

Reliable warranty insurance: A key metric of sustainable PV projects

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Munich Re (Group)

- World's largest reinsurer by premium volume
- Founded 1880
- Revenue 2016: €48.9 bn
- approx. 43,000 employees

Group Results 2012 – 2016

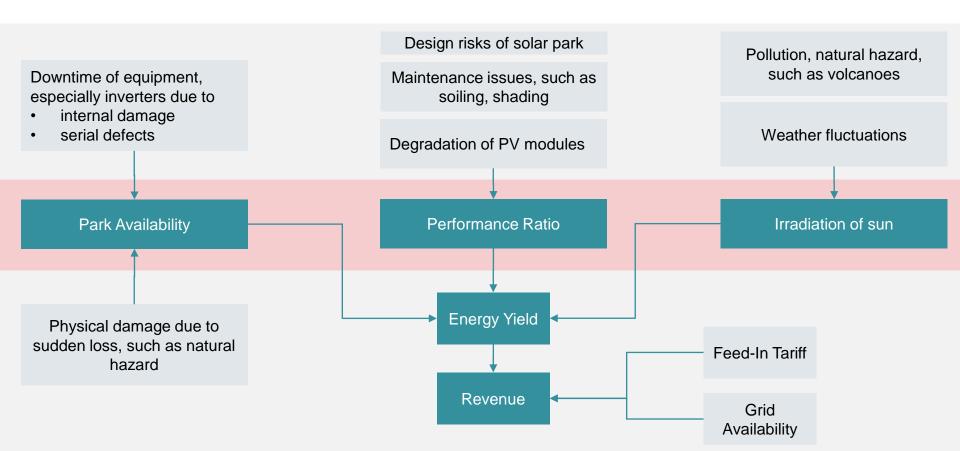
2016	€ 2.6 bn
2015	€ 3.1 bn
2014	€ 3.2 bn
2013	€ 3.3 bn
2012	€ 3.2 bn



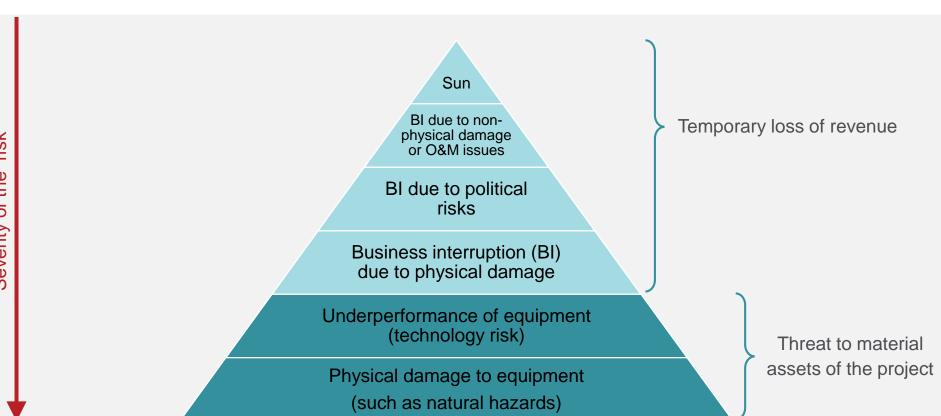
Rating			
A.M Best	A+ (Superior)	stable	
Fitch	AA (Very Strong)	stable	
Moody's	Aa3 (Excellent)	stable	
S&P	AA- (Very Strong)	stable	

