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Executive summary

DESCARTES is an InsurTech that creates, prices and sells **disruptive corporate insurance** solutions that tackle **climate & emerging risks** thanks to **AI & satellite data** in a \$50Bn market



Since its launch in 2019, Descartes has **beaten all expectations** despite the gloomy economic environment

x7

GWP between 2019 and 2021

150+

corporate & public sector clients

15+

perils covered by a unique set of algorithms

500+

partner brokers & account managers around the world



Today, Descartes has **an international & diverse team**, growing rapidly across our 6 global offices

50+

Employees end 2021

~20

Nationalities

6 offices

In EU, the USA, Singapore, Australia and the UK



Tomorrow, Descartes is positioned to become a **leading InsurTech** in the face of climate change

sharp increase

in the frequency of natural catastrophes

new data sources

combined with AI, catalyze change in the insurance sector



Financed by **Tier-1 institutional investors**

21.5m\$

Raised in Seed and Series A in 2019 and 2020

120m\$ Series B

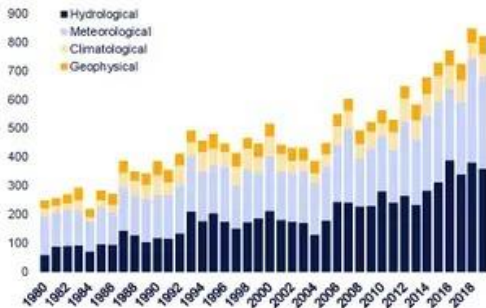
Funding round announced in 2022

Losses from natural catastrophes are rising, despite the urgency the traditional insurance offer is not fit for purpose

The increased frequency and intensity of weather risks weakens the economy...

... yet the traditional insurance offer is not fit for purpose as corporate insurers suffer from legacy systems & low-tech culture

Natural disasters by cause, 1980 to 2019



- Natural catastrophe losses for 2017 and 2018 combined were **USD 219 billion**, the highest ever over a two-year period
- Climate change could cut **\$23 Trillion** from the global economy by 2050

Lengthy

18 months

on average between declaration of loss and compensation in the USA (corporations)

Expensive

30%

of premiums devoted to administrative costs and distribution

Complex

Exclusions

lead to misunderstandings (e.g., pandemic vs. epidemic)

One-size $\neq$ Fit all

Limited

use of data leads to generic contracts that are not adapted to clients' needs

- Pricing: **unsophisticated models** are not leveraging satellites or IoT
- Policy issuing: **poor IT legacy** leading to high costs and lack of agility
- Claims handling: **limited automation** and involvement of loss adjusters (contrary to a parametric approach)

Descartes offers **parametric insurance** solutions for **all natural risks**



Natural catastrophes

- ✦ Earthquake
- ✦ Cyclone hurricane, typhoon
- ✦ Flood
- ✦ Stormsurge
- ✦ Hail



Agriculture

- ✦ Cereals – yield, drought
- ✦ Wine and fruits – frost, hail, smoke
- ✦ Forage crops - production
- ✦ Forestry – wildfire, storm
- ✦ Aquaculture – storm, salinity, oxygen



Energy

- ✦ Wind yield
- ✦ Hydro yield
- ✦ Solar yield
- ✦ Nat Cat – hail, cyclone, earthquake
- ✦ Conventional yield



NDBI and supply chain

- ✦ River level
- ✦ Construction interruption
- ✦ Supply chain and NDBI
- ✦ Sargassum
- ✦ And more, tailored to your business...

Descartes leverages an innovative approach to provide **swift, affordable, transparent & tailor-made** insurance products



We define a coverage based on a **pre-defined parameter** and a pre-agreed indemnity (e.g., temperature, wind speed, etc.)



