Risks and Uncertainties in Sustainable Development Policies

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Types of Regulatory Risk

- Bureaucratic complexity and intransparency
- Regulatory instability
- Insecure property rights
- Insufficient financial support

Proportion of stakeholders listing as high concern (n=24)
Ease of Doing Business before and after the Arab Spring

Conclusions

- Risk matters for MENA and renewable energy investment, which is important globally and regionally.
- What we have seen here is part of a larger pattern of the importance of risk for sustainable development.