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Introduction to impact investing

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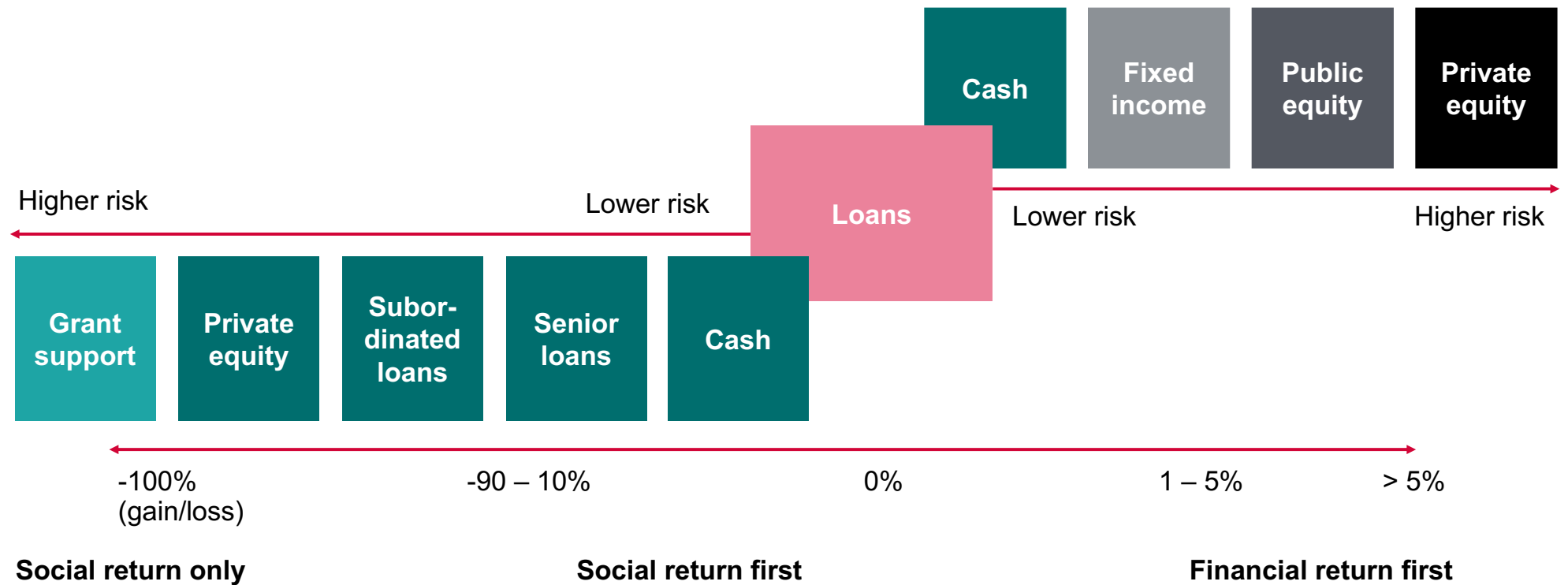




Traditional capitalism: You have two cows, you sell one and buy a bull. Your herd multiplies, and the economy grows. You sell them and retire on the income.

Nonprofit organization: A donor gives you two cows. You feed the poor with milk and meat. Next year, you ask the donor for two cows again.

Impact investing as continuum



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New funding models

Debt-/guarantee models

Pay for success models

Conditional conversion models

Debt-/guarantee models

- Enable an early launch of projects
- Reduce risks for grantees
- Deficit guarantee may help attracting other funding partners
- Incentivize the meeting of certain goals and adaption of entrepreneurial behaviour

Pay for success-models

- Require predefined conditions or milestones to be met in order to release payment
- Incentives for performance: improving internal organizational processes or expanding knowledge
- Reducing their financial risk for initiator

Conditional conversion model

- Grants or loans will later be converted into another type of financing
- Incentivizing goal achievement
- Match the financing type with specific stages of project development
- Allow for a life-cycle optimized type of funding