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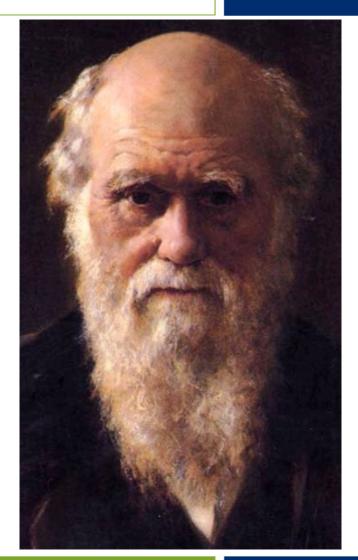


Agenda

- 1. Strategic Planning
 - Frameworks
 - Forecasting
 - Metrics
- 2. Business Plans
- 3. Thinking Strategically
- 4. Questions







"It is not the strongest of the species that survive, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change."

Charles Darwin



So Why is Strategy Important?

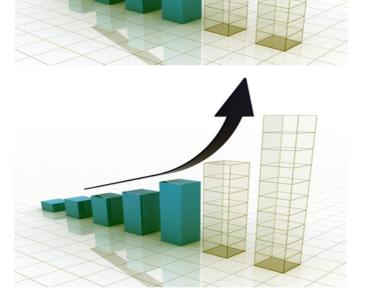






Why is Strategy Important?

 Effective Strategy = Improved Performance





Why is Strategy Important?

 Regardless of role, a solid understanding of strategy is essential to contribute to major decisions





Why is Strategy Important?

 Art of developing and implementing specific actions and decisions that will enable the organization to achieve goals



 Highly unlikely to achieve goals without strategy – true not only in work but in life in general

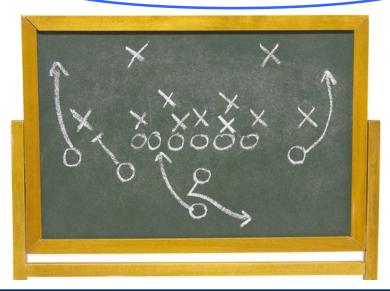




What is Strategy?

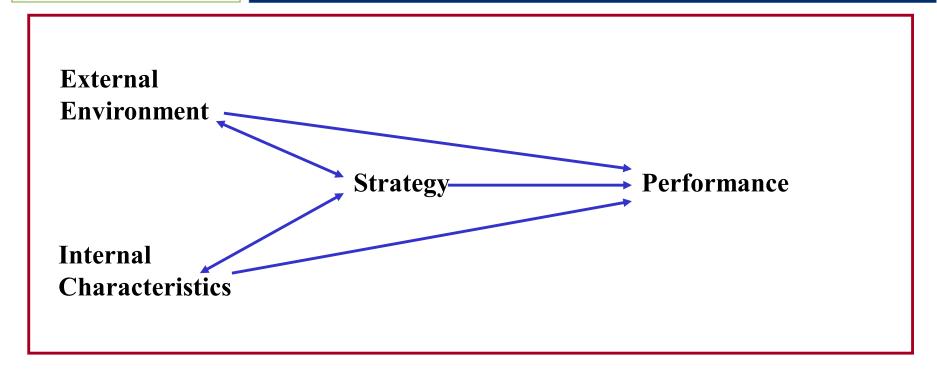
A simple definition

 An organization's strategy is the overall plan of how an organization wants to achieve its goals. A strategy provides overall directions for how an organization uses its internal resources and responds to its external environment.





Strategy and Performance



 Performance depends on organization's external environment (industry), its strategy, and its internal characteristics



Strategic vs Business Plan

Strategic Plan

Used to implement and manage strategic direction of an **existing** organization

More **long-term** in nature

Communicate direction of organization to stakeholders

Business Plan

Used to **start** a business, obtain funding or direct operations

Assess viability of a business opportunity, and is more **immediate** in nature

Presents entrepreneurs ideas to funders



Strategic vs Business Plan





General Principles

Strategic Plan – has to be

- Actionable
- Easy to Understand Team can execute and use as a daily reference
- Shouldn't be academic or stuck in theory
- Boiled down to basics so very clear what goals are and what actions needed
- Need a short list of the highest-impact projects
- ❖ Need to also be clear about what not to do where are the boundaries

Purpose of the Grants

The Presbytery is looking for people who feel led by God to start something new or to take something old and reshape it into something new. It is looking for people whose gifts match their aspirations. It is looking for people who have a clear plan of sustainability beyond sources from the Presbytery of Westminster. It is not looking for initiatives that require the Presbytery to provide funds in perpetuity. Nor is it looking to invest in land or property.² It is looking for initiatives that take into consideration the local context and culture and where adequate research has been done to demonstrate a particular need to be addressed with clearly articulated assumptions and benchmarks for growth. Since the leadership of the initiative will be key to reaching the goals set, costs associated with project staffing will be considered for funding.



Strategic Plan

Current State

Future State

Strategic Plan



Strategic Plan

Current State

- Where are we now?
- Organization Overview (past milestones, achievements, current services, key competencies, financial analysis etc.)
- Strategic Analysis of internal/external environments, including:
 - ➤ Current structure, vision, mission
 - ➤ Challenges
 - ➤ Product (or Service) Customer Matrix (PCM)
 - ➤ PEST Analysis
 - ➤5-Forces Analysis or SWOT

Future State

Strategic Plan



What is the difference between strategy, mission and vision?

Vision Statement

- What the organization wants to be
- Bigger Picture
- Future-oriented



Purpose of Vision

- Motivational
- Included long-term strategy, but typically less specific than strategy statement
- Popular for innovative ventures



What is the difference between strategy, mission and vision?

Mission Statement

- Fundamental purpose of the organization
- Why we exist
- More immediate than Vision



Purpose of Mission Statement

- Public Relations
- Internal communication of culture
- Internal soul-searching

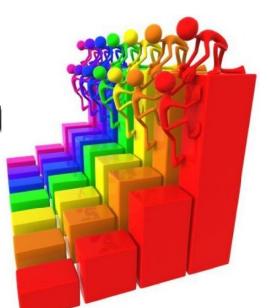


What is the difference between strategy, mission and vision?

