



# GRC Maturity

Benchmarking Your GRC Program

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## Are you truly aware of your risks?

“Never in all history have we harnessed such formidable technology. Every scientific advancement known to man has been incorporated into its design. The operational controls are sound and foolproof!”

E.J. Smith,  
Captain of the Titanic

# Change impacts risk management in the context of business



REGULATIONS



COURT RULINGS



LEGISLATION



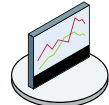
ENFORCEMENT

## Regulatory/Legal Change

Monitor change in the legal and regulatory environment to determine how pending legislation, court decisions, new/changing regulations, and enforcement actions affect current and needed policies.



MONITOR



MARKET FORCES



GEO-POLITICAL



COMPETITIVE FORCES

## External Risk Change

Monitor change in the external risk environment to determine how uncertainty in economic, geo-political, environmental, industry, societal, and market forces affect current and needed policies.



INDUSTRY



SOCIETAL FORCES



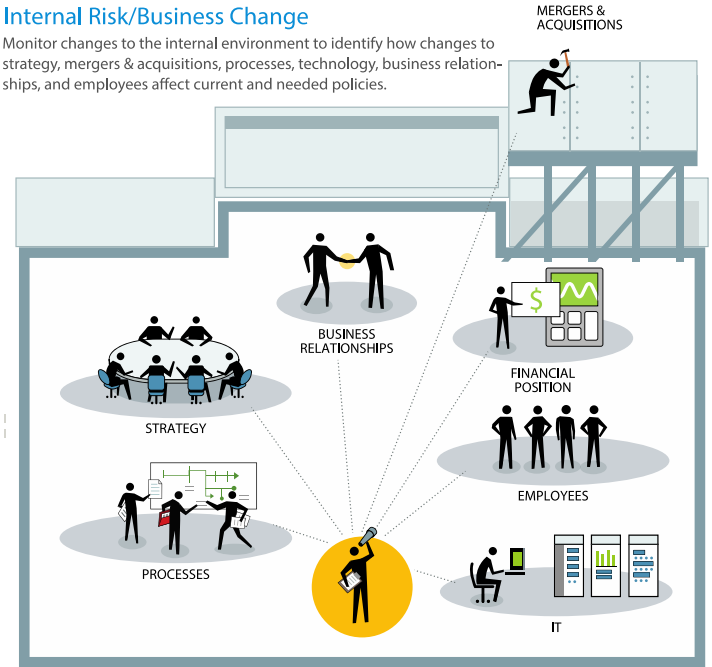
TECHNOLOGY



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## Internal Risk/Business Change

Monitor changes to the internal environment to identify how changes to strategy, mergers & acquisitions, processes, technology, business relationships, and employees affect current and needed policies.



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# . . . and we hope nothing fails

- Inability to gain **clear view** of risk dependencies;
- **High cost of consolidating risk** information;
- Difficulty maintaining **accurate risk** information;
- **Failure to trend** across risk assessment periods;
- Redundant approaches **limit correlation, comparison and integration** of risk information; and
- Lack of agility to respond timely to **changing risks, regulations, laws, and situations.**



# Getting direction through the GRC wilderness . . .



# The questions organizations need to ask:

- ✓ Does the organization have enough information to make decisions about the future of the company, when they don't have a clear view of risk that impacts critical business operations and processes?
- ✓ Does the organization know its risk exposure at the enterprise, business process, and technology levels and how they interrelate?
- ✓ How does the organization know it is managing and mitigating risk effectively in the context of the business to achieve business goals?
- ✓ Can the organization accurately gauge the impact of risk on business strategy, objectives, and operations?
- ✓ Does the organization get the information it needs to take timely action to risk exposure to avoid or mitigate loss and situations of non-compliance?
- ✓ Does the organization monitor key risk indicators across key IT systems, processes, and information?
- ✓ Does the organization optimally measure and model risk in a business context?

*. . . a capability that enables an organization to **reliably achieve objectives** while addressing uncertainty and acting with integrity . . .*

## What GRC is about . . .

Not every enterprise would describe itself as a “fast car,” however, most organizations want to drive toward objectives – while avoiding bumps in the road

**FASTEST CARS**

have (should have) the

**BEST BRAKES**



## UNWORKABLE ALTERNATIVES



### MONARCHY

**Centralized Strategy  
Centralized Resourcing  
Centralized Operation**



A Monarchy model for GRC may be appropriate if requirements are understood and consistent and management decision-making is centralized. It won't work when:

- there are complex and dynamic requirements and risks
- operations are de-centralized with unique and numerous products and services
- business units are resistant to corporate mandates without full understanding of unit processes, legal obligations, and contractual requirements and risks

### ANARCHY

**Siloed Strategy  
Siloed Resourcing  
Siloed Operation**



An Anarchy model for GRC is never desirable yet many organizations have siloed operations that lack repeatable, measurable processes. Problems arise from:

- absence of standard approach to risk identification and analysis
- failure to use common language and taxonomy
- waste of resources due to redundancies
- lack of corporate insight into size, scale and scope of risks within a silo

## THE FEDERATED GRC APPROACH

### CENTER OF EXCELLENCE

**Collaborative Strategy  
Collaborative Sourcing  
Collaborative Operation**



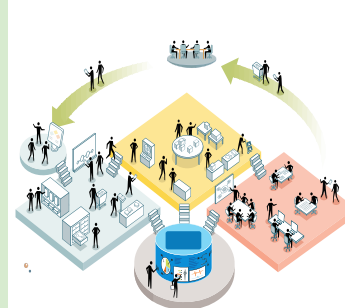
The Center of Excellence champions GRC maturity across all the federated units. It incubates new ideas and innovations both within the Center and in collaboration with units that have unique needs. Lessons learned contribute to the body of knowledge the Center shares as it provides common approaches, tools, frameworks and experts in core competencies across the organization.

