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REVERSE FACTORING Risks, mitigants and examples

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Risk for banks declines as we progress down the SCF value chain

RISK FOR BANK

PURCHASE ORDER

Bank provides **loan** to supplier against a PO

UNAPPROVED INVOICES

Bank provides **loan to supplier** against an unapproved invoice

APPROVED INVOICES

Bank purchases **invoices** previously approved by buyer and provides financing

RISKS

- Three types of risks are present: **performance risk of supplier, default risk of supplier and dilution risk of buyer**
- **Recourse** is only to supplier

- **Lower fraud and performance risk**
- **Dilution risk** still present as buyer may reject invoices
- Recourse typically still **to supplier**, as **invoices have not been unconditionally approved** by buyer payable service agreement

- Fraud, dilution and performance **risks are lower** as risk shifts to credit-worthy buyer
- Recourse to **buyer based on the IPU (irrevocable payment undertaking)**, without any recourse to suppliers



Measuring risks in reverse factoring

Risks



Buyers

- Concentration risk on buyer, segment or industry.
- Payment terms (reputational)
- Consistency between files and real documents
- Dilution on approved invoices
- Non-payment
- Collusion with suppliers (fake invoices), related companies



Suppliers

- KYC/AML procedures and reviews
- Sale and assignment perfection
- Double financing
- Lack of authorization in signature
- Bank Account ownership
- Concentration of program limit on few suppliers



Environmental

- KYC – CDD - Compliance challenges
- Claw-backs – Insolvency Laws not protecting
- Improper enforcement laws for ABL
- Basel III implementation
- Data and Cross-border finance

Mitigants

- Insurance (under Basel III)
- Fix **permitted payment terms at agreement**
- Do random checks, add waivers
- Set rules to accept credit notes, monitor against segmentation data.
- Grace period, penalty fee and link to overdraft.
- KYC and due diligence, include prohibitions.

- Simple **“onboarding journey”** including KYCs, but post transaction monitoring.
- Waivers in legal agreements, tight up with Buyer's agreement.
- Avoid accepting changes in payment account
- Control not only buyer but supplier limits.

- Help the industry, help yourself
- Education.
- Develop a risk-aware culture across bank
- Transparent reporting

Proactive risk mitigation begins at the very foundation of your supply chain finance program: its design.



Reverse Factoring's black sheep

When trouble appears is when RF is made to do things it isn't designed to do or when it is used to cover a more exotic scheme.

Concentration / exotic scheme



Differences in file vs invoices/ lack of transparency

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Connected companies

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Misuse of the program

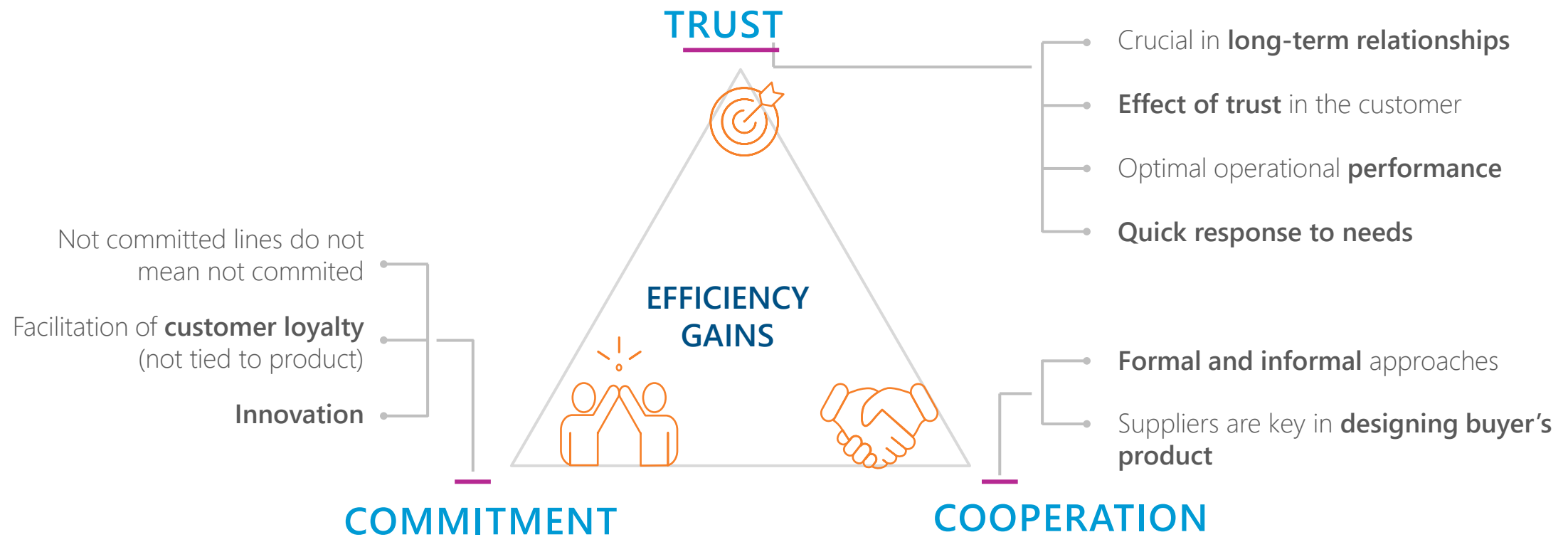


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