Pursuing Certainty in Times of Uncertainty

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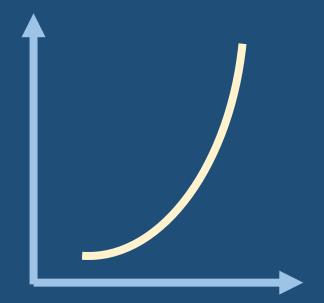
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First used in military in the late 1980s, later adopted in business discourse.

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Computing power Energy sources

Technology

Politics

Economic blocs

Terrorist action

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Globalization-related challenges of greatest concern Survey among some 1000 executives, 2018

 Uncertainty over trade policy 	33 %
 Changes in industry regulation 	30 %
Geopolitical risks	28 %
 Recent increases in tariffs 	25 %
 Increased competition in our markets 	25 %
 Volatility of exchange rates 	19 %
 Disruptions in global supply chains 	14 %
 Shorter product cycles in our industry 	12 %
 Backlash from workers or consumers 	9 %
 Changes in immigration policy 	7 %

Source: McKinsey Economic Conditions Survey 2018, in "Globalization in Transition: the Future of Trade and Value Chains", 2019

Change in globalization strategy in the next 3 years Survey among 770 executives, 2018

> Investing or increasing our operations in one or more countries	49 %
> Investing more in our local supply chains	24 %
> Spending more on legal services and/or government relations	21 %
> Divesting or decreasing our operations in one or more countries	14 %
> I do not believe we will change our strategy	14 %
> Limiting and or delaying investments is our global supply chains	10 %

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