### SHARED SERVICES

**Shared Resources  
Shared Information  
Shared Technology**



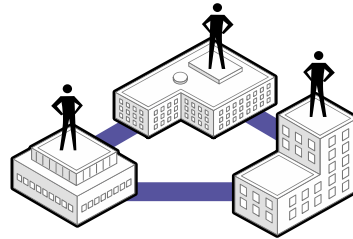
Shared services support common processes for policies, training, issue reporting and management across multiple, federated business units, securing cost savings and sustainable efficiencies through economies of scale. This improves the agility, scalability, continuity and resiliency of common processes, and meets demand for collaborative learning, research and knowledge exchange. Over time, Shared services raise quality and provide a vehicle for organizational transformation.



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## FEDERATED OVERSIGHT & ASSURANCE

The Executive Leadership Team establishes the program structure, and envisions the roadmap to establish and integrate the framework of GRC into enterprise processes and collaboration.

## CENTER OF EXCELLENCE



GRC stakeholders take enterprise perspective to their units so they can align their objectives.



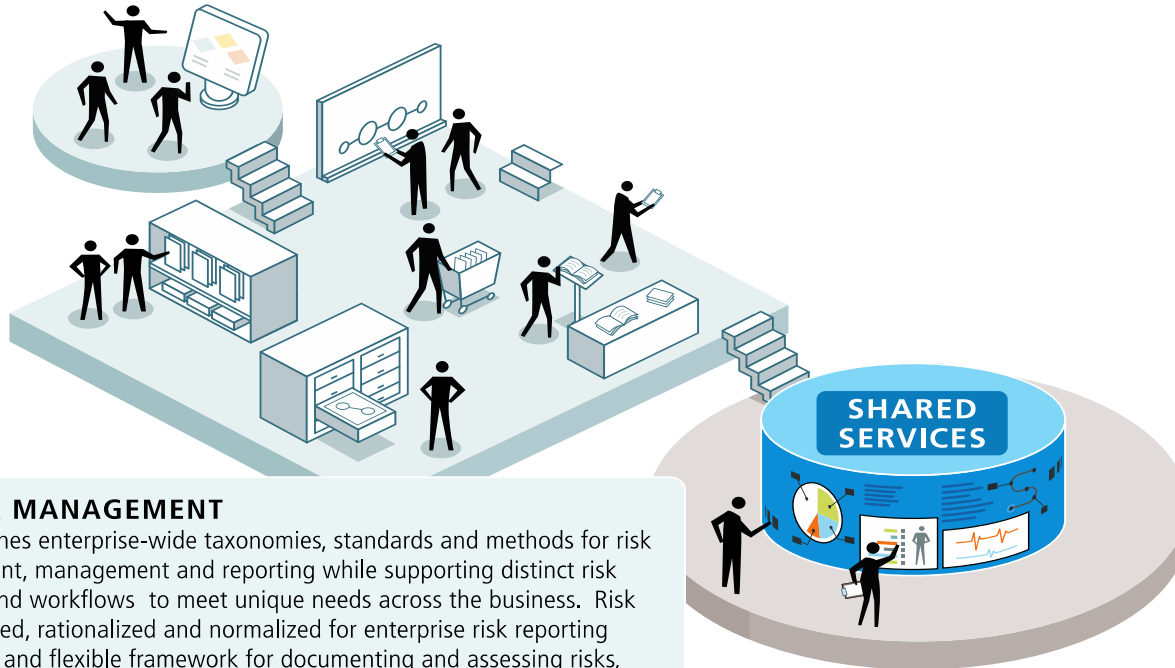
GRC stakeholders share their experiences to collaborate and expand knowledge.



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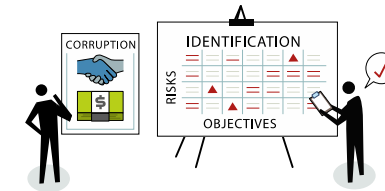
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# Federated Risk Management – a layered approach to risk

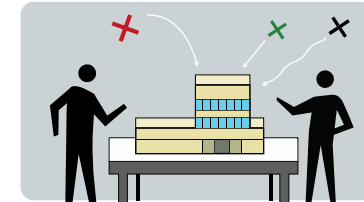


## FEDERATED RISK MANAGEMENT

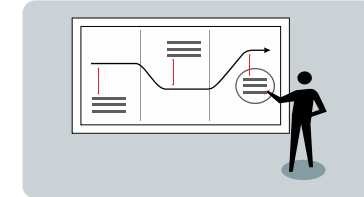
Federated GRC establishes enterprise-wide taxonomies, standards and methods for risk identification, assessment, management and reporting while supporting distinct risk methods, taxonomies and workflows to meet unique needs across the business. Risk information is aggregated, rationalized and normalized for enterprise risk reporting based on an integrated and flexible framework for documenting and assessing risks, defining controls, managing assessments, identifying issues, and implementing recommendations and remediation plans.



