

Developing a Framework for Risk-Enabled Performance

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The purpose of risk management is the 'creation and protection of value. It improves performance, encourages innovation and supports the achievement of objectives.'

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- Enterprise Risk Management is evolving rapidly. Challenges for funds arise via:
 - Regulatory changes
 - Standard of governance
 - Insourced / outsourced asset management model variations
 - Investment skills asymmetry
 - Whether to imbed risk within investments, or not

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- For superfunds that outsource investments, investment risk is often:
 - Imbedded within the investment team;
 - With shared responsibilities from consultants, particularly for smaller funds.
- Investment managers maintain insurance helping protect member reserves

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- QIC outsources and insources. We are an asset owner and an asset manager
 - The model that many superfunds are now, in effect, adopting
- For these funds this has changed risk from Agent risk to Principal risk
 - Different skills required for Enterprise Risk Management
- Knowledge required in:
 - Investment (public and private markets) risks
 - Operational risks
 - Compliance risks

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- QIC uses a three lines of defense approach
- The first line: Internal Investment Team review and compliance with mandates
 - Heavy use of technology to automate and assist in checks as well as peer review
- The second line: Governance, Risk and Compliance Teams
 - A separate team with substantial resources and technology to externally review risks
- The third line: Internal and External audit