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# Day 3 – Session 4 Risk and Risk Sharing for PPPs

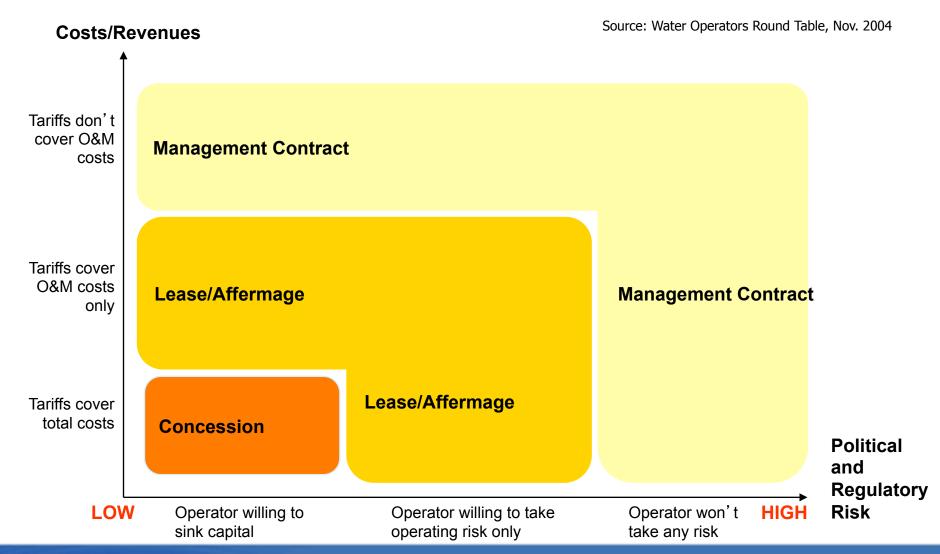
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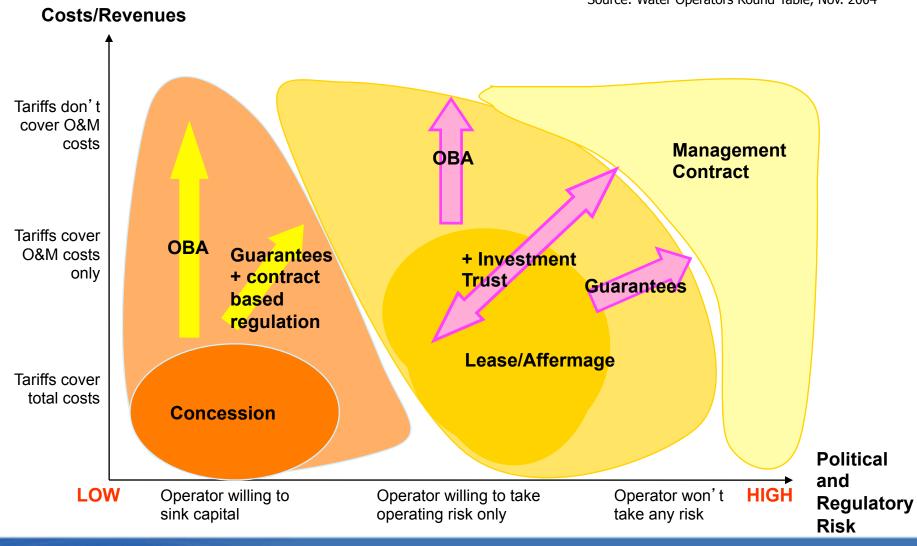
## Choosing the 'best' model according to risk and tariff conditions





### **Choosing enhanced models**

Source: Water Operators Round Table, Nov. 2004





#### **Allocation of Risk**

- Operational
- Commercial
- Technical
- Financial
- Foreign exchange
- Regulatory



