### Risks. Controls. Processes.

### Learning from Speedboats: Linking Risks, Controls and Processes

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#### Non-life

Comprehensive range of non-life insurance in CH and Europe/ special coverage in selected niches and active reinsurance worldwide

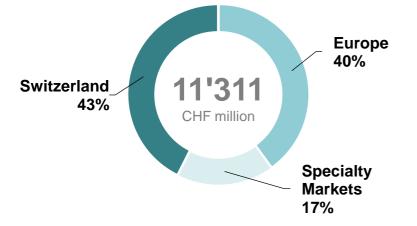
#### Life

Individual life insurance in CH/Europe and group life insurance (occupational pensions, pillar 2) in CH

#### Other activities

Group reinsurance and non-insurance areas, especially the fee and commission business

#### **Business volume by segments**

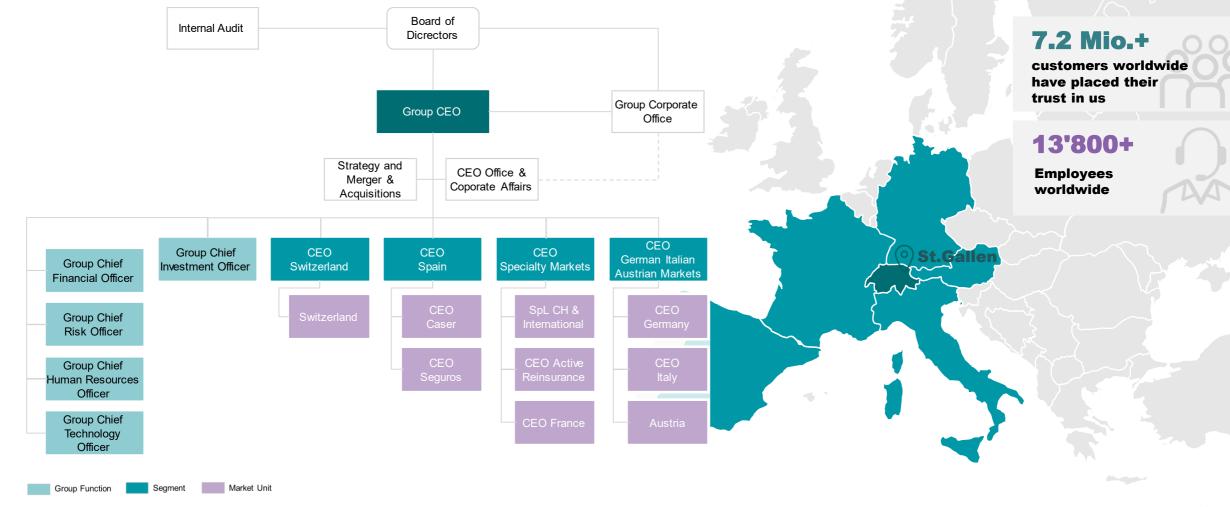




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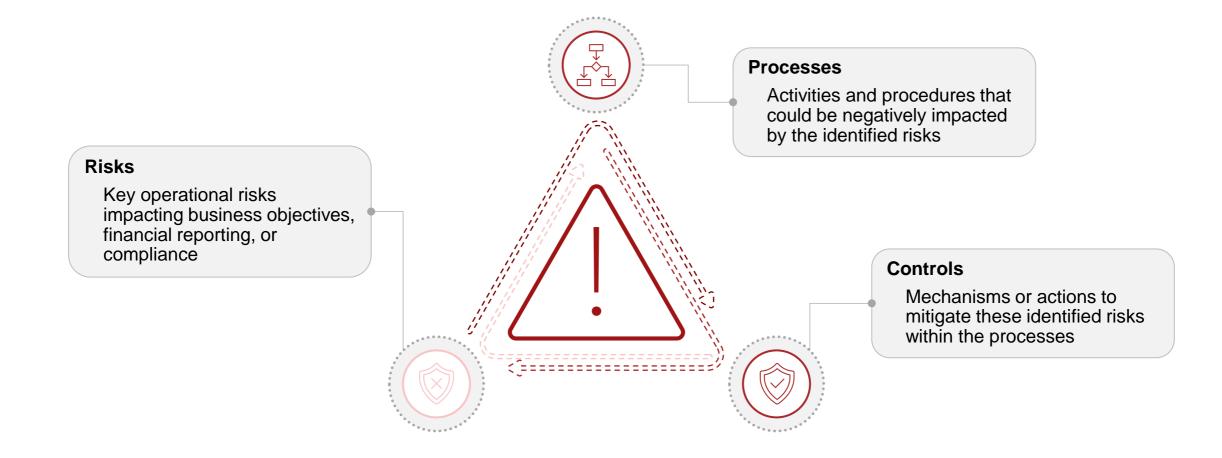




