



# **ENHANCED SUSTAINABILITY: The Green Swans Era in The Management Accounting and Control**



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   Finance and Inversting (Q1)

# SUSTAINABILITY ISSUE VS ACCOUNTING ISSUE

ACCOUNTING ENTITY: DEFINED

FIRM APPROACH

NO Accounting Issue

**USER APPROACH** 



Yes Accounting Issue

### SUSTAINABILITY ISSUE VS ACCOUNTING ISSUE

From Research
Perspective:
Is the sustainability issue
accounting issue?

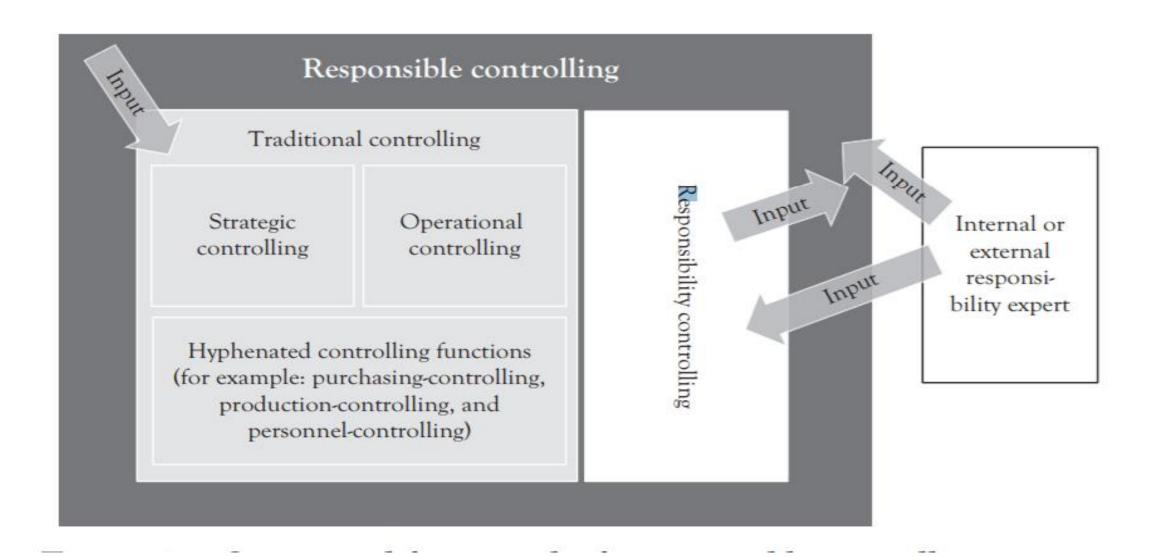




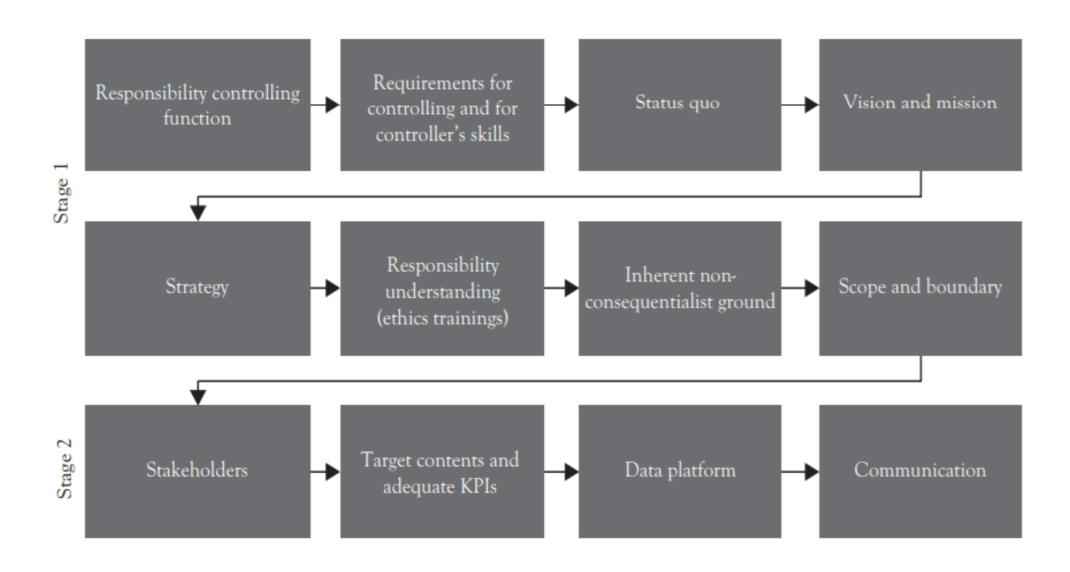
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Indicated in the implication of the research finding

