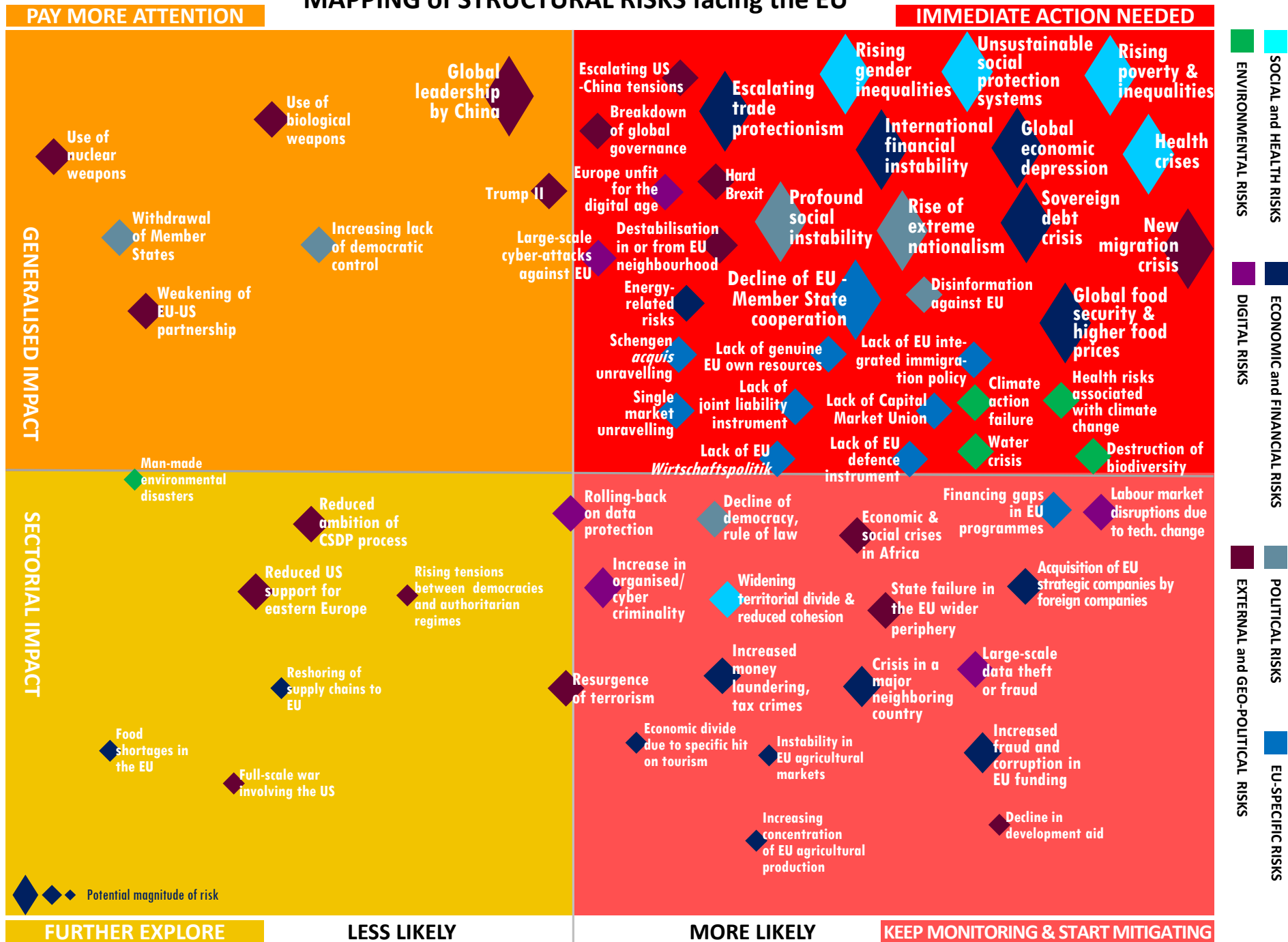
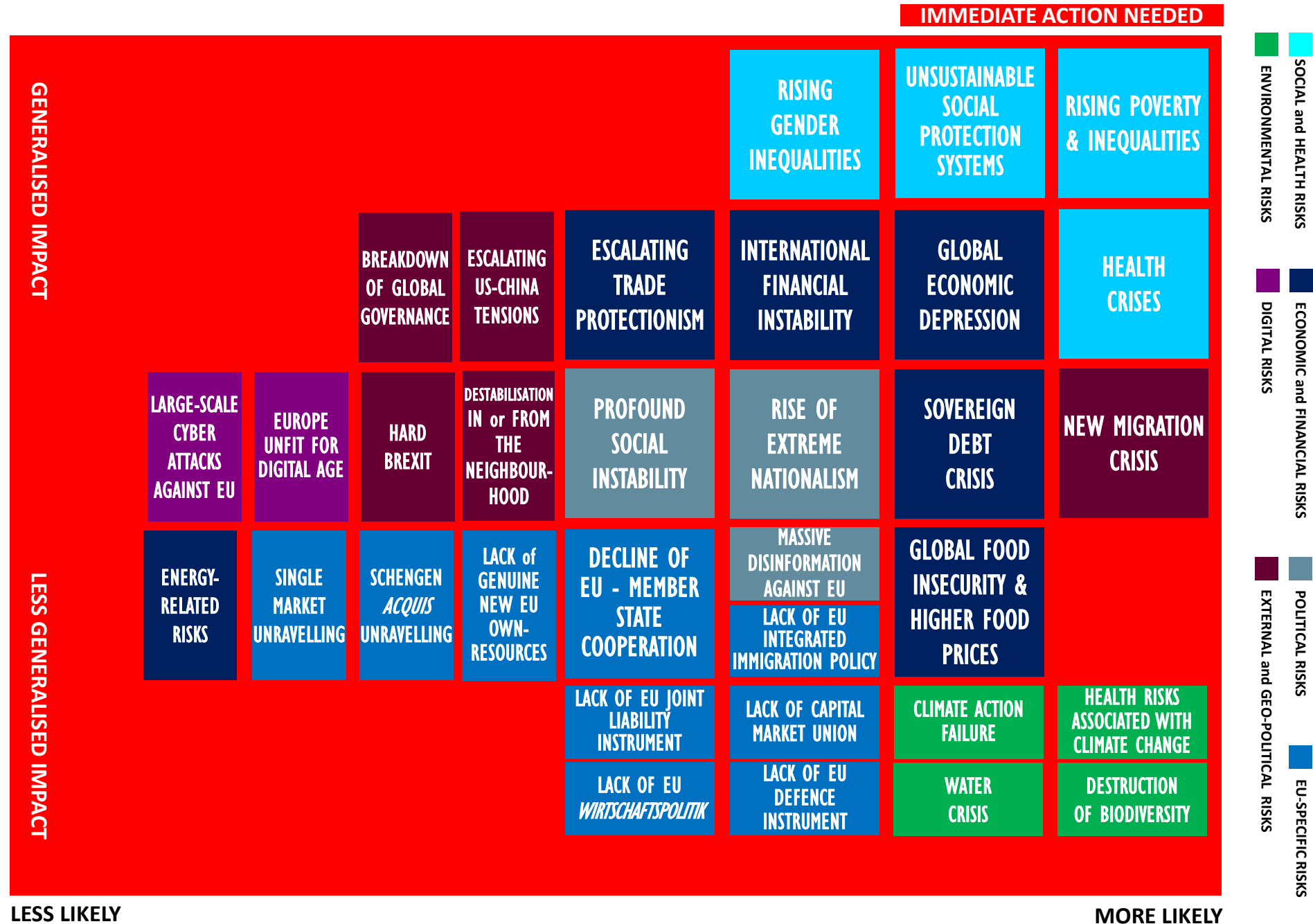


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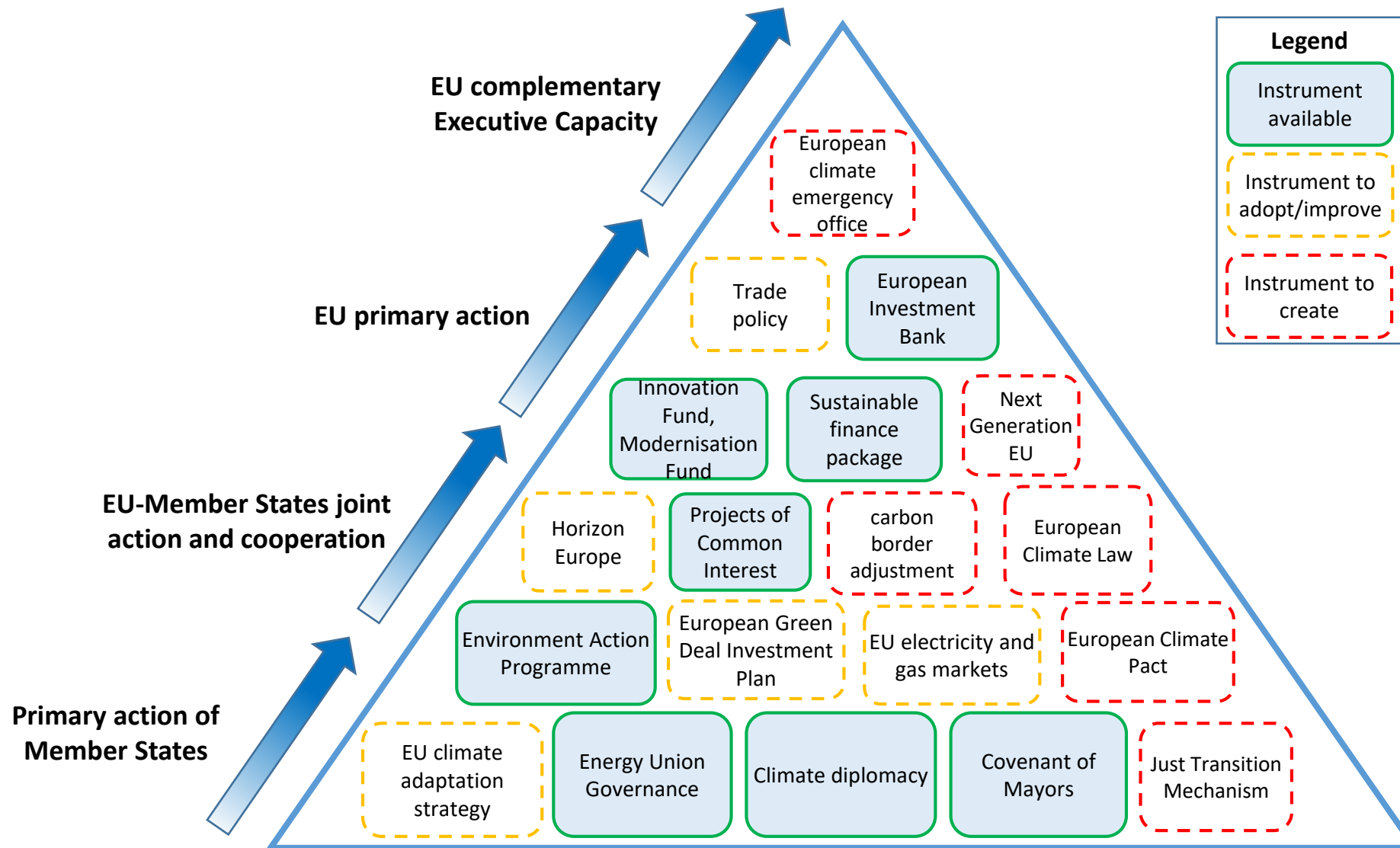
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	<b>Regulatory capacity to prevent and react (SMALLER)</b>	<b>Regulatory capacity to prevent and react (LARGER)</b>
<b>Financial or administrative capacity to prevent and react (LARGER)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>European Social Fund and structural and cohesion funds</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of rising inequalities</li> <li>- <b>EIB packages</b> to support small and medium-sized European companies and prevent and mitigate risks of credit crunch leading to a further rise of inequalities, unemployment and poverty</li> <li>- <b>Emergency funds and mechanism for health and health research and strengthened coordination of EU structures</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of new health crises in the EU</li> <li>- <b>EU inter-institutional media strategy</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of constant disinformation against the EU</li> <li>- <b>EUROPOL and EU anti-terrorist coordination</b> to prevent and mitigate the risks associated with organised crime and terrorist organisation and with profound social unrest</li> <li>- <b>Rules and funding for democratic European Parties and Foundations</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of extreme