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To be considered by the Executive (EX) Committee and Plenary, XXX, 2025

Adopted by the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee, Nov. 7, 2025

2026 Proposed Charges

INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE RELATIONS (G) COMMITTEE

The mission of the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee is to: 1) coordinate NAIC participation in discussions on international activities and issues and the development of insurance regulatory and supervisory standards and other materials; 2) promote international cooperation; 3) coordinate on international insurance matters with the U.S. federal government, including the U.S. Department of the Treasury (Treasury Department), the Federal Reserve Board (FRB), the Office of the U.S. Trade Representative (USTR), the U.S. Department of Commerce (DOC), and other federal agencies; and 4) provide an open forum for NAIC communication with U.S. interested parties, stakeholders, and among its members on international insurance matters.

Ongoing Support of NAIC Programs, Products, or Services

1. The **International Insurance Relations (G) Committee** will:
 - A. Monitor and assess activities at international organizations, such as the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS), the Financial Stability Board (FSB), the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), and the Sustainable Insurance Forum (SIF), that affect U.S. insurance regulation, U.S. insurance consumers, and the U.S. insurance industry.
 - B. Support and facilitate the participation of state insurance regulators and the NAIC in relevant workstreams of international organizations.
 - C. Develop NAIC policy on international activities and issues, coordinating, as necessary, with other NAIC committees, task forces, and working groups, and communicating key international developments to those NAIC groups.
 - D. Coordinate and facilitate state efforts to participate in key bilateral and multilateral dialogues, projects, conferences, and training opportunities with international regulators and international organizations, both directly and in coordination with the federal government, as appropriate.
 - E. Strengthen foreign regulatory systems and relationships by interacting with international regulators and sharing U.S. supervisory best practices, including conducting outreach, an International Fellows Program, and educational (technical assistance) seminars to provide an understanding of the U.S. state-based system of insurance regulation.
 - F. Coordinate the NAIC's participation in the International Monetary Fund (IMF)/World Bank Financial Sector Assessment Program (FSAP).
 - G. Coordinate state efforts to assist in achieving U.S. international trade objectives through reviewing relevant materials, developing input, and providing assistance and expertise on insurance matters to the USTR and/or other federal entities.

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INTERNATIONAL INSURANCE RELATIONS (G) COMMITTEE (*Continued*)

2. The **Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group** will:
 - A. Review group capital regulation of U.S. groups and their potential for comparable implementation of the insurance capital standard (ICS), including:
 - i. Sensitivity to changes in interest rates and their impact on the solvency of the U.S. life groups.
 - ii. Supervisory intervention of U.S. groups on group capital grounds.
 - iii. Use of scalars and choice of regulatory intervention points.
 - iv. Reporting and disclosure requirements.
 - B. Coordinate the U.S. implementation of the ICS via the Aggregation Method (AM) by recommending:
 - i. Potential domestic refinement.
 - ii. The final AM.
 - C. Monitor any further development of ICS at the IAIS and what implications those may have for the implementation of the AM.
 - D. Report to, and coordinate with, the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee and any relevant groups under the Financial Condition (E) Committee.

NAIC Committee Support: Ryan Workman/Nikhail Nigam

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International Insurance Relations (G) Committee
Virtual Meeting
September 25, 2025

The International Insurance Relations (G) Committee met Sept. 25, 2025. The following Committee members participated: Eric Dunning, Chair (NE); Timothy J. Temple, Co-Vice Chair (LA); Justin Zimmerman, Co-Vice Chair (NJ); Ricardo Lara represented by Mike Peterson (CA); Andrew N. Mais represented by William Arfanis (CT); Ann Gillespie represented by Susan Berry (IL); Anita G. Fox represented by Steve Mayhew (MI); D.J. Bettencourt (NH); and Nathan Houdek (WI).

1. Adopted a Motion to Approve NAIC Comments on the IAIS Public Consultation on the Draft Application Paper on Operational Resilience Objectives and Toolkit

The International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS) is conducting a public consultation on its draft application paper on operational resilience objectives and the supporting practices and tools, referred to as 'the toolkit.' The two components work in tandem, with the objectives providing an outcomes-based approach for meeting various Insurance Core Principles (ICPs), while the toolkit provides supervisors with practical implementation approaches.

The IAIS consulted on the objectives in 2024 and the NAIC provided input during that stage, and the current consultation has been updated to address comments raised since then. The NAIC's initial draft comments are based on an internal review of the consultation documents by NAIC staff and members of the Cybersecurity (H) Working Group. The initial draft comments were circulated in advance of the meeting, and no additional input was received for consideration.

An overview of the NAIC's comments on the draft application paper and toolkit was given by NAIC staff, noting that many were minor and editorial. Other comments suggest clarifying the language used in the application paper, including when describing NAIC examples and the use of supervisory colleges.

Commissioner Zimmerman made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Temple, to approve the submission of the NAIC's comments (Attachment A). The motion passed unanimously.

Having no further business, the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee adjourned.