### ANALYZE RISKS



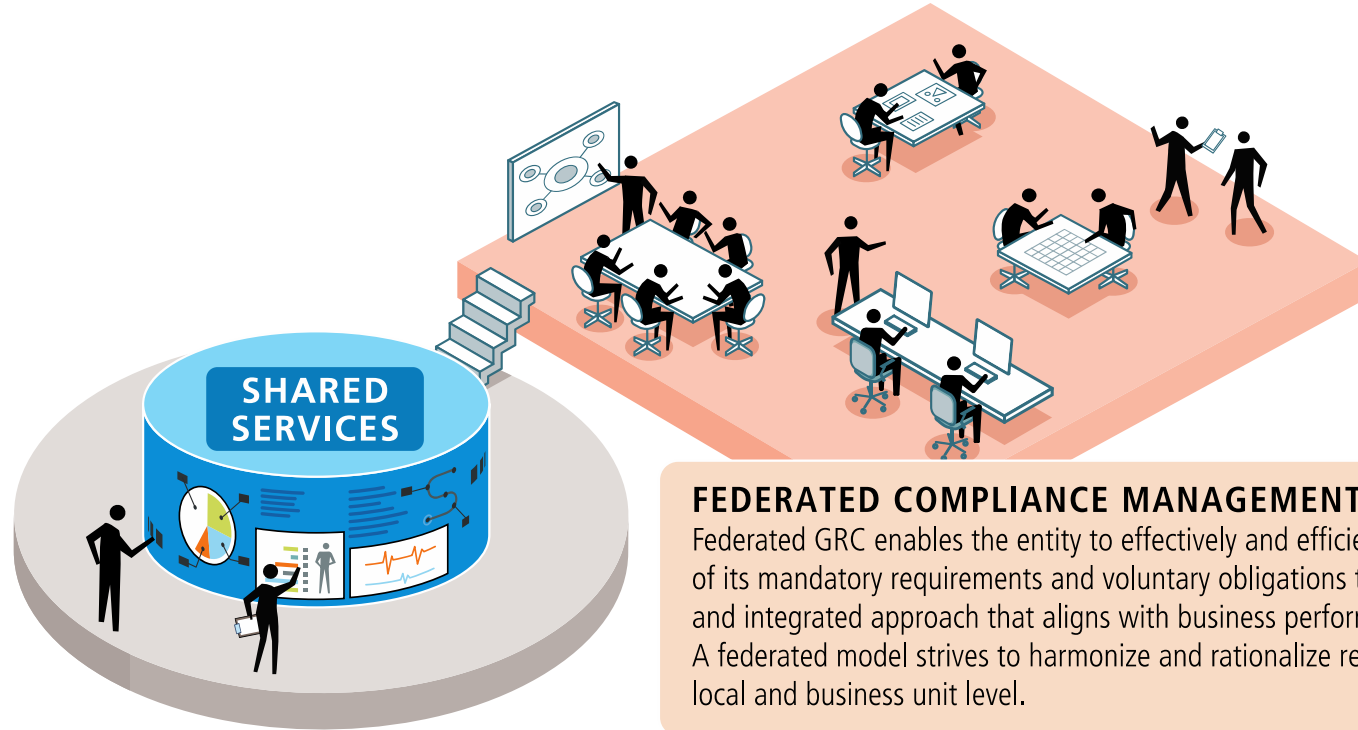
### UNDERSTAND HISTORY



### REVIEW EXISTING POLICIES



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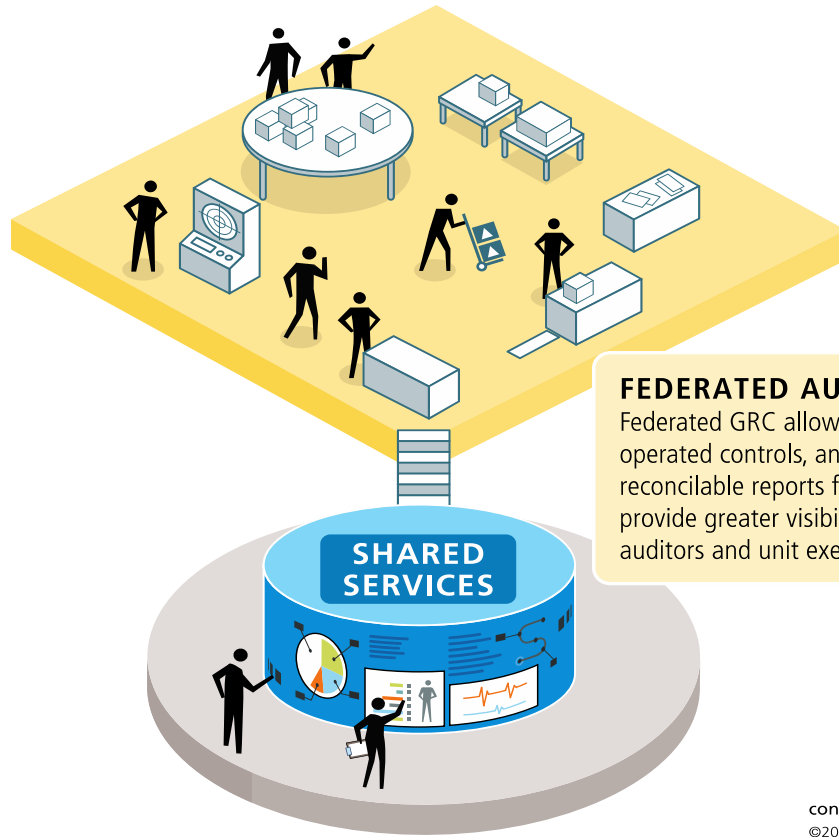


## FEDERATED COMPLIANCE MANAGEMENT

Federated GRC enables the entity to effectively and efficiently identify and manage all of its mandatory requirements and voluntary obligations through a common framework and integrated approach that aligns with business performance and risk management. A federated model strives to harmonize and rationalize requirements at the global, local and business unit level.

