



### An Atradius Collections presentation for Panamerican Surety Association

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#### **Market environment**

Top 30 GDP countries in 2010

#### In 2050 the emerging markets will account for more than 50% of world GDP.

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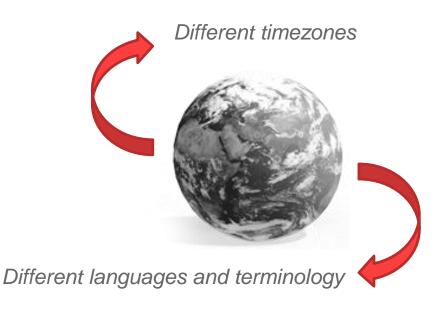


GDP. It is expected to reach \$86 Trillion by 2020!

80-90% of this trade is done through credit!



#### The complexity of trading abroad



Different business practices

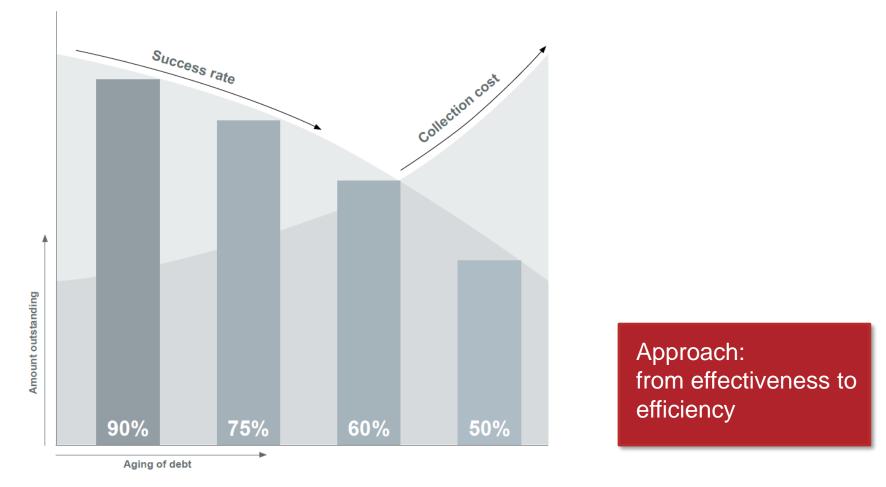
and international payments





#### **Key Point – Collections is a time-critical process**

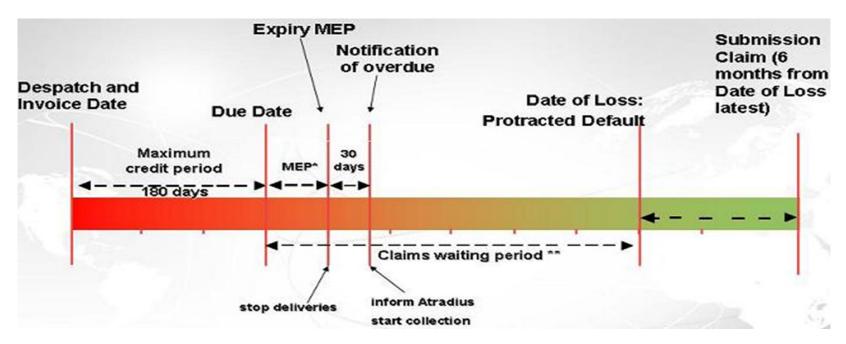
The sooner actions are taken the higher the success and lower the actual cost to collect.





# Key Point – An effective collection process positively contributes to loss ratio performance

- Collections is an important tool to <u>deliver strong results</u> in credit insurance
- Insured customers are generally not good at collecting aged debt
- Best practice developed by credit insurers sees unpaid insured debts escalated to professional debt collection at a <u>defined age point</u> e.g. 60-90 days past due date





#### Key Point – Build or Buy a collections service?

- Generally, only the largest credit insurers have in-house collection capability.
  - Credit insurers usually <u>out-source collections</u> either to a <u>global collector</u> or to a <u>panel of smaller</u> <u>Debt Collection Agencies/Lawyers</u> based in debtor countries
- Atradius Credit y Caucion insures €500+ billion of global trade. With these volumes we decided to create a separate unit, Atradius Collections, to manage defaulted debt
  - <u>Collections teams in key markets</u> motivated to collect effectively.
  - A service to our customers taking the problem away
  - An effective risk mitigation process to improve Loss Ratios on credit insurance portfolio
- Since 2005 Atradius Collections have <u>offered collections as a stand-alone service</u>
  - We provide "collections only" service to <u>Credit insurer customers</u> on 5 continents