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International Insurance Relations (G) Committee
Minneapolis, Minnesota
August 11, 2025

The International Insurance Relations (G) Committee met in Minneapolis, MN, Aug. 11, 2025. The following Committee members participated: Eric Dunning, Chair (NE); Timothy J. Temple, Co-Vice Chair (LA); Justin Zimmerman, Co-Vice Chair (NJ); Ricardo Lara represented by Mike Peterson (CA); Andrew N. Mais (CT); John F. King (GA); Scott Saiki (HI); Dean L. Cameron (ID); Ann Gillespie (IL); Anita G. Fox (MI); Michael Humphreys (PA); Nathan Houdek (WI); and Jon Pike (UT).

1. Adopted its May 22 and Spring National Meeting Minutes

Director Dunning said the Committee met May 22. During this meeting, the Committee discussed NAIC comments on the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS) public consultation on the draft issues paper on structural shifts in the life insurance sector.

Director Fox made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to adopt the Committee's May 22 (Attachment One) and March 24 (*see NAIC Proceedings – Spring 2025, International Insurance Relations (G) Committee*) minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Adopted the Report of the Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group

Director Dunning explained that the minutes from the Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group meetings at the 2025 Spring National Meeting and June 9 serve as the Working Group report.

Commissioner Mais said the Working Group met Aug. 11 and took the following action: 1) adopted its June 9 minutes, which included the following action: a) adopted its Spring National Meeting minutes; b) received an update on its activities; and c) heard comments from interested parties; 2) discussed its activities, and 3) adopted a recommendation on the use of excess relative ratio (ERR) scalars in the AM.

Commissioner Mais made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Zimmerman, to adopt the report of the Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group, including its June 9 (Attachment Two) and March 25 (Attachment Three) minutes. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Discussed NAIC Comments on the IAIS Public Consultation on the Review of the GME

Director Dunning explained that the IAIS is conducting a public consultation on the review of the Global Monitoring Exercise (GME) and, in particular, the individual insurer monitoring (IIM) assessment methodology. He noted the GME is a key part of the IAIS holistic framework, and it includes an annual assessment of systemic risk concentration at the individual insurer level using the IIM assessment methodology. He said the GME is continuously evolving, and the IIM is reviewed every three years to reflect changes in the insurance sector, insurers' activities, market growth, and advances in measuring systemic importance. The public consultation seeks stakeholder input on the review of the IIM assessment methodology for the next three-year cycle of application (2026–2028).

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Director Dunning said the NAIC's initial draft comments are based on an internal review of the consultation documents by NAIC staff and members of the Macroprudential (E) Working Group and the Financial Stability (E) Task Force. The initial draft comments were circulated in advance of the meeting, and no additional input was received for consideration.

Ryan Workman (NAIC) provided an overview of the NAIC's comments, which were mostly supportive of proposed revisions, noting some areas for further consideration, as well as some minor and editorial points. He said there was support for undertaking discovery work to assist in IAIS considerations of incorporating a measure to capture complexity, especially following the work of the IAIS Macroprudential Supervision Working Group on alternative assets. In one comment regarding thresholds, he noted the benefits of broadening language, as it would require less updating in the future and allows each jurisdiction to use its discretion as it best sees fit. Workman explained that some comments suggest further editing is needed to better reflect the actual IAIS process when it comes to the insurer pool selection criteria. He concluded by highlighting a comment that questions the necessity of the mid-year Global Insurance Market Report in the future and whether time and resources should focus on the end-of-year report.

Commissioner King made a motion, seconded by Director Gillespie, to approve the submission of the NAIC's comments (Attachment Four). The motion passed unanimously.

4. Heard an Update on the Activities of the IAIS

Commissioner Zimmerman provided an update on IAIS activities, starting with a review of insurance capital standard (ICS) implementation. The IAIS published high-level principles for the development of an ICS implementation assessment framework on July 2. He noted a virtual stakeholder event to discuss these principles will be held on Sept. 9. The goal is to have a full assessment methodology agreed upon in time for members to complete a self-assessment in 2026. A more intensive IAIS assessment of jurisdictions' ICS implementation will begin in 2027. He said concurrently, the IAIS is developing Common Framework for the Supervision of Internationally Active Insurance Groups (ComFrame) reporting and disclosure requirements for the ICS. These will be subject to public consultation in the fourth quarter of 2025 and finalized in 2026. The U.S. implementation will be subject to the same timing and a consistent methodology, which will have to take AM specificities into account.

Next, Commissioner Zimmerman reported that the IAIS recently launched its next peer review process, which will focus on Insurance Core Principle (ICP) 13 (Reinsurance and Other Forms of Risk Transfer). He thanked Monica Macaluso (CA) for serving on the expert team and Florida, Iowa, Missouri, Pennsylvania, and Texas for volunteering to participate in the assessment to illustrate the U.S. approach. He said once assessment surveys are submitted, the expert team will draft individual reports for each participating jurisdiction, and in early 2026, will finalize the aggregate report.

Commissioner Zimmerman noted that earlier this summer, the NAIC participated in progress monitoring for the first targeted jurisdictional assessment (TJA) of the Holistic Framework. He explained this is a follow-up to the first round of progress monitoring in 2023, which followed the conclusion of the first TJA in 2022. He said while the U.S. is not being assessed as part of the second phase of the TJA, which is in its final stages, two state insurance regulators, Robert Wake (ME) and Dan Bumpus (VA), are serving on the assessment team.

