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Historique

Développement de la réassurance de marché en parallèle des activités de réassurance publique (risques de guerre, risque nucléaire et terrorisme).

Structuration de l'entreprise : CCR devient Société Anomyne de réassurance relevant de la réglementation Solvabilité 2.



Création de la Caisse Centrale de Réassurance, une entreprise publique habilitée à faire des opérations commerciales Publication de la loi sur le système d'indemnisation des catastrophes naturelles en France dans lequel CCR, en tant qu'acteur majeur, offre une réassurance illimitée avec la garantie de l'État. Création de CCR Re, filiale entièrement détenue par CCR, dédiée aux activités de réassurance de marché.

STRATÉGIE



Après sa création en fin 2016, puis une année réussie en 2017, CCR Re a poursuivi sa forte croissance, dépassant la grande majorité de ses objectifs. Qui plus est, le chiffre d'affaires 2018 est en hausse de 17% à 464 millions d'euros, dont 20% d'affaires nouvelles. Les processus sont repensés avec l'introduction de l'intelligence artificielle dans l'analyse de souscription, permettant aux experts de se concentrer sur les tâches à valeur ajoutée et la gestion de la relation client. Ainsi, de nouveaux postes sont créés et des profils internationaux rejoignent l'entreprise, ce qui fait de CCR Re une équipe multiculturelle.

La souscription est étendue à de nouveaux marchés, notamment en Amérique latine, en Afrique subsaharienne et dans la région de l'océan Indien. Parallèlement, des outils innovants sont mis en place avec le premier sidecar de droit français, qui sera renouvelé. De nouveaux services viendront compléter l'offre avec des propositions à haute valeur ajoutée.









PROFIL

CCR Re est un réassureur de taille movenne, avec une présence de longue date en France et à l'international, dans les branches traditionnelles dommages aux biens et responsabilité civile, vie et santé, ainsi que dans certaines branches de spécialités (crédit, marine, aviation, spatial, agro). CCR, sa maison mère, est un réassureur public qui propose sur le marché français et avec la garantie de l'État, des couvertures illimitées contre les catastrophes naturelles, les actes de terrorisme et d'autres risques extrêmes. L'identité, l'organisation et le modèle économique de CCR Re témojonent de son appartenance au groupe CCR. CCR Re bénéficie d'une notation S&P A - avec perspective positive.

De par sa culture, CCR Re privilégie une gestion financière robuste et conservatrice, mais aussi une politique de souscription des risques stable qui répond aux besoins de ses clients. La diversité de son portefeuille de souscription et d'investissements, sa politique de provisionnement prudente. la protection de son bilan et de ses résultats contre les risques de pointe, sa gouvernance, son organisation et son système de contrôle interne confortent la solidité de CCR Re.

CCR Re offre à ses clients un service de qualité, compétitif, sur-mesure et innovant en lien avec ses objectifs de solvabilité et de rentabilité. La proximité et la stabilité des relations. l'écoute attentive et la compréhension fine des besoins, la rapidité et la fermeté des réponses apportées, l'esprit de partenariat sur le long terme constituent la signature de CCR Re.

Les professionnels hautement qualifiés et expérimentés de CCR Re couvrent plus de 15 langues. Ce sont des experts de confiance sur qui vous pouvez compter.











CHIFFRES CLÉS

2019 (en millions d'euros)

| 562 | Chiffre d'affaires brut (+21%) | |
|--------|--|--|
| 98,1 % | Ratio combiné net | |
| 5,2 % | Marge technique Vie | |
| 56 | Résultat courant avant provision pour égalisation (+23 % | |
| 35 | Résultat net | |
| 185 % | Ratio de Solvabilité | |

Sensibilité du ratio de solvabilité 2



Notation

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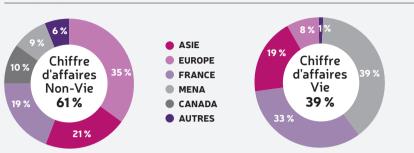




