

Top 10 Emerging Risks of 2Q20

Risk, audit and compliance executives tell us every quarter about the threats they see looming on the horizon. Here are the most recent emerging risks.

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The Second Wave

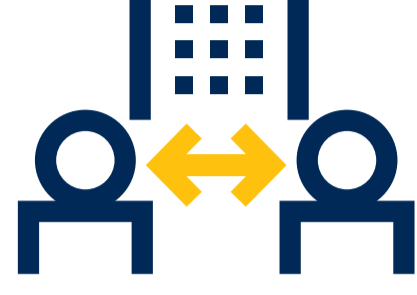
A second wave of COVID-19 handicaps recovery and return to work plans within an organization.



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The New Working Model

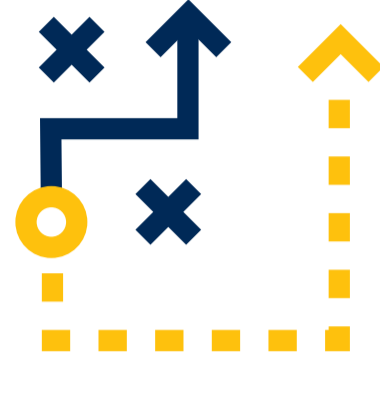
An organization struggles to return to the traditional work environment due to social distancing requirements, augmented work schedules and workspace transformations.



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Strategic Corrections

Corrections made to the organization's strategic plan in response to evolving macroeconomic conditions are inefficient, detrimental to growth or recovery.



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2020 U.S. Presidential Election

The outcome of the 2020 U.S. presidential election leads to increased uncertainty and instability in global markets.



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U.S.-China Trade Talks

U.S.-China trade talks drag on. Phase 1 deal is created, but tensions increase because of global supply chain and investment disruptions due to COVID-19.



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Misguided Cost-Cutting Effort

The actions taken for dramatic cost cutting in response to COVID-19 leaves an organization unable to act on its strategic initiatives.



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Cyber-Physical Convergence

The integration of previously unconnected physical devices (e.g., security badges) with the internet increases an organization's vulnerability to cyberattacks due to inadequate security procedures.



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Profound Social Instability

Politically or economically motivated types of civil unrest can have far-reaching and often unpredictable consequences for business and society as a whole.



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Work-Life Convergence

Employee burnout sets in because of the inability to escape work in a fully remote model.



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Extreme Weather Events

The increased frequency of extreme weather events affects the economic growth of an organization due to the cost of revamping business continuity/ disaster recovery plans.



Risk velocity

Emerging risks ranked with the highest impact and velocity:

- Corporate Social Negligence
- The New Working Model
- The Second Wave

Organizations of all sizes should be wary of these high-velocity risks because they could rapidly cripple your organization if they were to materialize.

Are you prepared to tackle these risks?

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