Next, Commissioner Zimmerman reported on recent IAIS publications, including: the Market Conduct Working Group's *Application Paper on Fair Treatment of a Wide Range of Consumers*, which focuses on the implementation of ICP 19 (Conduct of Business), and ensuring that a wide range of consumers have access to the insurance

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products they need; the FinTech Forum's *Application Paper on AI Supervision*, which focuses on best practices for supervising artificial intelligence (AI) use by insurers, building on a 2023 thematic review of AI and machine learning; and the Operational Resilience Working Group's draft toolkit for public consultation to accompany objectives for sound operational resilience in the insurance sector, which were subject to public consultation last year. Currently being reviewed internally, this consultation will follow the usual NAIC process, and the Committee has a call scheduled for Sept. 25 to discuss and approve any NAIC comments.

Director Dunning highlighted the IAIS Multilateral Memorandum of Understanding (MMoU) and reported that currently, there are 22 state signatories with several more in the application queue. He referred to a map of the state signatories and explained that since the first IAIS member was admitted in June 2009, the number of MMoU signatories has grown significantly, now representing approximately 85% of global gross written premiums. Director Dunning encouraged remaining states to join, as it is an important and effective mechanism to facilitate global cooperation and coordination, and to reach out to NAIC staff if interested.

5. Heard an Update on International Cooperation Activities

Commissioner Temple summarized recent international activities, including NAIC participation in bilateral meetings and recent international events, including the Association of Insurance Supervisors of Latin America's (ASSAL) 23rd Annual Conference in Buenos Aires, Argentina, from March 27–28. Commissioner Lara presented during a session on reinsurance and risk management, focusing on regulatory challenges in the Americas, and at the ASSAL's High-Level Meeting on the role of supervisors in addressing natural catastrophe protection gaps. Commissioner Houdek presented on the evolving investment landscape in the U.S. among insurers. Both commissioners participated in a bilateral meeting with ASSAL during their visit.

The NAIC also participated in the Eurofi High Level Seminar in Warsaw, Poland, on April 9. It was on the panel "Global Priorities for the Insurance Sector in the Next Political Cycle," which discussed potential implications of increased investments in alternative assets for the stability and risk profile of the life insurance sector. It also participated in the ReConnect Conference in Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands, on April 11. Commissioner Houdek, Commissioner Lawrence, Commissioner Mulready, and Commissioner Pike delivered remarks at the conference, providing insights into the U.S. regulatory system and its evolution in recent years. On the sidelines of the event, the Commissioners met with representatives of the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority (CIMA).

The NAIC also participated in the Rendez-vous de Casablanca de L'Assurance in Casablanca, Morocco, on April 16. Director Cameron, Director French, and Commissioner Mais discussed AI in the insurance sector, including the effects it can have on the insurance value chain, its role in creating a more inclusive industry, and state insurance regulators' efforts to supervise its use by insurers. The delegation also met with multiple agencies in Morocco, including the insurance regulator, as well as industry leaders, to exchange views on the development of insurance, especially in emerging markets.

A cooperation agreement was also signed by the NAIC and the Prudential Authority of South Africa on May 8. The agreement will serve as a framework for cooperation and allow for an exchange of information and work to strengthen the respective markets.

On May 28, the NAIC and the United Kingdom's Prudential Regulatory Authority (PRA) and Financial Conduct Authority (FCA) held a bilateral meeting in Washington, DC. During this meeting, NAIC leadership discussed key issues related to their respective insurance markets.

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The NAIC also participated in the Life Reinsurance Global Seminar in London, England, on June 2. Director French participated on the panel, "Regulatory Challenges for the Life Re/insurance Business," speaking to several evolving NAIC workstreams, including monitoring of cross-border reinsurance activity, shifts in the life insurance sector, and the risk-based capital (RBC) framework review.

The NAIC also participated in the 15th Annual Conference of Insurance Europe in Brussels, Belgium, on June 5. Commissioner Houdek joined the panel, "Powering Savings and Growth: Insurers and Investors," and highlighted the NAIC's ongoing work to reexamine financial oversight, considering current investment trends, including updates to accounting standards and the RBC framework review project.

The NAIC met with a delegation from Thailand's Office of Insurance Commission (OIC) in New York City. The NAIC discussed enterprise risk management (ERM) and own risk and solvency assessment (ORSA) principles and supervision guidelines with the OIC. Members of the New York Department of Financial Services joined to illustrate their use of ERM and ORSA and discussed effective ways to strengthen ORSA practices among insurers.

Commissioner Temple reported that the European Union (EU)-U.S. Insurance Dialogue Project's current workstreams are focused on climate risk and resilience and innovation and technology. The project will host a public stakeholder session on its ongoing work and future priorities on Nov. 14, 2025, in Tirana, Albania. He noted registration and program details will be circulated soon and made available on a dedicated event website.

Next, Commissioner Temple said that the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's Insurance and Private Pensions Committee's meeting schedule has shifted from June to September. The NAIC expects to participate in the September meeting and will report thereafter.