## The Basic Process for Allocating Responsibilities

- Identify the main areas of Responsibility involved in delivering the services and the Risks associated with each Responsibility
- Allocate each area of Responsibility and Risk to the party best able to undertake and manage it, taking into account of the parties' ability to:
  - ✓ Predict changes in the relevant factors
  - ✓ Influence or control the risk factor
  - ✓ Control the impact of the risk on the value of the business
  - Diversify or absorb the risk
- Design the Arrangement to achieve the best allocation of risks and responsibilities



#### Checklist - 1

- Define the major areas of responsibility (management, operations & maintenance, new investment)
- 2. Define specific responsibilities for each area
- Identify the risks that are associated with each responsibility
- 4. Note the direct and indirect relationships between risks and responsibilities
- Establish how the risks are interrelated



#### Checklist - 2

- 6. For each risk, identify which party (the operator, contracting authority or customers) is best able to bear the risk, and in particular who can:
  - Predict the risk
  - ✓ Influence the risk
  - Control the impact of the risk
  - Diversify or absorb residual risk
- Decide whether the risk should be fully allocated to one party or shared



#### **Checklist - 3**

- 8. Check for any constraints on the ability of the parties to bear risk (e.g. information problems; unwillingness of any of the participants to bear risk they appear best able to manage, etc.)
- 9. Based on the risk analysis, assign a party to:
  - Assume each responsibility
  - Bear each risk



## Operator willing to take Operational Risk if...

- Existing assets are in good shape or rehabilitated
- Supply conditions (power, chemical) are acceptable
- Contractual performance targets are compatible with assets and supply conditions



## Operator willing to take Commercial Risk if...

- Coercive measures for non payment are enforceable
- Tariff level and structure are adequate
- Substitutes (e.g. ground water) are regulated
- Proper budgeting and payments of Government water bills exist



## Operator willing to take Financial Risk if...

- No or limited equity to be brought in
- Commercial debt can be mobilized on the merits of the Project
- Strong reliance on cash generated by operations
  - √ adequate tariff level
  - √ low operating costs



## Operator willing to take Regulatory Risk if...

#### Confidence in Regulatory Framework

- Transparency
- Competence
- Independence
- Predictability
- Arbitration



## Operator willing to take Foreign Exchange Risk if...

- Most expenses are in local currency
- Tariff is (partially) indexed on exchange rates variation



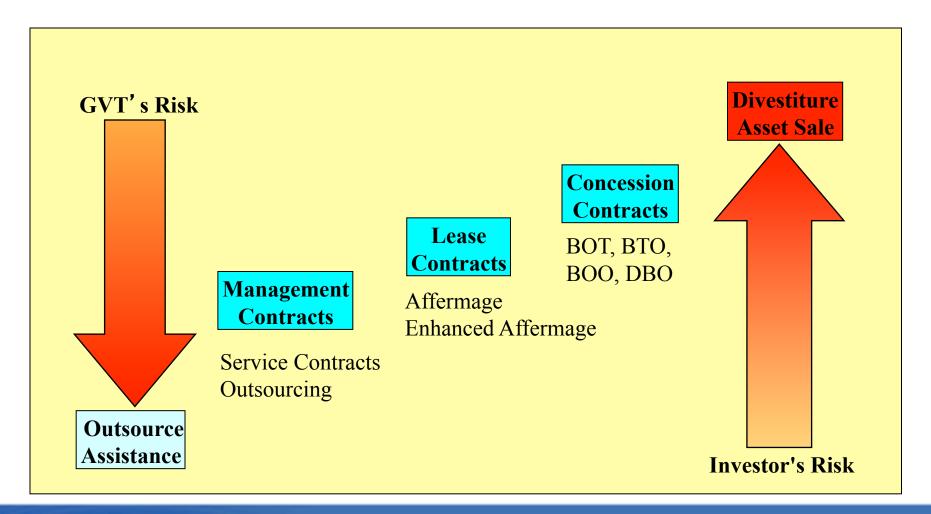
### **Risk Acceptability**

Concessions, Leases, Operating and Management Contracts

	Concession	Affermage / Lease	Operating Contract	Management Contract
Operational	<b>* * *</b>	<b>* * *</b>	**	•
Commercial	<b>* * *</b>	<b>* *</b>	•	•
Technical	***	•		
Financial	***	•		
Forex	**	•		
Regulatory	***	**	•	•

