



# Insurance in the context of climate change adaptation Experiences from a BMU/IKI project in Peru, implemented by GIZ

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### **Peru: Insurance for Climate Change Adaptation**

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Duration: November 2010 to October 2013

**Project region:** Departments of Piura, Lambayeque and La Libertad, northern Peru

**Target groups:** Businesses, producer organizations, regional government institutions

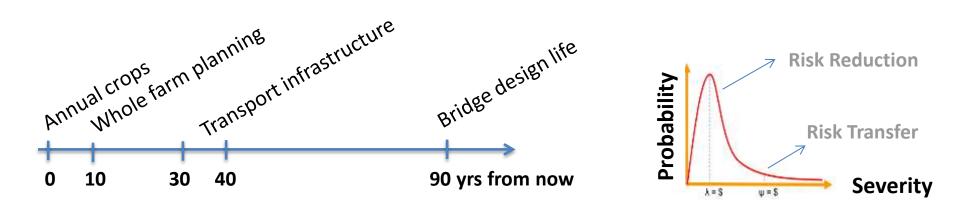
**Objective:**Protect assets against extreme climatic events<br/>through new, innovative insurance products

#### Partners:

- Superintendence of Banks, Insurance and Pension Fund Administrators (SBS)
- Ministry of Economics and Finance (MEF)
- Ministry of Agriculture and Irrigation (MINAGRI)
- Regional governments of Piura, Lambayeque and La Libertad
- Financial and insurance companies



### **Integrated Risk Management Approach**



- Develop inventory of assets
- Determine hazards/risks

Identification of risk

- Develop model of hazards/risks
- Develop vulnerability model

**Risk analysis** 

- Decisions: build new bridges or maintain existing infrastructure
- Prepare / maintain infrastructure for extreme events
  - Risk prevention/ reduction

- Develop financial risk management strategy
- Use variety of financial instruments (retention / transfer)

### Risk transfer/ retention



## Impact of an extreme El Niño Phenomenon on the transport sector

- Deterioration or total destruction of streets, bridges etc.
- Interruption of transit and commerce
- Increase of transport and shipping costs
- Isolation of rural agricultural areas, and rural townships: problems for export

#### Losses per sector incurred by extreme El Niño Phenomena (1983 and 1998) in Peru in millions of US\$

| Sector and sub-sector     | 1982-1983 | % sector | 1997-1998 | % sector |
|---------------------------|-----------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Total                     | 3283      | 100.0%   | 3500      | 100.0%   |
| Social sectors            | 218       | 6.6%     | 485       | 13.9%    |
| Housing                   | 115       | 53%      | 222       | 46%      |
| Education                 | 9         | 4%       | 228       | 47%      |
| Health                    | 94        | 43%      | 35        | 7%       |
| Productive Sectors        | 2533      | 77.2%    | 1626      | 46.5%    |
| Agriculture and Livestock | 1064      | 42%      | 612       | 38%      |
| Fishing                   | 174       | 7%       | 27        | 2%       |
| Mining                    | 509       | 20%      | 44        | 3%       |
| Industry                  | 786       | 31%      | 675       | 42%      |
| Commerce                  | 0         | 0%       | 268       | 16%      |
| Infrastructure            | 532       | 16.2%    | 1389      | 39.7%    |
| Transport                 | 497       | 93%      | 686       | 49%      |
| Electricity               | 32        | 6%       | 165       | 12%      |
| Other                     | 3         | 1%       | 538       | 39%      |
| Percentage of GDP %       | 7.0%      |          | 5.0%      |          |

**Source:** Estimations made by CAF, on the basis of numbers provided by ECLAC



## **The Extreme El Niño Index Insurance Product**

Based on sea-surface temperature, data published by NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, US)

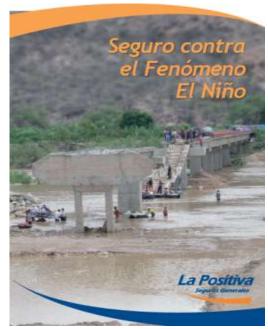
Index is measured in November and December

- ⇒ payment can be made in January, before catastrophic flooding and losses have occurred
- ⇒ emergency preparation and some preventive actions can be carried out:
  - reinforce vulnerable infrastructures, such as bridges, streets, canals etc.
  - avoid their total destruction
  - do any other kind of emergency works

#### Advantages

- Promotes disaster risk planning, risk mitigation and adaptation strategies
- Rapid processes and lower transaction costs
- Allows for the continuity of development processes
- Transfers risks to specialized entities
- Reduces financial burden on the state and incentivizes investment







### **Final reflections**

#### Lesson Learned: It is necessary to

- a) adapt financial instruments to the specific sector of intervention and
- b) to develop different instruments for different types of risks.

FIGURE 4. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS FOR RISK RETENTION AND TRANSFER REGARDING CLIMATE RISK MANAGE-MENT IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES

| Approximate return<br>period | Types of financial cove | Maximum likely loss with<br>insurance (in millions<br>of USD)* |     |  |
|------------------------------|-------------------------|--|-----|--|
| > 500 years                  | Without co              | 750  |     |  |
| > 500 years                  |                         | Parametric<br>instruments                                      | 750 |  |
| 50 years                     | Public assets insurance | (insurance, bonds,<br>etc.)                                    | 250 |  |
|                              |                         | Lines of credit<br>/ budget                                    | 250 |  |
| 10 years                     |                         | reassignment   | 50  |  |
|                              | Reserve fund            |  | 50  |  |

Note:

\* An example to illustrate a medium sized Central American country (with no connection to any real nation). Source: Ghesquiere (2008).





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