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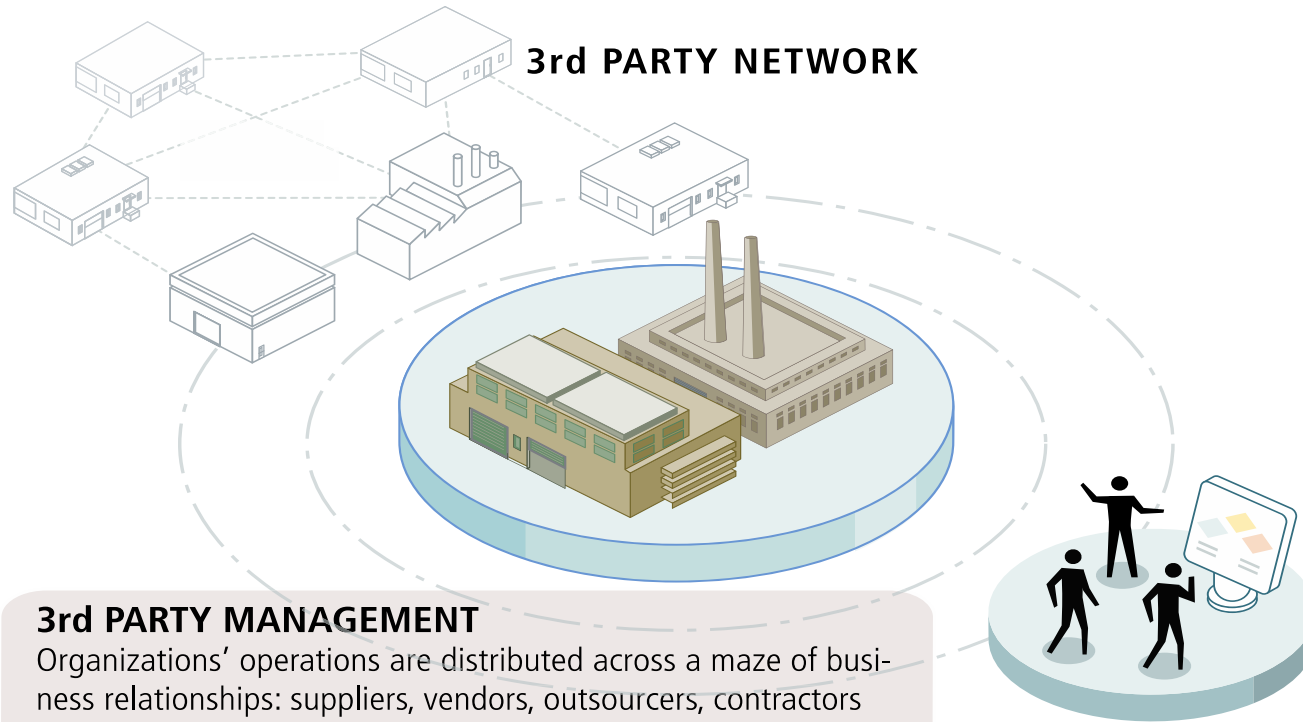


## FEDERATED AUDIT MANAGEMENT

Federated GRC allows auditors to provide greater assurance of properly designed and operated controls, and insight into business performance, through consistent and reconcilable reports from operational and field audits. A federated model strives to provide greater visibility into emerging risks by enhancing communication between auditors and unit executives.

