



# How to deal with SIFIs?

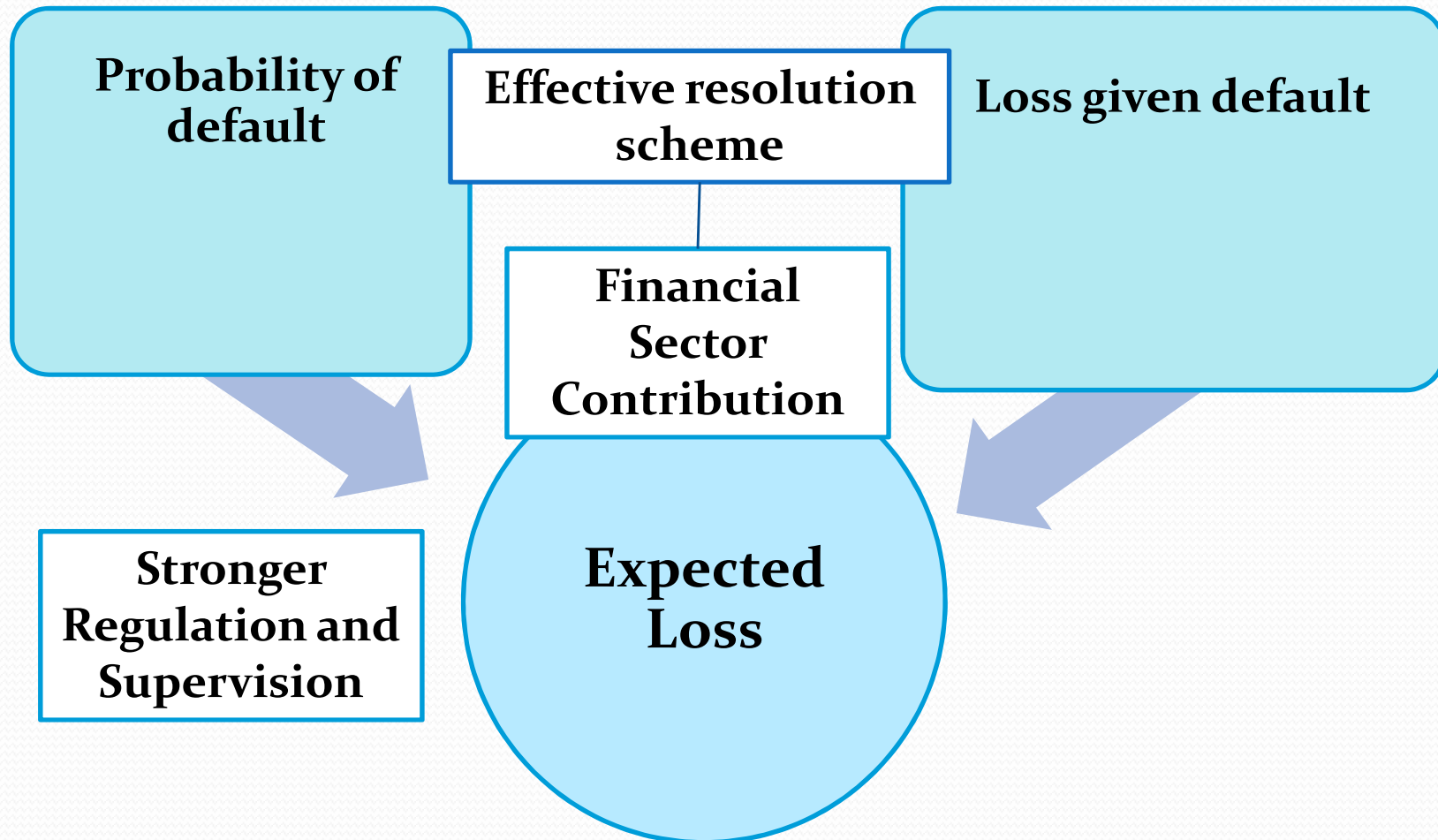
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# Cost of the current crisis

