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- Evolving nature of risks due to changes in external environment
- Increasing scale and sophistication of risks
- Limitations of traditional audit

- Using Agile to transform traditional auditing
- The Agile Paradox

Changes in the external environment have resulted in evolving and emerging risks



Trade Wars



Digital Technologies/ Increased Connectivity



Terrorism



Environmental, Social and Governance



Geopolitics

Credit Risk

Cybersecurity Risk

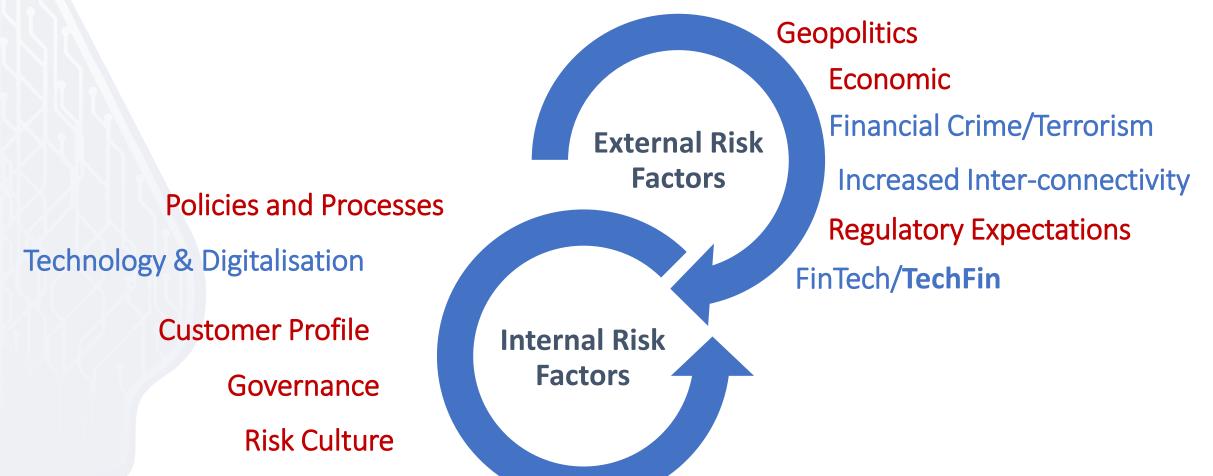
Terrorism Financing Risk

Reputational Risk

Sanctions Risk



Risks are increasing in scale and sophistication due to interactions between external and internal risk factors





DBS' strategy to compete in today's business environment

THE STRAITS TIMES



DBS aims to be the 'D' in Gandalf



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North America Equity Research 18 December 2018

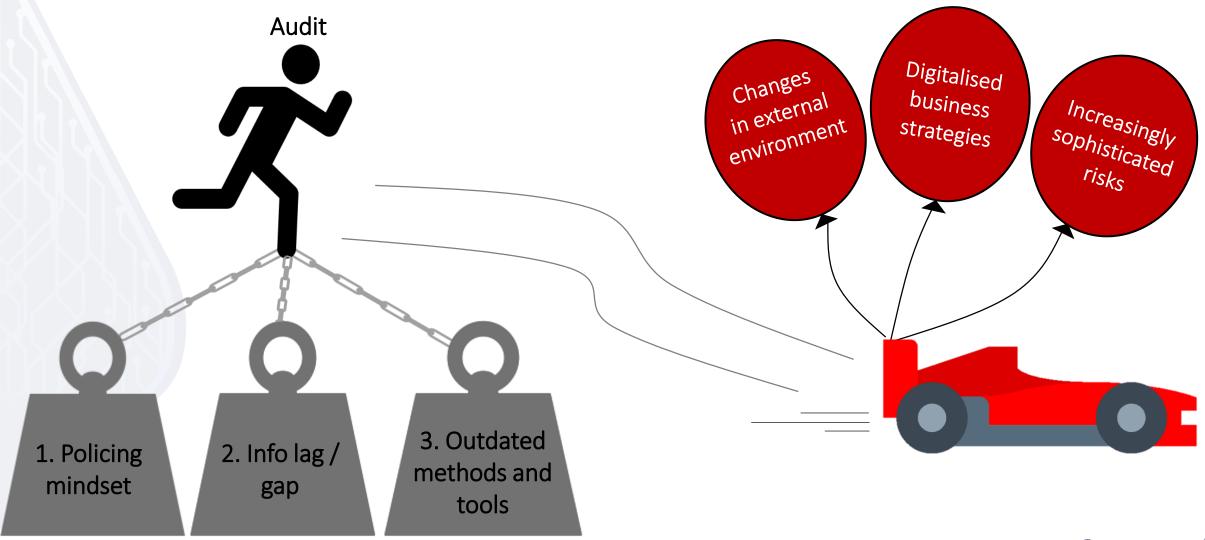
U.S. Mid- and Small-Cap Banks Worldwide Technology Report

With the Disruption of Everything Underway, We Look Overseas for Signs of What's on Tap for US Banks

• Digital Spotlight: Singapore's DBS Bank serving a technology role model for US regional banks. As we look across the spectrum of bank technology leaders outside of the US, one bank that truly stands out is Singapore's largest bank, DBS Bank. With DBS having embarked on a digital transformation journey since 2009, the bank has transformed into not only a digital powerhouse in Asia but also arguably one of the world's top digital banks. Ironically, DBS spends only around 10% of its annual revenue on technology, which is on par with the vast majority of US banks. To us, this clearly demonstrates that US regional banks are falling behind the technology curve tied to a lack of focus rather than a lack of resources.