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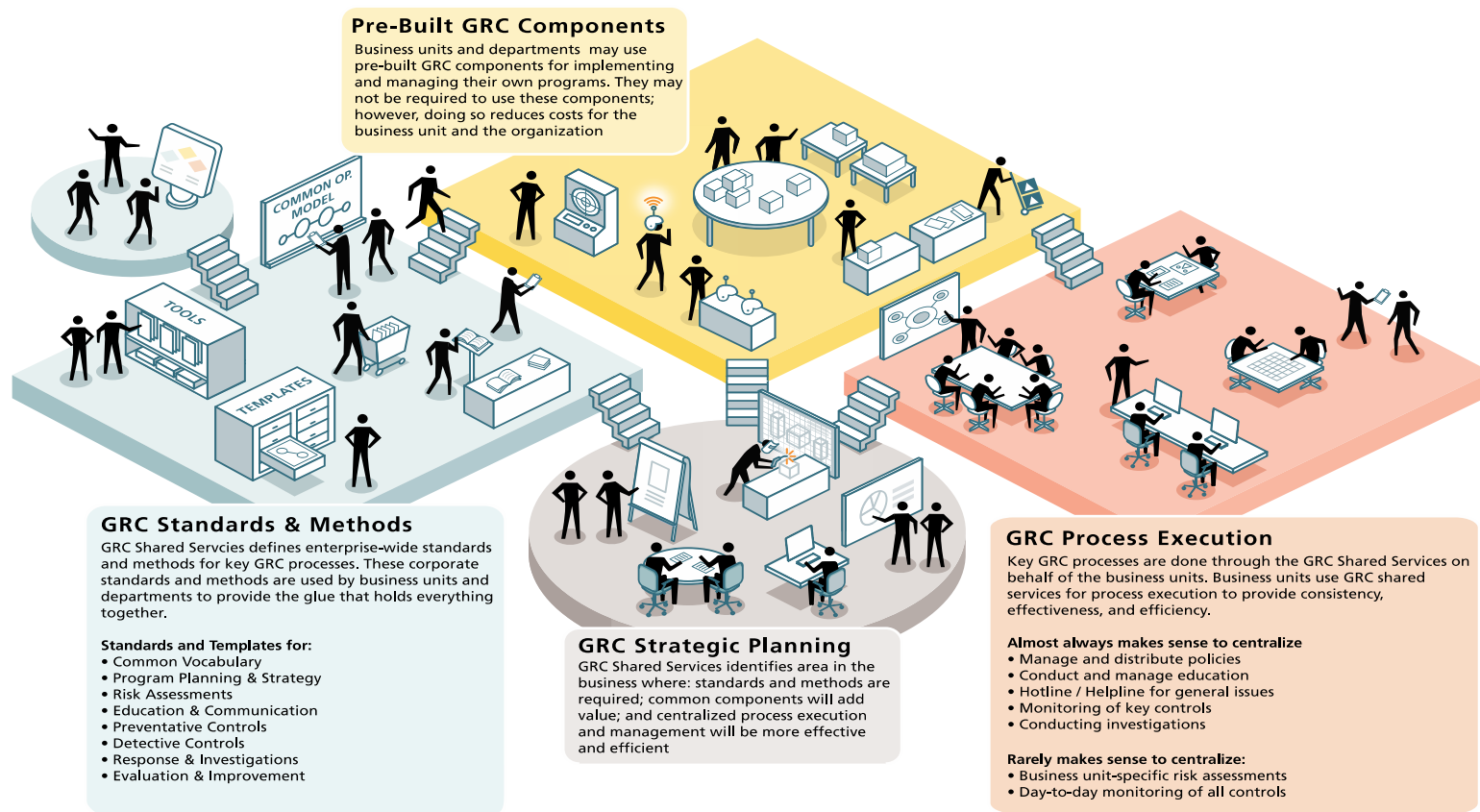
# Federated 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Management



Organizations' operations are distributed across a maze of business relationships: suppliers, vendors, outsourcers, contractors and agents. Federated GRC includes the integration and oversight of performance, risk, and compliance across the organization's third party relationships and transactions.

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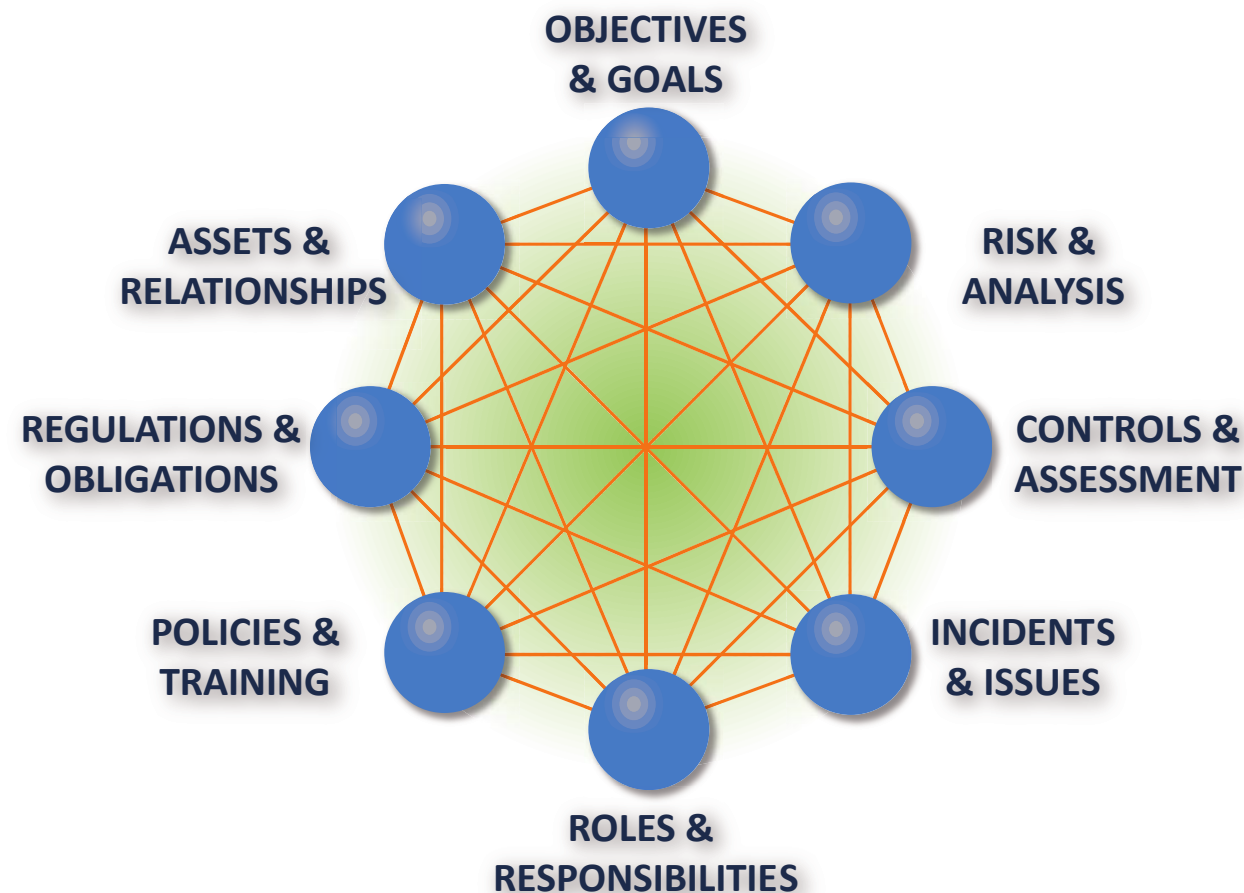
# The Federated GRC model delivers common components