Finally, Commissioner Temple reported that the Sustainable Insurance Forum (SIF) met in May and discussed its work on the integration of climate-related risks into insurance capital frameworks. He spotlighted two webinars the SIF will hold later this year: first, an "Introduction to Nature and the Insurance Sector" on Sept. 15, and second, "Disclosure Frameworks and the Task Force on Nature-related Financial Disclosures Approach" on Dec. 4. He encouraged members to look out for registration details for these webinars.

6. Discussed Other Matters

Director Dunning noted that the NAIC's International Fellows Program celebrates its 20th anniversary this year. He said the program's success is in large part due to states serving as volunteers and mentors to the fellows. The Committee played a video that included interviews with former international fellows and state mentors.

Having no further business, the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee adjourned.

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Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group
Virtual Meeting
November 19, 2025

The Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group of the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee met on Nov. 19, 2025. The following Working Group members participated: Andrew N. Mais, Chair (CT); Rebecca Easland, Vice Chair (WI); Kevin Clark (IA); Christopher Joyce (MA); John Rehagen (MO); Anthony Quandt (NE); Puran Bheamsain (NY); Diana Sherman (PA); Elizabeth Kelleher Dwyer and Patrick Smock (RI); and Scott A. White and Dan Bumpus (VA).

1. Received an Update on the Technical Drafting Group

Ned Tyrrell (NAIC) gave an update on the Working Group's ongoing work (Attachment 1). His presentation included updates on the creation and purpose of the group and the timeline of upcoming deliverables.

2. Heard an Update on the Draft Scalar Paper

Quandt gave a summary of a paper discussing the impact of changes in interest rates on excess relative ratio (ERR) scalars (Attachment 2).

3. Heard an Update on the Draft Valuation Paper

Bruce Friedland (Friedland Actuarial) gave a summary of a paper discussing the impact of changes in interest rates on statutory reserves calculated under principle-based reserving. He discussed how a decrease in interest rates would impact a sample portfolio of policies valued under VM-20, VM-21 and VM-22. Commissioner Mais asked how the paper discussed would compare to the sensitivity of the insurance capital standard (ICS). Friedland said that the focus had been on principle-based reserving. Commissioner Mais suggested that the paper be modified to include this topic. Friedland and Tyrrell agreed to discuss further and update the paper for the Fall National Meeting.

4. Heard an Update on the Draft Other Tools Document

Commissioner Mais asked Tyrrell to give an update on the work in the "Other Tools" area. Tyrrell said that while Prudential and Tom Finnell provided useful summaries, the work area was not at the same level as the valuation or scalar work areas. He noted that there may be a lack of clarity regarding the role of tools, such as Own Risk and Solvency Assessment (ORSA), as they were developed prior to the adoption of the group capital calculation (GCC). He said there was a survey on the *ORSA Guidance Manual* that the Working Group can respond to. Commissioner Mais said that he should respond to the survey on behalf of the Working Group with a request for more clarity on this subject.

Commissioner Mais then asked Ian Adamczyk (Prudential) and Caitlin Zaroni (Prudential) to give an overview of the document that they had provided (Attachment 4). Prudential provided a summary of group regulatory tools with a focus on ORSA. The document included examples of market shocks that insurers may assess including

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interest rate shifts, credit spread widening/tightening, and changes in foreign exchange rates. Commissioner Mais encouraged others to provide information that would help produce a paper in this area.

Having no further business, the Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group adjourned.

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Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group
E-Vote
October 9, 2025

The Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group of the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee conducted an e-vote that concluded Oct. 9, 2025. The following Working Group members participated: Andrew N. Mais, Chair (CT); Rebecca Easland, Vice Chair (WI); Kevin Clark (IA); Susan Berry (IL); Anthony Quandt (NE); Bob Kasinow (NY); Elizabeth Kelleher Dwyer (RI); and Scott A. White and Dan Bumpus (VA).

1. Adopted its 2026 Proposed Charges

The Working Group conducted an e-vote to consider adoption of its 2026 proposed charges. The charges remain unmodified from its 2025 charges.

Clark made a motion, seconded by Easland, to adopt the Working Group's 2026 proposed charges (Attachment XX). The motion passed unanimously.

Having no further business, the Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group adjourned.

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Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group
Minneapolis, Minnesota
August 11, 2025

The Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group of the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee met in Minneapolis, MN, March 25, 2025. The following Working Group members participated: Andrew N. Mais, Chair (CT); Rebecca Easland, Vice Chair (WI); Kevin Clark (IA); Susan Berry (IL); Christopher Joyce (MA); John Rehagen (MO); Anthony Quandt (NE); David Wolf (NJ); Bob Kasinow (NY); Elizabeth Kelleher Dwyer and Patrick Smock (RI); and Scott A. White and Dan Bumpus (VA).

1. Adopted its June 9 Minutes

The Working Group met June 9 (Attachment A). During this meeting, it took the following action: 1) adopted its Spring National Meeting minutes; 2) received an update on its ongoing activities; and 3) heard comments from interested parties.

Wolf made a motion, seconded by Berry, to adopt the Working Group's June 9 minutes.