# SUSTAINABILITY ISSUE AND MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING & CONTROL



# SUSTAINABILITY ISSUE AND MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING & CONTROL-2



# Accounting for Sustainability

- Sustainability Reporting
- Sustainability Management
- Sustainability Performance
- Sustainability Governance

# **Approaches to Corporate Sustainability Reporting (Schaltegger, 2012)**

# • Business Environment, Sustainability Reporting and Accounting

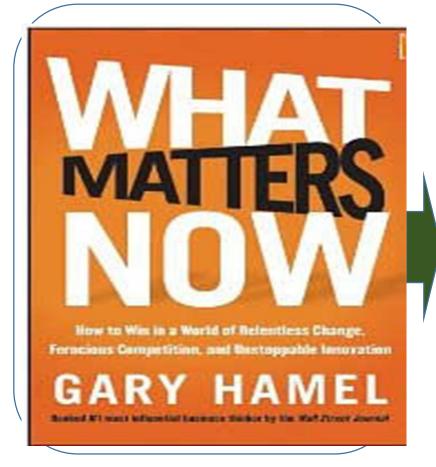
Societal expectation	Relevance of sustainability accounting	Relevance of sustainability reporting	Type of reporting
None	Internal efficiency improve- ments	Internal communication to achieve efficiency improve- ments	No external reporting needed, internal communication as part of normal operations
Communicate	Information creation for highly visible and formally required issues	Sustainability as an important external communication element of partial internal relevance	PR-driven reporting
Communicate and illustrate	Information creation to meet stakeholder expectations and information demands	Essential communication ele- ment as part of a set of "vol- untary" communication activities	Outside-in approach to communications and reporting driven accounting
Measure, ac- count for, communicate and illustrate	Disclosure result of what has been achieved with sustain- ability performance manage- ment; basis to create trans- parency and verification	Additional element in a sys- tematic approach of performance management and disclosure	Inside-out approach to performance management and accounting driven reporting
Involve, empower, integrate and exchange	Basis to support exchange and joint development, implementation and responsibility sharing	One integrated element in a systematic approach of interactive collaboration and involvement of stakeholders	Twin approach of involving stakeholders and jointly developing strategy, reporting, communication and accounting
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# The Current Condition of the Sustainability Research

- Elkington (1997): Triple bottom line (TBL): Economy, Social, and Environment
- Given the current condition of sustainability concept, the research on that area focused on the relationship of financial aspect and social & environmental issue.
- There are two issues: Causality and direction
- Using the improved logic of the current sustainability concept, some potential for future research and publication can done on the sustainability accounting issues in the lens of financial accounting, management accounting, taxes, auditing and information system



# WHAT IS GOING ON TBL OF ELKINGTON



- Values
- Innovation
- Adaptability
  - Passion
  - Ideology





The problem of the Current Business



5 Issues







# Gary Hamel warns us against the following unchallenged beliefs...

As a champion of capitalism, I'm worried when I see:

- An ever bigger share of the world's wealth going to an ever smaller global elite.
- Companies spending millions of dollars to tilt the regulatory playing field in their favour.
- Three-hundred-to-one pay differentials between CEOs and first-level employees.
- Governance structures that are expressly designed to deflect shareholder concerns.
- Companies that treat employees as mere factors of production.

