

# Ongoing Work on Risk Management and Climate Change

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### **Outline**





- Introduction: Risk in agriculture
- Risk-layering and OECD's Holistic approach to risk management
- How does climate change affect agricultural risk?
- Implications for the insurance market
  - Innovative approaches to insurance
- Project plan



### **OECD's Holistic Approach**



#### Holistic approach to risk management focuses along 3 axes:

- i. sources of risk
- ii. risk management tools and strategies
- iii. the role of government

Considers each element of risk management as part of a system: need to take into account

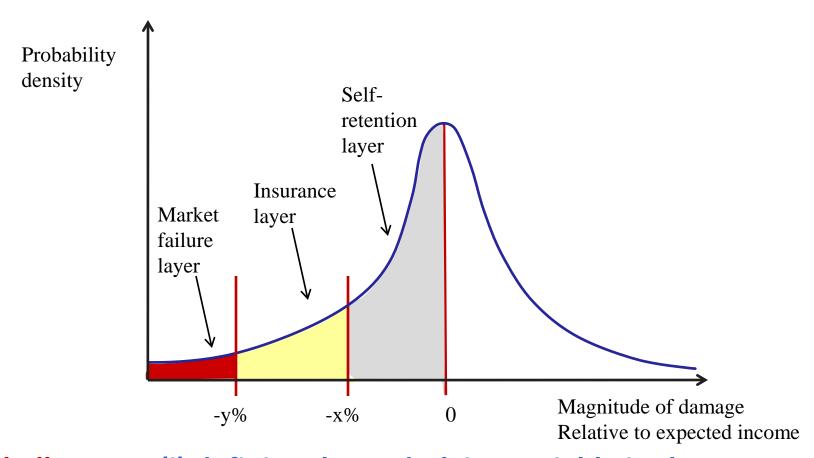
- policies' interactions with all sources of risk
- interactions between risk management tools and strategies

In the process of carrying out (i) a thematic review of risk management in agriculture using a shared template, and (ii) micro-modelling analysis of farmer strategies



### Layering Risk

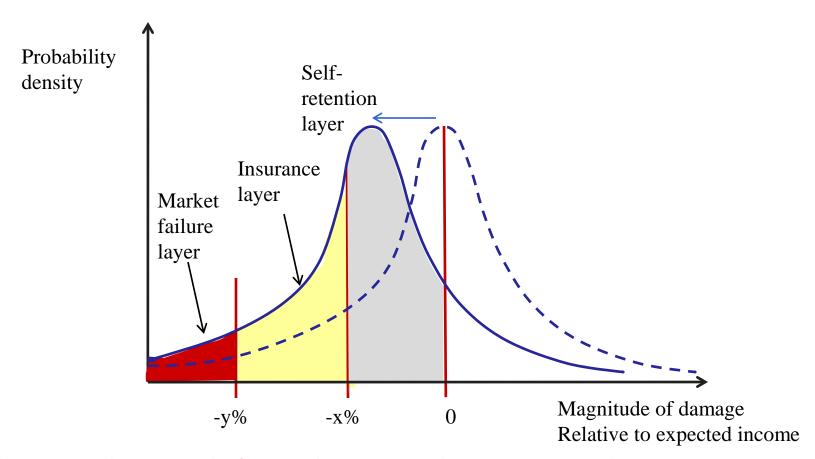




Challenges – (i) defining the underlying variable in the distribution of risk, (ii) having an up-to-date probability distribution, (iii) defining the boundaries of different layers



## **Changes in Central Tendency**



Climate change shifting the central tendency – big impact on pricing of insurance, and catastrophe load



### Workplan to October 2011



- (i) review potential impact of climate change on yields;
- (ii) examine the potential implications of how the change in yields are perceived, examining the impact of any misalignments in expectations;
- (iii) Utilize stochastic farm model and introduce model modifications, such as incorporating innovative risk management instruments into the model
- (iv) simulate different policy packages and examine their budgetary and welfare implications, and the policy robustness under uncertainty introduced by climate change.