2. Discussed its Activities

Commissioner Mais introduced a presentation by Ned Tyrrell (NAIC) with an update on ongoing work in scalars, the Aggregation Method (AM) review, the creation of a group for providing technical input, and the Working Group's work plan. Commissioner Mais thanked the volunteers who have joined the technical group.

3. Adopted a Recommendation on the Use of the ERR Scalar Approach in the AM

Commissioner Mais provided background on a discussion on scalars and "meaningful from a prudential point of view, relevant for the monitoring of financial soundness and that provides for comparable outcomes to the ICS." He asked Tyrrell to go over a recommendation (Attachment B) to change the AM scalar approach from unscaled (as used in the provisional AM) to the excess relative ratio (ERR) approach for purposes of planning the final AM and for the ERR approach to use scalars with a calibration of 200% of the authorized control level (ACL). Tyrrell described the ERR and the choice of calibration level. Commissioner Mais invited interested state insurance regulators and parties to comment on the proposal.

Shannon Jones (American Council of Life Insurers—ACLI) said the ACLI is supportive of the recommendation and offered to provide help, such as assistance in updating scalars for individual jurisdictions. Tom Finnell (AHIP) asked whether the comparability assessment would have turned out differently if ERR scalars had been used instead of the (unscaled) provisional AM. Tyrrell responded that while he could not speak for the decisions made by the International Association of Insurance Supervisors (IAIS), the AM data collected for the comparability assessment did include a range of alternative scaling options. This range, which included the ERR, was determined to represent every potentially reasonable method of achieving comparable outcomes. The plan had always been to make a selection from this range after the IAIS made its decision about comparability. Finnell asked whether the AM would have been found to be more comparable if the ERR had been used. Ryan Workman (NAIC) clarified that the

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results of the comparability assessment are final and that state insurance regulators will decide how to best address the issues raised during the implementation of the AM.

Quandt made a motion, seconded by Joyce, to adopt the recommendation. The motion passed.

4. Discussed Other Matters

Commissioner Mais thanked the Working Group for their support and reminded attendees that the International Insurance Relations (G) Committee will meet later that day. Having no further business, the Aggregation Method Implementation (G) Working Group adjourned.

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Africa's Regulatory Sandboxes Shaping the Future of Climate Resilience

Elias Omondi – Principal, Innovation for Resilience

Why Sandboxes Matter in a Climate-Stressed Africa

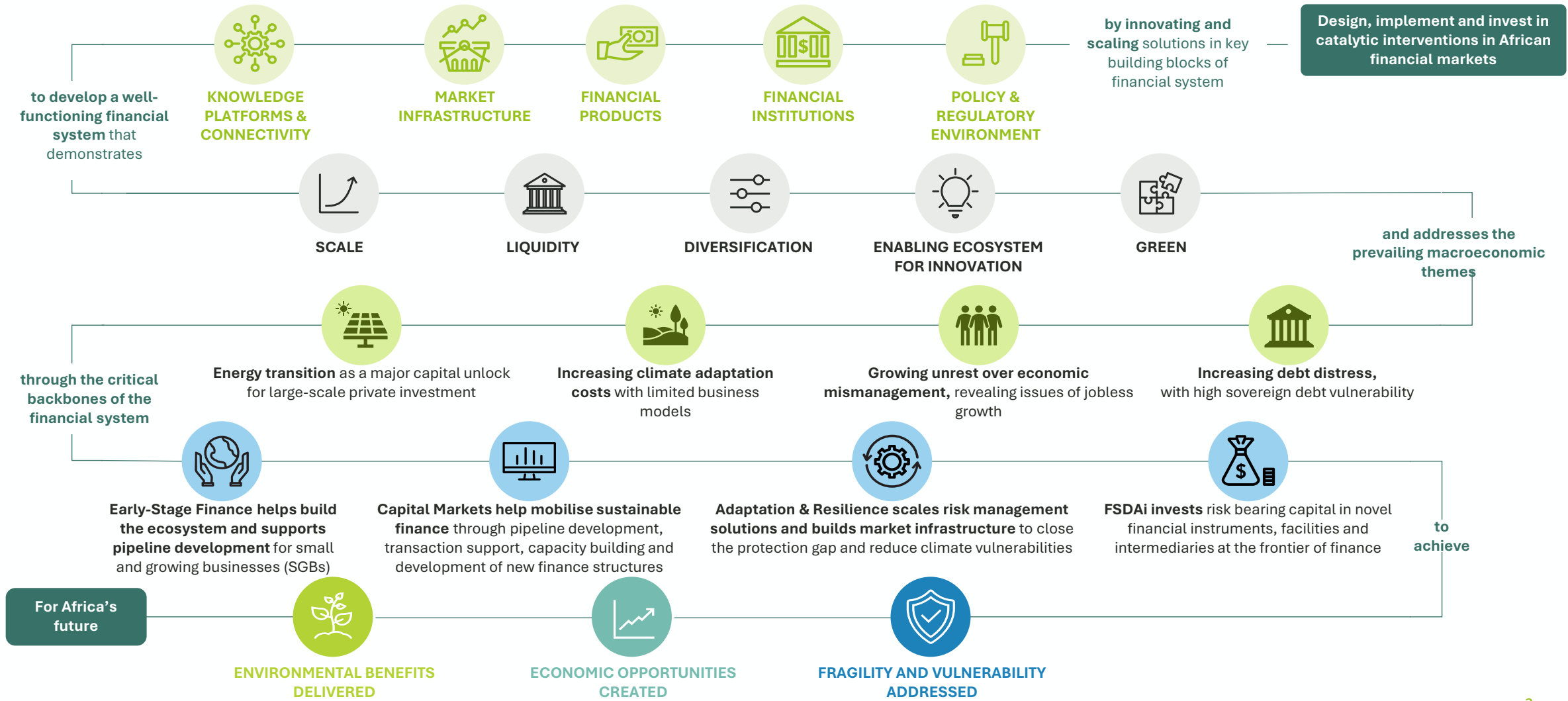
Africa's potential is at serious risk because of near term challenges that the climate crisis will make more severe