Vision dictates Mission that determines Strategy



Mission – Core Purpose (WHY we exist)





Vision – Picture of ideal future (WHAT we want to be)

Strategy – Game plan for success (HOW we want to get there)



Mission and Vision

Purpose

The Presbytery of Westminster (referred to in this document as Presbytery) has stated, as part of its vision of renewal, to:

- engage in biblical theological reflection and education that deepens understanding of and commitment to God, the church, and its place in Christ's ministry and mission.
- engage in evangelism, outreach, and discipleship.
- embrace a missional culture that nurtures initiative and risk taking.
- discern, prepare, and support leaders lay, youth and young adults and clergy for faithful
 and fruitful ministry.
- create, encourage, and support communities of faith.
- engage in healing and reconciliation between indigenous and non-indigenous peoples.

Vision

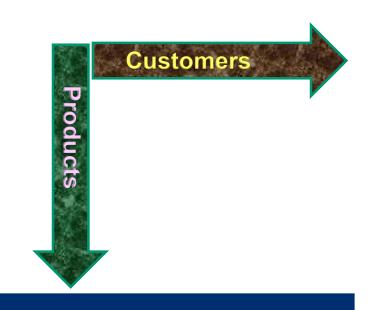
Our vision is one of being intentional about connecting with God's mission in the world.

Try to align as much as possible with above with all plans



Product-Customer-Matrix

- PCM = 2-d array with products (or groups of products) on one axis and customers (or groups of customers) on other axis
- Primary purpose
 - Help managers describe their company and 'business' that it is in
- Describing the business includes
 - Describing their goods or services
 - Describing the target customers groups
- May be constructed for firm or industry





PCM for a Regional Construction Company (Annual Sales in \$millions)

	Customers						
Products	Intermediate Customer Final Customer			Total			
	Private Developer	Public/Institutional	Commercial/Industrial	. 3.3.			
Residential Concrete Highrise	\$4.3	\$3.2		\$7.5			
Office Concrete Highrise	\$12	\$24	\$3.2	\$39.2			
Concrete Lowrise	\$1.5			\$1.5			
Concrete Tilt-up (Warehouse, etc)			\$0.4	\$0.4			
Structural Steel Highrise	\$10	\$7	\$9	\$26			
Structural Steel Lowrise	\$12	\$24	\$5	\$41			
Woodframe Residential Complex	\$0.9			\$0.9			
Woodframe Lowrise			\$0.4	\$0.4			
Woodframe Single Resident	\$3.2			\$3.2			
Retrofit: All material-uses		\$15	\$4.1	\$19.1			
Total	\$43.9	\$73.2	\$22.1	\$139.2			



"Industry" PCM

- An Industry PCM can help clarify industry borders
- Industry PCM created by starting with a firm-specific PCM, considering each competitor in turn and:
 - Adding products (rows) provided by competitors or substitutes
 - Adding customers (columns) served by competitors or substitutes
 - Segmenting existing rows and columns more finely



PCM for the BC Gas Supply Industry (Competitors' presence in each segment)

	Customers							
	Environmental Protection		Refining, Cutting and Binding Metals		Other Industries			
Products	Pulp & Paper	Chemical/ Petroche m-ical	"Heavy" Industries	"Light" Industries	Medical Institutions	Medical Home Care	Food Processing	Beverage
Bulk Oxygen	B, D		B, D		A, B, C, D			
Oxygen in Cylinders	A, B, C, D		B, C, D	B, C, D	B, C, D	B, D		
On-site Oxygen	B, D		A					
Bulk Nitrogen	B, D	A, B, D	В				B, C	
Specialty Gases	B, C, D	A, B, D	B, D	A, B, D	A, B, D		B, C, D	
Fuel Gases	B, C, D		B, C, D	B, C, D				
Carbon Dioxide & Dry Ice	B,C		B, D	B, C, D			В	B, C
Welding Products	B, C, D		B, C, D	B, C, D				

Key: A = client firm; B, C, D = competitors; **B, C, D** = companies in the largest segments



PCM for Coffee Industry

Customer/Product	Drip Coffee	Specialty Coffees	Non Coffee Beverages	Food	Smartphone App, Coupons Pre-order, etc.	Merchandise (Tumblers, mugs, gift cards)	Retails Items (Grounds, coffee products etc.)	Lounge (Area to sit and chat, wifi)	Contracted Services (Starbucks location for a company)
Loyalty customers	S, W, B, T, S, M	S, W, B, T, M	S, W, B, T, M	S, W, B, T, 7, M	S,T,7	S, W, B	S, T,	S, W, B	
Occasional drinkers	S, W, B, T, ₇ , M	S, W, B, T, M	S, W, B, T, M	S, W, B, T, 7, M	S,T, ₇	S, W, B	S, T,	S, W, B	
Stores that carry products (Safeway, other grocery stores)									S, T, M
Companies that host Starbucks stores (eg. BC Ferries, Chapters)									S, T, M

S = Starbucks, W = Waves, B = Blenz, T = Tim Horton's, 7 = Seven 11, M = McDonald's



How can you Segment Household Customers?

- Demographics (age, gender, income, first language)
- Knowledge or purchase occasion (frequency, etc.)
- Psychographics or lifestyle (yuppies, dinks, etc.)
- Benefits sought (status, mobility, reliability, etc.)
- Location
 - > Continent/country
 - > Geographic region
 - > Urban/rural





A *Corporate* PCM for an International Forest Products Company

D. J. G.	Customers								
Products	Canada	U.S.A.	Japan	U.K.	Total				
BUILDING MATERIALS									
Lumber	7.64	20.93	4.13	3.44	36.14				
Plywood	5.02	2.74	0.06	0.90	8.72				
Wafer board	4.21	3.94			8.15				
Particleboard	0.82		0.01		0.83				
PULP & PAPER									
Newsprint	1.91	12.95	1.85	2.02	18.73				
Market Pulp	0.28	1.29	2.46	5.49	9.52				
Recycled Prods	0.27	2.89			3.16				
CONTAINER BOARD									
Linerboard	0.04	4.12		1.07	5.23				
Corrugating Medium	1.50	2.20	0.08	0.37	4.15				
Corrugated Containers		5.34			5.34				
TOTAL	21.69	56.4	8.59	13.29	100.00				

(Percent Share of Revenue)



What Goes in the Cells?