Challenging for traditional audit approach to keep up





Policing mindset limits exchange of information

How auditors are perceived



How some people may respond to auditors





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Policing mindset

- Stakeholders less likely to be forthcoming
- Does not encourage exchange of information



Information sharing not keeping up with rapidly evolving landscape, resulting in thin/limited knowledge

? Information lag / gap

- Recent years have seen rapid changes to global norms, geopolitics and regulatory expectations
- Information flow to third line of defence may not keep pace
- Information gaps arising from silos



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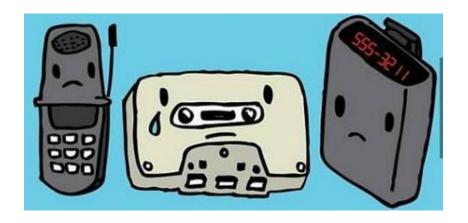


Identification and communication of risks and audit issues may not be as prompt using traditional audit approaches

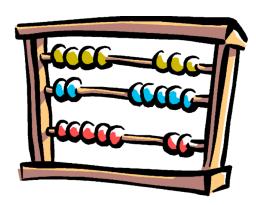


Outdated methods and tools

- Audit's annual planning approach unable to factor in new risk hotspots identified
- Traditional sampling alone is insufficient
- Communication of findings solely via written reports may not be timely







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DBS' approach to overcome limitations of traditional audit



Policing mindset



Information lag



Outdated methods and tools

Agile approach a better way to respond to a more uncertain and complex environment



Timely and updated information

Harness data analytics and digital tools



What is Agile?

- Agile is a way of working, focusing on iterative development and collaboration toward a common goal
- Based on a set of mindset, values, principles, practices and tools

The Agile Manifesto



Individuals and interactions over processes and tools



Customer collaboration over contract negotiation



Working products over comprehensive documentation



Responding to change over to following a plan



Benefits in collaborating in the hunt for risk

Individuals and interactions Responding to Customer change collaboration Working **Products**

Benefits

- ✓ Break down silos
- ✓ Enhance ability to uncover risks through collaboration
- ✓ Increase audit effectiveness by prioritising the right risks
- Prompt detection and engagement on identified issues



The Agile Paradox

Collaboration

Audit Independence

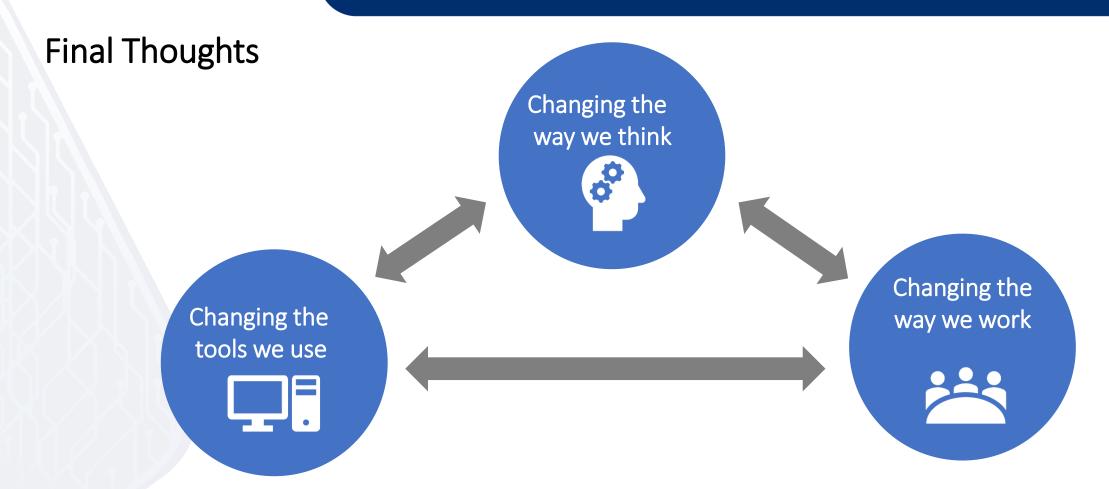
- Seemingly conflicting, but in practice:
 - ✓ Collaboration leads to higher quality findings
 - ✓ Assessments and decisions remain Audit's prerogative; independence not compromised



Final Thoughts

- Success factors contributing to adoption of Agile:
 - Competent auditors
 - Tone from the top
 - Culture and mindset change

 Adoption of Agile requires commitment from both stakeholders and auditors



 Transformation of traditional audit increases audit effectiveness and assurance; lowering the cost of risk for the bank



The Future of Auditing Is Auditing the Future

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