# bal Challenges - Intro

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#### Global issues - definition

- Global issues a number of socioeconomic problems, on which depend the social progress of the mankind and the existence of our civilization.
  - Dynamic
  - Originate from the very development of the mankind
  - Clash of nature and culture
  - Require joint efforts for resolution
  - Interconnected and interdependent
  - Related to all countries and all aspects of human life
  - Rough classification social, security, economic, environmental

#### VUCA - world...



- Volatility
- Uncertainty
- Complexity
- Ambiguity

## Key issues-1

- North-South problem development gap between the rich "golden billion" countries and the poor rest of the world, leading to poverty, famine, illiteracy
- Growing unemployment more young and jobless people in the South, machines replace people in the North. Search for a new human identity and new employment + the need to fill the free time (with robots people can work less, while some professions become obsolete)
- **Demography** explosion in the developing countries and ageing in the developed. Ageing as such and its consequences (social burden, changing political settings, etc.)

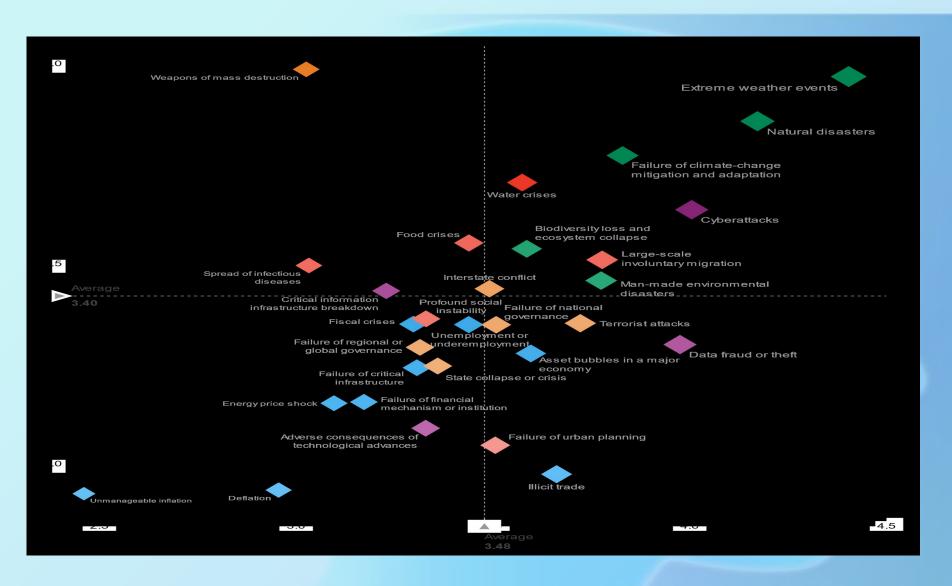
## Key issues-2

- Diseases cardiovascular diseases, cancer, HIV/AIDS, epidemics
- Nuclear war and the need for peace
- Terrorism
- Organized crime and violence
- Pollution and decreasing biodiversity
- Exhaustion of resources from oil to water and forests, Ecological Debt of the mankind (we live using the resources of the future generations and not allowing the Earth to regenerate and recycle)
- Climate change global warming, acid rains, greenhouse effect, etc.

# Sustainable development

- The process of economic and social changes, which implies the harmonization in the usage of natural resources, investments, technological progress, human development and institutional changes.
- Such changes are coordinated, interconnected and strengthen the potential of the mankind, availing for the satisfaction of human needs in the future.
- Sustainable development is incorporated into the UN programs, corporate social responsibility concepts, government policies.
- Club of Rome reports

## **Global risks**



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- Economic
- Environmental
- Geopolitical
- Societal
- Technological

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