
Emerging Risks

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Our new definition: Emerging Risk

Defining the boundaries

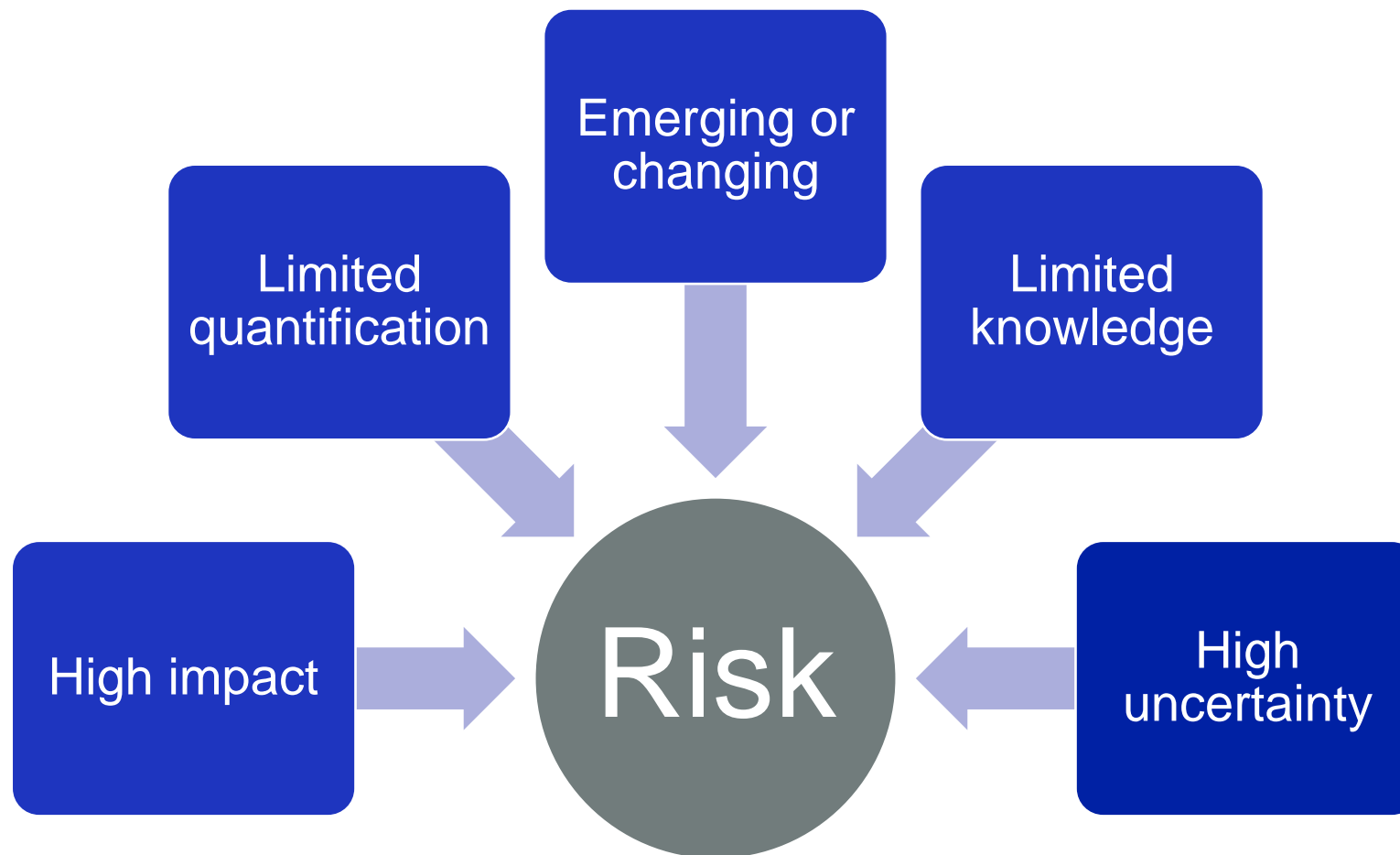
A risk which is yet to be fully understood that may have significant consequences for the insurance industry.

Lloyd's: January 2017

Note: This definition builds on the standard ISO definition of a risk: “the effect of uncertainty on objectives”.

Emerging risk features

What makes them worth considering



Emerging risks management

A journey of knowledge growth



Four megatrends

Climate change



Urbanisation



Digital revolution



Globalisation



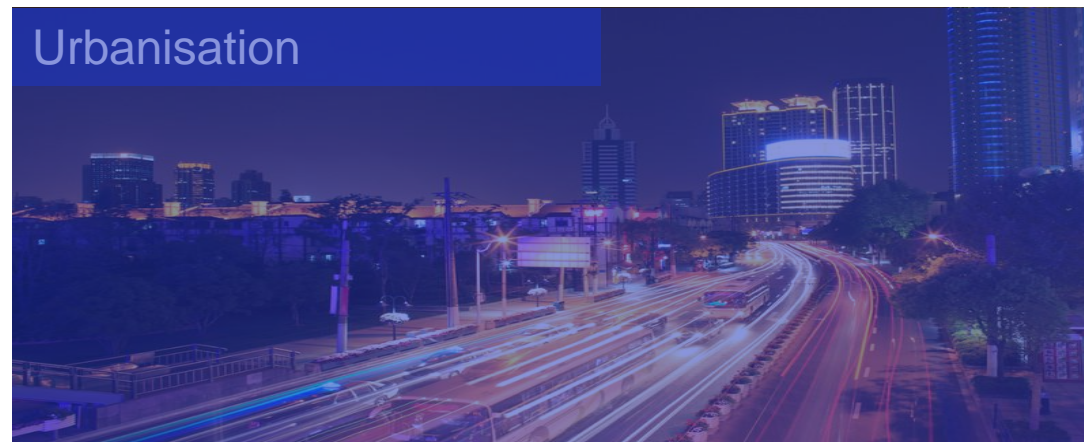
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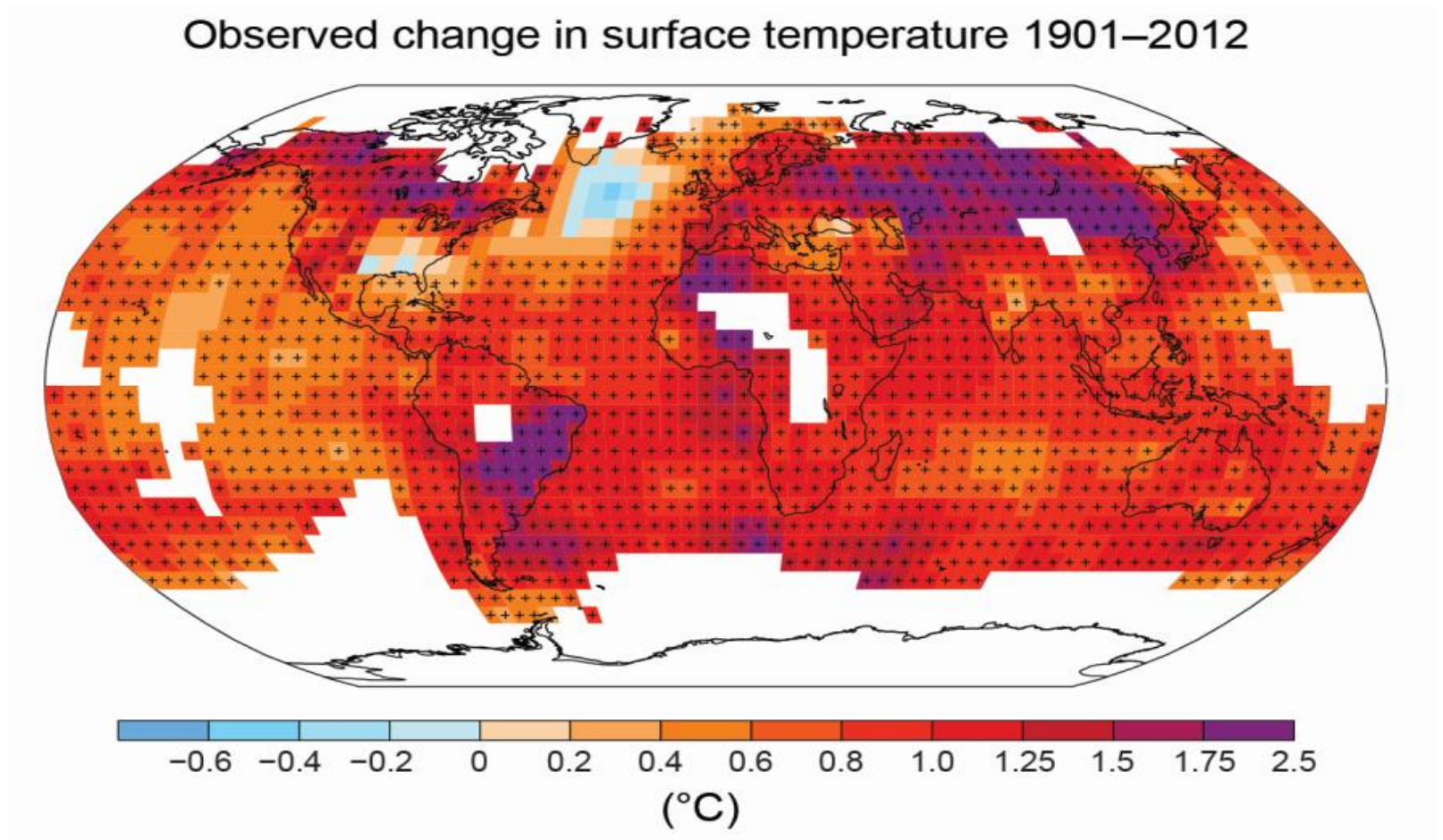
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A risk multiplier rather than a peril

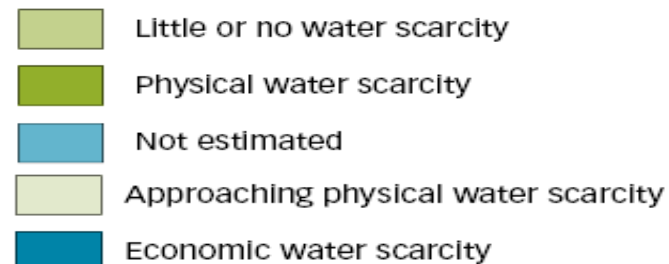
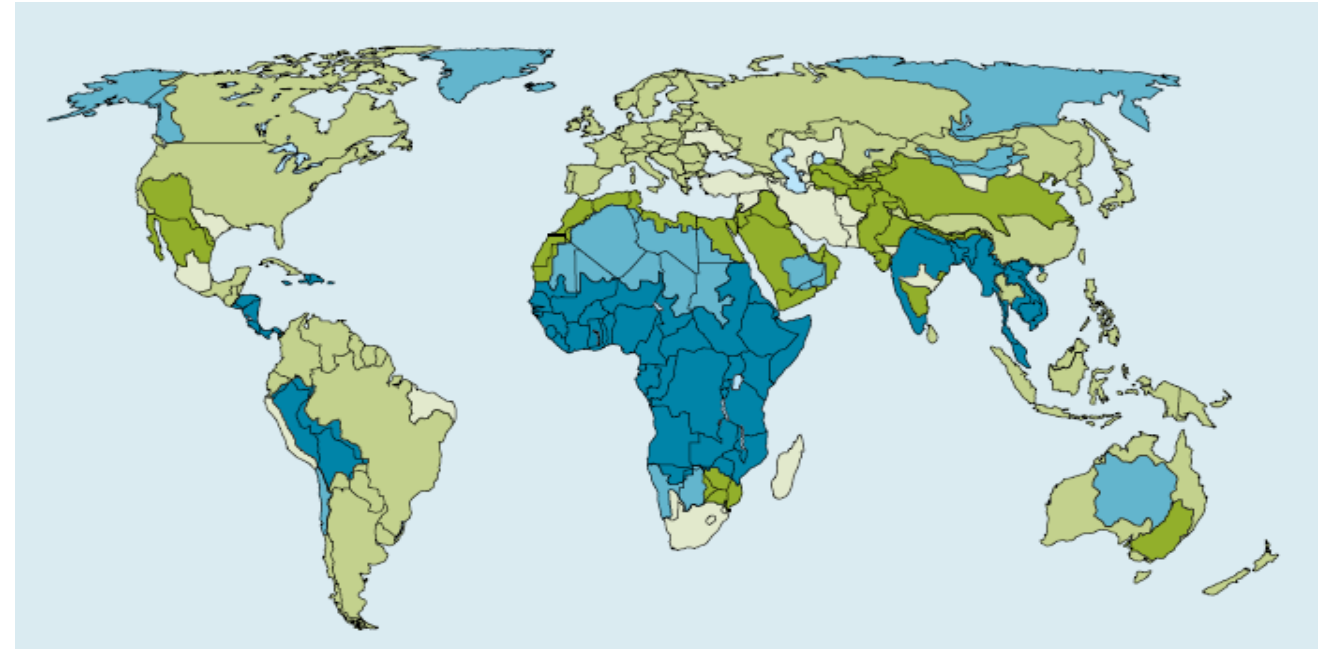
- The IPCC assesses that the current trajectory is for an additional 2.6 – 4.8°C of global warming by the end of the century
- This figure will **not** be uniform – there will be global variation