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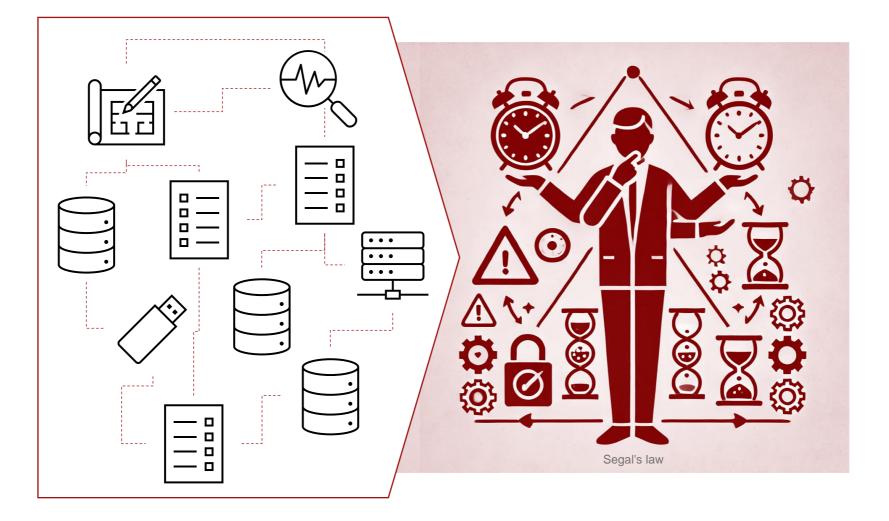


### The triad of risks, processes, and controls: Addressing the lack of synchronization





## Some obstacles in our path: overabundance of conflicting resources





## Challenges that necessitated a project re-assessment

#### Challenges



Narrow risk focus caused gaps in overall alignment



Early need for harmonized processes and controls not recognized



Tool selected before understanding e2e requirements, prioritizing "best of breed"



Specifications developed on the fly due to moving project scope

#### Impact

Drastically increased number of risks, processes, and controls



Delayed and difficult rollout of RCSA



Declining confidence from top management





### The (reluctant) speedboat: Asset Management





### **The speedboat: Asset Management** Starting Point: Shaky Basis and Many Unknowns



Thorough review of existing directives



Inadequate directives



Urgent need for decisive action



### The (exhausted) speedboat: Asset Management



Within five weeks, we...

 Modelled 19 processes from scratch

 Successfully passed internal audit screening

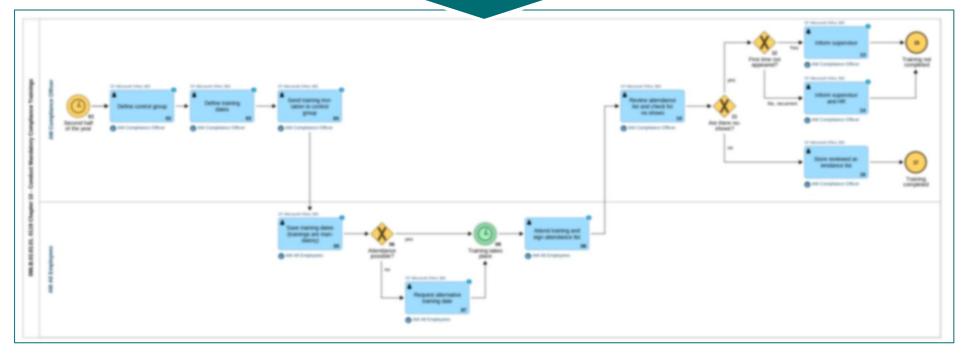


### **Key indicators of a successful implementation for Asset Management**



#### 15. Knowledge and training of portfolio managers

Portfolio Managers have sufficient knowledge of the obligations arising from these directives. In addition, they have the necessary knowledge for their activities.





### **Navigating with Precision**

How Asset Management linked risks, processes and controls

#### Approach



Consistently use a single (modeling) language for all processes



Escalate promptly when a process extends beyond your control



Ensure stakeholders take ownership and provide process guidance



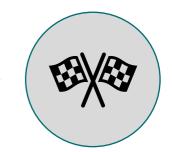
Continuously assess process feasibility: Is it realistic? What are the implications?

#### Key success factors

Stop writing directives to build processes, instead build processes to write directives

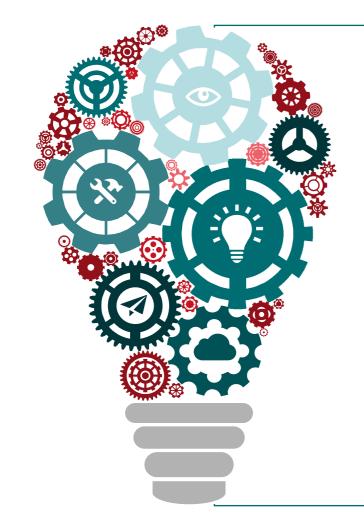


Design processes to meet future needs, highlighting any gaps in current directives





### **Scaling success back to the group** Applying lessons learned to the larger organization



- Reduce complexity as a key guiding principle
- Align risk management and business perspectives
- Foster collaboration between 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> LoD
- Coordinate RtB & CtB activities / ressources
- Tools support the journey, they don't define it



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### **Different starting positions**



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#### **Risk Management**

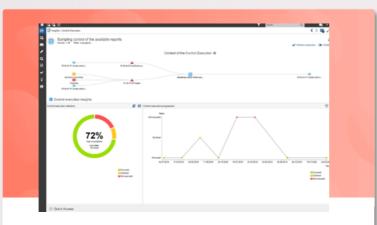


#### Compliance



Implementation of legal requirements and internal regulations as well as directives Identification of risks and their minimization through measures and controls Ensuring compliance with legal or internal requirements

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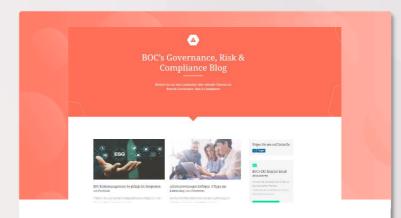


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