Risk diagram of a solar park during operational phase

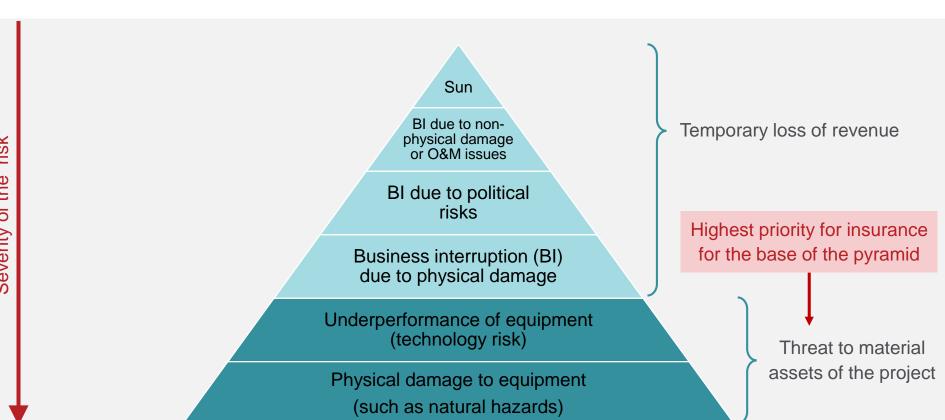












Traditional insurance solutions for different project phases



Construction Phase

Operational Phase

Traditional insurance solutions

- Erection All Risk (EAR)
- Delay in Start Up (DSU)

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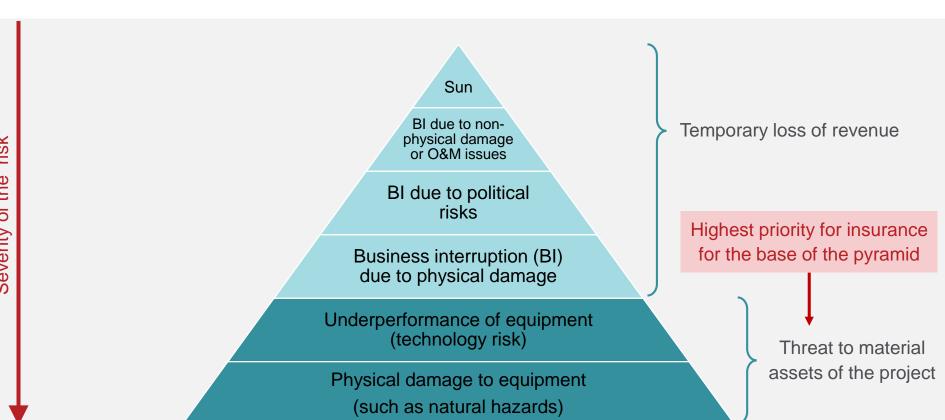
- Operational insurance policy (Physical Damage)
- Business Interruption (BI)

These insurances are annual policies.

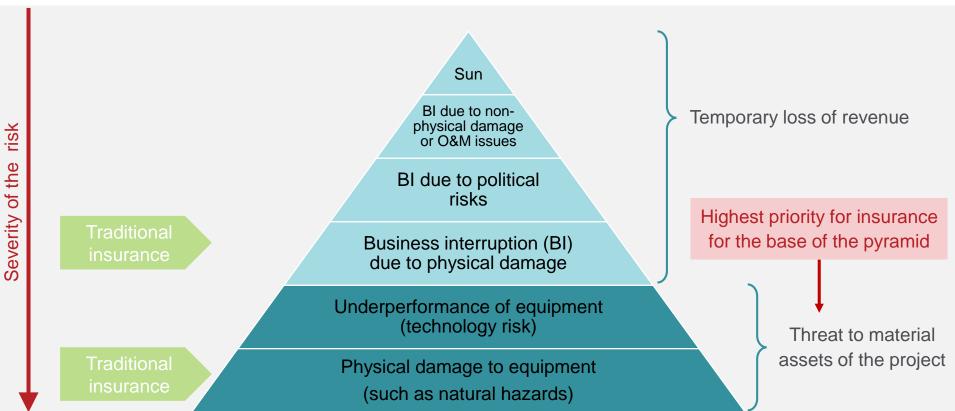
Traditional insurance solutions cover physical damage due to sudden loss and natural hazards, such as storm, earthquake, flood, fire, lightning etc.

They can also pay loss of revenue (DSU, BI).