We **monitor the evolution** of this parameter and whether it triggers the threshold



If triggered, the client receives **compensation within a few days**

Product Example: Wildfire cover | Our profitable growth is fueled by superior product features



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- ✓ **20m x 20m satellite images** anywhere in the world, using surface reflectance that detects severity of burn
- ✓ Live data detection of burnt area with **higher accuracy than human detection**
- ✓ Value per hectare **agreed upfront**
- ✓ **No exclusions**
- ✓ **100 years of data** used for accurate pricing

Traditional insurance offer

- ✗ Remote territories not mapped and hence **not covered**
- ✗ **Costly and imprecise** on-site loss assessment
- ✗ **Uncertainty** about actual payout
- ✗ Small wildfires **excluded**
- ✗ **Strong reliance on clients' data** for pricing and claims handling leads to potential fraud and mispricing



Satellite images obtained using different spectral bands before and after a wildfire in California (10/10/18 & 3/11/2019)



Burn probability assessment



Descartes has a **global** client base

North America

Not Cat Agriculture Energy Non-damage BI



Hurricane
Tornado
Flood
Earthquake
Hail
& more...

Wildfire
Frost
Hail
Drought
Rainfall
& more...

Overtime
Yield
Not Cat
& more...

River level
Construction delay
Non-damage BI
& more...

South America

Not Cat Agriculture Energy Non-damage BI



Hurricane
Earthquake
Hail
& more...

Wildfire
Drought
Rainfall
& more...

Yield
Not Cat
& more...

River level
Construction delay
Non-damage BI
& more...

Europe

Not Cat Agriculture Energy Other industries



Earthquake
Flood
Hail
& more...

Seed
Hail
Drought
Rainfall
& more...

Wind Yield
Hydro
Solar Yield
MMA water
& more...

River level
Non-damage BI
& more...

Africa

Not Cat Agriculture Energy Construction PPPs



Cyclone
Earthquake
& more...

Drought
Rainfall
& more...

Hydro
Solar Yield
& more...

Construction
& more...

PPPs

Asia

Not Cat Agriculture Energy Non-damage BI



Cyclone
Typhoon
Tsunami
Earthquake
& more...

Drought
Agriculture
& more...

Yield
Not Cat
& more...

Non-damage BI
Supply chain
Construction delay
& more...

Oceania

Not Cat Agriculture Energy Non-damage BI PPPs



Cyclone
Earthquake
Flood
Hail
& more...

Bushfire
Drought
Flood
Hail
& more...

Yield
Not Cat
& more...

River level
Construction
& more...

PPPs

Our management team is made of **insurance natives** with a strong track record of innovation, data science & profitable growth

Founders



Kevin Dedieu
Co-founder & Head of R&D

Polytechnique | Ecole des Ponts ParisTech
AXA Global Parametris | AXA CS



Tanguy Touffut
Co-founder & CEO

HEC Paris | Tsinghua University | B. Gallier
Former CEO and founder of AXA Global Parametris
now AXA Climate | Head of Strategy at AXA Global
P&C | Oliver Wyman



Sébastien Piguet
Co-founder & Head of Underwriting

ENS Ulm | Cornell University
AXA Global Parametris | AXA Data Innovation
Lab | World Bank

Management team



Arnaud Sorel
General Counsel

Sciences-Po Paris | ESCP
AXA CS | AXA Asia | AXA
France | Clifford Chance (20+
years of experience in
insurance & law)



Edern Le Roux
Head of Nat Cat modeling

ISUP | Certified member of
Institut des Actuaires
SCOR | AXA



Violaine Raybaud
Head of Business
Development and Ops

Ecole des Mines | Certified
member of Institut des
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Towers Watson | Arthur J
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Ben Qin
Head of Australia and North-
East Asia

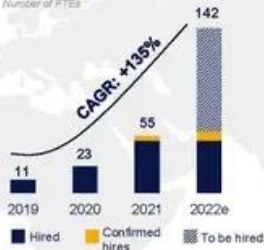
Monashville University
Marsh & McLennan
Companies | SAS | MIGA

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Growing rapidly

Number of FTEs



International



Multidisciplinary



PhDs in meteorology, physics, applied mathematics



Experts in radar applications



Top of their field underwriters





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