- **Growing urgency to tackle vulnerability and inequality:** Africa faces serious economic, social and environmental problems in a challenging global context
- **Climate change makes all these vulnerabilities worse:** entrenching poverty and vulnerability, affecting women disproportionately
- **The current financial system is failing the continent:** private capital is inaccessible, domestic markets are underdeveloped, and sovereign debt levels are unsustainable
- **Climate investment could be a powerful lever for economic transformation,** but the financial system is not currently up to the task

Our objective is a financial system that can overcome the risks, imbalances and inequities that threaten sustainability

- 1) **A financial system for Africa that is fit-for-purpose:** deeper financial markets that are supportive of investment and better able to address systemic risks, imbalances and inequities - such as those driven by climate change, high levels of debt, and gender disparities
- 2) **Economic resilience for sustainable growth:** strengthening African economies to reduce vulnerability to external shocks and enable countries to take greater control over their economic futures
- 3) **Bringing environmental benefits and protecting biodiversity:** enhancing systems that safeguard ecosystems and biodiversity, address climate risks and promote nature-positive solutions

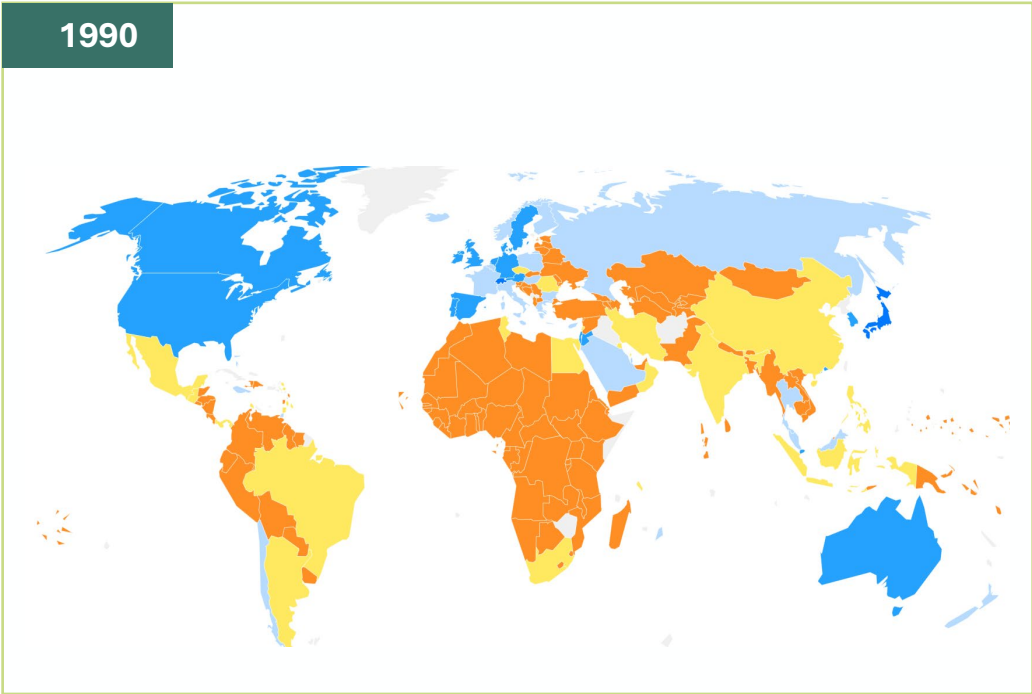
Our aim is to support the development of a well-functioning financial system that works for Africa's future



