum 1/3 of Tier 1 in available capital)

A true Group treatment

- Only MCR⁽¹⁾ controlled at local level, and without capital add-on
- CEIOPS as a consultative body in case of disagreement between supervisors or between the company and supervisors

... notably on Group treatment...



- Explicit support from the Group limits local supervision to entity's MCR
- In case of breach of MCR_i, Group support is capped at SCR_i MCR_i



...but major shortfalls have to be avoided in order for Solvency II to reach its initial goals...

Remaining Group treatment issues

- Quantum of diversification benefit
- Treatment of non-EU subsidiaries
- Intra-group fungibility of capital should be fully recognized

Remaining calibration and modeling issues

- P&C underwriting risk (50% of premiums) is 3x higher than under Solvency I
- The model as a whole should be pre-tax, to reflect reality in distressed situations

Need for consistency

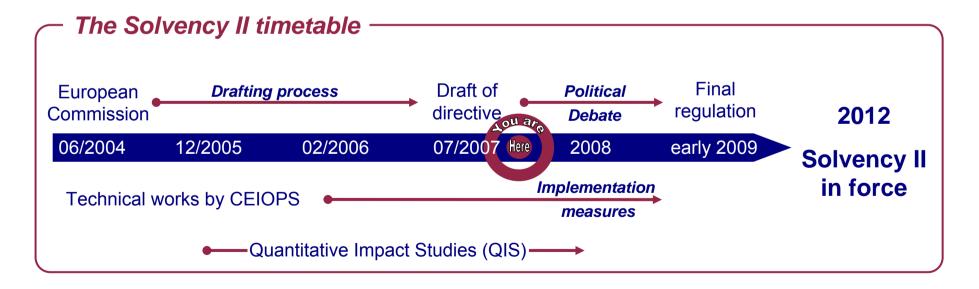
- Some balance sheet items need to get the same regulatory treatment if comparable in nature (e.g. split available capital / technical provisions in Life)
- Solvency II has to be aligned with IFRS phase 2 framework



...including all the risks associated with any political debate

Political risk

 Entry into the political phase of the discussion shouldn't jeopardize recent progress and un-knit the Solvency II ambition













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Risk management and stochastic modeling are key drivers of this revolution at AXA

AXA's Entreprise Risk Management assessed 'Excellent' by S&P - 2 insurers only in Europe -

Development of risk adjusted indicators...

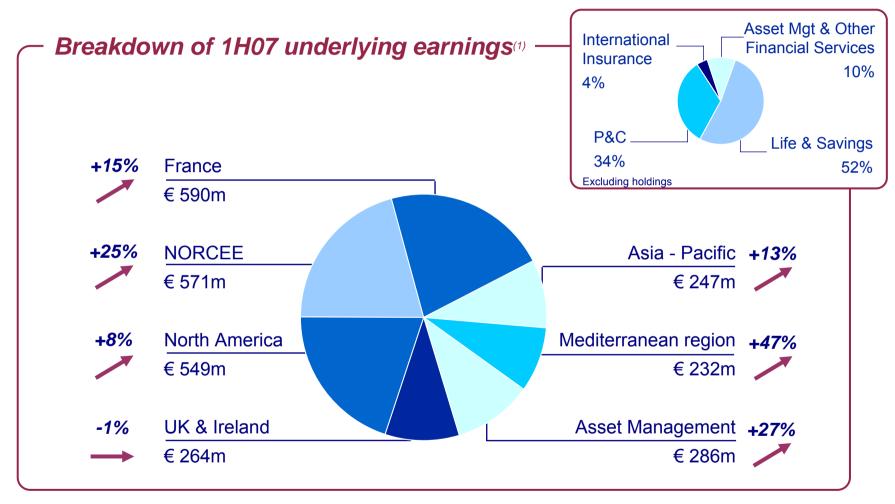
- AXA's risk management organisation and stochastic modeling framework are instrumental to key business processes:
 - Economic capital
 - ▶ ALM
 - Risk transfer optimization
 - Product pricing
 - Value (EEV)

...increasingly embedded across the company

- Employees and distributors' incentives
- Management compensation
- Financial communication



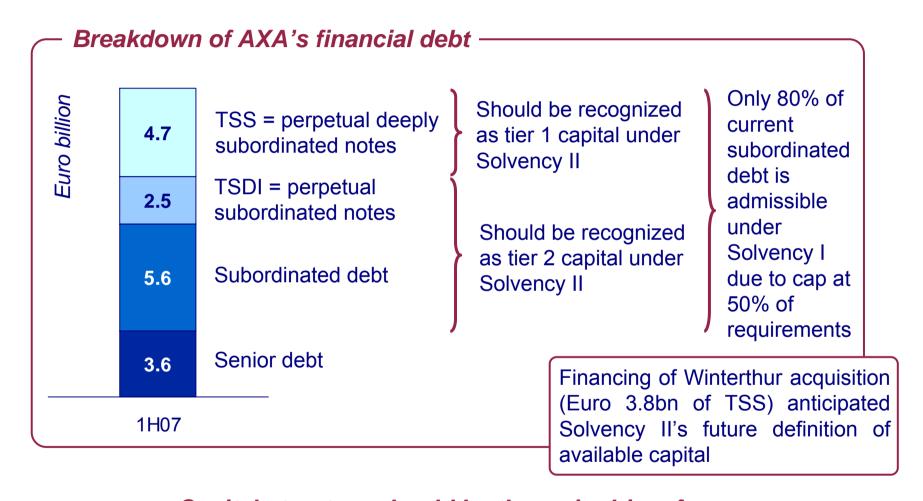
AXA offers a very strong diversification of growth and earnings engines