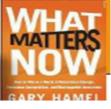






### Hamel on the most toxic strategic assumptions (1):

Please read





 The paramount objective of a business is to make money (rather than to enhance human well-being in economically efficient ways).



 Corporate leaders should only be held accountable for the immediate effects of their actions (and not for the second- and thirdorder consequences of their single-minded pursuit of growth and profits).



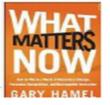
3. Executives should be evaluated and compensated on the basis of short-term earnings (rather than on the basis of long-term value creation, both financial and social).



4. The way to establish a business' social credentials is through high-minded mission statements, green-tinged products, and a fat CSR budget (rather than through an unshakeable and sacrificial commitment to doing the right thing in every circumstance).



5. The primary justification for "doing good" is that it helps a company to "do well." (The implication: do good only when there's an upside.)

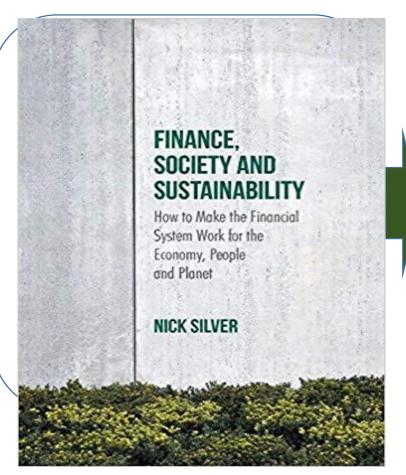


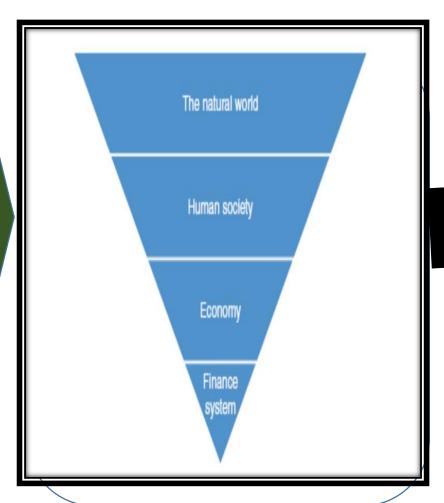
Do you recognise any of the above assumptions in main stream management thinking?

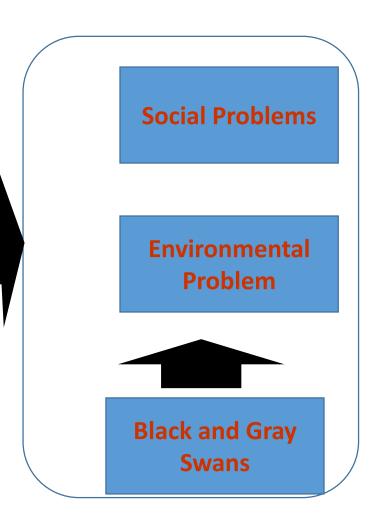


## WHAT IS GOING ON WITH FINANCIAL SYSTEM

## The Current Capitalism







## **CHALLENGES**

THREE CRITICAL
CHALLENGES in
Today's Business
Environment



CONFLICTED STAKEHOLDERS

UNKNOWABLE FUTURES



ENHAHANCED SUSTAINABILITY: Green Swans (Elkington, 2020)