Not enough water

Climate change and security

- People typically live where water is; if it moves, they move
- Access to water will be seen as a strategic weapon
- “Building a dam could be seen as an act of aggression”
- Key risks:
 - Nile
 - Tigris/Euphrates
 - Indus
 - Mekong

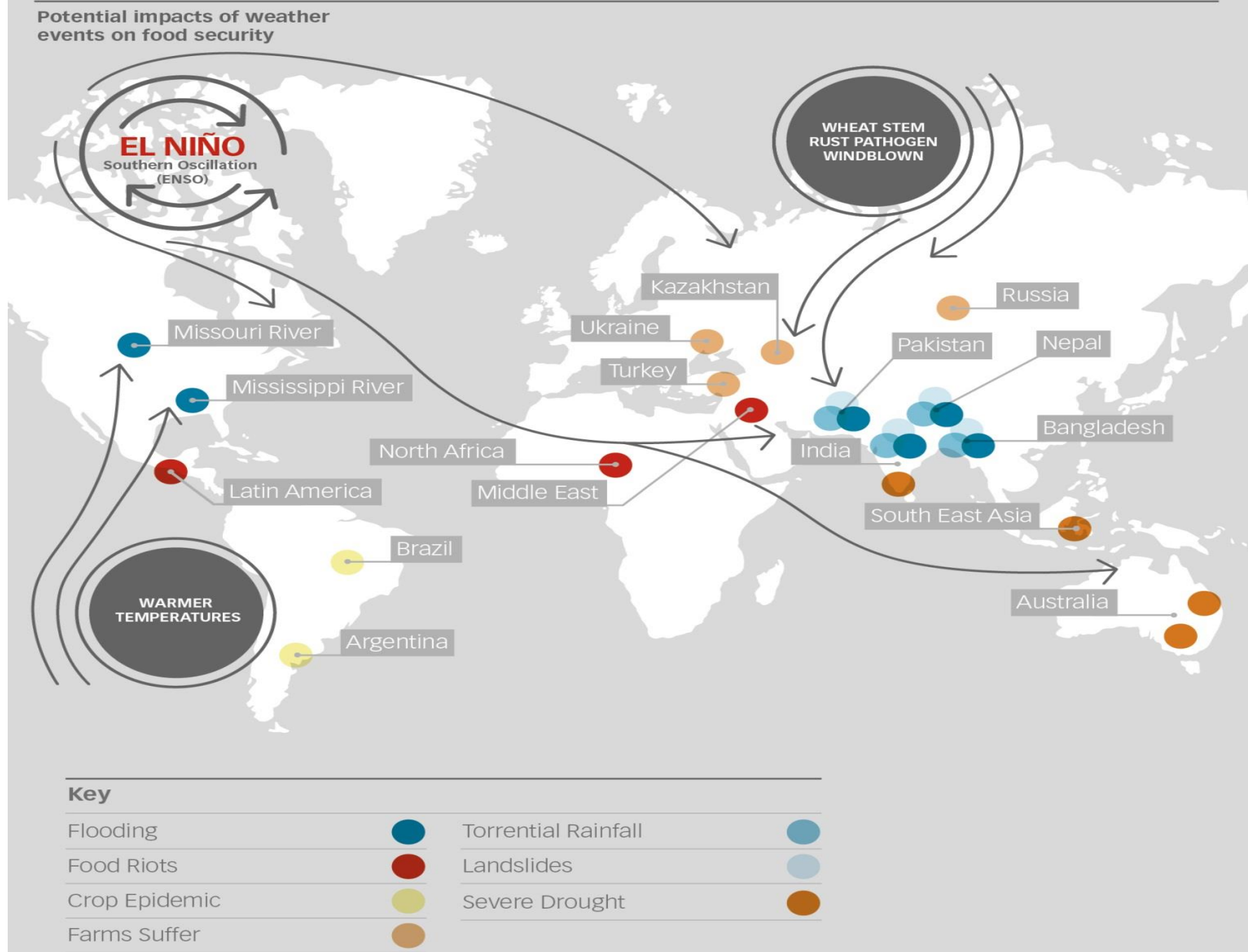


Food Security

The world's population is expected to reach 9bn by 2050

Climate change is expected to increase the risk of extreme weather events

Modern societies depend on global connected food systems

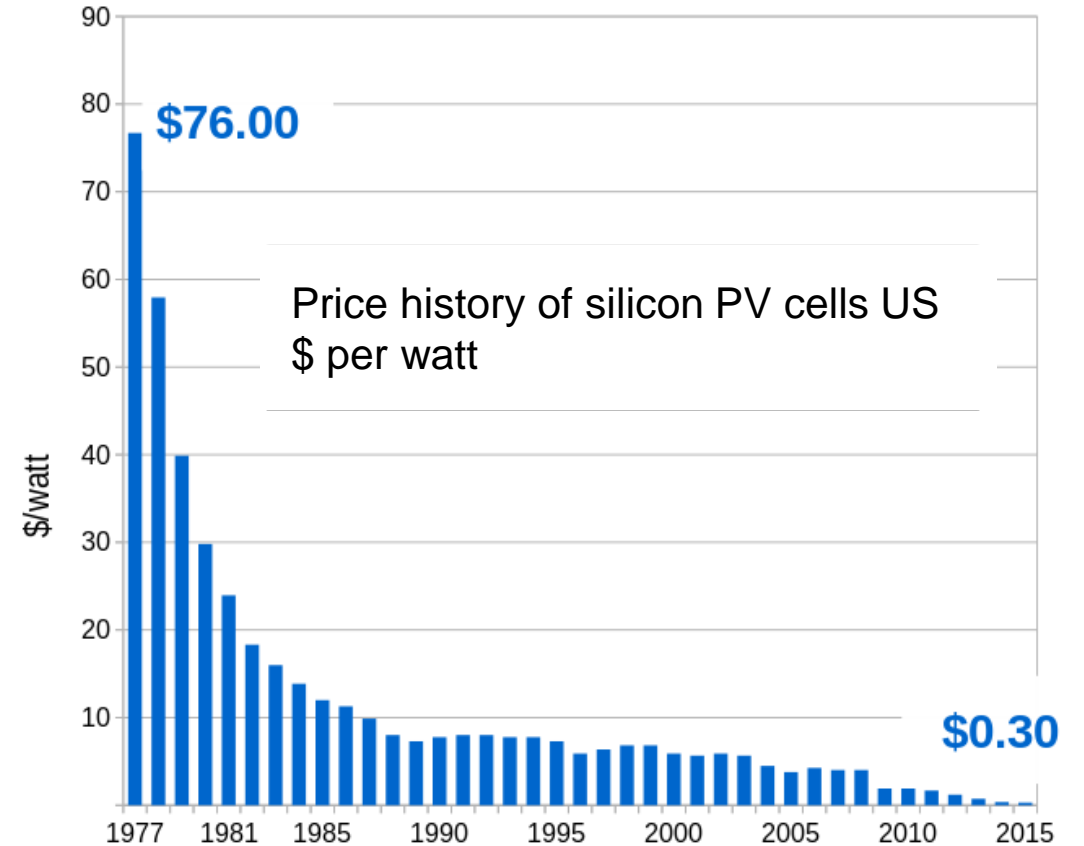


Let's think ahead

The transition to a low carbon economy



Remaining carbon budget 1,000GtCO²



Source: Bloomberg <https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2016-04-06/wind-and-solar-are-crushing-fossil-fuels>
 Renaud Gignac and H Damon Matthews 2015 <http://iopscience.iop.org/article/10.1088/1748-9326/10/7/075004>
 Carbon tracker 2014 <https://www.carbontracker.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/09/Unburnable-Carbon-Full-rev2-1.pdf>
 Bloomberg https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Price_history_of_silicon_PV_cells_since_1977.svg

Stranded assets

The transition to a low carbon economy: overview for the insurance industry

- Rise in potential from:
 - Technology and regulation
 - Extreme events
 - Confluence of new risks may make some assets more prone to stranding
- Significant and accelerating
 - Rarely understood or considered
 - Significant benefits associated with managing these risks.



Environmental challenges
(e.g. climate, water, biodiversity)



Falling clean technology costs
(e.g. solar and onshore wind)



Litigation & changing statutory interpretations
(e.g. directives, state-aid, carbon liability, fiduciary duty)



New government regulations
(e.g. carbon pricing, air pollution regulation)



Changing resource landscapes
(e.g. shale, fertilisers)