At a minimum:

 The presence or absence of products or services in this segment

Preferably:

- Revenue
- # of customers or clients served, especially for NPOs

Ideally:

Gross profit, operating profit or cash-flow

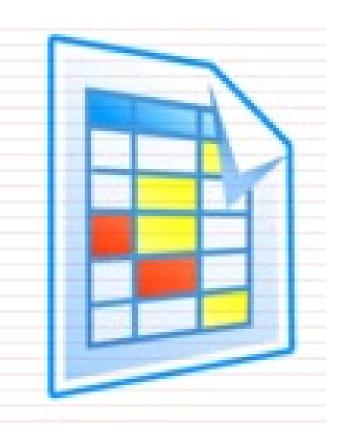
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PCM Conclusion

- PCMs/SCMs useful for
 - Describing the "business"
 - Describing current positioning strategy
 - Developing strategy alternatives

- When constructing a PCM
 - Focus on the dimensions, not the cell contents





Macro Environment Scanning

Political



- Free trade & free trade zones
- GATT, NAFTA, Expanding EEC
- Country-specific political risks
- Regulatory environment
- Deregulation and privatization

Economic



- Recession versus growth
- Interest and exchange rates
- Unemployment rates
- Debt levels
- Tax rates

Socia-Cultural



- Population and age structure
- Education levels
- Health
- Natural environment
- Urbanisation

Technological



- Scientific advances
- R&D investment
- Emerging technologies
- Diffusion of technologies

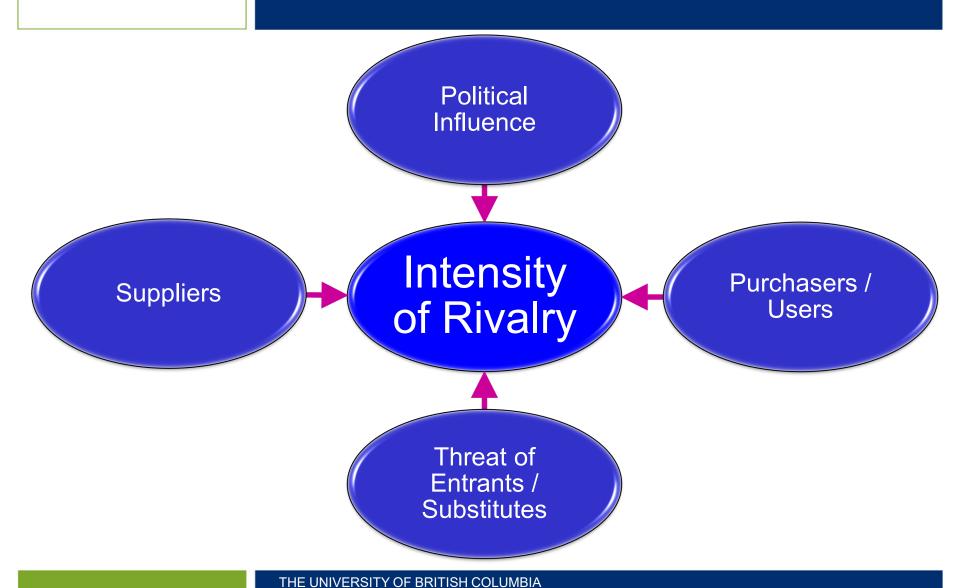


Competition for Not-For-Profits?

- What do they compete for?
- With each other for:
 - Donors
 - Grants / Subsidies
 - Sponsors
 - Clients
 - Consumers
 - Volunteers
 - Etc.

