Regional Cluster Development: MARF Multi-Asset Renewal Funds

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Layered Assessment and Fund-Creation Approach: Company ID and Assessment

Cluster Level:
Focus on Emerging Industries (Finland Case)

Leveraging & Repositioning incumbent industries to address emerging economies

Smart Grid Industry
Green Chemistry Industry
New Mobility Industry
Industry Codes to Value Systems

- Primary research to understand industry transactional relationships
- Develop value system constructs using industry codes
- Map existing companies against industry code segment
- Identify ‘holes”

Company Level: Capabilities-based Assessments

- Competitiveness / Positioning to Capture Value (PVC)
  - Firm capabilities vs. complimentary capabilities

- Growth Potential ➔ Investment Potential
  - Opportunity Size and Scale

- Repositioning / Growth Path Risk Factor
  - Industry, Market, Investment/Finance, Product, Growth and Team risks
Problem: Assessment gets you halfway there

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Layered Assessment and Fund-Creation Approach: Investment Instrument Aggregation

MARF
Asset-class Portfolio
Firm Risk Factor Analysis
Value Systems to Funds

- Multiple Asset Classes
- Risk indices using proprietary KeyStone Score™ factors
- Cross-sectional regressions (factors & financials)
- Risk:return analytics (specific & factor)

Solution:
Multi-asset fund targeting renewal

- Capital for SME’s
  - Risk Debt directly to SMEs for repositioning
  - Optional PE Fund element for acquisition and re-positioning

- Capital for startups
  - Equity Capital for high-growth potential startups
  - Primarily later-stage investments

- Capital for project financing and infrastructure
  - Bond Fund

- Portfolio risk balancer
  - Thematic ETF
Finland Project: Smart Grid

- Began with 140 companies
- Narrowed to 60 with KeyStone assessment tools
  - 30 publically traded
  - 20 SMEs
  - 10 growth equity companies
- Structured a MARF as previously described
  - Estimated (based on composite of analogue funds) yields of 8-9%

Multi-asset Renewal Fund

- MARF
  - Multi-Asset Renewal Fund enabled by KeyStone Cluster toolset
- Requires and aggregates cluster assessment
  - Identification of appropriate firms
  - Creation of a re-positioning strategy for the firms
- Requires company-level risk assignment (Barra-type Risk Analytics)
  - Including the type of financing that aligns best with the firm and its repositioning strategy
- Requires specific company allocation into appropriate asset class(es).
- Allows “Economic Development with Market Returns”
Questions?