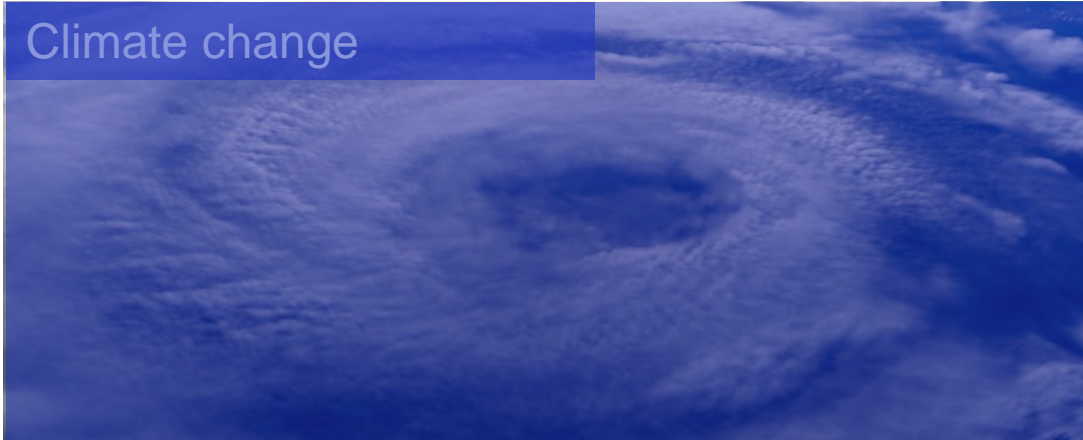


Evolving social norms
(e.g. divestment) and consumer preferences

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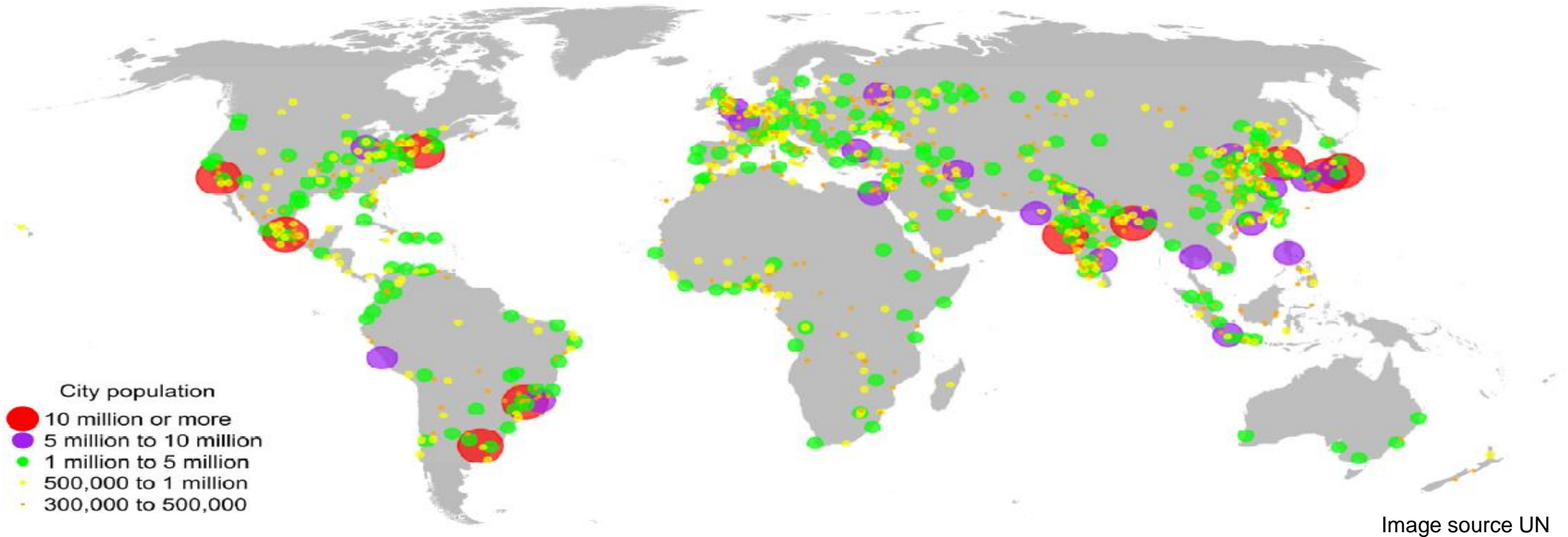


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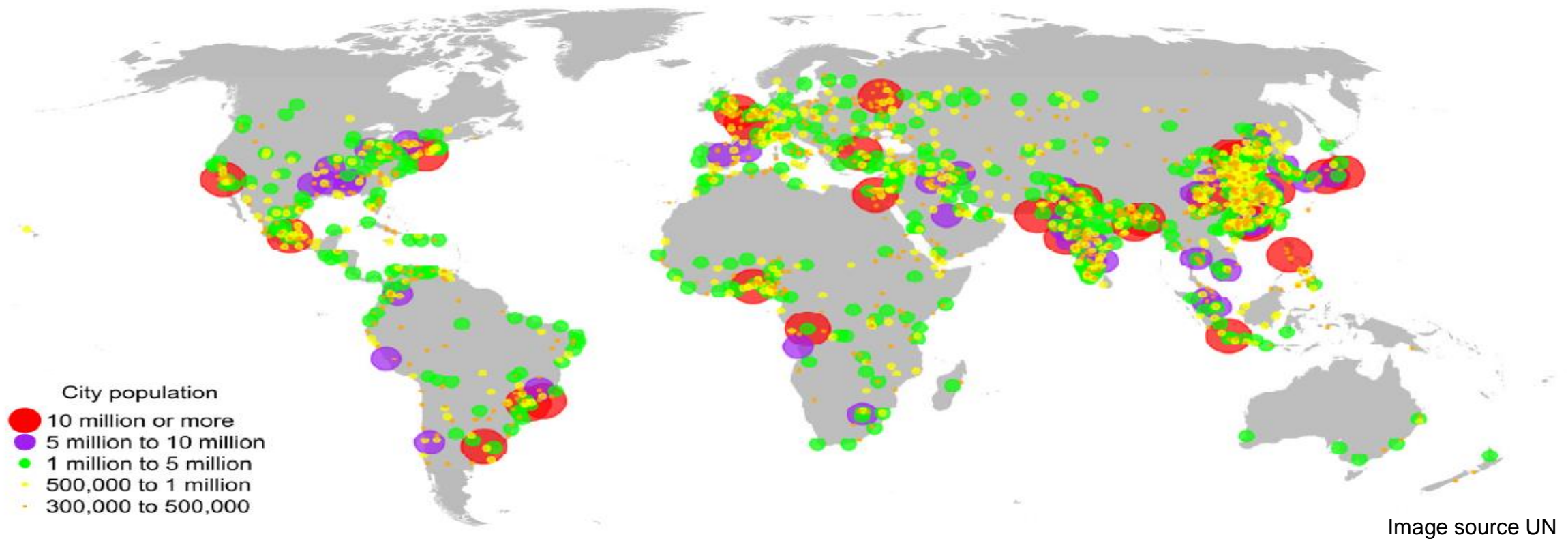
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World cities population: 1990



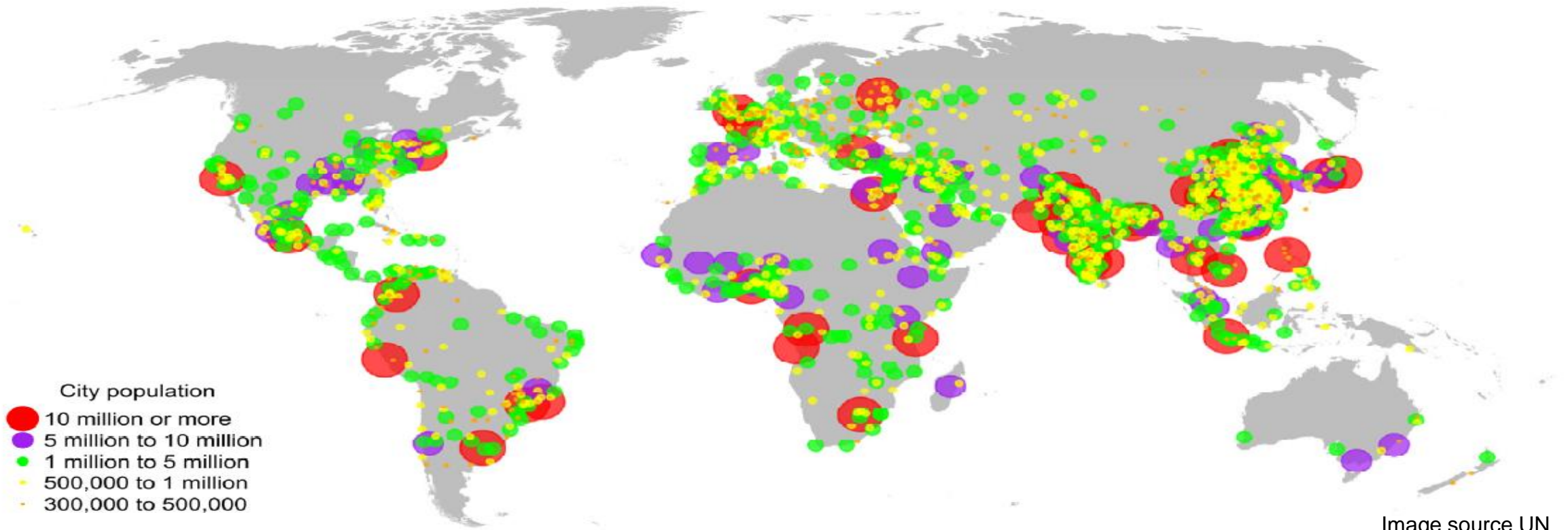
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World cities population: 2014

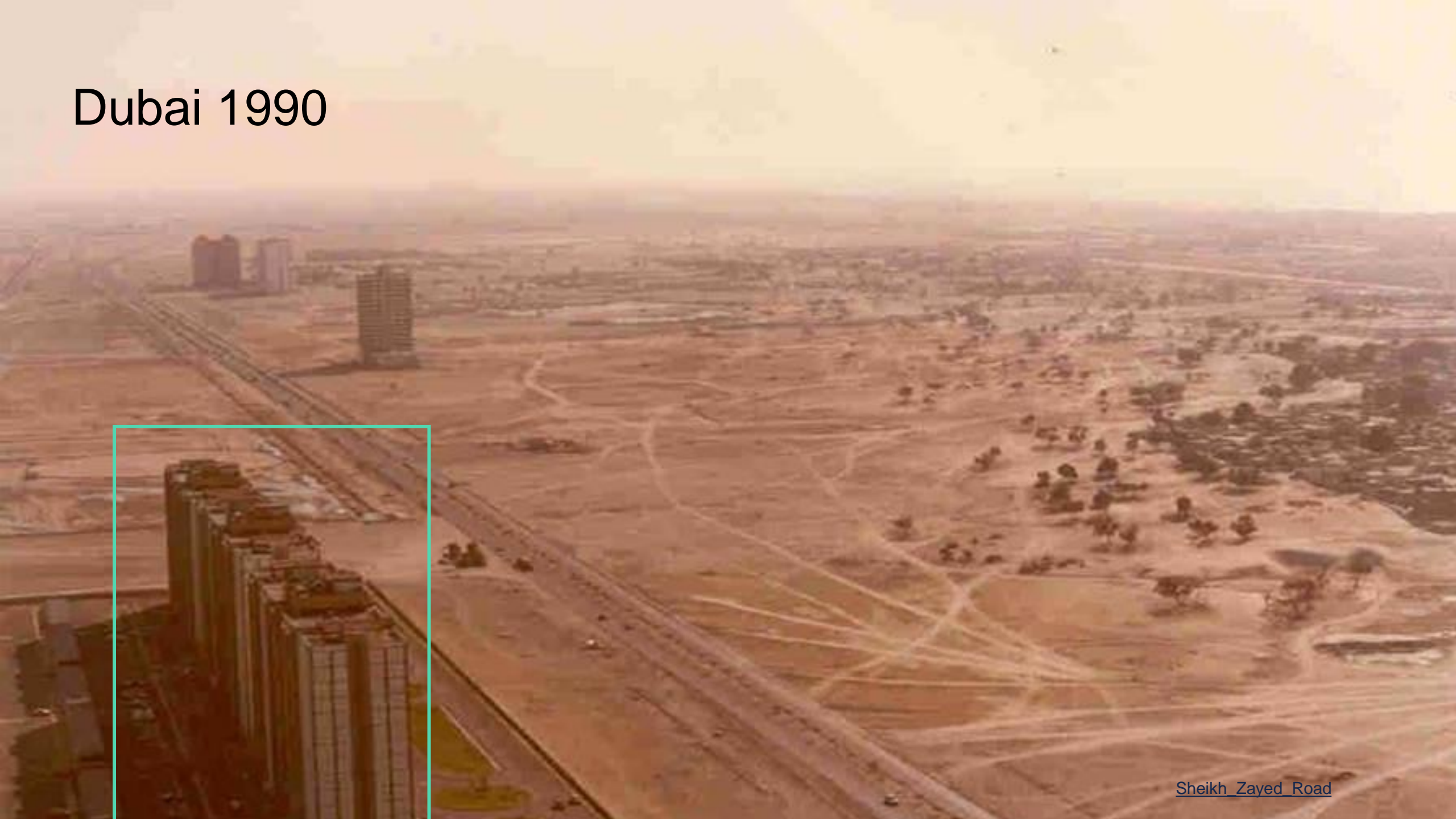


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World cities population: 2030