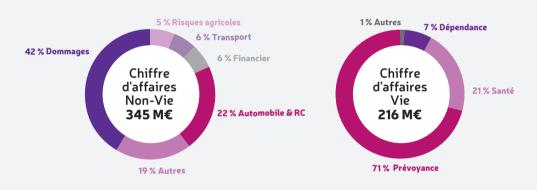
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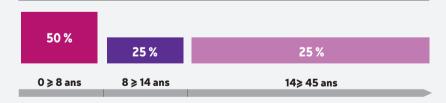




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Research Update:

Reinsurer CCR Re Upgraded To 'A' On Core Group Status; Parent Affirmed At 'AA'; Outlooks Stable

May 4, 2020

Overview

- CCR Re has reported a steady improvement in its technical results over the past two years. It is 100%-owned by Caisse Centrale de Reassurance (CCR) and we now consider it to be core to the group, rather than highly strategic. We equalize our ratings on core subsidiaries with the unsupported group credit profile (GCP)--in the case of CCR group, this is 'a'.
- Although CCR Re and its parent CCR will suffer some investment losses following the COVID-19 pandemic, we still expect the group to maintain a robust capital buffer at the 'AAA' level in 2020-2021, while CCR will remain supported by a state guarantee because it is a provider of unlimited reinsurance coverage for natural catastrophes in France.
- We are affirming our 'AA' rating on CCR based on its public policy role and upgrading CCR Re to 'A' because of its change in group status.
- The stable outlook on CCR mirrors that on France and the stable outlook on CCR Re is supported by the group's unique position in the French natural catastrophe insurance market and its strong capitalization.

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Rating Action

On May 4, 2020, S&P Global Ratings affirmed its 'AA' long-term insurer financial strength and issuer credit ratings on Caisse Centrale de Reassurance (CCR) and raised its ratings on CCR Re to 'A' from 'A-'. The outlook for both companies is stable.

Rationale

S&P Global Ratings equalizes its long-term rating on CCR with the unsolicited long-term sovereign rating on France (AA/Stable/A-1+). We believe the reinsurer shares an integral link with the French government and that there is an almost-certain likelihood of government support if CCR experiences any financial distress.

CCR's government-guaranteed businesses are stated by law (Insurance Code, Art. 431) and

include natural catastrophes, nuclear, terrorism, and other exceptional risks. The details of the law's implementation were reaffirmed in an agreement between the government and the company in 2017. The government has to provide financial assistance to CCR when claims in one accounting year exceed 90% of the equalization and special reserve built up for this type of business.

The French government recently announced a special plan to aid French businesses, especially SMEs, to continue their activities and remain afloat despite the uncertainty created by current COVID-19 pandemic. This plan includes setting up a public reinsurance program, guaranteed by the state, for trade credit insurance, to the tune of €10 billion. The government has charged CCR with implementing this scheme. We consider that this confirms the critical role CCR plays for the government and for the national economy.

We consider that CCR Re's prudent underwriting has enabled it to improve its technical results--its net combined ratio stood at 98.1% at the end of 2019. (Lower combined ratios indicate better profitability. A combined ratio of greater than 100% signifies an underwriting loss.) Furthermore, CCR Re has progressively widened its geographical presence and increased its diversification between life and non-life lines of business. We anticipate that CCR Re may be affected by COVID-19-related claims in 2020, but if we see a global economic recovery, it could achieve a combined ratio below 98% in 2021-2022.

CCR Regenerates business globally, of which most stems from Europe, Asia, Canada, the Middle East, and North Africa. Its business contributed approximately 36% of the group's gross premium written in 2019, up from 33% in 2016. Given CCR Re's growing contribution to group business and overall strategy, we expect the group to support the subsidiary in times of stress. It has demonstrated this in the past, when CCR Re experienced significant losses. CCR Re is not state-backed, so the group support came in the form of reassessment of exposures.