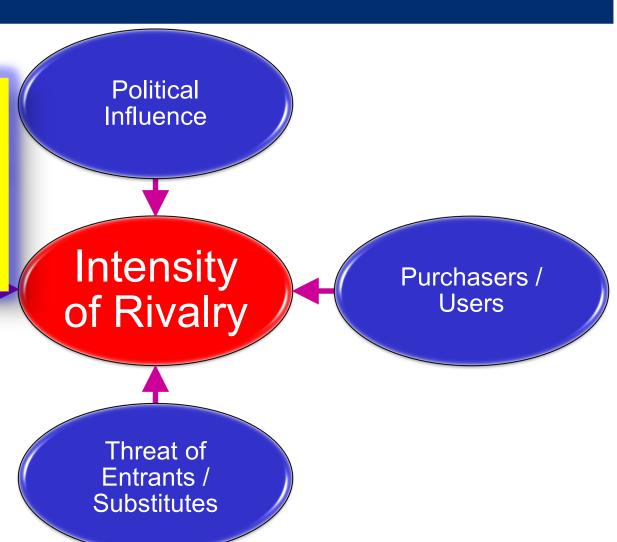




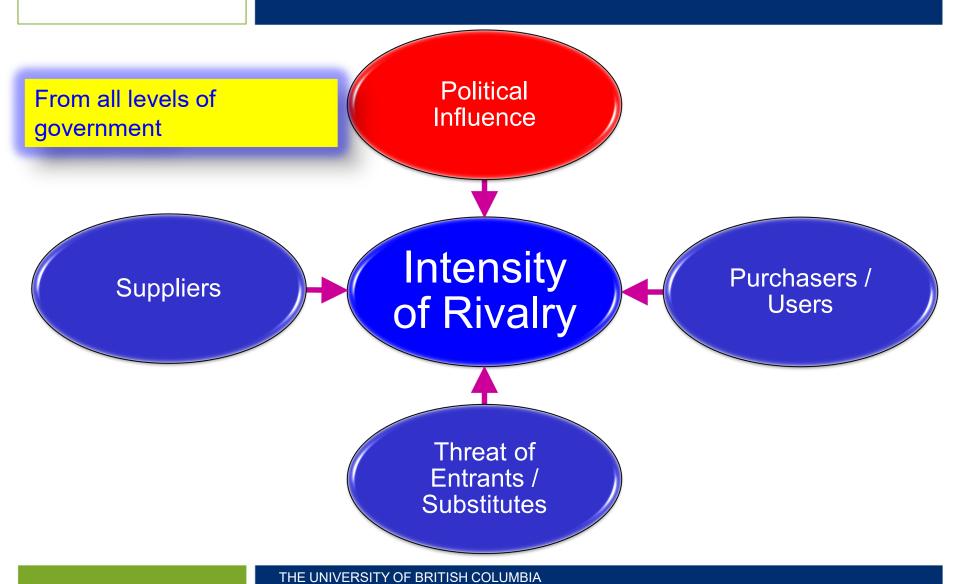




Even if in Monopoly; Consider competition from other government agencies (could take you over) or not-for-profits. Also, is monopoly contestable?



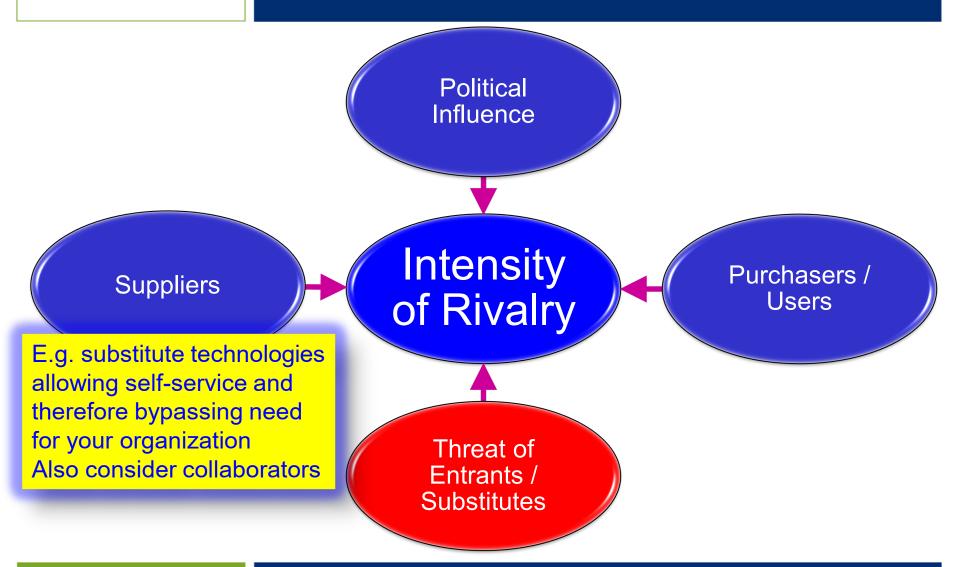




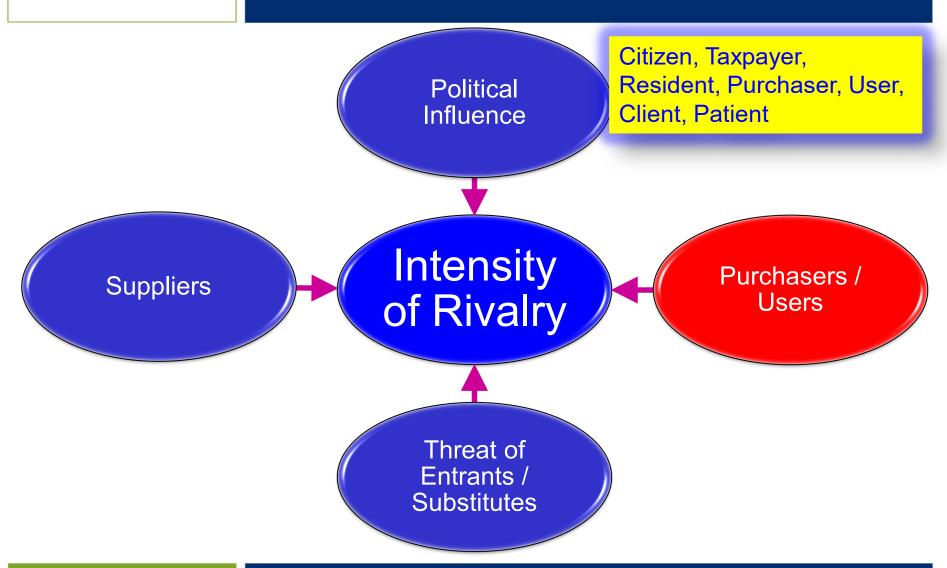


Powerful suppliers capture more value by charging higher prices, Political limiting quality or services, or Influence shifting costs to others. Consider labour, land, equipment, and also **Professional Associations** Intensity Purchasers / **Suppliers** of Rivalry Users Threat of Entrants / Substitutes