Dubai 1990



Sheikh Zayed Road

Dubai 2004



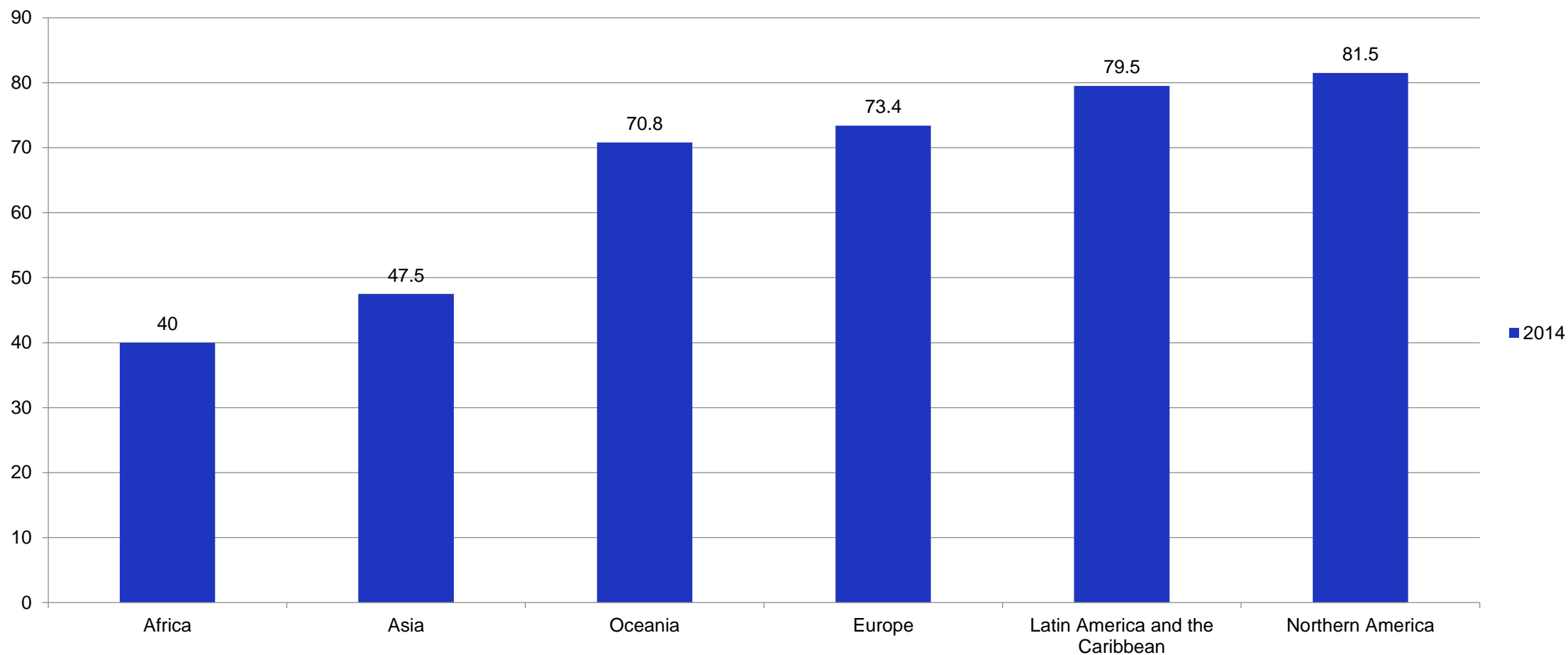
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Dubai 2015



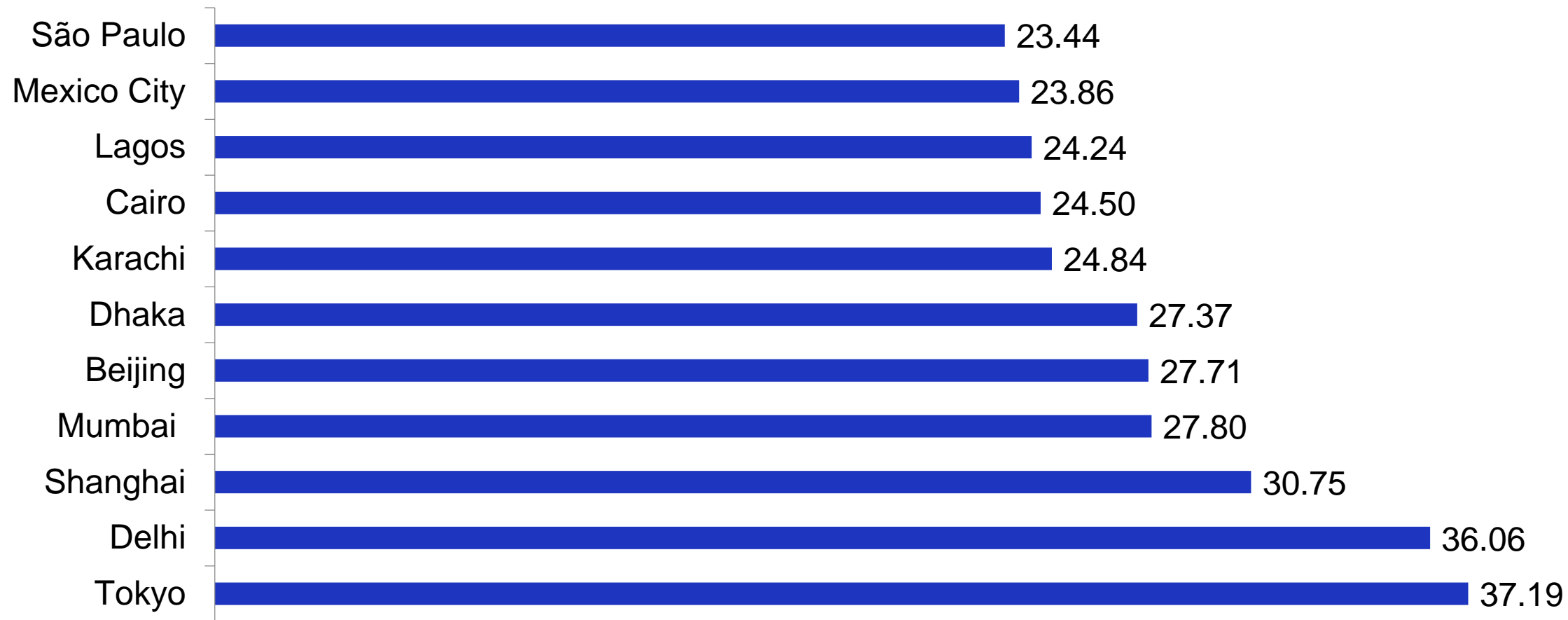
Urban population

% of total population in 2014

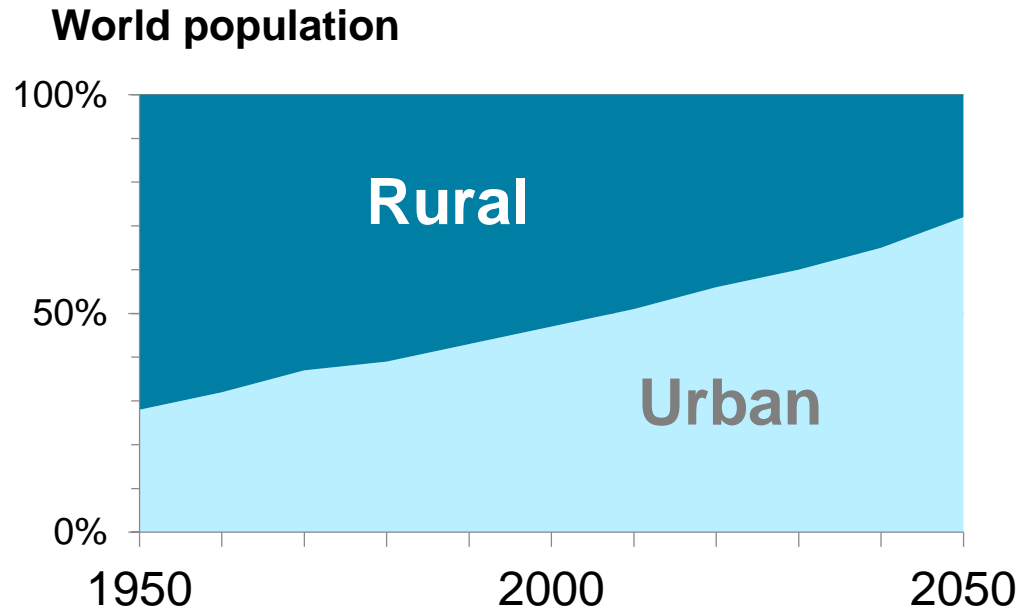


World's biggest cities in 2030

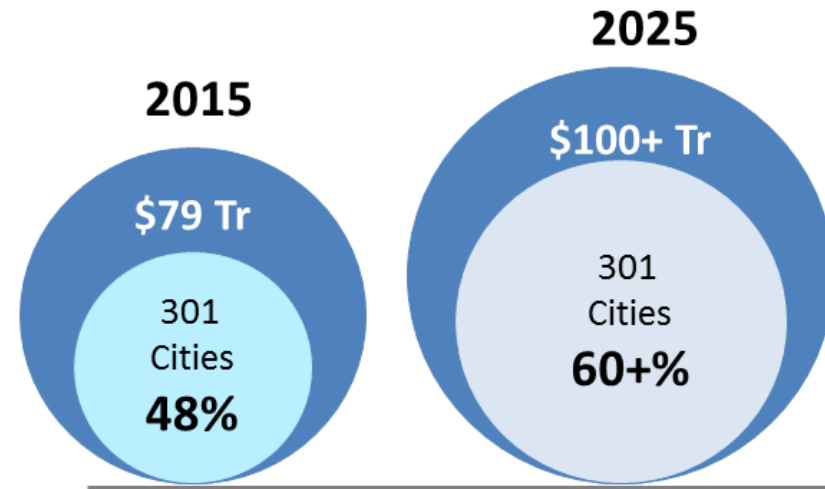
Latin America



Urbanisation of the economy



Proportion of Global Economy provided by 301 Cities



For example...

London economic region has increased its share of UK output from **15%** in 1960s to **45%** today