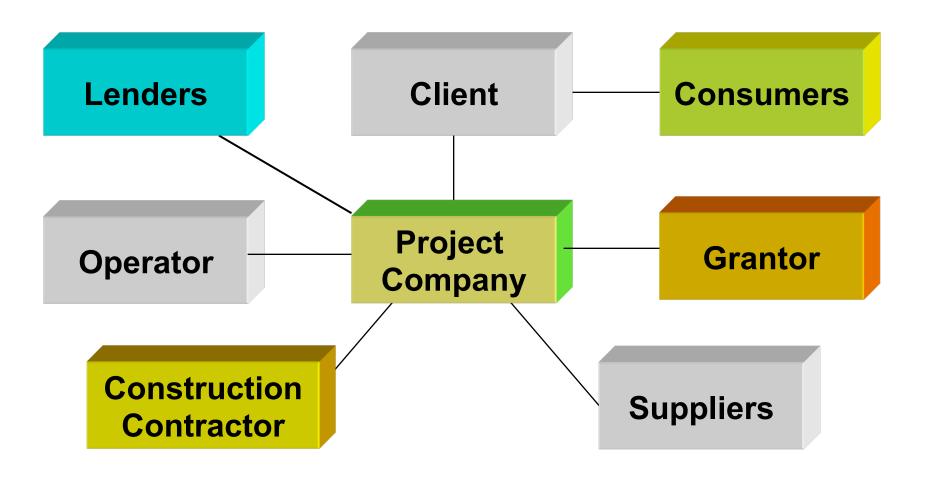


## Choice of Contract for a Balanced Risk Allocation





### **BOT – Simplified Diagram**





### **Typical scenario for a BOT**

- Bulk water supply can not meet demand, new capacity is needed
- Distribution system is functioning well, low Non-Revenue Water (NRW)
- Tariffs allow full cost recovery or can be raised to do so
- Sector conducive to private sector participation, with political support



## Recent new models for public service infrastructure

### Types:

- **DBO** Design Build Operate
- ❖ DBF Design Build Finance
- **DBFO** Design Build Finance Operate

Generic Term: **DB[X]** 



### The DB[X] Scheme

- BOT's differ from Design, Build and Operate (DBO) contracts in that financing and asset carrying is provided.
- DBO's aim at guaranteeing BOT advantages with limited risk and complexity.
- Successful cases include North America (DBO),
   China (DBO), Senegal (DBF)



### **BOT Major Risks**

#### Construction risks

Delay, costs overruns, penalties

Non-acceptance of the plant by the Client

#### Operation risks

Non-performance of the plant, Penalties, costs overruns

#### Financial risks

Non-achieved equity returns expectations, Financial support to the Lenders in case of SPC default



## Risks on which the Project Company has little leverage

- Revenue Demand Curves = Revenue sufficient to cover costs
- Exchange Revenue in Local Currency Costs in Foreign Currency
- Interest Rate Variations impact costs
- Financing Availability of Finance when needed
- Floods, Earthquakes etc.
- Political Changes in laws etc
- Regulatory tariffs or standards



### Managing uncontrollable risks (1)

Risk	Strategy	Party
Force Majeure	Monetizing	Third party
Forced buyouts	Monetizing	Third party
Regulatory changes	Transfer to local parties	Grantor/Client
Interest rate changes	Mitigation	Project Company



### Managing uncontrollable risks (2)

Risk	Strategy	Party
Price movements	Mitigation	Project Company
Inflation	Mitigation	Grantor/Client
Currency risks	Monetizing	Third party
Raw water supply	Transfer lo local parties	Grantor



### Managing controllable risks (1)

Risk	Strategy	Party
Market demand	Mitigation	Client
Willingness to pay	Mitigation	Client
Delay in approvals	Mitigation	Grantor
Construction delays	Mitigation	Contractor