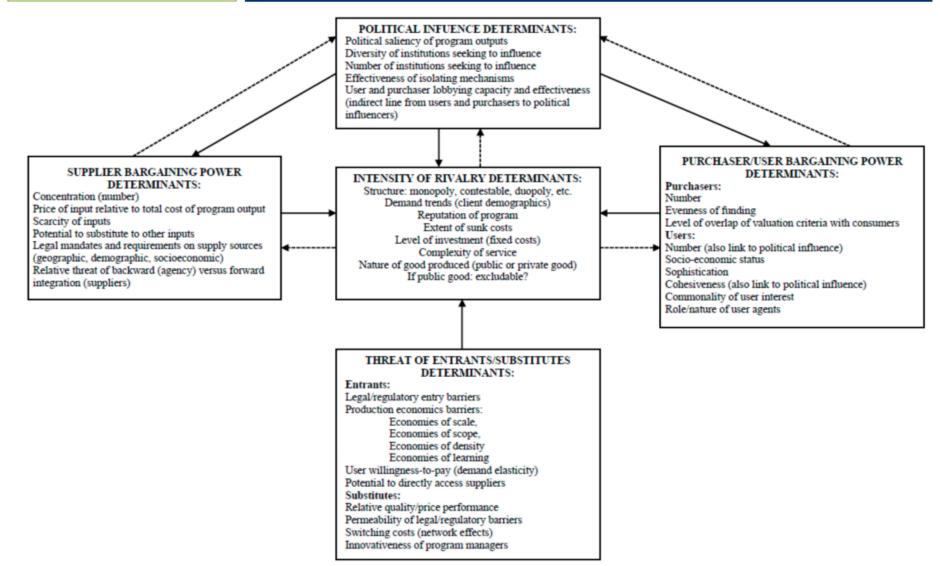














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Future State

- Desired future state
- Should include:
 - Broad, high-level goals need to make sure are in sync with vision
 - Vision
 - Mission and Core Values (any changes?)
 - Future Business Model

Strategic Plan



Strategy from the General Managers Perspective

	Prime Responsibility			
Owners / Shareholders /	Set company goals			
Board of Directors				
General Managers	Define and execute			
(CEO or MD of line business)	strategy			
Functional Managers	Define and execute			
(e.g., VP of HR)	tactics			



Goals, Strategies and Tactics

Goal = What you want to achieve

Strategy = How you could achieve your Goal

Tactic = Action to execute a Strategy



Example

 Context: Family-owned Pacific Northwest rainforest excursions company

- What are it's
 - Goals?
 - Strategies?
 - Tactics?





Example

Goal:

- Earn reasonable return
- Retain family control
- Maintain friendly family culture
- Educate people about ecology and native culture

Strategy:

 Provide high quality, customized tours to an affluent clientele, that includes educational aspects

Tactics:

- Involve next generation in business
- Maintain excellent customer service, irrespective of costs
- Refrain from aggressive growth and business expansion





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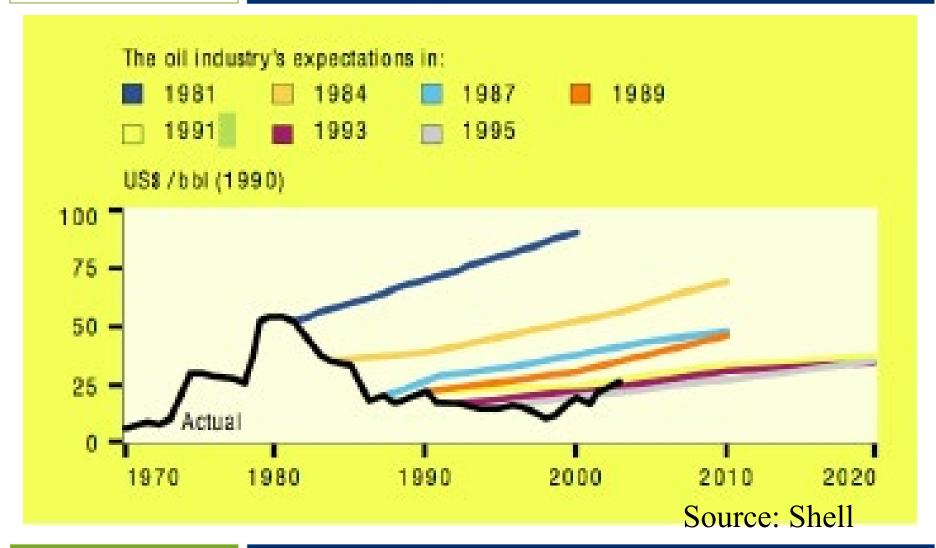
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Strategic Plan

- How to bridge from current to future
- Should be narrowed to 3-5 initiatives
- Art of saying "no" more than "yes"
- Should include:
 - ➤ Strategic priorities list of main projects
 - ➤ Details on actions needed for each strategy
 - > Financial Projections
 - ➤ Action Plan

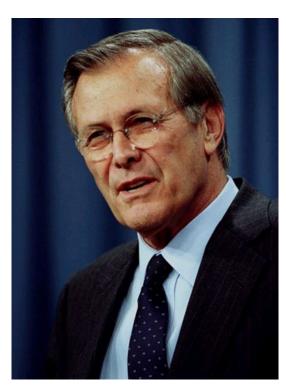


Forecasting Often Incorrect – Consider Oil





One of the Problems

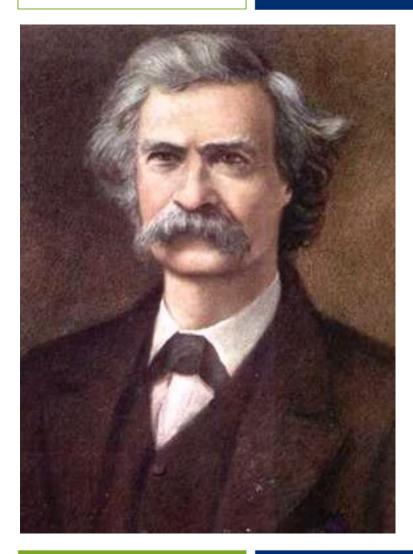


"There are known knowns. There are things that we know that we know. There are known unknowns. That is to say, there are things that we now know we don't know. But there are also unknown unknowns. There are things we do not know we don't know."

- Donald Rumsfeld, Defense Department Briefing, Feb 12, 2002



On the Other Hand



"It ain't what you don't know that gets you into trouble.

It's what you know for sure that just ain't so."

- Mark Twain



Timelines and Uncertainty

A Futurist's Framework for Strategic Planning

Instead of arbitrarily assigning goals on a quarterly or yearly time line, use a cone instead. First identify highly probable events for which there's already data or evidence, and then work outward. Each section of the cone is a strategic approach, and it encompasses the one before it until you reach major systems-level evolution at your company.