Lloyd's City Risk Index

Total GDP@Risk All Cities: \$4.56trn

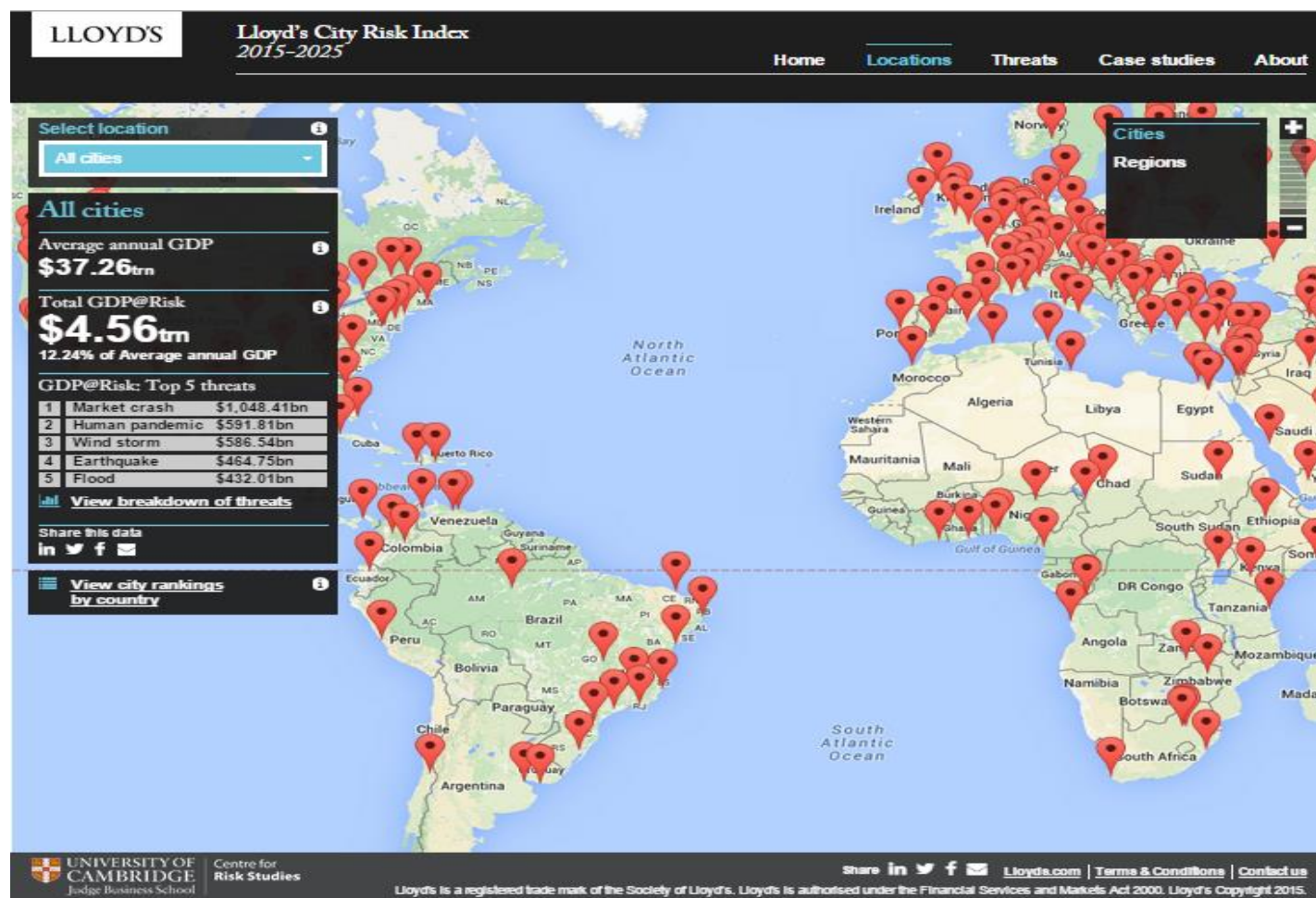
301 cities

50 cities analysed in greater depth

Downloadable city factsheets

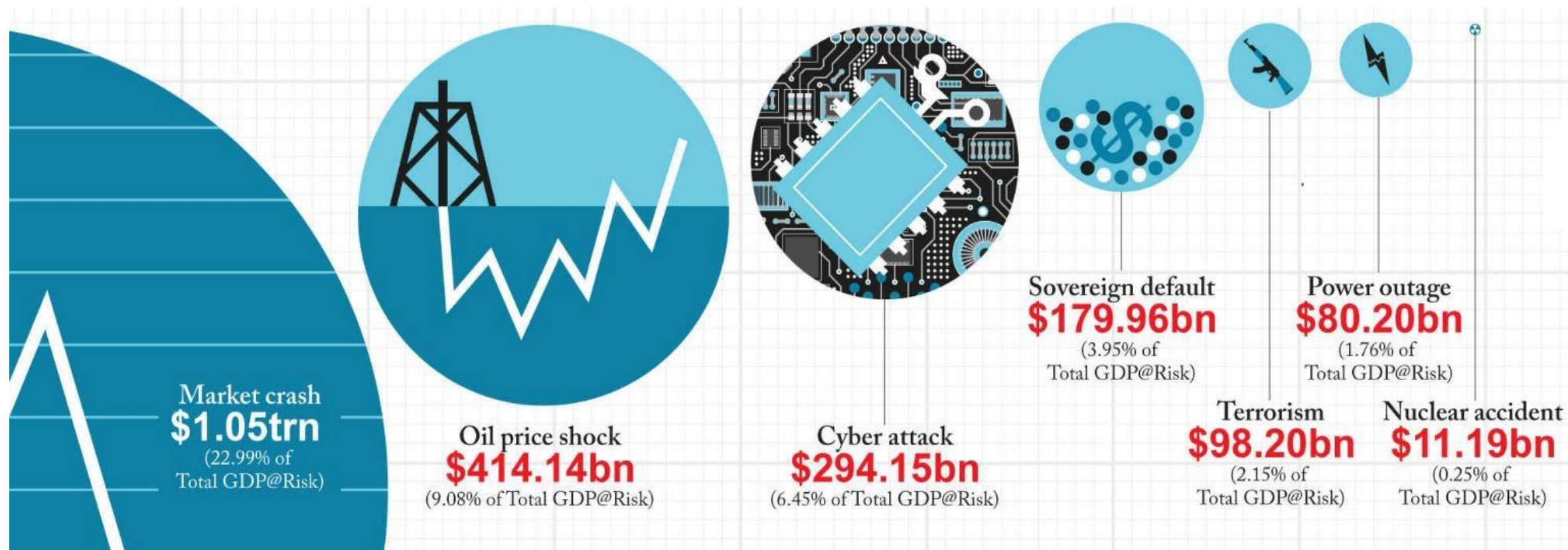
Three threat types:

- Manmade
- Natural
- Emerging



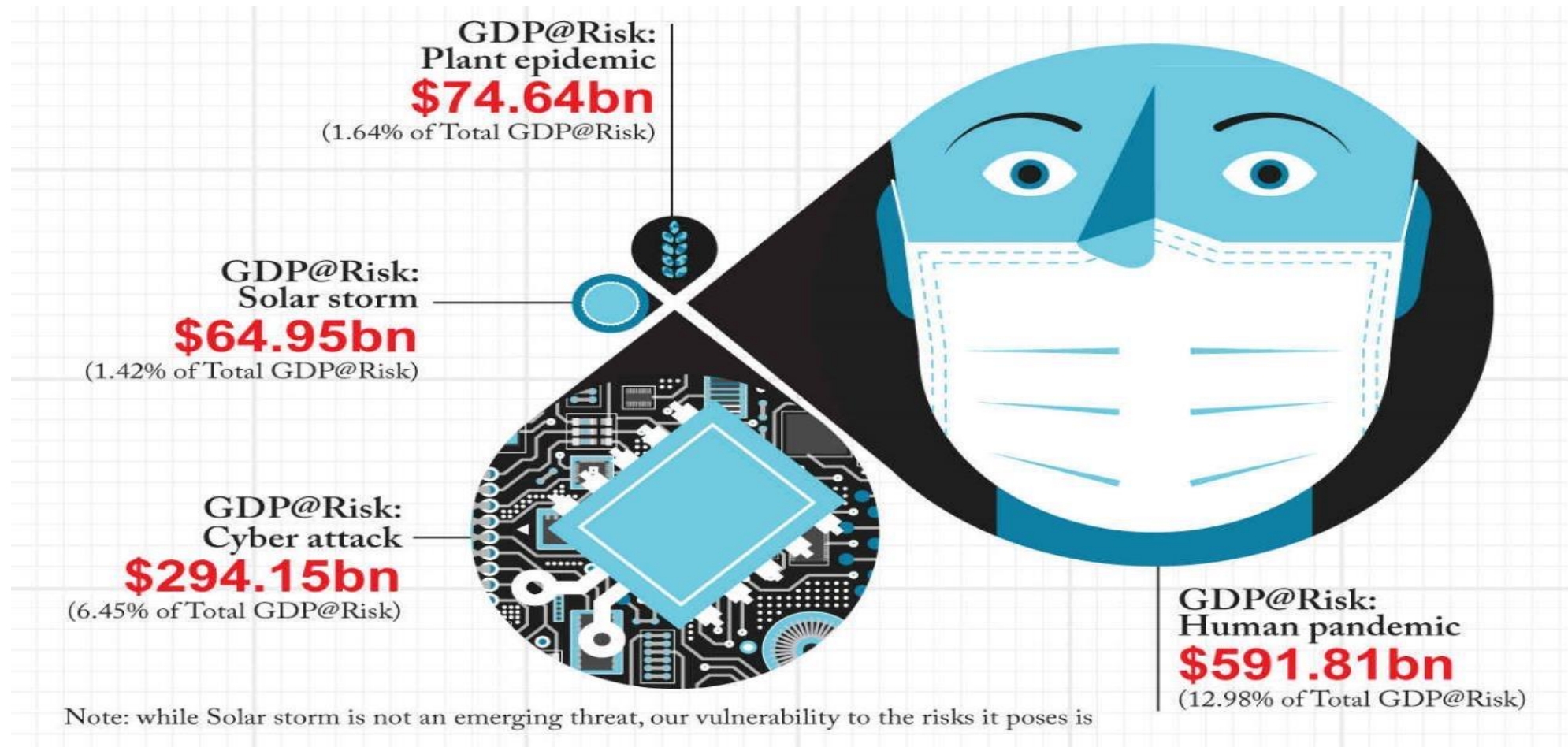
Manmade threats are becoming increasingly significant

Total GDP@Risk: \$2.13trn



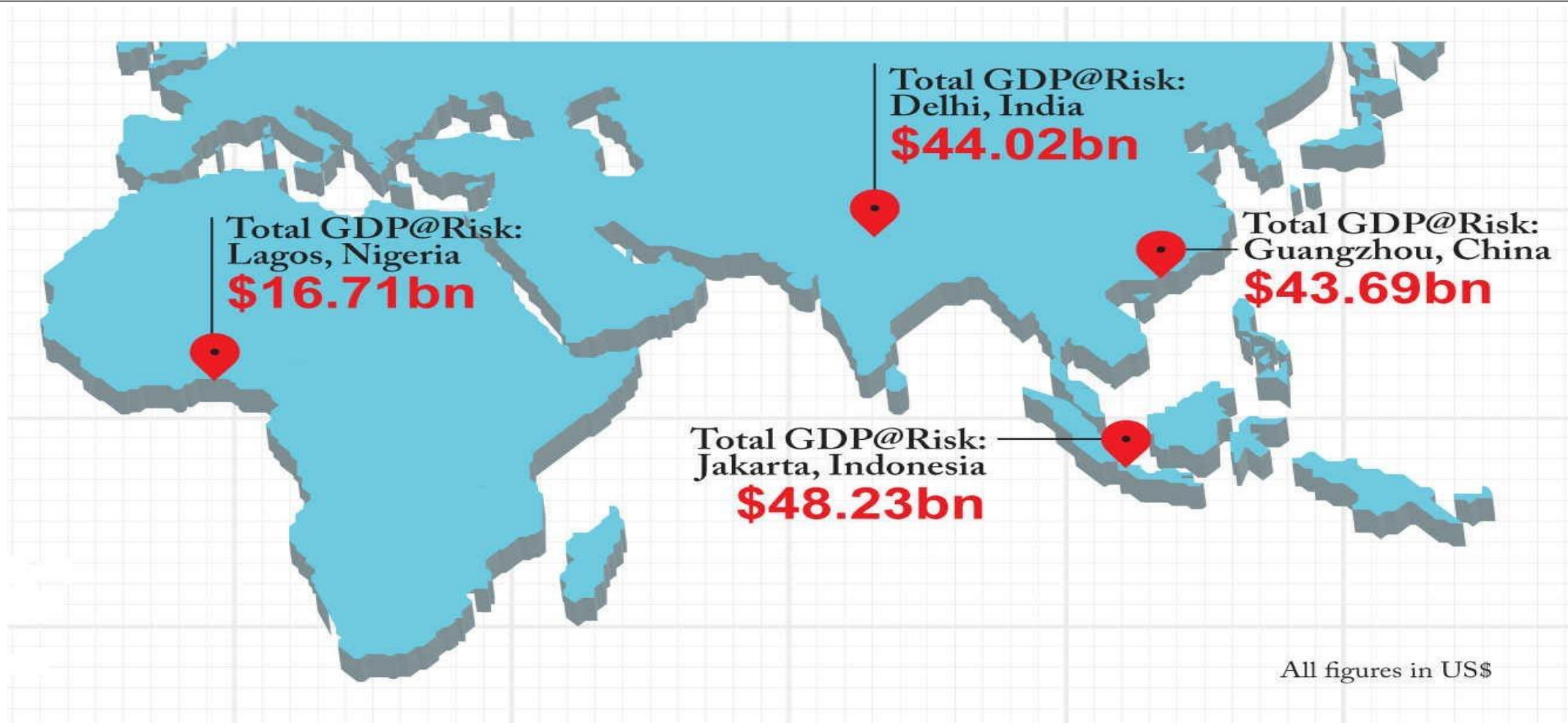
New or emerging threats are having a growing impact