Placebo Effect of Elkington's TBL for 3 Decades

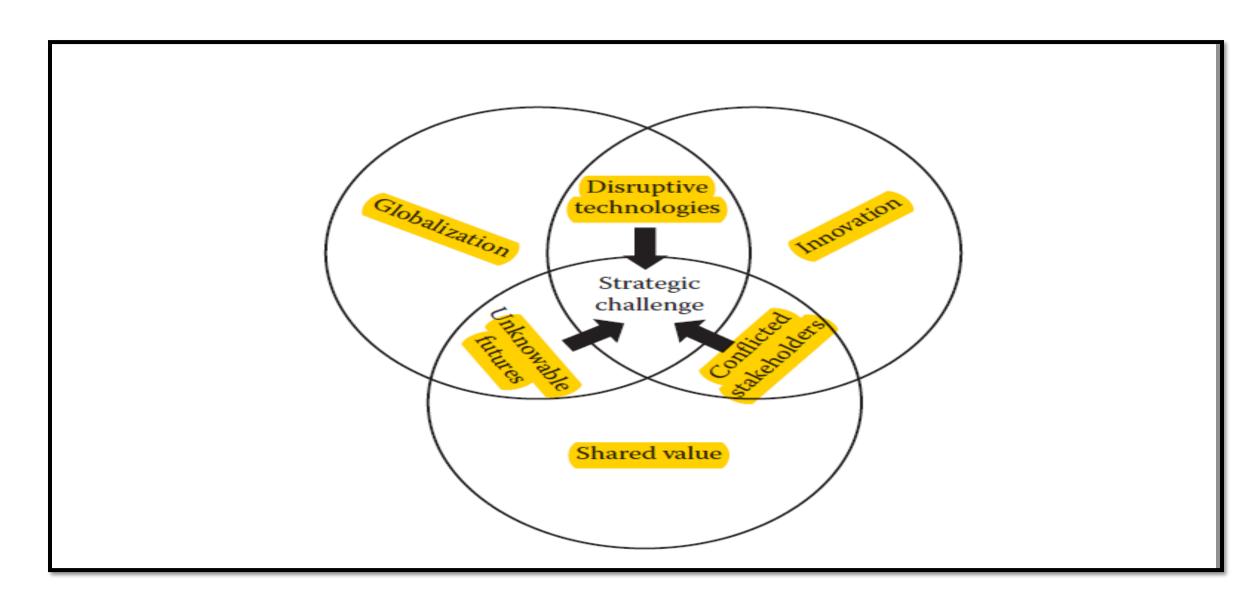


- 1. Globalization
- 2. Innovation
- 3. Shared Value

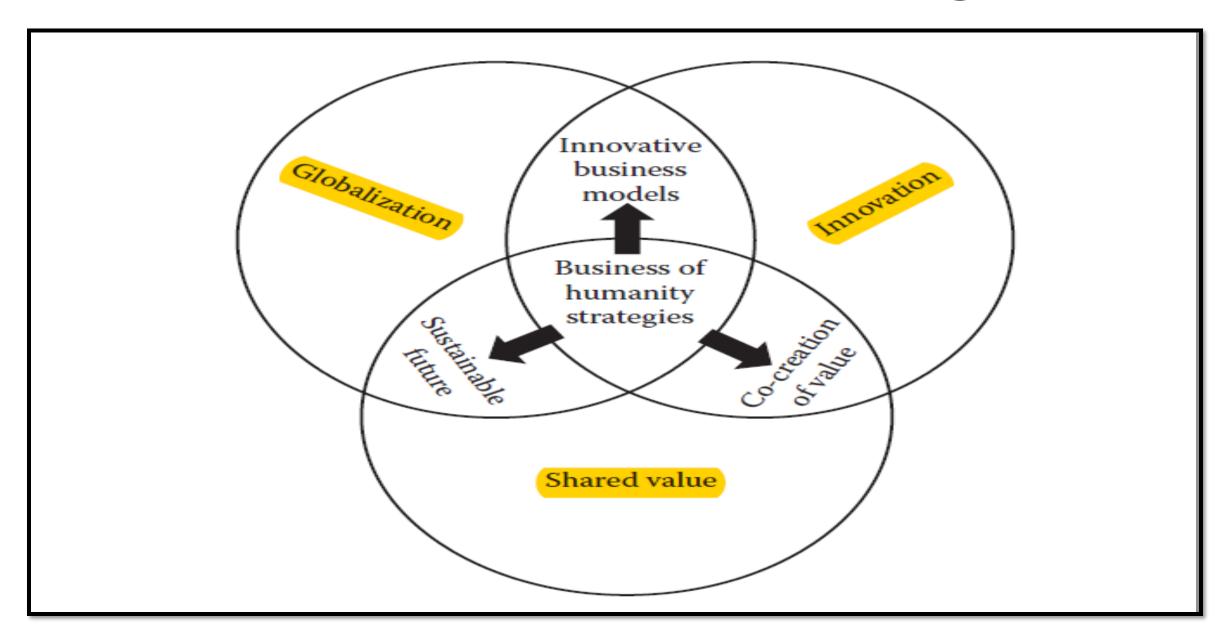


**Getting Future FIT** 

## INTERACTIONS OF THE THREE FORCES



# The intent of BoH Strategies.



# So Why recall TBL? (Elkington, 2020)

- since the 1990s, the sustainability sector has grown rapidly, tKougK at somewhere between one and two billion dollars in annual rewenues globally, it is no giant
- Given the huge of future, but it is far from clear to whom that wealth will go.
