

## **Trade Credit Insurance**

Impact of Public Policies on Credit Insurance Development

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#### Credit Insurance

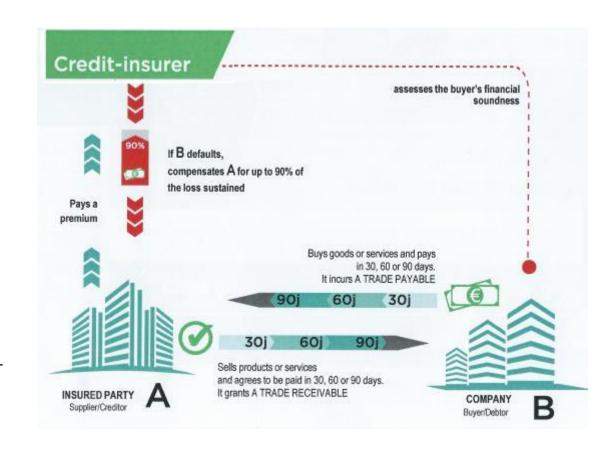
- → Protects a company
  - Against non-payment
  - of Commercial Invoices
  - on credit terms
  - with other companies

#### Portfolio of Credit risks

- → Whole turnover policies
- → Specific policies
  - Exports and domestic Trade Credit
  - Excess of Loss policies
  - Single Risk/Single Buyer policies
  - Can/non-can Credit limits

#### Trade Finance

- → Policy can be used to obtain Trade-Finance from commercial banks
- → Credit Enhancement ("AA Rated")
  - Policy issued to a bank
  - Policy endorsed to a bank
    - As "First Loss Payee"





### **Trade Credit Insurance In Latin America**

#### Growth of Credit Insurance

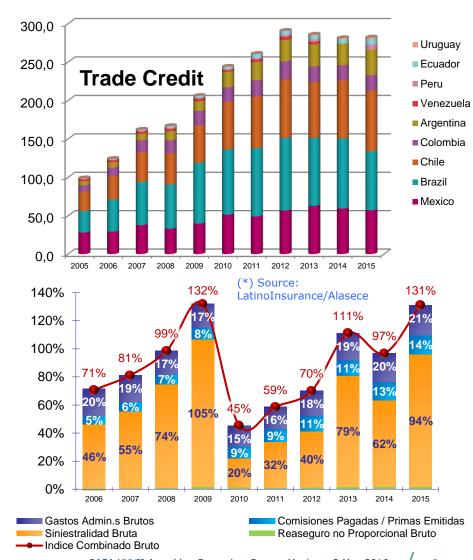
- → 17% growth pa. from 2004-2012
  - → From USD 79 mln to USD 290 mln
- $\rightarrow$  -3% from 2012-2016
  - Notwithstanding high risk perception
  - But caused by devaluation against USD...

### Profitability of the sector (10 years)

- → 5 years profitable
- → 5 years significant Losses
  - → Sector **NET LOSSES** of ±USD 100 mln in 2015 alone
  - → Average Combined 114%
  - → About 30%-35% cost ratio
  - → Distribution costs ...

#### However in 2015 in all countries

- → Sharp deterioration of economic situation
- → High level of payment incidents since September 2014 across all countries
- → Specific sectors
  - Agro & Agrochemical
    - Mainly linked to weather patters, across the region
  - Construction & suppliers to construction
    - BUT mainly construction linked to government projects
    - > INCLUDING: Steel, Metal construction, Electrical supplies, Cement, flooring, Air-conditioning
  - Some Consumer sectors
    - Car distribution (Chile)
    - Electronics goods distribution)

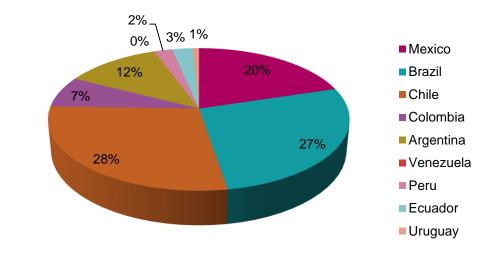


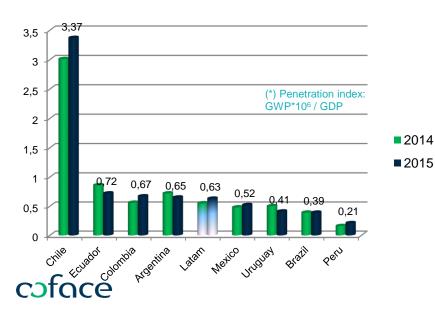


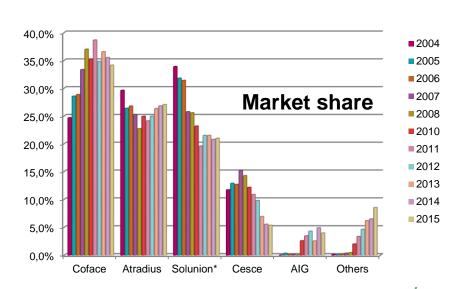
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### Market Evolution

- ⇒ Chile overtook Brazil as 1st Market
  - ▶ 75% market in 3 countries
- ⇒ Penetration rate ⊘
  - Risk awareness of corporates
  - ▶ But differences between markets
- ⇒ 94% GWP by 5 global companies







# **Trade Credit Insurance Development**

- Creation of Seguros de Caución in Mexico
  - ⇒ Real Opportunity or Hidden trap?
    - ▶ Regulations allow start of trade Credit alongside with an existing surety activity
  - ⇒In Mexico? And what about other countries?
- Critical factors for Trade Credit Insurance
  - ⇒ People: The right dedicated team
  - ⇒ Footprint
    - ▶ Pricing model
    - Systems to follow up on aggregate risks
  - ⇒ Critical mass for profitable Trade Credit Insurance activity
    - ▶ USD 250 mln at global level
    - ▶ USD 10 mln at local level
  - ⇒ Transparency of Financial Information
    - ► Key development difference
- Estimated up-front investment...?
  - «Imagine having USD 50 mln available, would you start a "Trade Credit Insurance" activity?»