Total GDP@Risk: \$1.03trn



Emerging economies have the most to lose

Total GDP@Risk: \$3.26trn

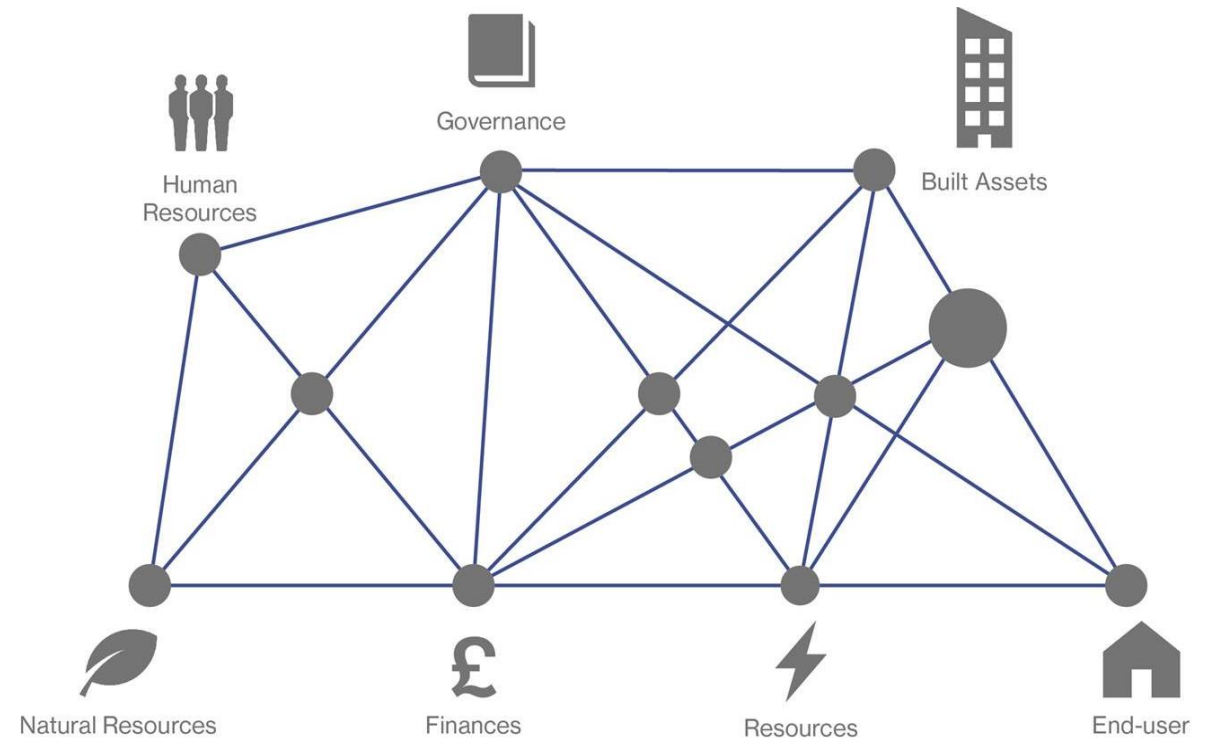


Underwriting human progress has never been more important for cities

Protecting growth and development by focusing on resilience

Cities are complex and the cost of disasters is growing:

- Rapid economic development and urbanisation are key reasons for natural catastrophe exposure growth
- Cities must mitigate risks to protect development
- City infrastructure supports complex interconnections



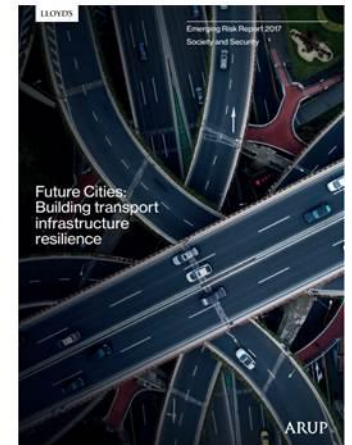
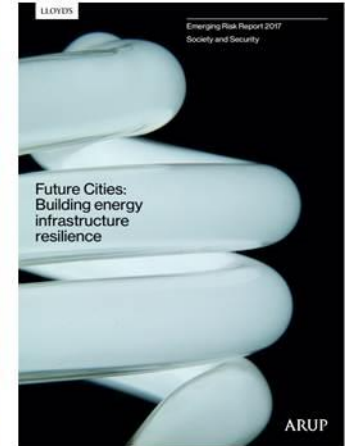
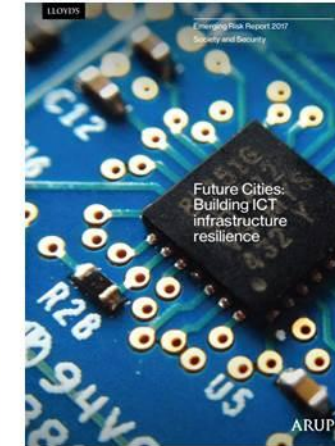
Future cities – building infrastructure resilience

Category: Society and security; natural perils; manmade; global economy

Key findings: Clear pathways and principles to guide action; Building resilience requires collaboration; Nine areas for collective action to build city resilience

Why?: Cities are complex; complex interactions; risks and changings; keen to assess opportunities for insurance

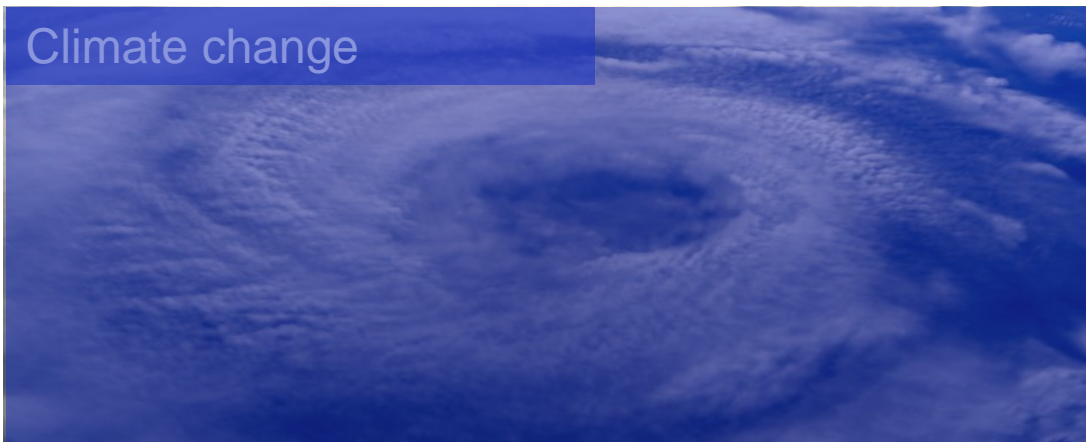
Partner: Arup; Lloyd's market; sector experts



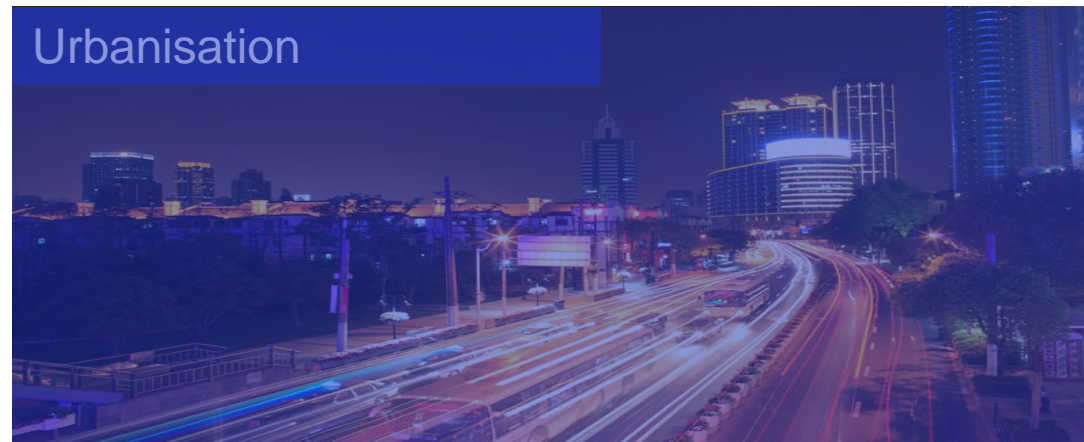
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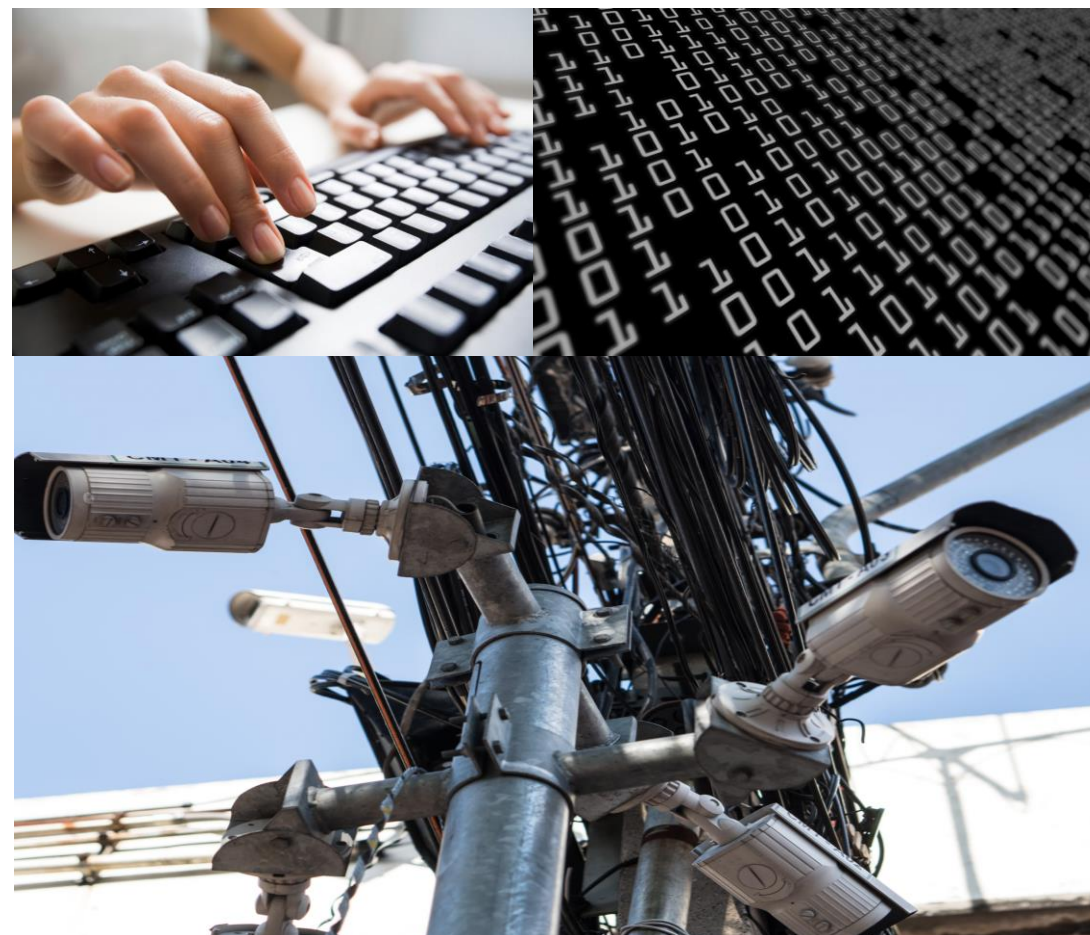


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Digital revolution

- Every aspect of our lives is becoming digital
 - Sharing economy
 - 'There's an app for that'
 - Internet of things
- The threat of cyber attack is growing and changing
 - Denial of Service
 - Virus and worms
 - Ransom ware
- Terrorism and ICT
 - Encryption wars
 - CCTV