- While there have been unquestionable successes, our climate, water resources, oceans, forests, soils, and biodiversity are all increasingly threatened.
- The TBL was never designed to simply be an accounting tool.
- TKe basic idea of TBL inspired platforms like the GRI and Dow Jones Sustainability Indexes, influencing corporate accounting, stakeholder engagement, and strategy

# **Getting Future Fit**

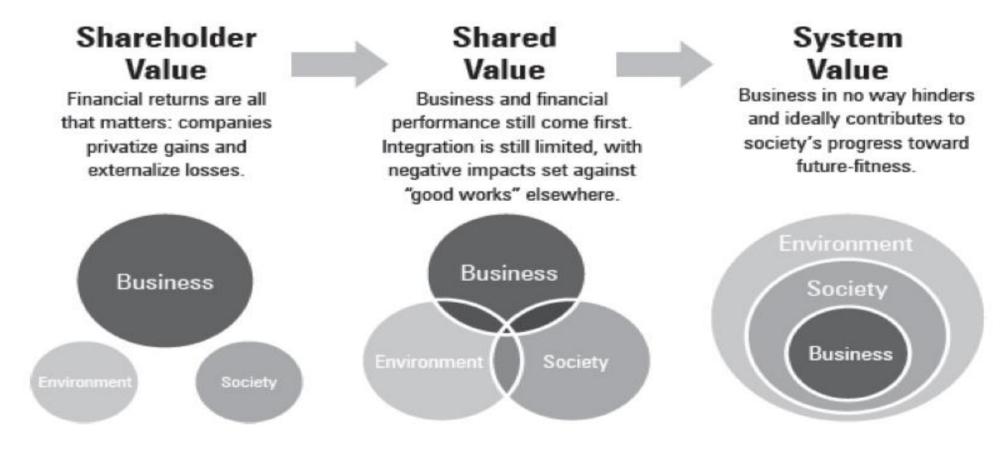


Figure 4: The Long Road to System Value Source: Future-Fit Foundation

# **Getting Future Fit-2**

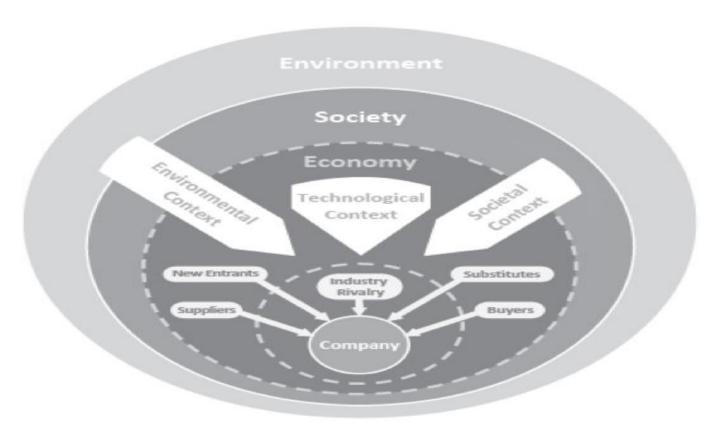


Figure 5: Force Fields, Overlapped with Michael Porter's Five Forces Source: Future-Fit Foundation