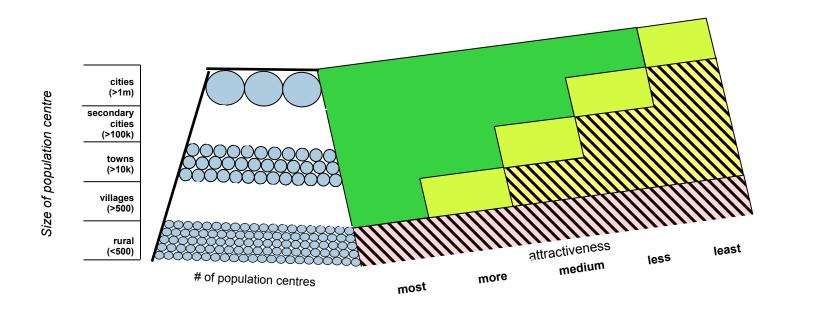


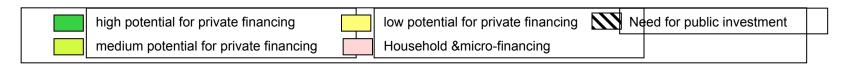
### Managing controllable risks (2)

Risk	Strategy	Party
Cost overrun	Mitigation	Contractors
Technical failure of facility	Mitigation	Project company



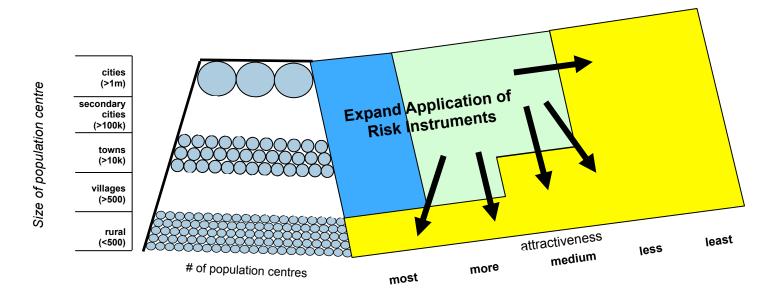
### The market poses special challenges

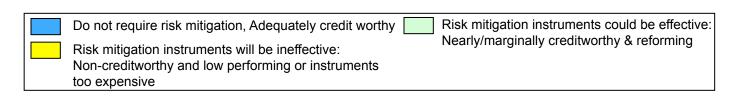






## The Risk Mitigation Instruments: Needed, Available ? Used?

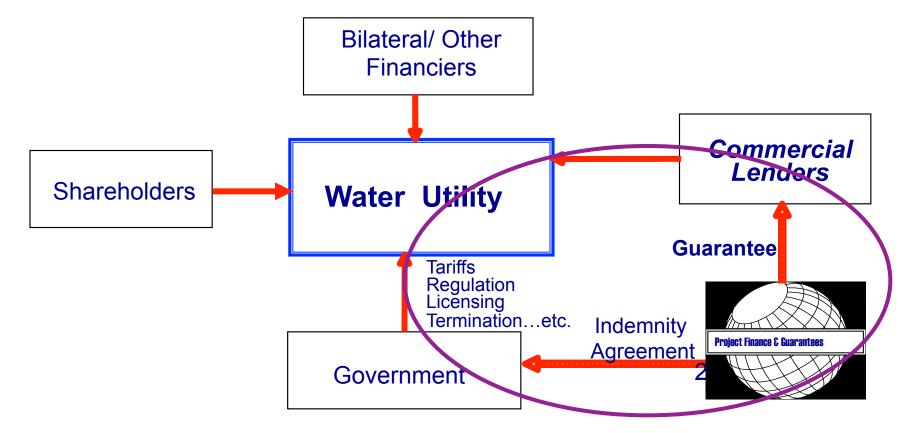






#### Partial Risk Guarantee (PRG)

A PRG will cover lenders in case of a default on a covered contractual obligation to a project company leading to a Debt Service Default