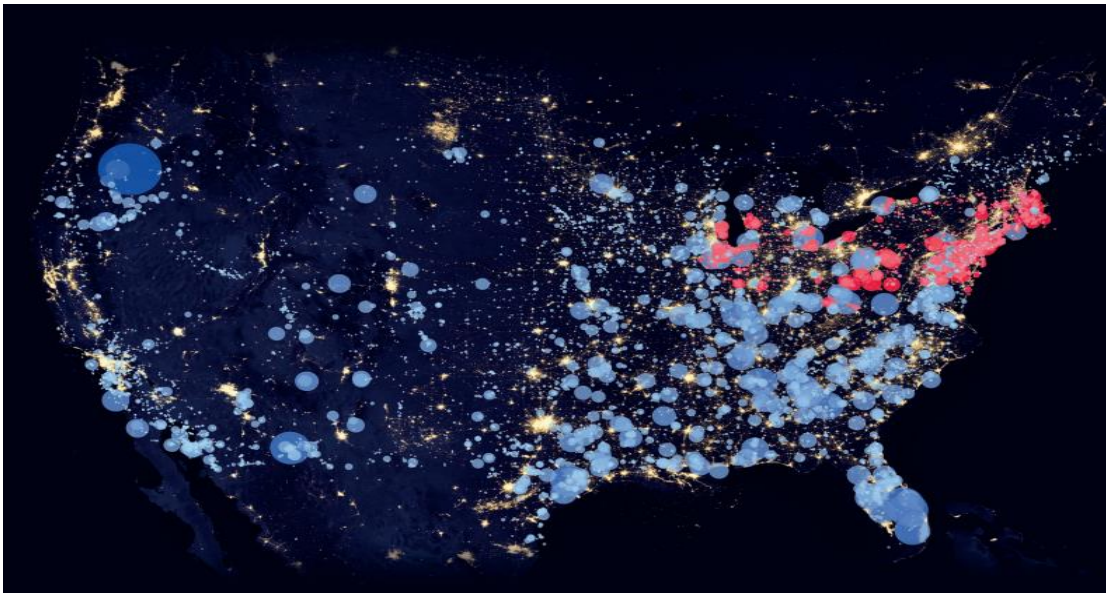
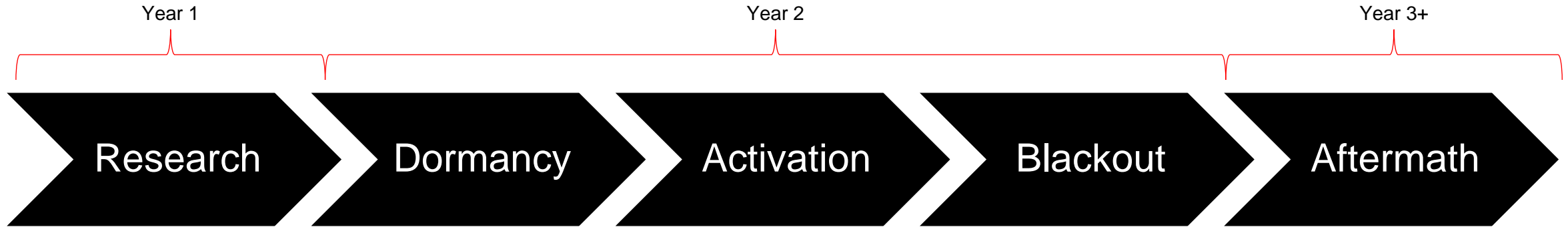
Erebos cyber blackout scenario

Fictitious event, but plausible

- On July 8 – during peak summer demand for electricity there is a coordinated simultaneous attack targeted at two regions of United States power grid (NPCC and RFC)
- Malware finds 50 generators that it can control and forces them to overload and burn out
 - in some cases causing additional fires and explosions
- Electricity blackout that plunges 15 US states and Washington DC into darkness
- 93 million people without power
- More than 17 TW-Hours of generation is lost – around 12% of supply



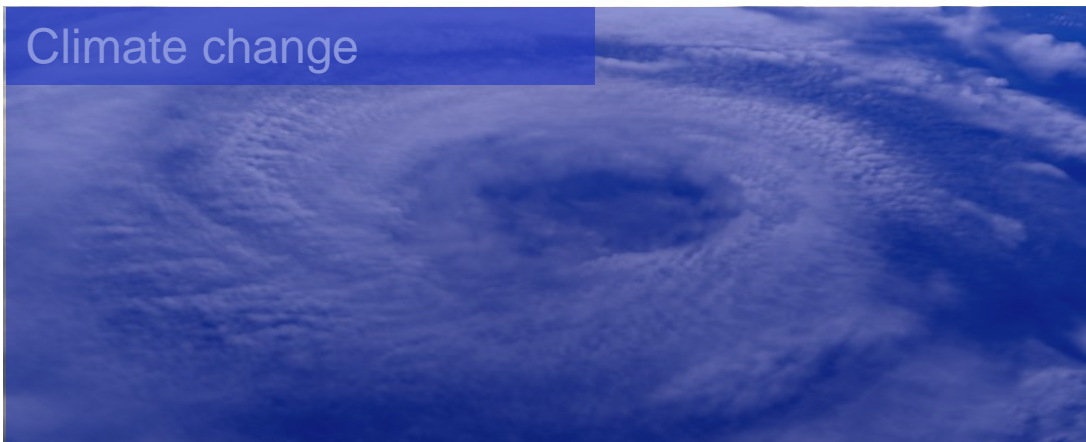
Business blackout: Scenario creation



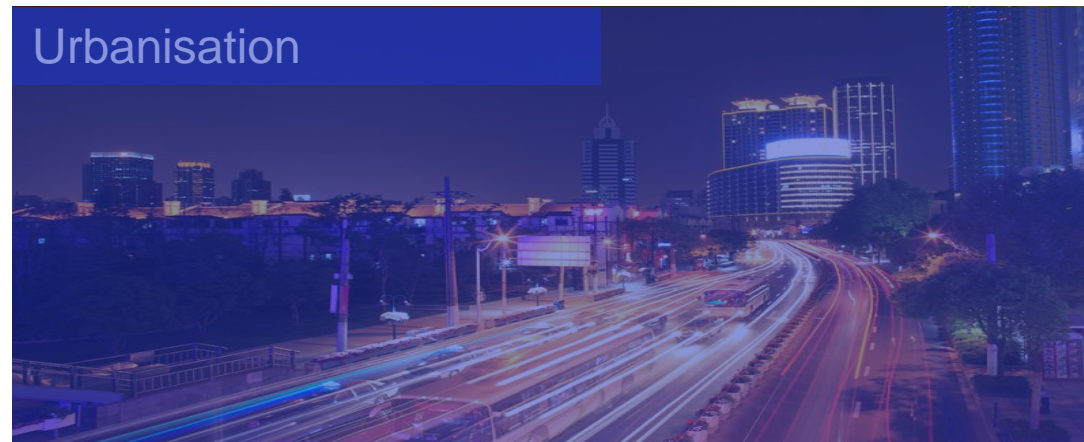
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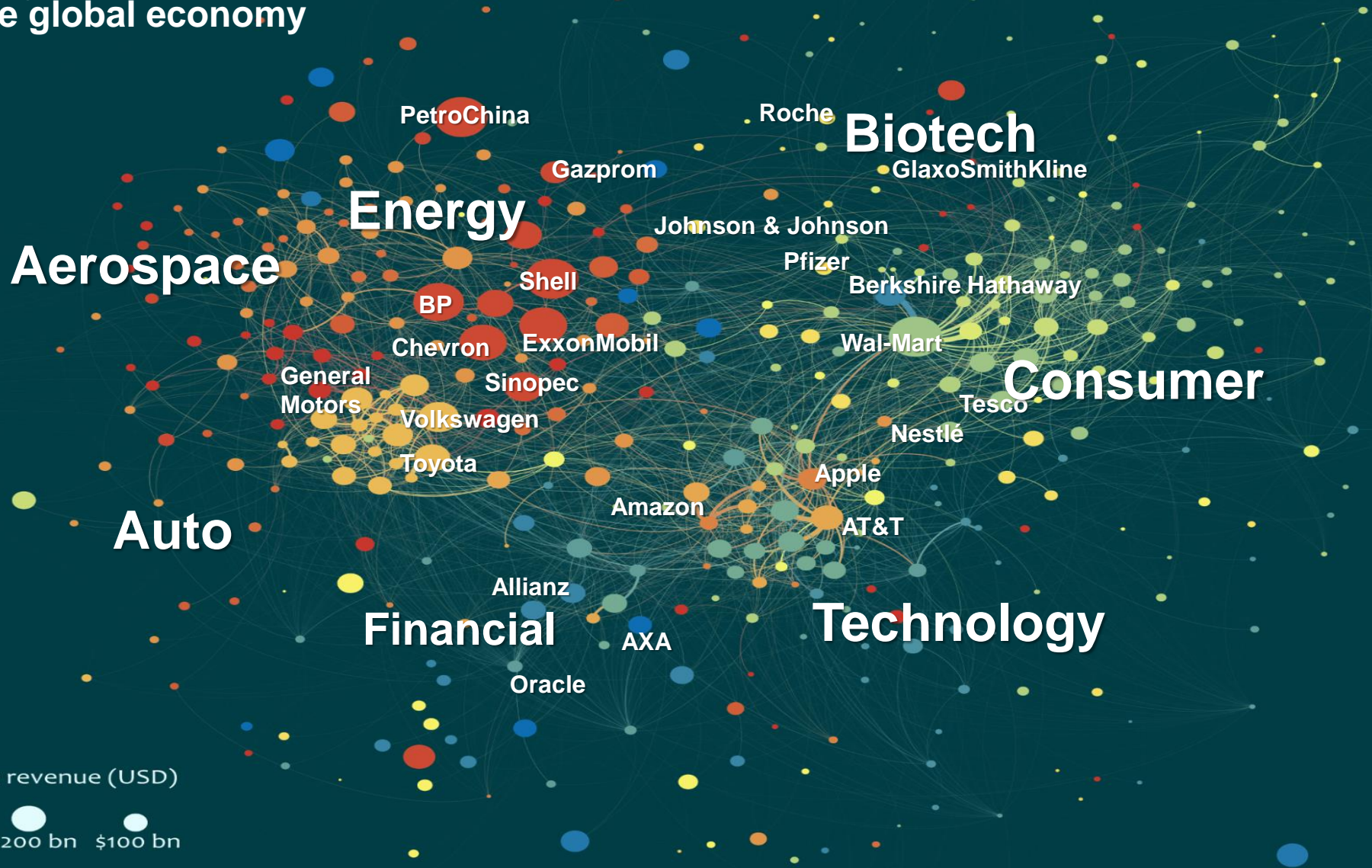
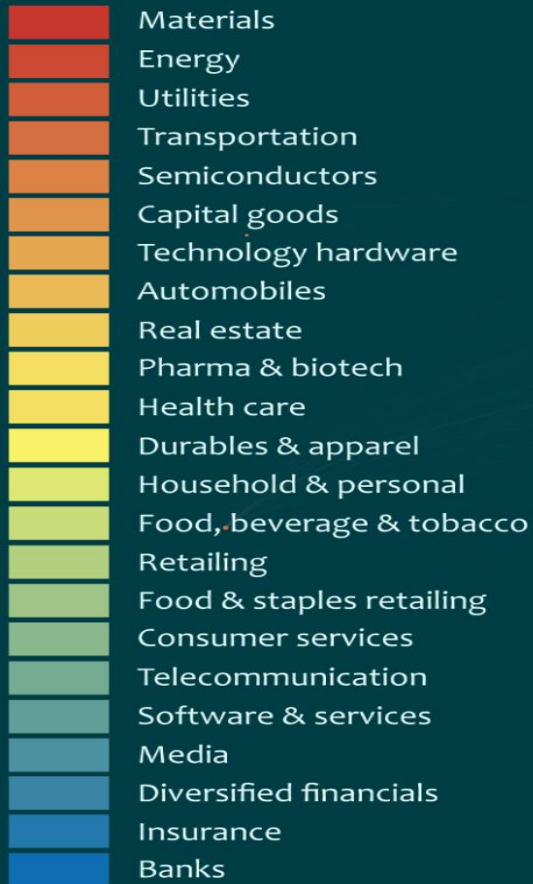


