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FUTURE THINKING AND STRATEGY TRANSFORMATION FOR CGI'S IN THE MENA REGION

The Future of Credit Guarantee Business II: A Global Perspective

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"We need to permanently challenge ourselves if we want to keep being the leaders in the future."







- 1. Where we are now: a VUCA environment
- 2. Challenges and risks the CGIs sector face
- 3. Opportunities and ways forward





1. Where we are now: a VUCA environment

- Historically, Credit Guarantee Institutions (CGIs) play a critical role in helping SMEs and Entrepreneurs getting access to credit financing
- CGIs are particular important as a countercyclical tool, as was proved during the current pandemic crisis, with huge increases in CGIs exposures, and specially a demonstrated capacity to react fast and comprehensively,
- Nevertheless, important issues arise as the global economic environment, and in particular the financial sector environment are changing at a very fast pace, due to many known factors, namely:
 - On one hand the increasing levels of regulation and regulatory controls,
 - But on the other hand the fast technology evolution that create new players and ways/forms of work,
 - AI, big data and fast computing provide a wide range of potential solutions to better predict credit ratings and probabilities of default/loss,
 - The advent of ecological conscience and the need for a green and sustainable strategy,
 - Gender balance and the need to proportionate equal opportunities to different segments of entrepreneurs.









The environment demands you react quickly to ongoing changes that are unpredictable and out of your control

Uncertain

The environment requires you to take action without certainty



The environment is dynamic, with many interdependencies

Ambiguous ¹

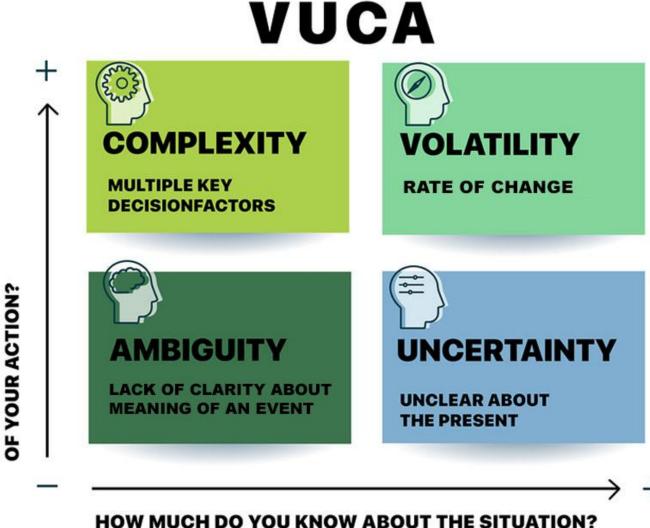
The environment is unfamiliar, outside of your expertise













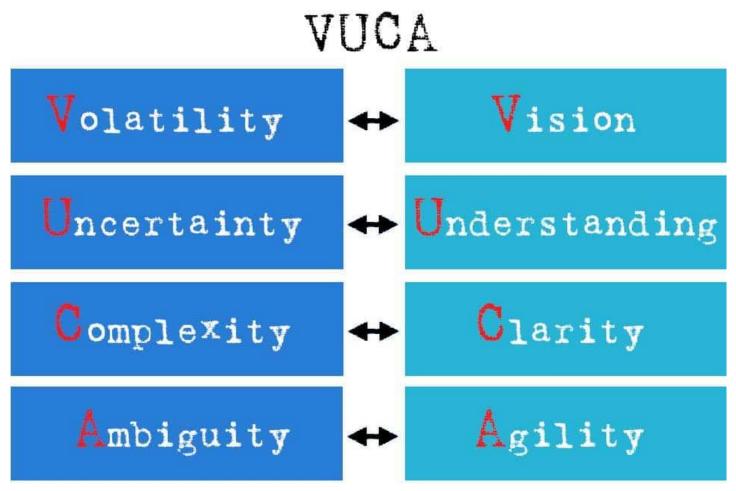


2. Challenges and risks the CGIs sector face

- To cope with such a complex environment CGI's need to adapt to the "new world", namely by:
 - Adopting a digital strategy and improving their internal systems and processes to be capable to process files and answer clients in a fast and cost efficient way,
 - Creating or Improving their predictive models (ratings, scorings, ..), in order to be capable to reduce losses in the guarantees issued, thus reduce capital requirements and (in case of public credit guarantees) the tax payers efforts to cover those losses,
 - Maintain very skilled and updated Teams,
 - Keep the proximity with the SMEs and micro borrowers, as well as with the banks and State, in order to assure its main long term distinctive feature: the deep knowledge of the needs of its clients and of the market.
- Nevertheless, this is a short term path. In reality, CGIs risk to be to slow adapting and to be overcome by modern forms of financing,
- Also, there is the risk to fall into a situation were they cannot understand properly the changings in clients needs and preferences.











3. Opportunities and ways forward

- Of course, like in all challenging moments risks and challenges bring a lot of opportunities :
 - A good digital strategy will help us to be prepared for the future way of delivering guarantees, online, fast, efficiently, but still in an effective way,
 - With adequate processes and modern controlling techniques our institutions can perform at the level of the best, namely compete with Fintechs and modern digital banks,
 - With proper internal and independent impact evaluation programs we will be capable to keep convincing our "investors" (namely policy makers) of the global advantages of our systems and to prove the positive macroeconomic impacts on job creation, taxes recollection and global wealth creation of the existence of credit gguarantees,





CGI'S NEED TO HAVE A PERMANENT LOOK INTO THE FUTURE, TO THINK AHEAD AND TRY TO UNDERSTAND MARKETS CHANGES, CLIENTS NEEDS, TECHNOLOGY EVOLUTION, IN ORDER TO BE PREPARED TO KEEP SERVING THEM



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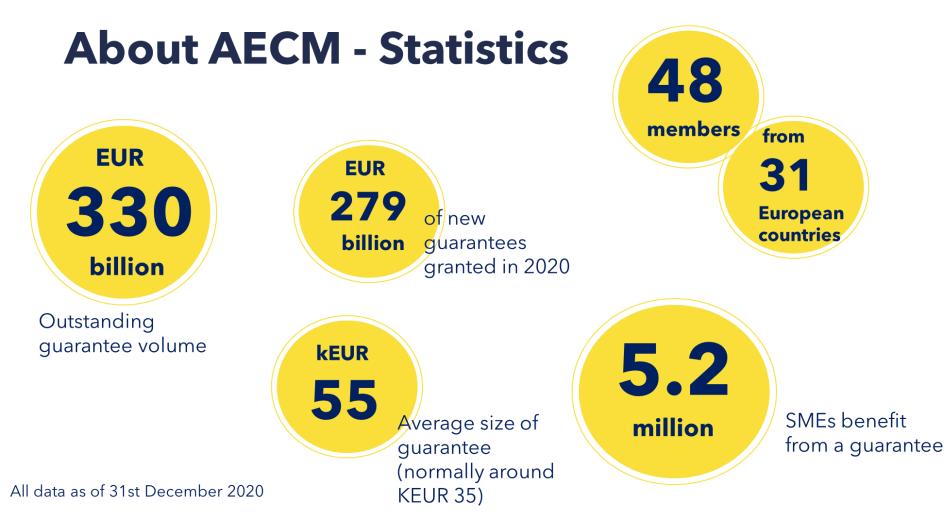
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