CCR Re's close operational and financial integration with the rest of the group further supports our assessment of CCR Re's group status. The group's two entities share the same administrative functions and risk management framework. Costs are allocated across CCR Re and the state-guaranteed business. CCR Re also utilizes both the group's name and logo and is therefore closely linked to the reputation of the group. The company has set an internal and regulatory target capital level consistent with the group's targets. Furthermore, we believe the parent would downstream funds to CCR Re if the subsidiary fails to achieve regulatory or internal capital targets. Our base case assumes that CCR and CCR Re will maintain a robust capital buffer at the 'AAA' level in 2020-2021.

Outlook

The stable outlook on CCR mirrors the stable outlook on France. This reflects our expectation that the company will maintain its critical role to and integral link with the French government for at least the next two years.

The stable outlook on CCR Re incorporates our view of the group's stable underlying credit quality before taking into account government support. As long as we continue to view CCR Re as a core subsidiary, the rating on CCR Re will move in tandem with the unsupported group credit profile.

Downside scenario

We could lower our ratings on CCR if we were to lower our ratings on France. Although unlikely at this stage, any indication of a weakening of the company's critical role for or integral link with the French government might also prompt us to consider lowering the long-term rating on CCR,

potentially by several notches.

We could lower the ratings for CCR Re if:

- Increased claims severity limited CCR's financial flexibility to support CCR Re in adverse market conditions, causing us to revise downward the unsupported group credit profile.
- CCR Re's profitability deteriorated for a prolonged period, causing us revise downward its group status, or we considered CCR Re's importance to the group's overall strategy had changed.

Upside scenario

We could raise our ratings on CCR if we took a similar action on the sovereign, and we expected that CCR would maintain its critical role for and integral link with the French government.

We could raise our ratings on CCR Re if we took a similar action on the group, and we expected CCR Re to maintain its core status within the CCR group.

Ratings Score Snapshot

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| Business Risk Profile | Strong |
|--|--------------|
| Competitive position | Strong |
| IICRA | Intermediate |
| Financial Risk Profile | Strong |
| Capital and earnings | Excellent |
| Risk exposure | High |
| Funding structure | Neutral |
| Anchor* | а |
| Modifiers | |
| Governance | Neutral |
| Liquidity | Adequate |
| Comparable ratings analysis | 0 |
| Additional notches to strengthen or weaken the rating because of parental support or sovereign rating considerations | 3 |
| Financial Strength Rating | AA |

^{*}This is influenced by our view of Caisse Centrale de Reassurance's unique position in the French natural catastrophe market and its strong capacity to generate strong earnings through the cycle.

Related Criteria

- Criteria | Insurance | General: Insurers Rating Methodology, July 1, 2019
- General Criteria: Group Rating Methodology, July 1, 2019
- General Criteria: Rating Government-Related Entities: Methodology And Assumptions, March

25, 2015

- Criteria | Insurance | Property/Casualty: Assessing Property/Casualty Insurers' Loss Reserves, Nov. 26, 2013
- Criteria | Insurance | General: Refined Methodology And Assumptions For Analyzing Insurer Capital Adequacy Using The Risk-Based Insurance Capital Model, June 7, 2010
- General Criteria: Use Of CreditWatch And Outlooks, Sept. 14, 2009

Ratings List

| Ratings Affirmed | | | | |
|--------------------------------|------------|--------------|--|--|
| Caisse Centrale de Reassurance | | | | |
| Issuer Credit Rating | | | | |
| Local Currency | AA/Stable/ | | | |
| Financial Strength Rating | | | | |
| Local Currency | AA/Stable/ | | | |
| Upgraded; Outlook Action | | | | |
| | То | From | | |
| CCR RE | | | | |
| Issuer Credit Rating | | | | |
| Local Currency | A/Stable/ | A-/Positive/ | | |
| Financial Strength Rating | | | | |
| Local Currency | A/Stable/ | A-/Positive/ | | |

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A.M. Best Affirms Credit Ratings of Caisse Centrale de Réassurance and CCR RE

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A.M. Best has affirmed the Financial Strength Rating (FSR) of A+ (Superior) and the Long-Term Issuer Credit Rating (Long-Term ICR) of "aa" of **Caisse Centrale de Réassurance** (CCR) (France). Concurrently, A.M. Best has affirmed the FSR of A (Excellent) and the Long-Term ICR of "a" of **CCR RE** (France). The outlook of these Credit Ratings (ratings) is stable.