# **Getting Future Fit-3**

Energy is renewable and available to all

Water is responsibly sourced and available to all

Waste does not exist

Natural resources are managed to safeguard communities, animals, and ecosystems

The environment is free from *pollution* 

People have the capacity and opportunity to lead *fulfilling lives* 

Our *physical presence* protects the health of ecosystems and communities

Social norms, global governance and economic growth drive the pursuit of future-fitness

Figure 6: Eight Properties of a Future-Fit Society
Source: Future-Fit Foundation





# The Basic Role of Accountant in the Organization

Scorekeeping is the accumulation and classification of data.

Attention directing involves reporting and interpreting information.

**Problem solving** quantifies the likely results of possible courses of action.

# The Role of Management Accounting & Control

Enabling managers to achieve organizational goals

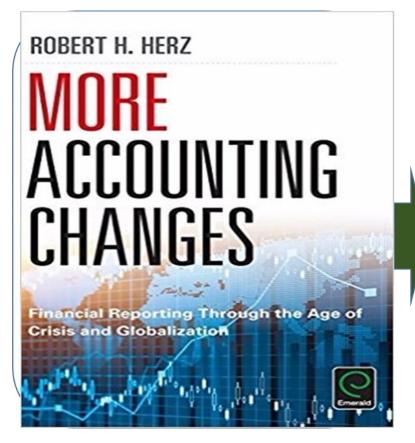
Providing (non-)financial information for decision-making and to develop planning and control systems.

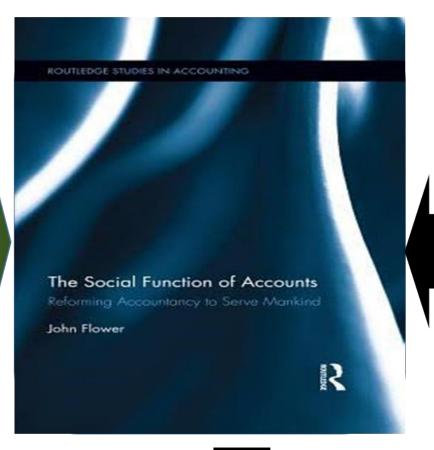
Enabling you to connect the information needs of managers to state-of-the-art knowledge about human behavior.



# The Change in the Role of Accountant Given the sustainability Issue





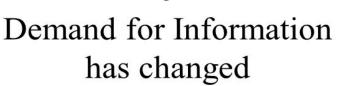


64% of CEOs Are Increasing Investment in Corporate Social Responsibility in 2016



Extended Information, more non financial information











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# Research in Accounting Regulation

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## Research Report

Evolution of corporate reporting: From stand-alone corporate social responsibility reporting to integrated reporting

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## **INTEGRATED REPORTING?**