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# Power of information drives GRC intelligence



## higher quality information

Integrating GRC information allows management to make more intelligent decisions, more rapidly.



## process optimization

All non-value-added activities are eliminated and value-added activities are streamlined to reduce lag time and undesirable variation.



## better capital allocation

Identifying areas where there are redundancies or inefficiencies allows financial and human capital to be allocated more effectively.



## improved effectiveness

Overall effectiveness is improved as gaps are closed, unnecessary redundancy is reduced, and GRC activities are allocated to the right individuals and departments.



## protected reputation

Reputation is protected and enhanced because risks are managed more effectively.



## reduced costs

Reduced costs help to improve return on investments made in GRC activities.

## Self-Assessment Questions:

- Does risk and compliance lack clear owners and accountability within departments?
- Are assessments and controls put in place after the fact when the organization realizes it is exposed or someone is insisting?
- Is risk and compliance largely undocumented, or trapped in silos of spreadsheets and documents?
- Does the organization lack any process, information, and technology architecture to support risk and compliance?
- Does the department/business function have no ability to report and trend risk and compliance over time?

## Examples:

- No defined risk and compliance ownership
- Ad hoc & reactive assessments
- Document centric approaches
- Ad hoc approach
- Little technology in place
- No visibility, trending, analytics

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### AD HOC

GRC is reactive and focused on putting out individual fires of risk and compliance in scattered silos across the organization.



## 2

### FRAGMENTED

GRC responsibilities are scattered and decentralized. Inconsistencies within departments. GRC activities are manual and rely on documents, spreadsheets and emails.

### Self-Assessment Questions:

- ❑ Are risk and compliance activities tactical and siloed?
- ❑ Does the organization lack an integrated risk and compliance approach and the department level?
- ❑ Is risk and compliance information scattered across various documents and technology sources?
- ❑ Is it difficult and time-consuming to track and trend risk and compliance information and reporting?

### Examples:

- Tactical siloed approach to risk and compliance
- No integration or sharing of risk and compliance information
- Reliance on fragmented technology & lots of documents
- Measurement & trending is difficult

## 3

### MANAGED

GRC is department-specific with limited coordination between department/function. Within a department, GRC activities tend to be well structured, organized, and use technology well to make GRC activities more efficient, effective, and agile.

### Self-Assessment Questions:

- Does the organization have mature risk and compliance processes at a department level?
- Do individual departments have defined GRC information and technology architectures?
- Can the department readily report and trend on risk and compliance over time?
- Have departments removed the overhead of reactive document centric approaches?
- Is there clear accountability/responsibility for risk and compliance at a department level?

### Examples:

- Strategic approach within a department
- Mature processes at a department level
- Integrated information architecture
- Good reporting and trending at a department level

## 4

### INTEGRATED

The organization has an enterprise GRC strategy that is trying to coordinate efforts, processes, and services across departments. Focus on enterprise reporting and working toward a common GRC platform with centralized GRC coordination.

### Self-Assessment Questions:

- Does the organization have a GRC strategy that goes across departments?
- Are a majority of risk and compliance functions participating in the GRC strategy?
- Does the organization have shared processes for GRC?
- Does the organization have a shared information and technology architecture for GRC?
- Can the organization report and trend on GRC across departments?
- Can the organization aggregate and understand risk across the business?

### Examples:

- Strategic approach to GRC across departments
- Silos eliminated
- Common process, technology and information architecture across departments
- Trending and reporting across departments