### **Deployment of the PRG**

#### PRGs should be considered in the following situations:

- Early stages of reform
- Larger size/riskier operations
- Operations highly dependent on support/undertakings of weaker governments/municipalities



### Where risk mitigation can make a difference

- Adequately Creditworthy Do Not Require Risk Mitigation
- Near Creditworthiness
- Marginally Creditworthy, but Reforming
- Non Creditworthy and Low Performing

**Risk Mitigation Instruments Could Be Effective** 

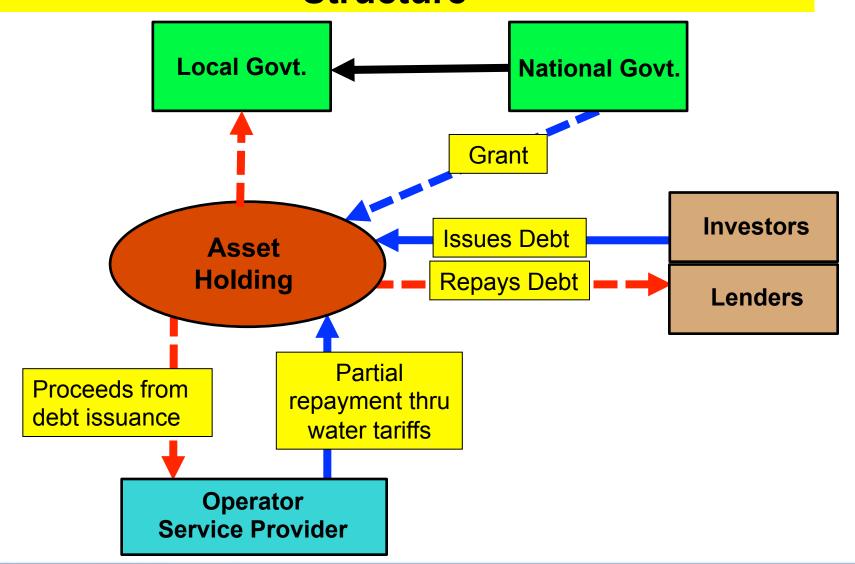


#### **Key Questions**

- How to structure the PPP to create comfort for private investors to take equity?
- How to create conditions to attract private sector (debt)finance?
- ➤ How to **design** the PPP transaction linking finance to achieving predetermined performance targets?



## Financing—Using the Trust / Asset Holding Structure





## (Innovative) Instruments to Attract Financing in the WSS Sector

#### **The Trust Structure Concept**

#### Reasons for interest

- ✓ The strongly expressed position of major private international water operators that their interests are fundamentally as operators of such systems, not investors.
- ✓ The need to mobilize capital for rational investment in specific opportunities.
- ✓ The need to improve operations and maintenance of existing facilities and to efficiently manage new and expanded facilities.
- ✓ The inability in many cases of tariffs to cover capital investment, operating costs and return on capital (debt and equity).
- ✓ The weak contractual, legal and regulatory environment for WSS investments, particularly at the sub-sovereign level.



## (Innovative) Instruments to Attract Financing in the WSS Sector

#### **The Trust Structure Concept**

#### Key attributes

- ✓ A financing and contractual structure, which is ring-fenced and insured against political manipulation and at least partially guaranteed against default.
- ✓ A combination of tariff and public sector financing sources including as appropriate, transfers, local taxes, donor institution grants and loans, output based aid and other possible sources.
- ✓ High participation from the private sector in the provision of services to design, build, operate, maintain, rehabilitate, and arrange financing for the facilities.

#### Pros and Cons

- + Local capital markets stimulation.
- + Potentially greater local currency financing.
- + Potential to convert the Trust into an equity investment vehicle.
- Establishment of Trust structure can involve high transaction cost.
- ~ Concept is mostly applicable in middle-income countries.





## Thank you



