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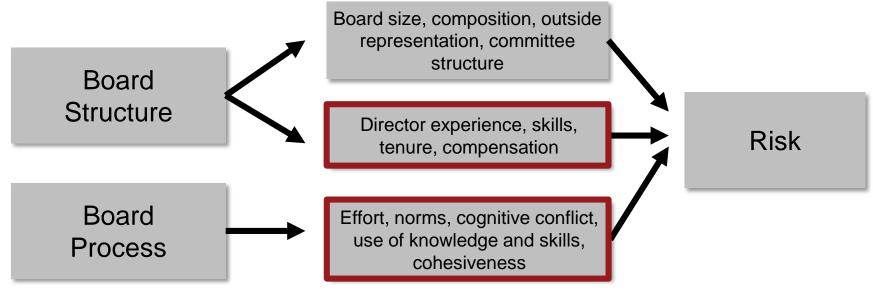


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A Model of Risk Governance



Source:

- Corporate Governance and Risk: A Study of Board Structure and Process. Research Report 129 – ACCA 2012.
- Risk management gets personal lessons from the credit crisis – Advanced Institute of Management Research

- Formalisation
- Externalisation
- Personalisation

Engaged conversations on risk

Directors need to know

Practitioners need to do

Responsibilities

- Under law, regulation
- Good practice

- Know your Board
- Board briefings (impacts)

The Business

- Economics of the Business
- Business Model

- Frame design (PiT and TTC)
- PSE (and dependencies)

Capacity

- Financial
- Non-Financial

- Capacity measures
- Capacity reporting

Culture

- Defining 'Right' ('tone at the top')
- Form a view; identify changes; process to instil
- Attributes and Measures
- Support assessment

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Appetite

- Extent of risk willing to take (RA)
- 'Through the cycle' (TTC)
- Behavioural biases

Strategy

- Risks of / to Strategy
- Strategy, within appetite, within capacity

Assessment

- Definition of risk (articulation)
- Simple vs. complex
- Professional scepticism / challenge

Help

- Organisational knowledge is limited, partial and fallible
- When to ask for help

- Support 'implicit' → 'explicit' RA
- Practical RA 'use case' development
- Understand the Strategy
- 'Stress-test' the strategy
- Beyond Registers (single best estimates)
- Key heuristics (the new rubric of risk management)
- Understand what help
- Where to get it





clarity through intelligence