#### International Finance Corporation

Environmental Risk

Management in Lending and

Investment:

Introduction to Concepts



### How does business affect the environment?









PRODUCT OUTPUT

NON-PRODUCT OUTPUT (WASTE)



## What risks do environmental issues create for companies?

Benefit



Cost savings

**Financial** 

- Capital expense
- Operating cost
  - Asset value

Legal

- Regulatory action
- Potential liability

**Benefit** 



 New market opportunities

Reputation

- Reduced mkt share
- Obsolete products

Cost

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## The New Global Business Environment

Water Climate Resources Biodiversity

Social

Responsibility Transparency Accountability

Corporate Values
Leader's Values
Societal Values

Globalization
E-Commerce
Cost containment
Developing Countries

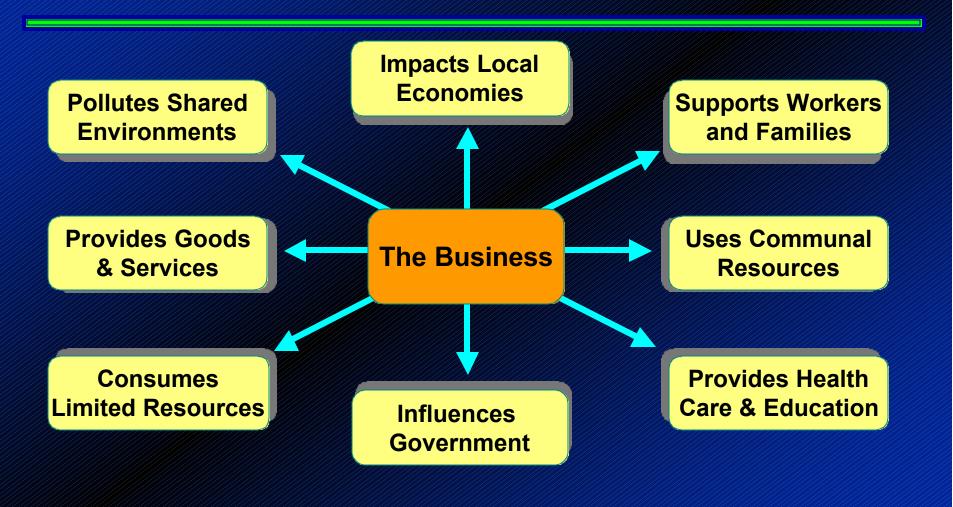
Legal

Trade Agreements
Harmonization
Reporting

Materials
Connectivity
Clean energy



#### The Company in a Societal Context



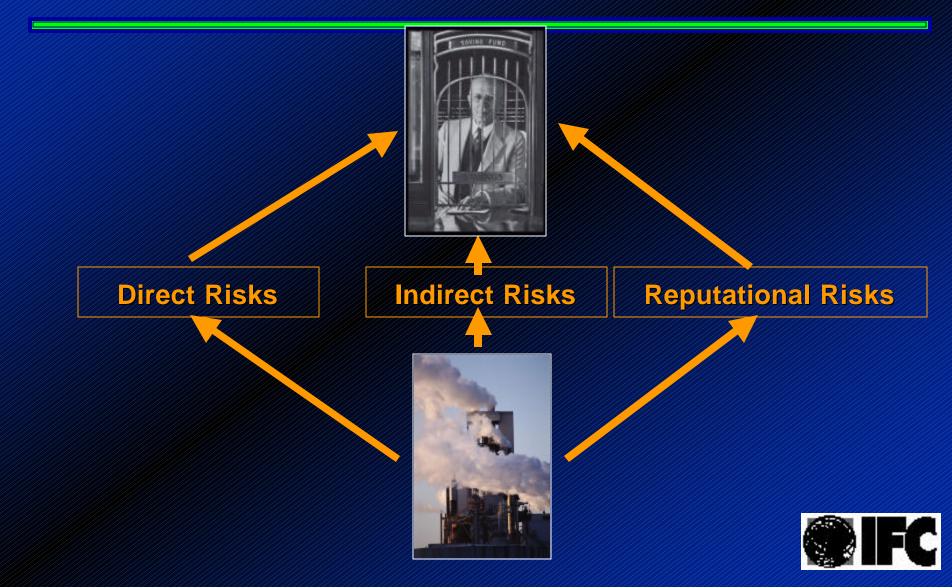


#### The Stakeholder Based View





## What risks do environmental issues create for financial institutions?



# Direct Environmental Risks in 'Live Lending' Situations

- Bank as company officer/shadow director
- Environmental clausing in facility letters
- Assignments/charges over rental agreements
- Instructing environmental consultants
- Multibank lending



### Workout/recovery situations

- Power of sale
- Taking possession
- Land use/planning conditions
- **Foreclosure**
- Appointment of receiver
- Administration/liquidation



#### **Indirect Risks**

Weakening of a borrower's ability to repay lender as a result of environmental costs



#### **Environmental Impacts on Borrower's Finances**

- ⋆ Clean-up liability
- **★** Environmental fines
- **★** Production downtime
- Environmental permit requirements & fees
- ★ Capital investment for environmental compliance
- Increased environmental operating costs
- ★ Environmental taxes

- ★ Consultancy fees
- **★** Environmental staff
- **★** Environmental monitoring
- ★ Environmental management systems
- ★ Switching to greener raw materials
- ★ Switching to greener products
- Market preferences and competition

### **Asset Management**

- Contaminated real property
- Environmentally obsolescent technology
- Poor maintenance
- Lack of staff development
- Lack of R&D
- Reduced intangible value



### Reputational Risks







### The Rating Agency View

"From the global perspective, grasping the subtleties and at the same time the vast scope of environmental issues as they impinge upon finance is going to demand all our intelligence and all our application"



John Bohn, Moody's Investors Service



### Workshop Objectives

- Understanding environmental risk
- Assessing and mitigating environmental risk
- Incorporating environment into existing management systems
- Using environmental risk management to identify upside opportunities