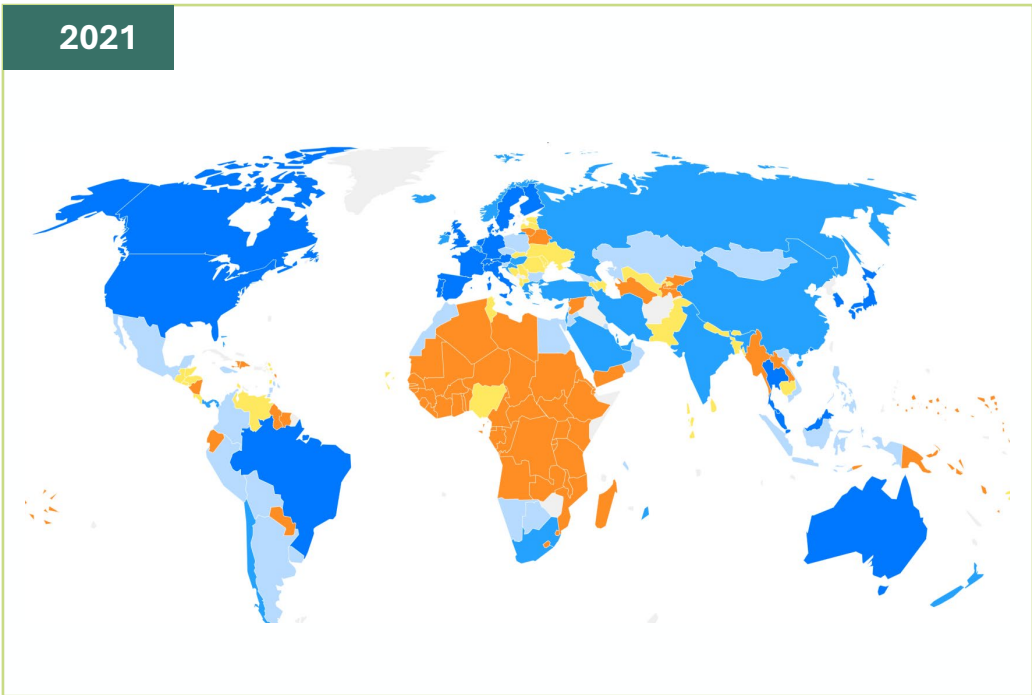
While most regions have significantly deepened their financial sectors, African countries are showing limited improvement

Financial Development Index

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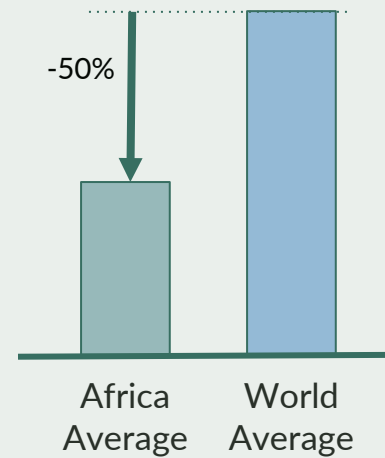
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The Protection Gap in Africa

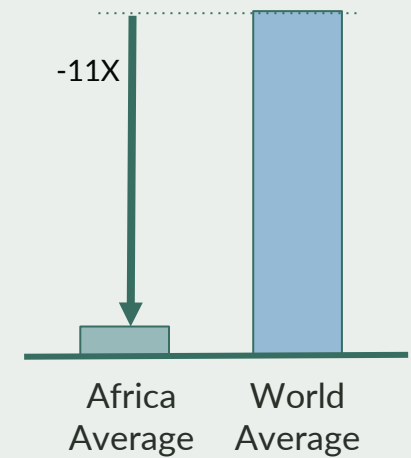
The protection gap in Africa is deep, and persistent; uninsured losses force painful choices on African families

Coping mechanisms for the uninsured can push families further into poverty






Insurance penetration as percent GDP



Insurance penetration per capita



We tackle the financing challenges through interventions along the continuum of finance

Building blocks of finance system			
Policy & regulatory environment 	Help create supportive policy and regulations	Enable markets through policy and regulatory reform by developing guidelines	Mainstream and integrate adaptation and resilience into policies and regulations to manage risk and ensure timely, adequate and effective actions
Market infrastructure 	Support pioneering market infrastructure from physical to digital to enhance shared services, data and financial flows	Development of appropriate and well-functioning market infrastructure	Scale implementation of digital tech and data solutions to support climate insurance
Financial institutions 	Equip diverse financial sector stakeholders with capabilities to support investment solutions	Strengthen FIs technical and operational readiness to integrate social and environmental factors	Increase capacity of FIs to identify, measure and act on climate risks and opportunities
Financial products 	Seed, prove and replicate innovative financial solutions	Develop and scale innovative financial solutions by utilising development capital to back innovative financial models	Scale innovative financial products that boost climate adaptation and resilience investments, and increase access to risk solutions for vulnerable communities
Knowledge platforms & connectivity 	Establish knowledge platforms/learning labs to share best practices, case studies and insights	Build competency of financial sector stakeholders (regulators, intermediaries, institutions)	Facilitate influential ecosystem platforms that drive collective market action on adaptation, enhance knowledge, build capacity and advocate for change