Source: Amy Webb, Future Today Institute

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Sensitivity Analysis

- Sometimes called "What-If" Analysis
- Adds considerable robustness and credibility to plan
- Easy within Excel
- Consider for any unknown variables (sales, interest rates, number of customers, Government funding etc.)



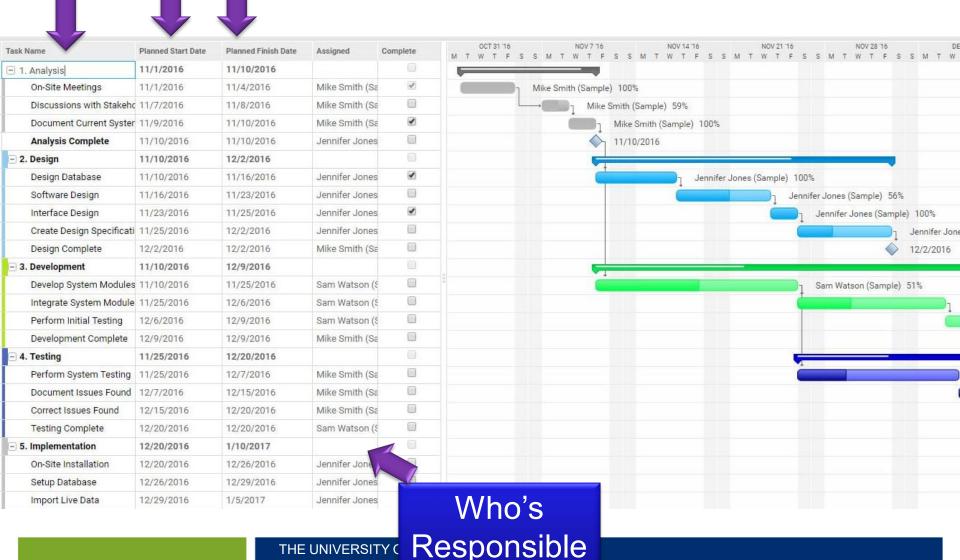


Sensitivity Analysis

	В	С	D	E	
3					
4		Pessimistic	Expected	Optimistic	
5	20% Decrease in Sales Original Sales		15 % Increase in Sales		
6	Sales:				
7	Units	\$6,305.60	\$7,882.00	\$9,064.30	
8	Selling Price per Unit	\$73.89	\$73.89	\$73.89	
9	Total Sales	\$465,920.78	\$582,400.98	\$669,761.13	
10	Variable Costs:				
11	Cost of Goods Sold	\$104,152.80	\$130,191.00	\$149,719.65	

Major Specific Actions Dates

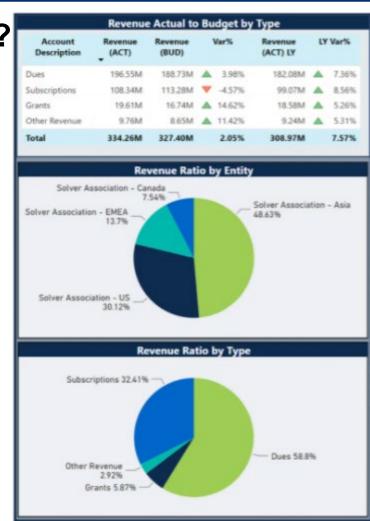
Specific Dates Sample Action Plan





Key Performance Indicators

- What's missing from Action Plan?
- KPI's to measure progress
- Sample KPI's include:
 - √ Fundraising ROI
 - ✓ Donor Retention Rate
 - ✓ Donor Growth
 - ✓ Attendance and enrolment
 - √ # of Volunteers





Metrics



- New strategies need new metrics
- What metrics could be used to measure progress towards strategic goals?
- What makes a good metric?
- Need to be careful consider Starbucks example



Consider Starbucks

- Metrics used include service (friendliness), product quality (order accuracy), and speed of service
- What is wrong with using these metrics?
- Are to some extent self-contradictory and internally inconsistent
- i. The more friendly the baristas are, the slower the service tends to be
- ii. The more time the barista takes to make sure the order is filled exactly right, the slower the line tends to be





Metrics

- Exercise consider metrics for own org to measure progress towards strategy
- Are there any Links? Redundancy? Need to have manageable number (10-15)





Balanced Scorecard



To achieve our vision, how should we appear to our customers?

r	Objectives	Measures	Fargets	Iniatives		

Internal Business Processes

To satisfy our shareholders and customers, what business processes must we excel at?

Mission, Vision and Values

Financial

To succeed financially, how should we appear to our shareholders?

Innovation and learning

To achieve our vision, how will we sustain our ability to change and improve?



Balanced Scorecard

 Adds strategic nonfinancial performance measures to traditional financial metrics

- 'Balanced' view of organizational performance
- Very popular used by ~50% of Fortune 1000 firms







Financial

- •How do we look to shareholders?
- •Few, relevant, highlevel measures

Balanced Scorecard



Customer

 How do customers see us?



Internal Business Processes

What must we excel at?



Learning & Growth



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Internal
Business
Processes

- What must we excel at?
- How well business is running



Learning & Growth



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Customer

- How do customers see us?
- Leading Factor



Internal Business Processes

- What must we excel at?
- How well business is running



Learning & Growth



Sample Metrics

Department	Areas
Finance	Return On Investment Cash Flow Return on Capital Employed Financial Results (Quarterly/Yearly)
Internal Business Processes	Number of activities per function Duplicate activities across functions Process alignment (is the right process in the right department?) Process bottlenecks Process automation
Learning & Growth	Is there the correct level of expertise for the job? Employee turnover Job satisfaction Training/Learning opportunities
Customer	Delivery performance to customer Quality performance for customer Customer satisfaction rate Customer percentage of market Customer retention rate



Advantages?

- 1. Aligns business activities to vision and strategy
- 2. Improves internal and external communications
- 3. Monitors performance against strategic goals
- 4. Clarifies strategy by translating strategic objectives into quantifiable measures and operational objectives.