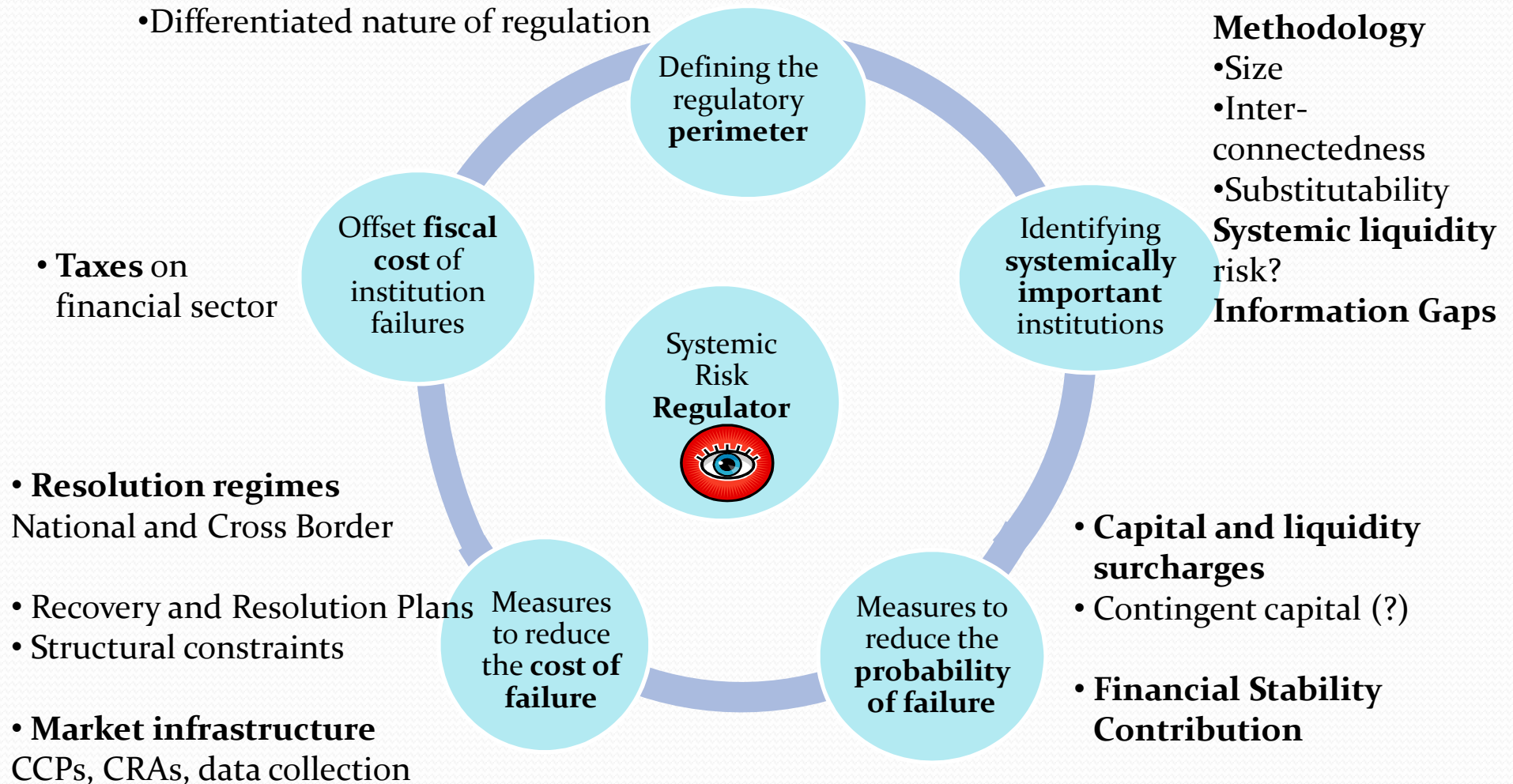
- Unprecedented public support in advanced G20
  - Amounts pledged: 25% of GDP
  - Gross support: 5% of GDP
  - Fiscal cost (net of recovery to end December 2009): 2.8% of GDP
    - UK: 5.4%, Germany 4.8%; US: 3.6%
  - Increase in public debt to GDP: almost 40%
  - Cumulative output loss in crisis G-20: 27% of GDP

# Building blocks of a new system



# Systemic Risks

## Measure, Assess and Mitigate!



# Financial Stability Contribution

- Levy on *all* financial institutions – linked to resolution
  - Base – balance sheet assets/liabilities, risk-weighted assets.
  - Rate – risk based
  - Perimeter – can apply to *all* SIFIs
  - Incidence – depends on supply/demand elasticities, some pass-through to customers.
- Link to systemic risk contribution of SIFIs
  - Accounting measures related to systemic risks
  - An increasing, risk-based rate

# Capital Surcharges

- Systemic risk-based capital surcharges.
  - Solvency tool (mostly).
  - Relate (loss-bearing) capital to a measure of systemic risks.
- Measure of systemic insolvency risk is important.
  - Market based signals – e.g. CDS spreads, equity options – of joint/conditional probability of default – “CoVaR.”
  - Actual exposure data to compute conditional probability of default.
  - Should avoid a procyclical measure.
- Incentives/disincentives can be complex.

# GFSR Method

Constructs a capital surcharge related to systemic (solvency) risk – April 2010 GFSR

- ❑ Step 1: Track financial institutions' portfolios through the credit cycle.
- ❑ Step 2: Estimate each institutions spillover effects following a stress event, at each point in the cycle.
- ❑ Step 3: Compute capital surcharge as a function of an institution's systemic risk to others.