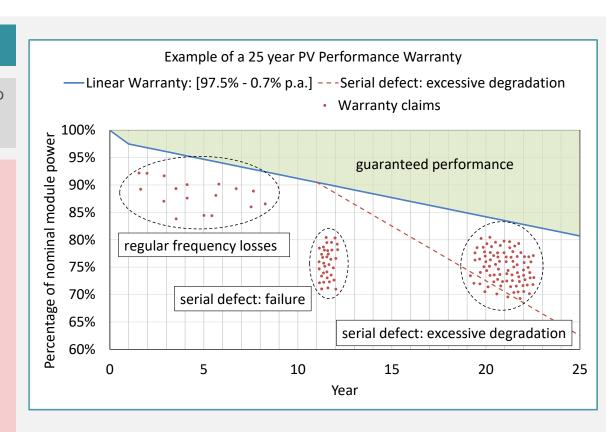
Long-term technology risk: PV module degradation rate



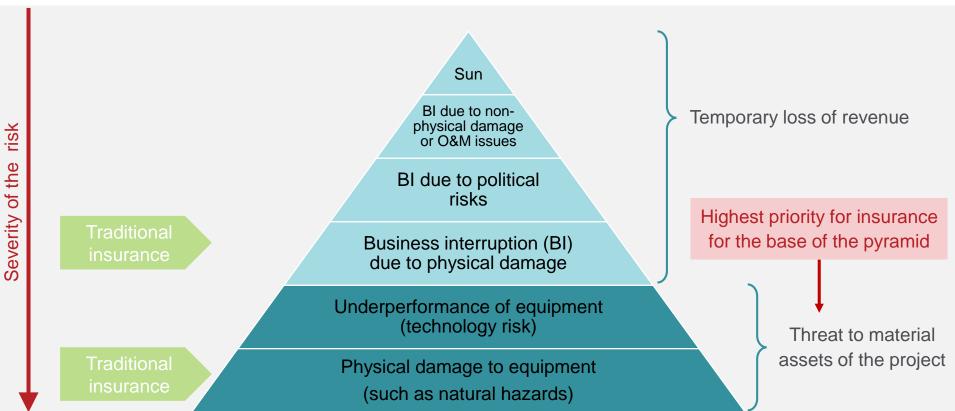
25 years Performance Warranty

Long-term performance guarantee is required to convince investors

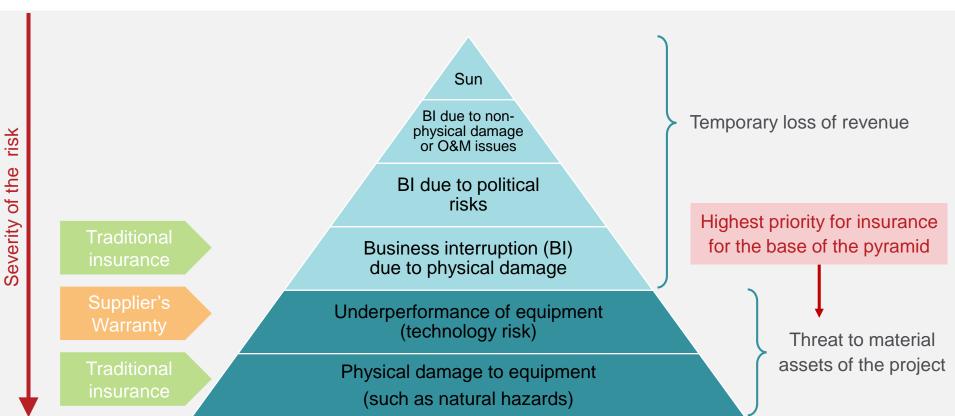
- → THE key metric of bankable PV modules
- → 25 years Performance Warranty became industry standard, although real track record can never exist for 25 years
- → (i) repair, (ii) replace, or (iii) compensate underperformance.
- → Getting more aggressive in the future:
 - \rightarrow 30 years
 - → Lower degradations rates (-0.5%)
 - → Include transportation, labor, etc
 - → Include revenue guarantee