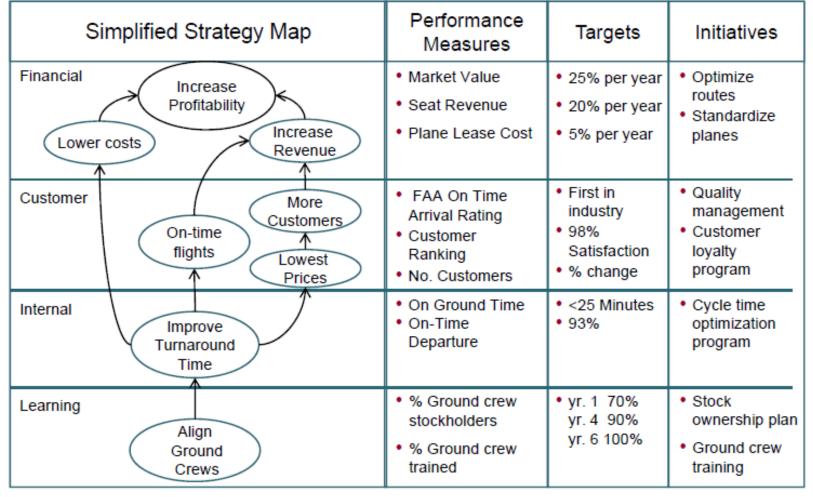
Criticisms?

- 1. Relies on well-defined strategy
- 2. External Dimension Focuses on customer how about other forces e.g. new entrants, technology, emerging legislation etc.
- 3. Processes of collecting, reporting, and distributing information can be labour intensive
- 4. Generic metrics usually not sufficient to adopt metrics used by other successful firms





Regional Airline Balanced Scorecard Example



Developed from material by the Balanced Scorecard Collaborative and Harvard Business Review (Kaplan & Norton)

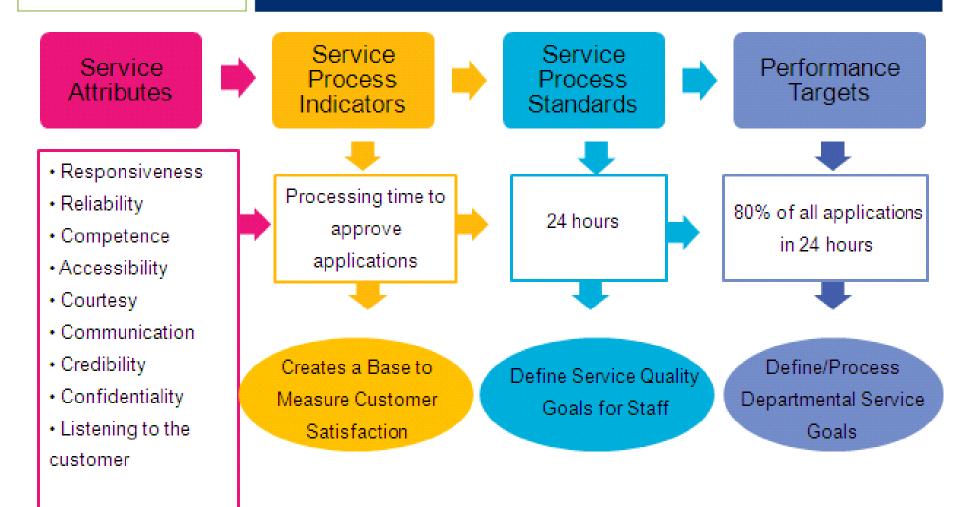


Hospital Balanced Scorecard Example

1.0 Patient Care and Outcomes								
	Name	Actual	Target					
1.1	Enhance Clinical Excellence							
	Length of Stay	12	3					
<u> </u>	<u>Unplanned Admissions</u>	23	22					
1.2	Increase Patient Safety							
2	Medication error rate	1	2					
<u>.</u>	<u>Fall Rate</u>	3	2					
1.3	Improve Patient Experience							
į.	Press Ganey Inpatient - Overall Mean	81.2	85.0					
2.0 Cor	e Measures (CMS & JCAHO)							
	Name	Actual	Target					
2.1	Achieve Goals on Core Measures							
!	AMI Core Measure Attainment Index	92	90					
1	Pneumococcal Vaccination	58	75					
2.2	Achieve 100K Lives Goals							
	VAP Goal Attainment	95 %	98 %					



Setting Service Standards





Strategic Plan

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This chart illustrating how Vision, Mission and Values can be linked to success factors, priorities and performance measurements is reproduced with the kind permission of Toronto East General Hospital.

Vision

To be Ontario's leading Community Teaching Hospital

Mission

We are committed to achieving the highest standard of patient care, teaching, innovation, community partnership, and accountability: Above all, we care.

Values

		Kindnes	s	Excelle	nce		Res	pect		
Success Factors										
Patient Focus			ourage ople	Ensu Valu			abora Spirit	tive		Inspire novation
				Priori	ties					
Patient Satisfaction	Patient Safety & Outcomes	Workplace Satisfaction	Workplace Safety	Business Acumen & Accountability	Infrastructure	Access & Continuity of Care	External Collaboration & Partnership	Teaching	Research	Service Innovation & Quality Improvement
			Pe	rformance	Measur	res				
Inpatient and Emergency Department Patient Satisfaction Scores	Hospital Standardized Mortality Ratio	Employee Commitment Composite Score	Lost Time Due to Injury	Total Margin % Non-MOHLTC Revenue	% Electronic Patient Record Implemented	% Conservable Days	Community Involvement & Coordination of Care Score	POWER Teaching Effectiveness Score	Total Research Dollars	System Integration & Change: Use of Data for Decision Making Score



Business Plans



"In preparing for battle I have always found that plans are useless, but planning is indispensable"