#### **Atradius Collections - Offices Worldwide**

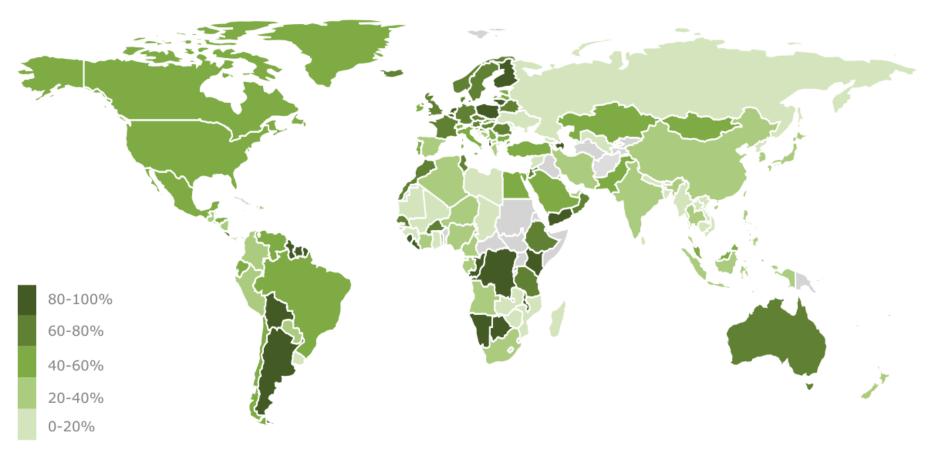
- 28 countries where Atradius Collections have an office
- 96% we collect in 96% of countries worldwide
  - Established network of Legal partners for countries where we are not physically present
- 15,000 collection customers
- US\$1 billion trade debt for collection per annum
- 1 software platform



#### **Worldwide reach - Success rates**

We are present in 28 countries and cover over 96% of countries worldwide

Average success rate: 59,08%\*



(\*) debt collection success rate = the value of collected payments expressed as a percentage of the total debt received, excluding insolvencies and withdrawals



Period: 2012 until October 2017

#### **Atradius Collections Services**

Improving cash flow & Working capital by offering international expertise in:



Relevant for credit insurers

Specialized services

- Debtor visit
- Large debt collection





#### Third party collections

- We offer an (international) debt collection service, communicating with debtors in local and international countries in order to obtain debt re-payment and avoid losses
- We contact debtors on your behalf (calls, letters, e mails) following defined debt collection protocols
- Atradius Collections reputation as a global player works for you/your customer
- Offered to customers with outstanding debts that are older than 60 days



#### **Accessibility and Transparency**

## Collect@Net

Wherever your debtors are located across the world, our collection specialists are always nearby.

All collection activities and results achieved can be seen directly in Collect@Net, our online collection system.

Covering 70% of world spoken languages

Communicate with collectors

Upload new cases

Monitor collection process

Access reports

Track current debtor accounts

Focus on your core business rather than processes



#### **Legal Collections**

- When the debtor refuses to pay during the amicable collection phase, Atradius Collections
  offers to collect your outstanding invoices through <u>legal collection (court action)</u>
- Offered to customers when the debtor has enough assets in order to effect execution once a verdict has been received
- Always your choice whether to proceed to litigation





#### **Insolvency Service**

- A bankruptcy procedure is often a lengthy and cumbersome process
- This is particularly challenging for exporting companies who find themselves confronted with different legislative systems
- Language issues and local procedures can make it very difficult for individual businesses to recover any of their outstanding debts due under an insolvency procedure
- Atradius Collections will manage the registration and relationship with the insolvency practitioner, keeping track of any dividend due



#### Navigate international debt collections professionally

The International Debt Collection Handbook effectively serves as a trusted advisor in collection practices.

The Handbook includes 38 countries and explains the different stages of:

- amicable settlement
- financial regulations
- legal proceedings and
- insolvency procedures

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"Only with local expertise can businesses ensure they are following a professional and successful approach. In the eight years of its existence, the International Debt Collection Handbook has proven to be an invaluable tool for credit managers."

#### Conclusions

- The expansion of Open Account trading and the risk environment means there is <u>continued strong</u> <u>demand for credit insurance</u>
- 2. <u>Collections is a key tool of credit management which is essential to deliver great results</u>
- 3. <u>Design your collection process</u> as part of the policy obligations define clear notification and collection procedures
- Atradius Collections are <u>ready to support your business</u> our knowledge and experience supporting credit insurers can work for your business









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