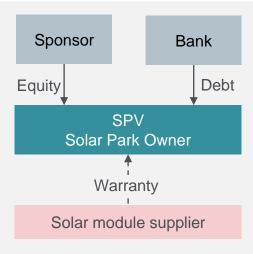




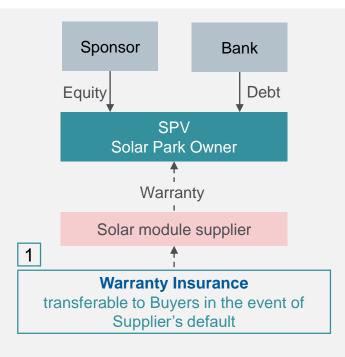




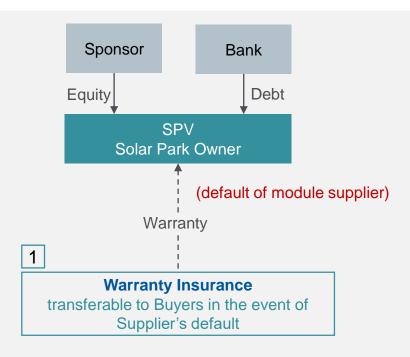




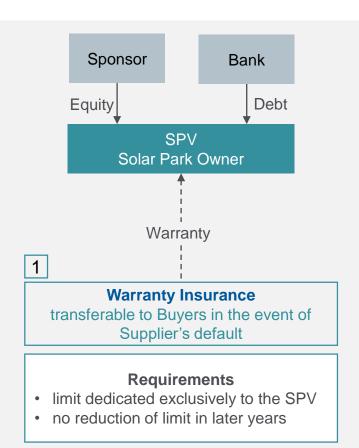












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- very low limits
- reduction of limit in later years
- non-dedicated limits

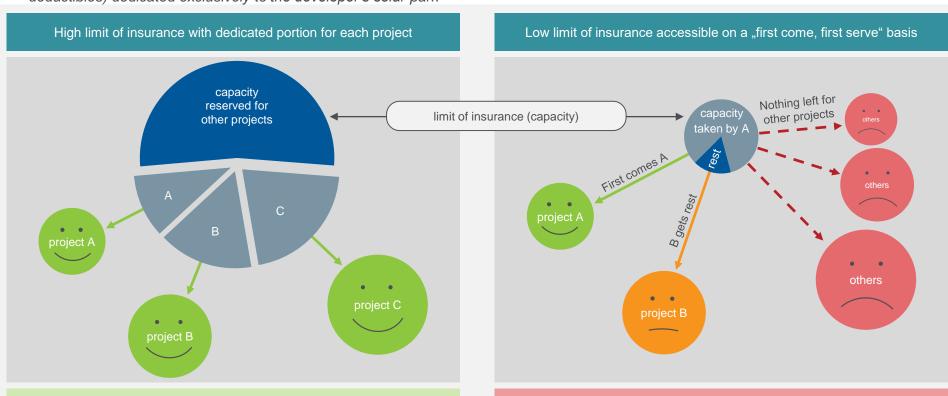
Does module warranty insurance cover your project?

Meaningful risk-transfer for project owners gives improved bankability

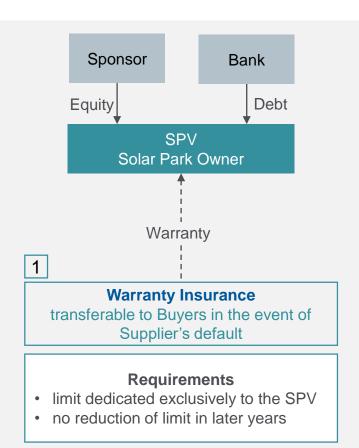


No real risk-transfer for project owners

→ PV modules should carry a warranty insurance with a limit of at least 5%-10% of the park size (net of all deductibles) dedicated exclusively to the developer's solar park