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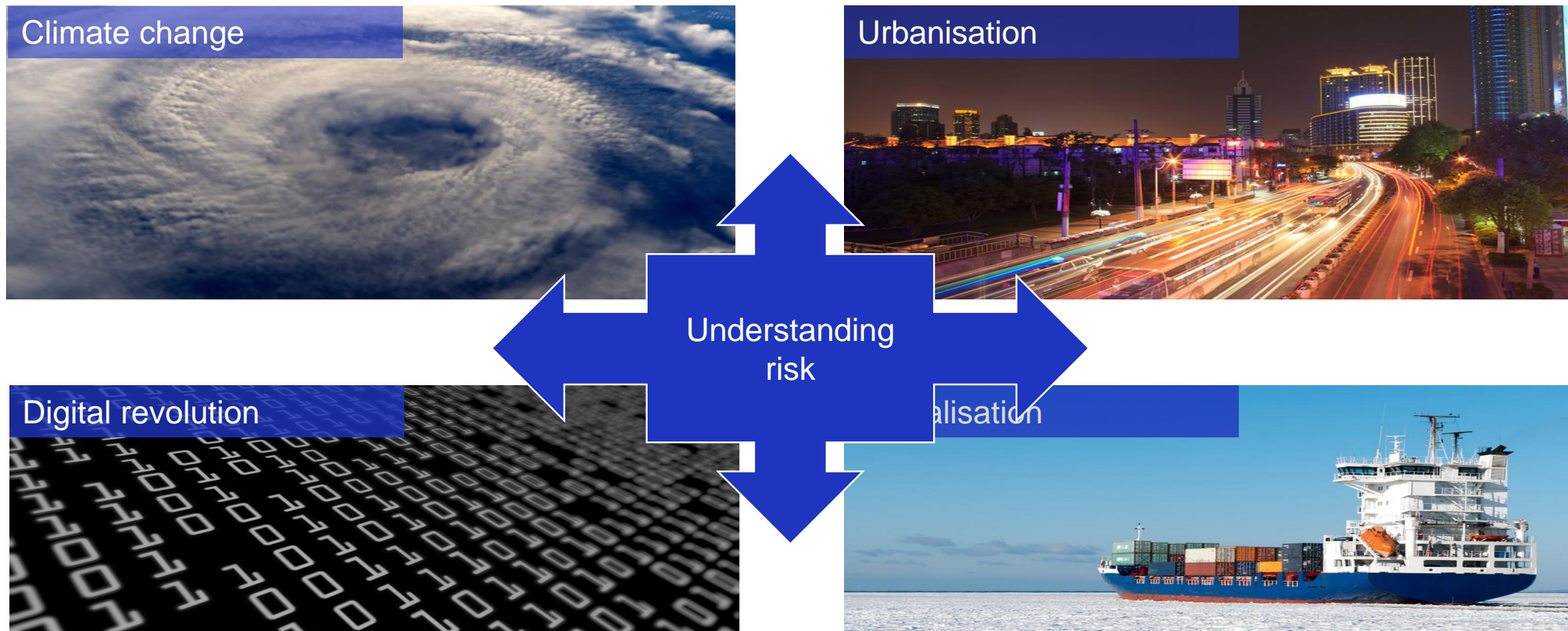


Globalisation & systemic risk

Enterprises driving the global economy

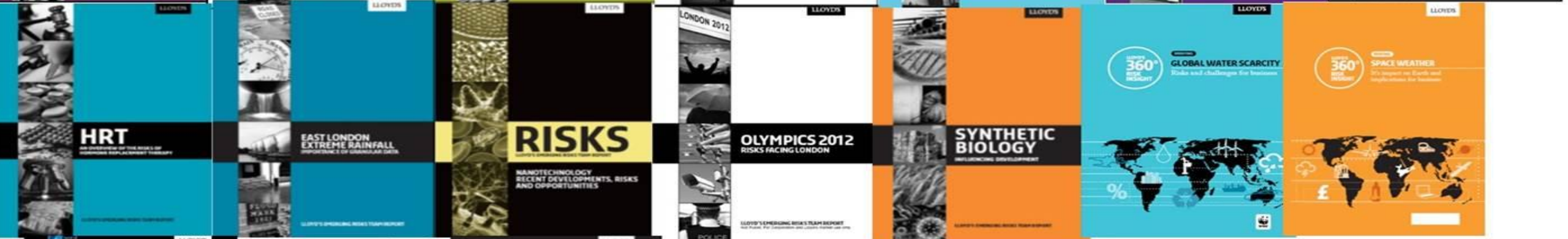


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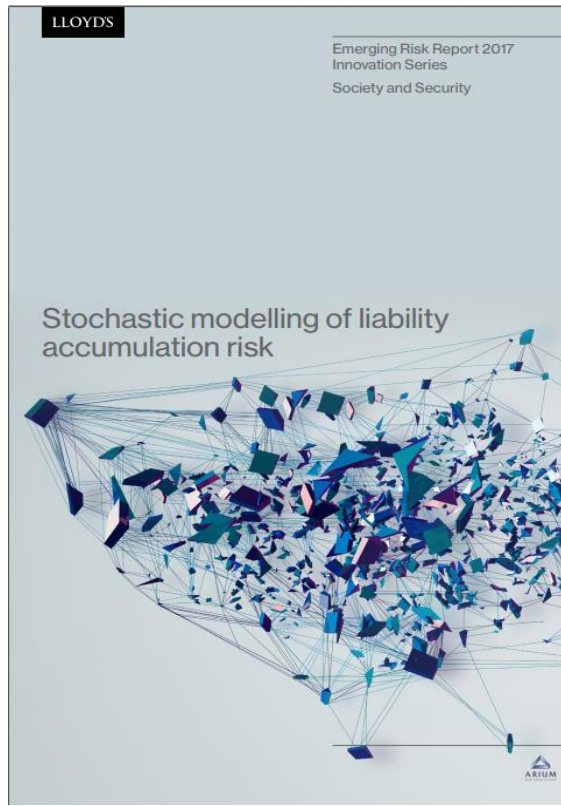
A black and white photograph of a desk. In the foreground, there is a large, thick stack of papers and folders, some with tabs. A pen is visible on top of the stack. In the background, a chair is partially visible, and the desk surface is cluttered with various items. The overall scene suggests a busy office environment.

Research outputs



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More coming up!





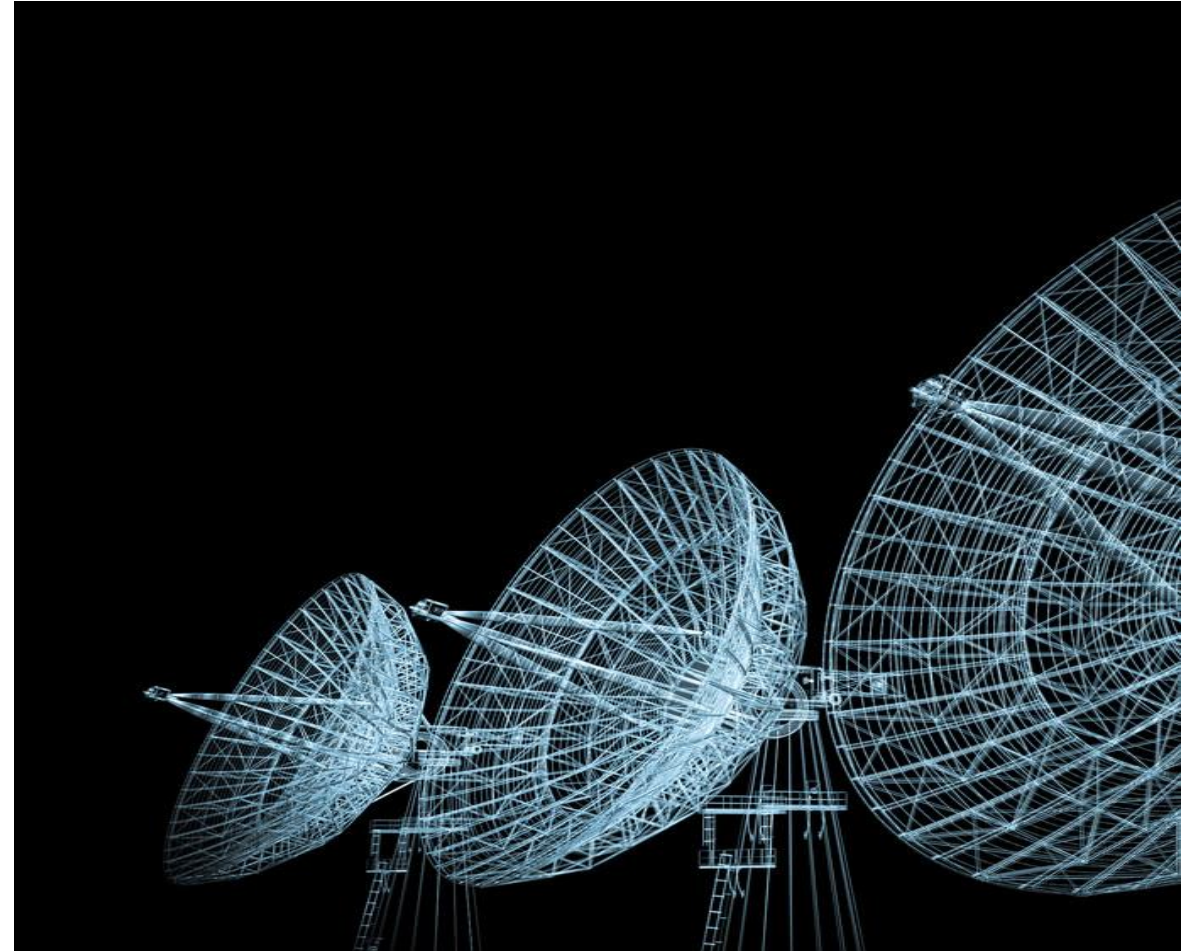
On the Horizon



Space

New actors in the space economy

- Brazil is developing technology to send domestically-made satellites into space with its own rockets by 2020.
- Elon Musk – Space X, reusable rockets
- Mining in space – Luxembourg.
Harvesting resources from outer space!
- MBA grads – space economy
- Virgin Galactic and Blue Origin, space tourism



The Internet of Things (IoT)

Lifestyle and Cyber threat changes

When simple 'Things' become connected, we create a new complex system. Complex systems exhibit a number of characteristics:

- **Emergence** of new unexpected behaviours
- **Sudden transitions**
- **Large events** occurring from small changes
- **Self Organisation** and a resistance to being organised
- **Evolution** towards new norms

Cisco estimate that by 2022, there will be over 50 Billion connected devices

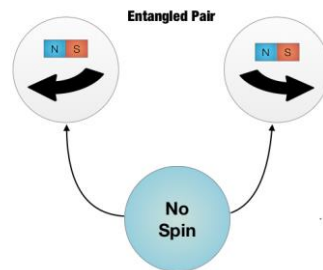
Quantum Computing and Quantum Devices

A new approach to computation

- Classical computing uses Binary state electronics Bits
 - Switch on, switch off. 1 and 0.
- Quantum computers will use Qubits
 - At any point in time, providing it has not been measured, a Qubits can be a 0 and a 1 at the same time
- So what?
 - Quantum computers may solve problems not solvable using Classical computers because they have a high degree of parallel computation
 - Quantum computers are good at cracking codes. So current encryption methods will become “crackable”

0 1 0

0 1 0



EPSRC predicts that within 5 Years we will see:

- Nanoscale biological temperature sensors
- Single molecule MRI
- Gravity sensors
- Single atom image sensors
- Electromagnetic detectors

Conclusion

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- The focus of emerging risks management is to reduce uncertainty – not to predict the future
- By exploring and understanding uncertainty, risks can be explored to develop opportunities
- Key problem lies in challenging assumptions based on experience & behavioural bias
- Scenarios are useful tools
- A common theme in emerging risks is complexity driven by the pace of globalisation
- A lot more reports! <http://Lloyds.com/emergingrisks>
- And lots more to do

Thank you

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