

# For the Change Makers

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**Marketing Environment:** 

**Macroenvironment and Internal** 

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"To turn really interesting ideas and fledgling technologies into a company that can continue to innovate for years, it requires a lot of disciplines."

-- Steve Jobs (2011)

#### **Session Objectives**

By the end of the session, we will:

- Appreciate how strategic marketing decision making starts and ends with objective-driven analysis
- Learn how model-based environmental and internal analyses can provide insight into the elements of marketing strategy
- Recognize how planning horizons can vary and hence, the quality of marketing strategies

#### **Overview: A Marketing Strategy Framework**

#### **External Analysis**

- Customer Analysis
- Competitor Analysis
- Market Analysis
- Environmental Analysis

#### Internal Analysis

- Performance Analysis
- Determinants of Strategic option



Market Entry Timing Strategy

#### Strategy Identification and Selection

#### **Marketing Strategy – Further Analysis Inputs**

- Environmental Analysis
  - Ensure it's broad-based -- yet objective-driven
  - Uncertainties may matter more than certainties
- Internal Analysis
  - Beneficial for
    - Internal benchmarking
    - External comparisons
  - A must is critically evaluating for marketing strategy implications

Natural Monopoly

Open Market

Generation

Present

Transmission

Phase

Future

Open Market

Transmission

Phase

#### Three years ago:

- the Internet
- Record labels and the music industry
- Gaming
- Television
- Solar energy
- the rainforest
- the NHS

#### Two years ago:

- the euro
- the Internet
- Europe
- Genetic engineering
- Robotics
- Food

One year ago:

- the internet
- Gaming
- Antarctica
- the UK High Street

# Super Hi-Vision HD streaming: How soon until it goes mass market?

- ●7680 x 4320 resolution
- ●1.5 Terabytes of storage needed for 1 min. of footage



- Evaluate in-depth along relevant dimensions:
  - Only the start: PEST
  - What are the additional and refined dimensions?
- What trends and events are significant?
  - What's relevant to marketing strategy?
  - What are key areas of uncertainty?



#### **Dimensions of Environmental Analysis**

- Technology
  - Impact of maturing & new technologies
  - Forecasting new technologies
- Government regulatory impact?
- Economics country prospects?
- Culture fashion and lifestyle trends?
- Demographics market/submarket impact?



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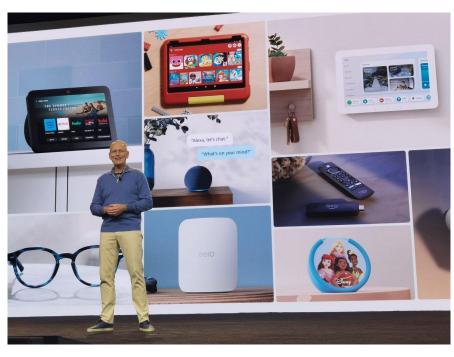






#### **Environmental Analysis: Forecasting for Fun or Profit?**

- Forecasting is *easy* when:
  - Ask simple questions
  - Extrapolate with little data
  - Ask a few biased experts
  - The task is general
  - Larger uncertainties are under-emphasized



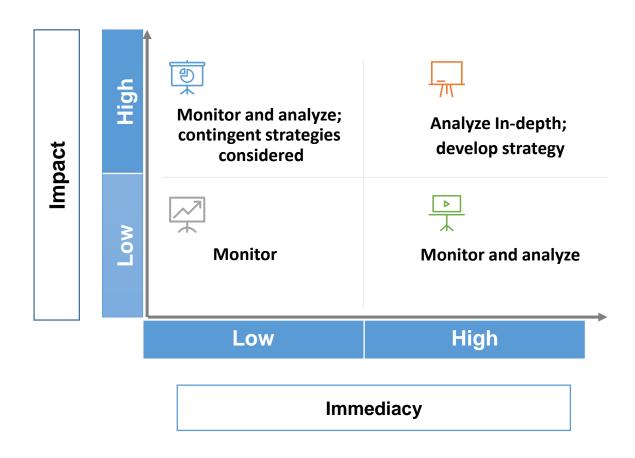


- Should be broad-based yet objective-driven
- Uncertainties matter more than certainties



- Multiple measures useful for:
  - Internal benchmarking
  - External comparisons
- A must: ID strategic implications

#### **Strategic Uncertainties Categories**



#### **Environmental Analysis: Scenarios, Strategies, Regrets**

- Marketing strategies are scenario-driven
- Scenarios are reward-driven and hazard-driven
- No scenario probability may be too small if the scenario is mission-critical
- Anticipating regrets leads to less risky strategic marketing actions



#### **Scenarios**

**Scenarios** are plausible views of how the environment of an organisation might develop in the future based on key drivers of change about which there is a high level of uncertainty.