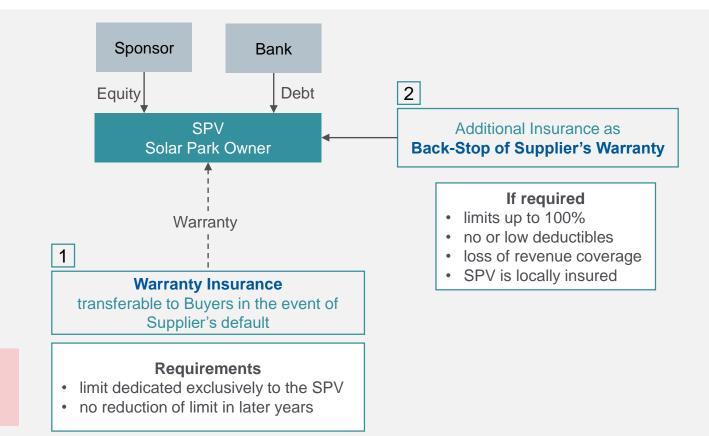




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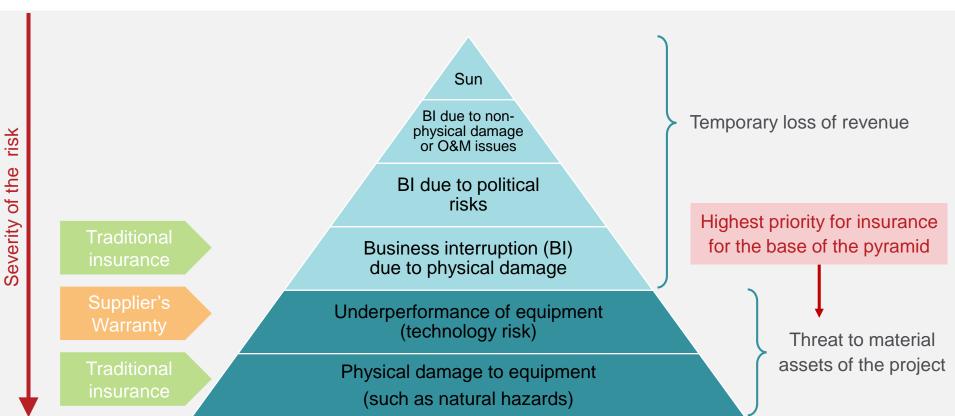




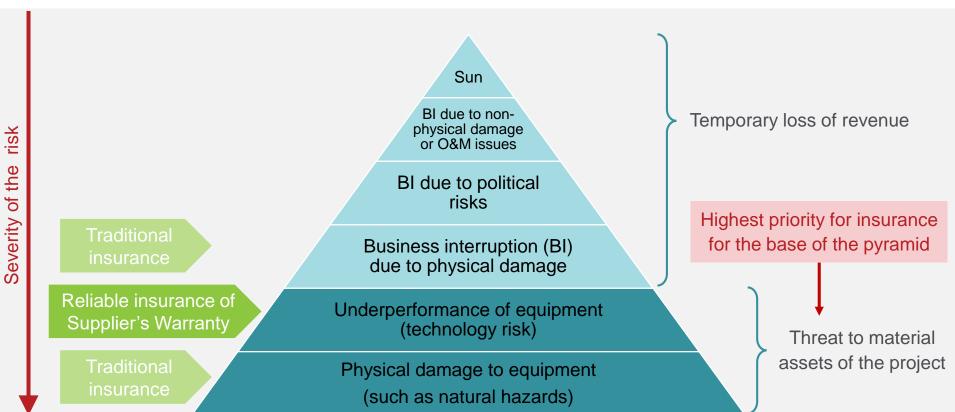
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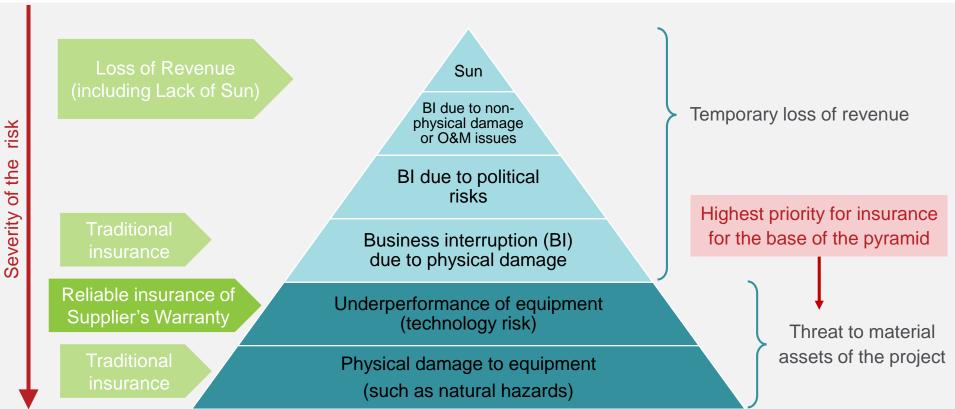












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Reliable insurance of supplier's warranty

- ✓ limit of at least 5%-10% of the park size (net of all deductibles) dedicated exclusively to the SPV