# **Safety During Business Travel**Risk Management and Travel Management-

The Disliked Twins?

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### **Propositions**

- ! Globalisation is **enabling the business for corporates and the** risks for their travellers
- ! Globalisation isn't staying downtown at the Sheraton, it means travelling into high risk regions of high risk countries,
- ! Globalisation means as well, building up a plant e.g. for 8 months in the People's Republic of Yemen,

And it means.....





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#### **POLONIUM / TUBERCOLOSIS POLLUTED AIRPLANES**

**DISEASES AND ACCIDENTS** 9/11 **PANDEMIES LONDON TSUNAMI MADRID** VERBAND DEUTSCHES REISEMANAGEMENT e.V. **KIDNAPPING HOLD UPS** SARS **MENTAL BREAKDOWNS** OF RAVEL G L O B A L EXECUTIVES



# **Corporate Demands for safety –** A fictionary storyboard

### Monday Morning in a global travelling company:

"Who is giving us advice how to react in the case of an employee kidnapped in Mexiko?" – **General Management** 

"Who is telling me, where my travellers are, if the next act of terrorism takes place somewhere?" – **Travel Management** 

"Whom can I call 24H/365 days, if I get into serious trouble on my trip to South America?" – **The Business Traveller** 







# **Corporate Demands for safety –** A fictionary storyboard

### Monday Morning in a global travelling company:

"In case of an employee perished on a business trip, what do we have to do?" – **HR** 

"What is the best benchmarked travel insurance/assistance cover?"

– The Insurance purchaser

"An expatriate needs someone to talk to due to mental problems, who cares for him at 2 a.m.?" – **The medical departement** 



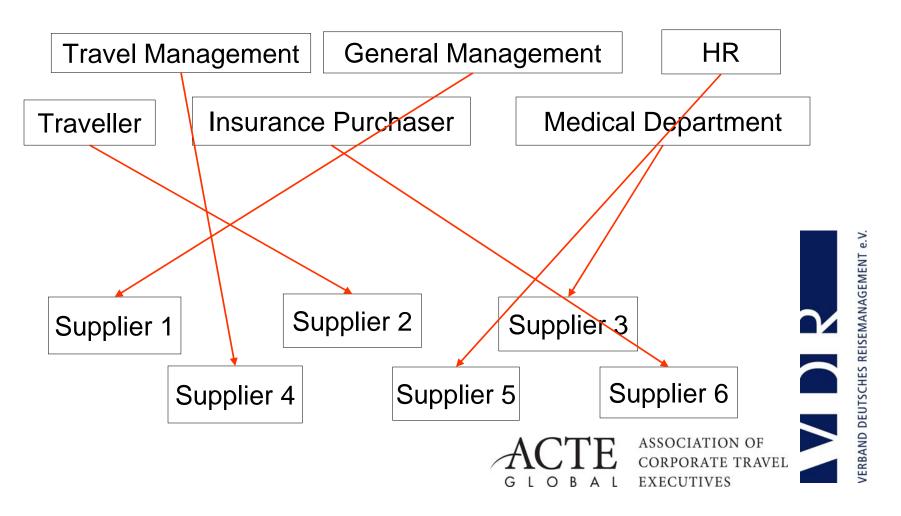




## **Corporate Demands for safety –**

### A fictionary storyboard

How they fulfill the demands today (without knowing from each other):





### **Practical Examples:**

- Briefcase is snatched from a businessman in Barcelona
  - All keys, briefcase, mobile phone, passport, ticket and presentation are stolen
- Taxi runs over businessman as he leaves his hotel in Lima, Peru
  - Double hip fracture with a six-week stay in hospital
  - Private health insurance refuses to pay for patient's return
- Accident with a rented car in Cairns, Australia
  - Car in ditch full of water, total loss of luggage incl. passport and all means of payment; rescue costs; legal dispute
  - 1 week's stay in hospital, rebooking of entire remaining journey
- Stroke during business travel in Singapore
  - Operation, intensive ward for several months, repatriation
  - Total costs 1.3 million euros







## **Business Travel Risk Management –**

#### **Checklist for internal assessment:**

#### 1. Responsibilities:

- Travel manager or special insurance area / broker?
- Travel structures taken into account when taking out insurance?

#### 2. Analysis of travel structures:

- e.g. destinations? Method of transport? Extensive travellers?
- Destinations remote from large cities?

#### 3. Current insurance status:

- Company insurances vs. private insurances of employees?
- Overinsured or underinsured? Subsidiarity?
- Statutory regulations taken into account (e.g. German Civil Code, German Code of Civil Law)?



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## Business Travel Risk Management –

#### **Checklist for internal assessment:**

#### 4. Internal communication:

- Insurance cover known?
- Existence of information portals? (AA, LH, TIP, etc.)
- Central emergency number for all travellers?

### 5. Travel agency:

- Offer for 24-hour emergency plans?
- Software for localization of employees in times of crisis?





### **Necessary Insurances**

#### "Must have":

- Business Travel related Foreign Travel Health insurance
- 24-hour Assistance incl. Emergency call insurance
- 24-hour Accident insurance

#### "Could have":

- Business Travel Luggage insurance for mobile equipment
- Insurance in case of kidnapping (depending on destination, status, etc.)
- Business travel liability insurance / legal protection insurance
- Deductible in the case of hired cars
- Insurance in the case of a delay of flight and luggage



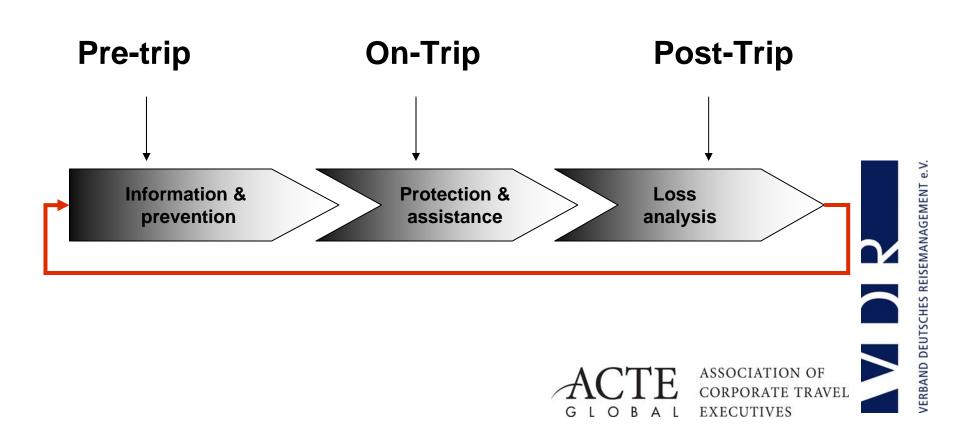




## **Business Travel Risk Management –**

Safety integrated into the business travel process

## **Corporate Travel Process**





### **Recommended Course of Action:**

1. Analysis of the current situation

- BEFORE: Prevention through information?

- DURING: Protection and assistance?

- **AFTERWARDS:** Loss analysis? / Intranet warnings

2. Benchmarking by inviting tenders (according to outcome of analysis)

- 3. Integration of safety in the business travel process
  - Business Travel Risk Management







## **Long-Term Advantages**

- Taking up the issue of safety through travel management (or mobility management)
- Cost reduction & enhanced efficiency through:
  - Cooperation with specialists
  - Extensive insurance protection
  - Rapid, unbureaucratic assistance worldwide
  - No loss of time through 24-hour assistance
  - Concentration on the essential issue: the business appointment





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Thank you very much for your Attention!!

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