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### AGILE

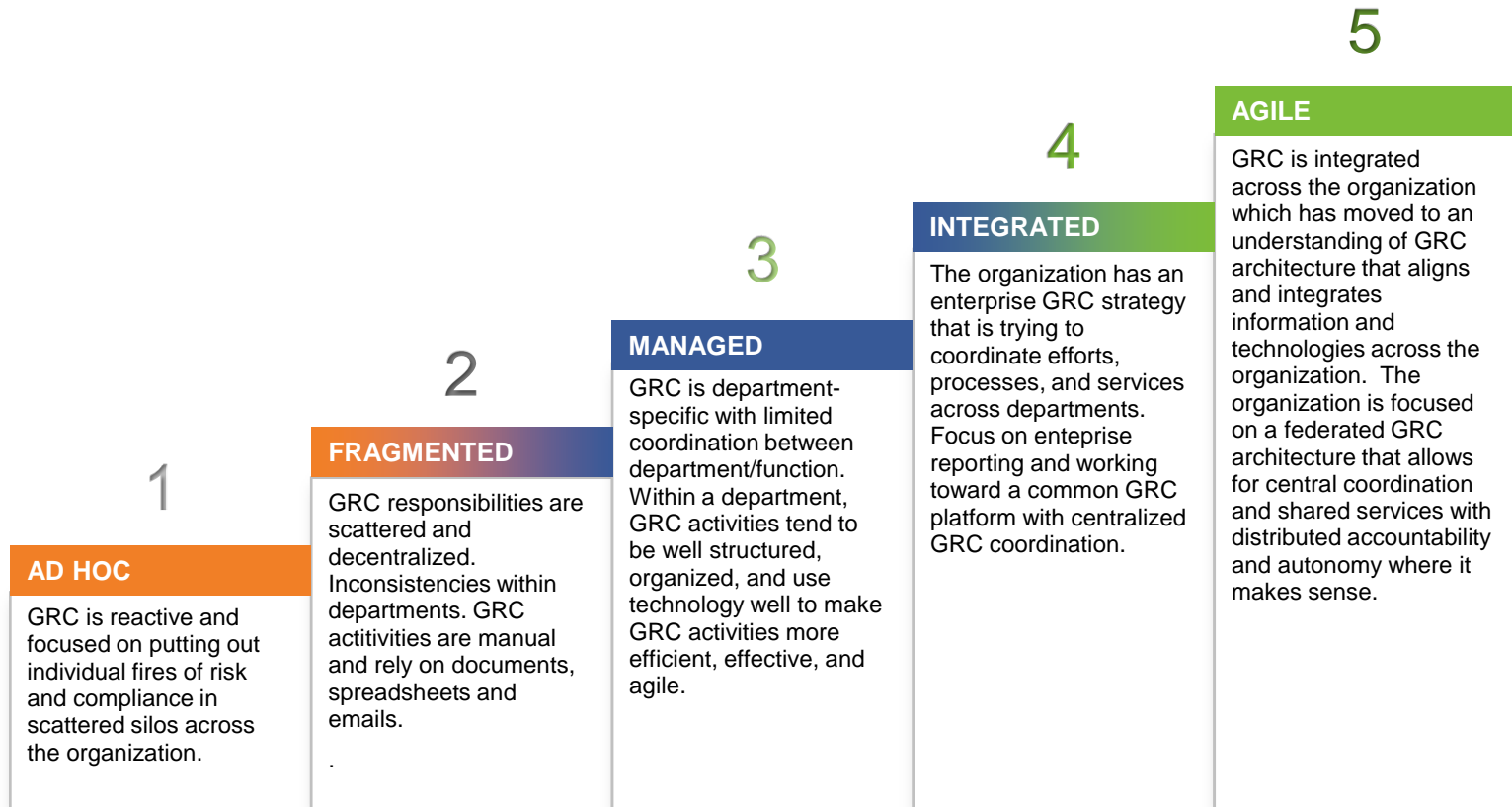
GRC is integrated across the organization which has moved to an understanding of GRC architecture that aligns and integrates information and technologies across the organization. The organization is focused on a federated GRC architecture that allows for central coordination and shared services with distributed accountability and autonomy where it makes sense.

### Self-Assessment Questions:

- Is there a single GRC strategy for the entire organization that all departments participate in?
- Is GRC understood and monitored in the context of business performance?
- Is risk a key element in strategic planning?
- Can the organization monitor and trend GRC in the context of organization strategy, performance, and objective management?
- Does the organization have mature processes, information, and technology implementations to support GRC?
- Is there regular monitoring for improvement in GRC?

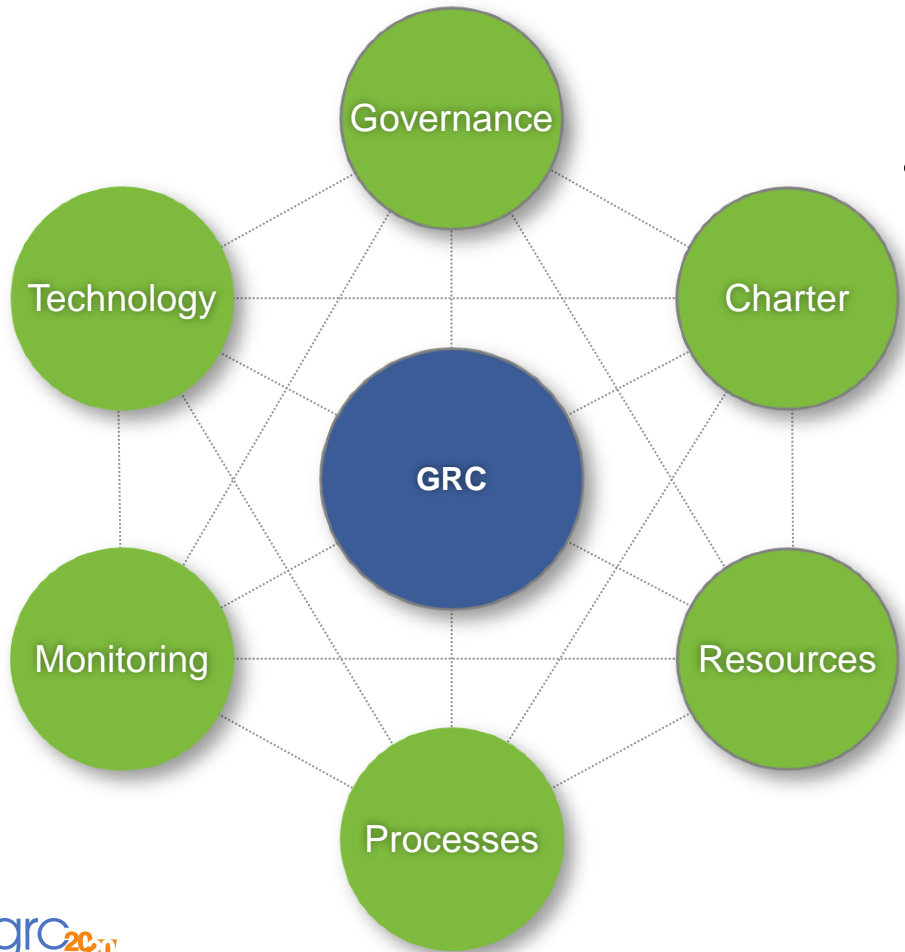
### Examples:

- GRC is integrated throughout the business
- GRC expectations are part of annual strategic planning
- Extensive measurement and monitoring of risk and compliance in the context of business

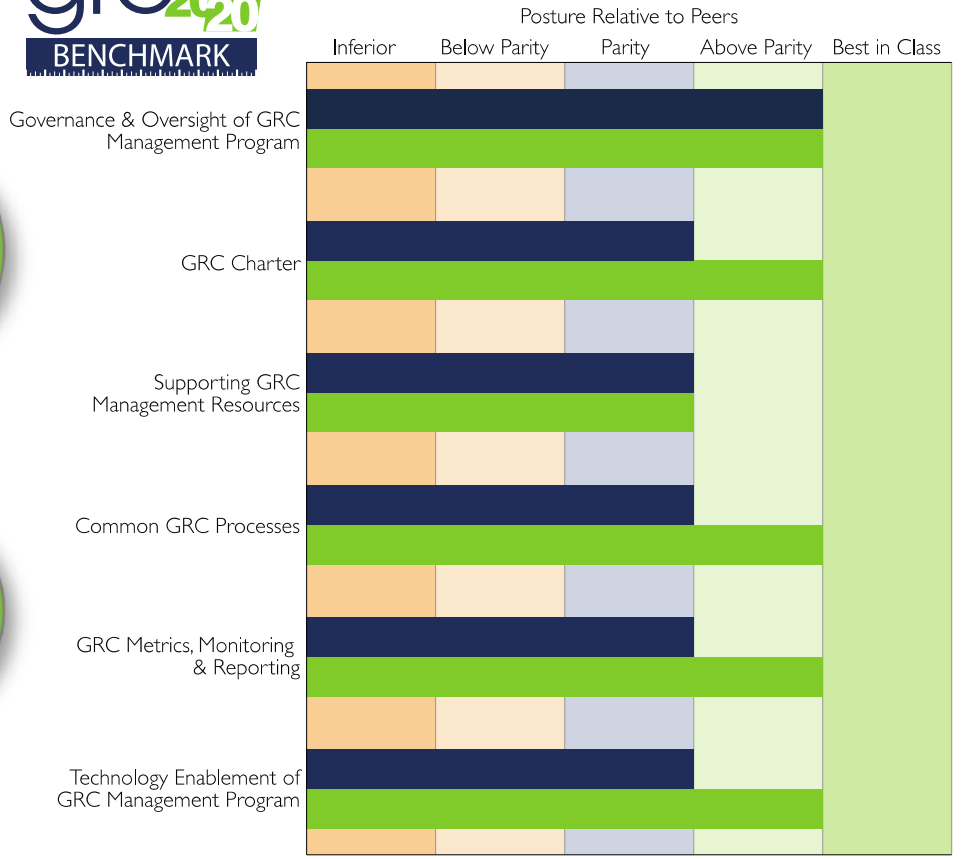


Issue to Department to Enterprise Coordination & Integration

# Effective GRC Management Benchmark



## EFFECTIVE GRC MANAGEMENT



# Increasing GRC maturity through contextual risk awareness delivers . . .

## 1. Aware

- ✓ Have a finger on the pulse of business
- ✓ Watch for change in internal & external environment
- ✓ Turn data into information that can be, and is, analyzed
- ✓ Share information in every relevant direction

## 2. Aligned

- ✓ Support and inform business objectives
- ✓ Continuously align objectives and operations to risk of the entity
- ✓ Give strategic consideration to information from risk management enabling appropriate change

## 3. Responsive

- ✓ You can't react to something you don't sense
- ✓ Gain greater awareness and understanding of information that drives decisions and actions
- ✓ Improve transparency, but also quickly cut through the morass of data to what you need to know to make the right decisions

## 4. Agile

- ✓ More than fast, nimble
- ✓ Being fast isn't helpful if you are headed in the wrong direction.
- ✓ Risk mgmt enables decisions and actions that are quick, coordinated and well thought out.
- ✓ Agility allows an entity to use risk to its advantage, grasp strategic opportunities and be confident in its ability to stay on course.

## 5. Resilient

- ✓ Be able to bounce back quickly from changes in context and threats with limited business impact
- ✓ Have sufficient tolerances to allow for some missteps
- ✓ Have confidence necessary to rapidly adapt and respond to opportunities

## 6. Lean

- ✓ Build the muscle, trim the fat
- ✓ Get rid of expense from unnecessary duplication, redundancy and misallocation of resources within the risk management
- ✓ Lean the organization overall with enhanced capability and related decisions about application of resources



# Questions?

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