# FSC versus Capital Surcharges

- Both are attempting to “price” the externality, *ex ante*.
  - More economically efficient than quantity (activity) constraints
  - If designed properly should be able to mitigate systemic risks
- FSC
  - Easy to implement; can apply to *all* SIFIs; intertemporal
  - But coordination needed; not a buffer for individual institution
- Systemic risk-based capital surcharge
  - Methods are extensions of existing risk capital charges.
  - But may be sensitive to market conditions and/or procyclicality.
  - Capital held by firms may not mitigate other systemic risks.



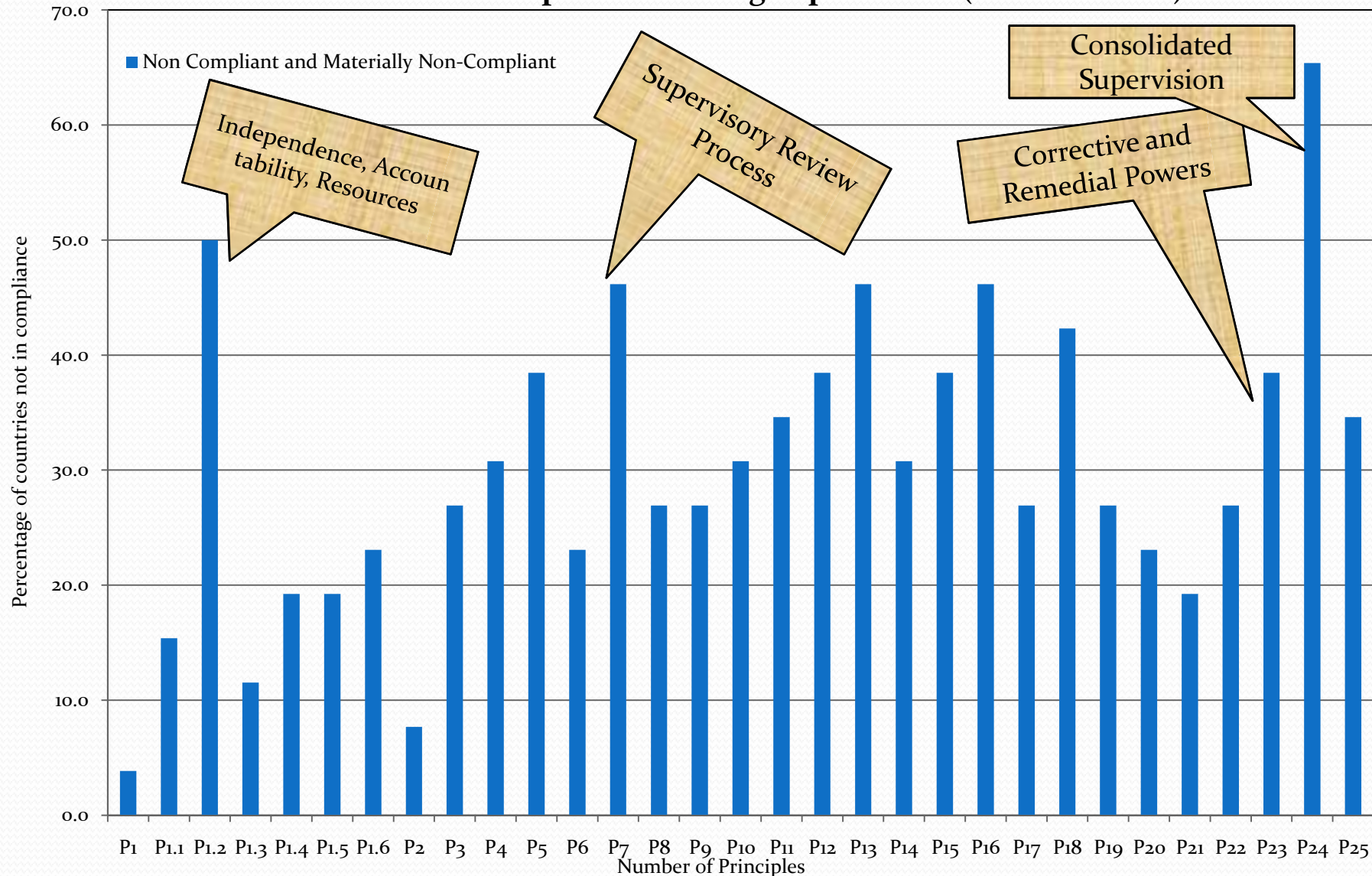
# Cross Border Resolution

## Framework for Enhanced Coordination

- Amendments to domestic legislation to allow cooperation
- Core coordination standards on supervisory and insolvency frameworks
- Criteria and parameters guiding burden-sharing process
- Procedures for coordinating resolution measures across borders

# Supervision is also critical...

Basel Core Principles of Banking Supervision: (2006 Revision)





Thank you