nationalism</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Macro-prudential policy</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of financial instability</li> <li>- <b>ESM instruments</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of a sovereign crisis in the EMU</li> <li>- <b>ECB monetary policy</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of a global depression</li> <li>- <b>EU bilateral trade agreements and EU trade defence instruments</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of escalating trade protectionism, and the risks of escalating tension between the US and China</li> <li>- <b>EU environmental/climate policies and financing instruments, including emission targets, EU development policy</b> to prevent and mitigate the risks of global climate action failure, the resulting destruction of biodiversity and health risks associated with them</li> <li>- <b>EU CAP, environmental policy and Development instrument</b> to prevent and mitigate the risks of destruction of a large part of the remaining biodiversity in the EU and beyond and of global food insecurity</li> <li>- <b>EU/EIB funds, guarantees and aid available for infrastructure investments, EU strategic reserves</b> and energy sector rules, networks to prevent and mitigate energy risks associated with dependency and safety</li> <li>- <b>European Commission enforcement capacity and sanctions</b> to prevent a silent unravelling Single Market rules</li> </ul>
<b>Financial capacity to prevent and react (SMALLER)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>EU <i>Wirtschaftspolitik</i></b> to reduce and mitigate the risk of economic depression, financial instability and sovereign debt crisis</li> <li>- <b>Permanent EU unemployment re-insurance</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of rising inequalities</li> <li>- <b>EU Sustainability rules</b> for social protection systems</li> <li>- <b>Joint Liability instrument</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of a sovereign debt crisis in the euro area</li> <li>- <b>EU Defence Instrument</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of destabilisation in or from the EU's neighbourhood</li> <li>- <b>Integrated EU migration policy</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of a new migration crisis as well as the risk of growing inequalities within the MS</li> <li>- <b>Genuine Capital Market Union</b> to prevent and mitigate the risks of financial instability and the investment gap in Europe</li> <li>- <b>EU FBI</b> to prevent and mitigate the consequences of profound social unrest (growth of cross-border crime, hate movement, racism, terrorism)</li> <li>- <b>EU Common Identity Policy</b> (Education, History, Symbols) to prevent and mitigate the risk of increasing extreme nationalism</li> <li>- <b>EU contingency plan in case of hard Brexit</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Further steps in EU integration</b> to prevent the EU economy from shrinking by an estimated 17 to 22% of GDP (arising from the potential cost of non-Europe and European added value)</li> <li>- <b>EU investment in digital technologies and infrastructure and regulatory framework</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of an EU unfit for the digital age</li> <li>- <b>Framework of e-democracy</b> at EU level to prevent and mitigate the risk of increasing nationalism and populism</li> <li>- <b>Further improvements of EU anti-discrimination rules</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of rising gender inequalities, and the growth of development of sexism, racism, xenophobia and hate speech</li> <li>- <b>A true EU Schengen governance and an efficient border management by decentralised agencies</b> to prevent and mitigate the risk of an unravelling of the Schengen acquis</li> <li>- Further integration of different parts of <b>water policy</b> (financing of large infrastructures, strategic reserves, fight against waste, sectorial rules, safety) to prevent and mitigate the risk of a large water crisis in EU and beyond</li> <li>- <b>Further efforts by EU diplomacy in support of multilateralism, increased support EU diplomatic and financial support to multilateral institutions</b> to prevent and mitigate the risks of a breakdown of global governance and of US-China tensions</li> </ul>

# Pyramid of instruments at the disposal of the EU and its Member States

Example of potential climate action failure



*Note: The size of each square does not have any meaning*