General Dwight D.
 Eisenhower



Template Structure

- Target length: 20 pages
 - Excluding financials, résumés or any appendix
- Every plan is different, so always feel free to deviate from this template structure
- Approximate structure
 - 1. Executive Summary (1-3 pages)
 - 2. Customer and Market Analysis (3-4 pages)
 - Business Model & Competitive Strategy (3-4 pages)
 - 4. Competitor analysis (2-3 pages)
 - 5. Implementation plan (2-4 pages)
 - 6. Risk section (1-2 pages)
 - 7. Financials Highlights and Assumptions (1-2 pages)
 - 8. Financials
 - 9. Founder Résumés





Executive Summary

- Purpose?
- To convince the reader to read on
- Length?
- Short! Less than 1000 words last thing written
- Contents: All key elements in your business plan
- Style: Clear, dynamic, positive and exciting
- Reality: If haven't agonized for hours and days over how to write executive summary, then haven't even scratched the surface of the real process



Executive Summary



Consider using a "Tagline"

- What is it?
- Sentence, or even fragment of sentence
- Summarizes organization
- Every part of your business plan should adhere to
- Perhaps put in footer of business plan
- Examples of famous taglines?





Tagline Examples







We try harder.









Product / Service Description

- Explain what your org. does
 - Describe product/service
 - If necessary, give related examples
- Explain underlying process or technology
- Explain where novelty lies (if any)



- Keep it simple!
 - Grandmother/Child test



Customer and Market Analysis

- Clearly articulate the customer need
 - Explain importance of customer need
 - Is there a willingness/ability to pay?
- Provide secondary market research
 - Estimate size & growth potential of market
 - Provide relevant market segmentation
- Provide primary evidence of market needs
 - Customer (and competitor) testimonials
 - Survey evidence, focus groups
- Always lead analysis with facts & figures...
- ...then make sure to clearly explain their implications for your business





Competition Analysis

Never belittle the competition

 What is the worst possible statement about competition?

"There is no competition"

 Second worst possible statement: "Criticize competition for their strength"

- Explain dimensions of competition
 - Assess strength and weakness
 - Describe your competitive strategy





Competition Analysis

- Consider Actual competition
 - Never hide what you know

- Consider Potential competition
 - Vertical entry
 - Horizontal entry
 - Related industry entry
 - Other entrepreneurs





Business Model and Strategy

Statement of Business Model

- Discuss basic business logic
- Define scope of business
- Discuss revenue model
- Discuss Long-Term Goals

Competitive Positioning

The four P's

Competitive Advantages

- Justify "first-mover advantage"
- Don't underestimate "soft" advantages
 - > Relationships
 - > Access to channels of distribution





Implementation Plan

Marketing and Sales

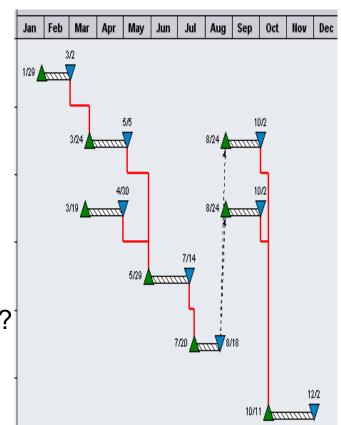
- What channels? What sales force? Etc.
- What advertising? What image? Etc.

Operations

- How do you plan to build the organization?
- What resources do you need?

Employment / HR

- What kind of employees? Corporate culture?
- What compensation structures?



Milestones

What are our concrete targets? When do you plan to get there?



Risk Section

- Why should I disclose my risks?
- You choose:
 - Either you identify and frame risks yourself...
 - ...or other people will do that for you!
- Candidly identify all major risks
- Explain mitigation strategy
- Level of detail?
- Show awareness, not paranoia
- Risk section ≠ legal risk disclosure





Financials

- Clearly present highlights of financials
 - Key assumptions, revenues, earnings, margins, funding needs, exit strategy..depends on business
- Need Cash Flow Statement for funding requirement
- Frequency depends on type of business
- Most investors want 5-year projections
- Broad-brush: first 2 years quarterly, then yearly
- Fine-comb: first 2 years monthly, then quarterly
- Many other variations... you can't win





Nonprofit Business Planning

- Business Plan answers following questions:
 - What are we trying to achieve?
 - Who will get us there?
 - When?
 - How much money and other resources will it take?

Risks – What if all does not go to plan? E.g. Government

cuts funding



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Becoming More Strategic

- Various methods to help:
- Know: Observe and Seek Trends
- Think: Ask Tough Questions
- Speak: Sound Strategic
- Act: Make time for Thinking & Embrace Conflict



When we change our daily lives - the way we think, speak and act - we change the world.

— Nhat Hanh —



Know: Observe Trends

- Need solid understanding of industry context, trends and business drivers
- Make it routine to explore and synthesize trends – e.g. paying attention to issues that get raised repeatedly
- Proactive in building and connecting network





Think: Ask Tough Questions



 Become curious – Monkey Story

 What defines success/failure in short-, medium- and long-term?

 Do outcomes support broader goals of organization?



Speak: Sound Strategic

 Know how to prioritize and sequence thoughts

 Add more structure to written and verbal communication – group and logically order main points – keep succinct – consider power of 3

 Practice giving answers first and providing rationale rather than building up to main point



Act: Think & Embrace Conflict

 Schedule time to actually think every week

Consider
 where you
 spend most
 of your time

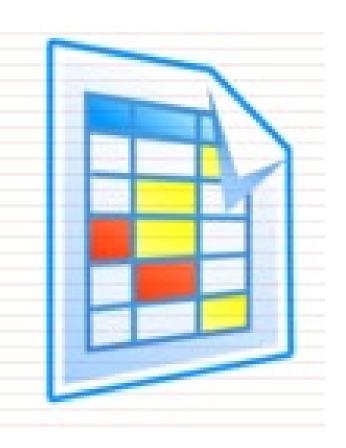




Summary

- Business Plans communicate your idea to a variety of stakeholders and help turn an idea into reality
- Several frameworks can be used to illustrate

 Consider ways to think and behave more strategically





Questions?