The ratings of CCR reflect its balance sheet strength, which A.M. Best categorises as strongest, as well as its adequate operating performance, favourable business profile and appropriate enterprise risk management (ERM). The ratings also consider, in the form of rating enhancement, the explicit unlimited guarantee provided by the Republic of France to CCR's state-backed business.

CCR's balance sheet strength assessment reflects the company's very strong risk-adjusted capitalisation, as measured by Best's Capital Adequacy Ratio (BCAR). Substantial equalisation provisions provide capacity to absorb the company's peak exposures to natural catastrophe, terrorism and other exceptional risks. Furthermore, CCR benefits from a liquid investment portfolio of good quality assets and a track record of conservative reserving practices. The support of the Republic of France, CCR's ultimate shareholder, which provides the company with an unlimited guarantee for its public reinsurance activities, is reflected in the balance sheet strength assessment and in rating lift.

CCR's favourable business profile is underpinned by the role the company plays in the French public reinsurance regime and its unique position as the principal reinsurer of natural catastrophe risks underwritten in France with an estimated market share of approximately 90%. CCR's market offering of a 50% quota share, supplemented by an optional, unlimited stop loss treaty, is considered a competitive advantage.

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Several years of benign catastrophe loss experience have allowed CCR to establish a track record of good operating performance and reinforce its balance sheet strength through earnings retention. In 2016 and 2017, CCR experienced some of the largest loss events since the creation of the French natural catastrophe regime. Notably, floods in France in 2016 and Hurricane Irma in the French Antilles in 2017, have driven non-life combined ratios of 103.5% and 196.3% in each year, respectively (as calculated by A.M. Best). However, the release of equalisation provisions, accumulated over the years to absorb such catastrophe losses, allowed the group to record a consolidated net profit of EUR 141 million in 2016 and EUR 45 million in 2017. Given the exposure of the company to potentially significant catastrophe losses, prospective results are likely to remain subject to volatility.

The ratings of CCR RE reflect its balance sheet strength, which A.M. Best categorises as strong, as well as its adequate operating performance, neutral business profile and appropriate ERM. The ratings also factor in CCR RE's strategic importance to the CCR group. The company contributes material volumes of premium income to CCR on a consolidated basis and is a means for the group to keep abreast of developments in the open reinsurance market. CCR RE is integrated strongly into CCR, sharing resources and leveraging the organisation's governance and risk management frameworks.

CCR RE's balance sheet strength assessment considers its very strong risk-adjusted capitalisation, as measured by BCAR, which benefits from significant unrealised gains on assets. The assessment also factors in CCR RE's liquid investment portfolio, low dependence on retrocession support and conservative reserving practices. A.M. Best considers CCR RE's financial flexibility to be limited, given the clear segregation of activities between CCR RE and its shareholder, CCR, which is considered a partially offsetting factor in the balance sheet strength assessment. Furthermore, A.M. Best expects CCR RE's financial leverage to increase over 2018 should the company successfully execute plans to issue subordinated debt to third-party investors, although it is expected to remain at a moderate level.

A.M. Best expects CCR RE to generate robust earnings over the medium term, driven by investment returns. The life portfolio has been profitable but the company's non-life portfolio has produced technical losses, and a five-year average (2013-2017) non-life combined ratio of 105.8% (as calculated by A.M. Best). Non-life performance improved over the past two years, as the company has rationalised its underwriting portfolio and diversified its natural catastrophe exposures, but in the absence of further improvements, there could be negative pressure on CCR RE's ratings.

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