Continental Wave of Innovation

BimaLab Africa Insurtech Accelerator

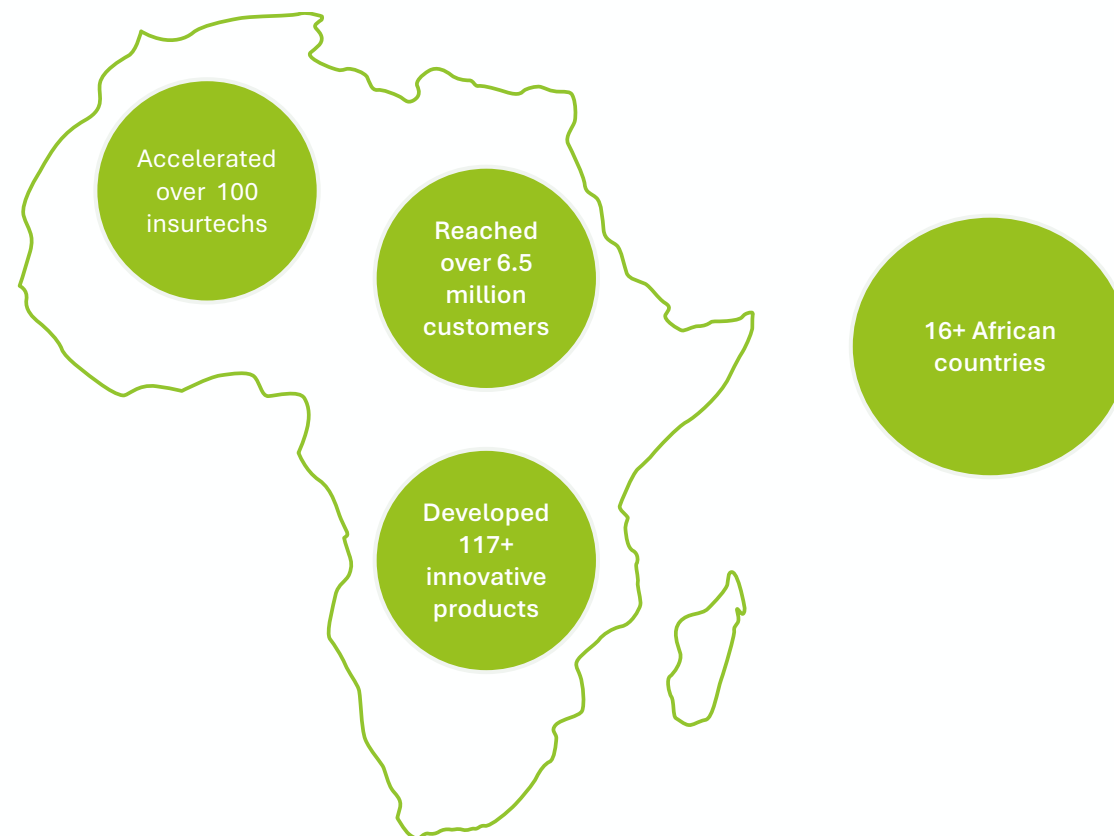
- BimaLab Africa is a continent-wide insurtech accelerator program that attracts, inspires, and organises key players and disruptors across the financial industry and technologies to collaborate on ground-breaking, innovative insurance products and services. The name "BimaLab" derives from "Bima" (Swahili for insurance) and "Lab" (developing and testing innovations).

Core Objectives

- **Foster Innovation:** Extend access to insurance products and services to historically underserved or excluded communities and businesses
- **Market Readiness:** Turn validated insurance-focused ideas into market and investor-ready solutions
- **Regulatory Environment:** Provide innovators with enabling regulatory environment through training, mentorship, and coaching
- **Regulatory Sandboxes:** Facilitate creation of regulatory sandboxes to drive innovation and idea exchange
- **Underserved Communities:** Reach underserved communities with inclusive and innovative insurance products

Programme Countries

- **East Africa:** Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Rwanda, Ethiopia, Malawi
- **West Africa:** Ghana, Nigeria, Senegal
- **Southern Africa:** Zimbabwe, Zambia, South Africa
- **North Africa:** Morocco, Egypt, Tunisia
- **Horn of Africa:** Somalia



Enabling regulatory environment

R3Lab (Risk, Resilience and Regulatory Lab) is a platform focused on addressing challenges faced by regulatory agencies through collaboration and cooperation. The programme creates an enabling regulatory environment by encouraging and facilitating regulatory and supervisory interactions between insurance regulators in Africa.



Major Challenges

- Limited regulatory capacity
- Cross-border regulatory fragmentation, which hampers regional scaling




- **Increase supervisors and regulators knowledge and skills** on implementation of sound, proportionate and fit-for-purpose practices across the region
- **Foster networking with peers** and senior supervisors to identify and resolve supervisory issues



- **Build multinational team of experienced leaders** in regulatory and supervisory matters
- **Enhanced coordination and collaboration** on emerging regulatory issues

- **Operational Sandboxes:** Ghana, Nigeria, Rwanda, Uganda (2 insurtechs admitted)
- **Pilot Testing:** Kenya (frameworks developed, testing phases initiated)
- **Framework Development:** Zimbabwe and Zambia (comprehensive frameworks created)



R3Lab represents a comprehensive approach to regulatory innovation in Africa's insurance sector, successfully demonstrating that collaborative, peer-to-peer learning combined with targeted technical assistance can drive meaningful regulatory change and market development across diverse African contexts.”

A photograph of three people in a professional setting. A man with a beard and glasses is leaning over a woman with glasses and a yellow top, who is looking at a screen. Another man is partially visible in the background. The image is framed by large, stylized green and grey geometric shapes.

THANK YOU