- Builds on environmental analysis
- Offers more than a single view
- Scenario analysis is used in industries with long planning horizons

#### **Scenario Analysis**



#### **Factors of uncertainty for BMW**



#### **Political**

- 1. Tax on corporate emission
- 2. Tax on consumer emission
- 3. State aid developing countries
- 4. State aid developed countries
- 5. Political stability India
- 6. Political stability China
- 7. Investment in Public transportation
- 8. Subsidising of public transportation
- 9. Subsidies for greener substitutes

#### Social

- 20. Smaller family structures
- 21. Level of Europeanisation of the taste in Asia
- 22. Green (awareness) movement
- 23. Urbanisation
- 24. Public perception/trust in financial system
- 25. Demand level for safety
- 26. Work-life balance
- 27. Urban population growth rate
- 28. Retirement age

#### **Economic**

- 10. Chinese Yuan's value
- 11. Unemployment Rate in Europe
- 12. Unemployment Rate in India/China
- 13. Disposable income in India
- 14. Disposable income in China
- 15. Price of Raw materials (aluminium)
- 16. Exchange rates (Euro to Dollar)
- 17. Inflation rates (Euro zone)
- 18. Oil price
- 19. Price of alternative fuels

#### **Technological**

- 29. Rate of Innovation/Technological development in China
- 30. Rate of Innovation/Technological development in India
- 31. Urbanisation/Development of public transportation
- 32. Development of nano-technology
- 33. Development of alternative fuels
- 34 .Development alternative materials (carbonfiber)
- 35. Security levels of internet transactions

#### Most important and most uncertain factors

- 18. Oil price (USD per barrel)
- 33. Development of alternative fuels
- 16. Exchange rate (USD to Euro)
- 24. Public perception/trust in financial system
- 23. Urbanisation
- 7. Investment in public transportation
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#### **Scenarios for 2030**

#### European Decline

 Europe's power and influence is decrease, so it is its currency and image of its products. Unemployment in Europe is increasing and there are little European funds of R&D. At the same time, emerging markets (of 2010) like China and India are mature markets with growing GDPs.

#### Cutting edge technology

 After a long period of prosperity, lots of funds, both from Governments and companies are spent on cutting edge technology development. New materials and fuels have been developed

#### The Urban World

• The world population is concentrated in cities, increasing their density. New trends in living standards have emerged with public transport, working from home and personal space being reduced.

#### **Impact of scenarios: Strategic Fit**

	European Decline	Cutting Edge Technology	The Urban World
Strengths of the future	- Brand image: 'The ultimate driving machine'	- R&D dept.	The motorcycle segment of the BMW Group.
Weaknesses of the future	-European Basis of operations	-Limited 'green' R&D	-Limited apps/prods for public transport
Opportunities of the future	-Chinese and Indian market	-Increased demand for high engineering products	-New business segments
Threats of the future	-Declining European sales	-Substitute products	-Decrease in personal cars demand

#### **Internal Analysis: Knowing The Organization**

- Financial performance ALWAYS matters
- But, which measures matter the most?
  - Sales
  - Market share
  - Profitability
  - Shareholder value analysis







#### **Internal Analysis: Beyond the Financials**

- What are the assets and competencies of:
  - current strategies?
  - future strategies?
- Multiple measures provide insight into potential sustainable competitive advantages used in strategic marketing
  - option development
  - planning and evaluation



**Performance Measures Reflecting Long-Term** 

**Profitability** 

Customer Satisfaction/
Brand Loyalty

Product /
Service Quality

**Brand / Firm Associations** 

**Relative Cost** 

**New Product Activity** 

Manager / Employee apability and Performance



**Current Performance** 



**Long Term Profits** 

#### **Internal Analysis: Shaping Marketing Strategy**

- Honest analysis is needed to ID bases for success
- Tactical problems often have strategic marketing implications
- Capabilities and constraints (financial, org'l) interact and need careful appraisal

Strengths and weaknesses are derivable from strategic assets and

competencies



#### **Determinants of Strategic Choices**



- Past and Current Strategies
- Strategic Problems
- Organizational Capabilities / Constraints
- Financial Capabilities / Constraints
- Strengths/Weaknesses



#### **Internal Analysis: Toward Resource Allocations**

- Business Portfolio Analysis
  - Make the key issues visible
  - Categorize strategic marketing options
  - Still, subjectivities remain

Investment decisions complement choices for SCA leverage and

development





#### **Structuring Strategic Decisions**

- Organizational Strengths and Weaknesses
- **!** Competitor Strengths and Weaknesses
- Market Needs, Attractiveness, and Key Success Factors

#### **Strategic Decision**

- Strategic Investment
- Functional Area Strategies
- Sustainable Competitive Advantage

#### **Evaluating Ability to Compete**

- Organization
- Growth
- Share by Segment
- Customer Loyalty
- Margins
- Distribution
- Technology Skills
- Patents
- Marketing
- Flexibility



#### **Evaluating Market Attractiveness**

- Size
- Growth
- Customer Satisfaction levels
- Competition: quantity, types, effectiveness, commitment
- Price levels
- Profitability
- Technology
- Governmental Regulations
- Sensitivity to Economic Trends





# Implementing Successful Environmental Analyses within Organisations

- Make a long term commitment
- Continually evaluate objectives
- Demand linkages to present marketing strategies
- Custom design the analysis to fit the culture and executive's decision making styles
- Design flexible, versatile systems
  - -- Engeldow and Lenz, Long Range Planning

# Macroenvironmental and Internal Analyses: A Summary

- Strategic marketing decision making starts and ends with purposeful, marketing objective-driven analyses
- Environmental and internal analyses, when objective (impartial, unbiased), extensive, and rigorous, can provide many useful insights into the elements of a firm's marketing strategy
- Planning horizons vary
- and hence, the quality of marketing strategies