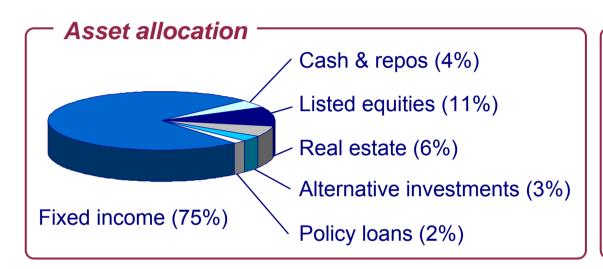
AXA's financial structure to benefit from new definition of available capital

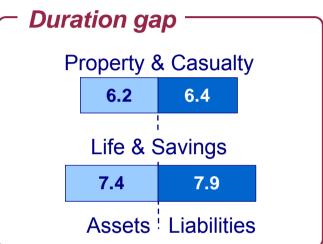




Capital structure should be the main driver for efficient hard capital management

AXA's asset allocation reflects the multi-year nature of the insurance business

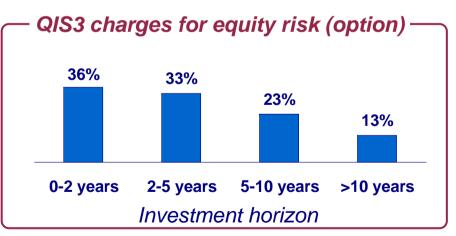




QIS3 charges for interest rate risk-

Requirements on bonds are obtained by stressing the yield curve (non parallel shift: higher stress for short term maturities), e.g.

- Fully matched: no charge
- ▶ 7 year duration with 1year mismatch:~2% of asset value



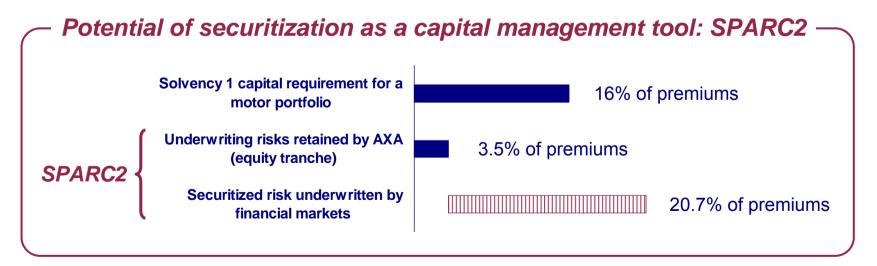


Solvency II should support AXA's ALM strategy

AXA is pioneering the transfer of insurance risks to financial markets

AXA's Insurance-Linked securitizations

- SPARC (2005 / € 200m / AAA to BBB tranches):
 - 1st securitization of a motor portfolio
- OSIRIS (2006 / € 300m / A+ to BB+ tranches):
 - 1st extreme-mortality risk coverage program
- SPARC2 (2007 / € 450m / AAA to BB- tranches):
 - ▶ 1st securitization of multiple motor portfolios on a pan-European basis











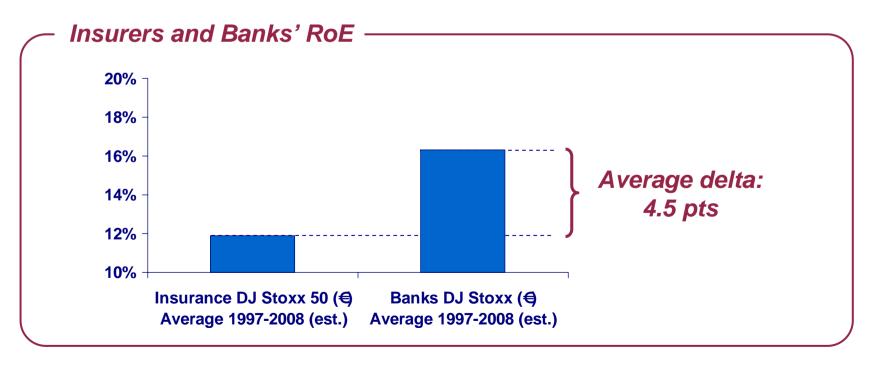


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A successful implementation of Solvency II should be beneficiary for insurance investors

- If successfully implemented, Solvency II should...
 - Foster transparency, discipline and risk management
 - Give flexibility to capital management
- ...Contributing to higher/less volatile ROEs and leading to more attractive insurance stock valuations









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