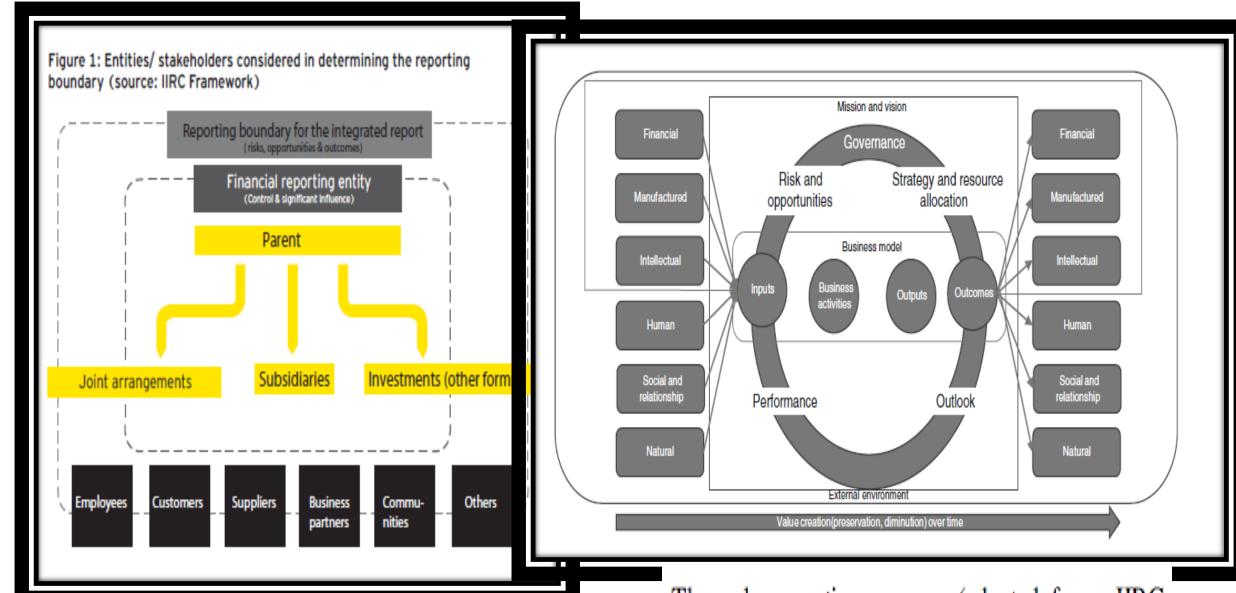


- The front-running IRs do not, as a rule, provide the information most highly rated by investors.
- The IR is different from financial statements and CSR reports in many ways. Rather than isolated CSR reporting.
- The IR currently promoted by the IIRC has the po-tential to contain, in a single report, the most relevant financial and non-financial information for stakeholders.
- The study provides a baseline for companies preparing IRs and for regulators (i.e. SEC, FASB) in the context of determining future disclosure regulation.



## **IIRC Framework**





The value creation process (adapted from: IIRC





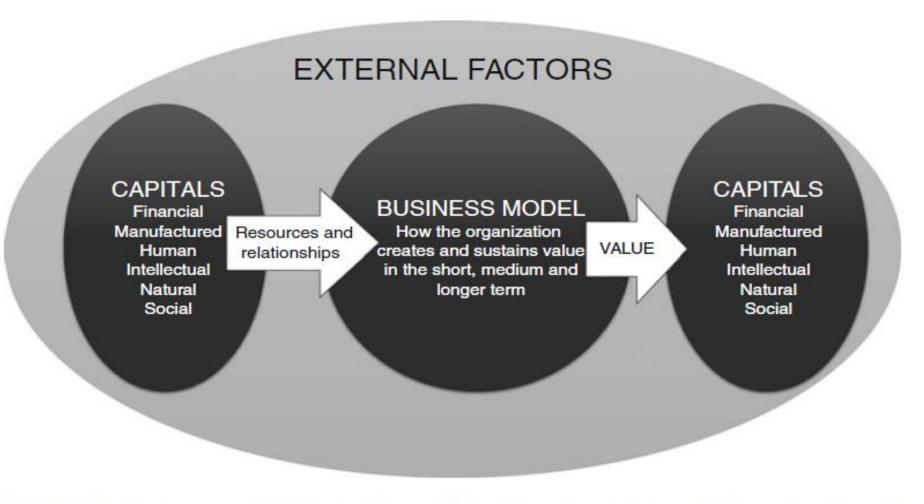


Fig. 2.2 The business model (Adapted from: IIRC (International Integrated Reporting Council, U.K.) 2013)



## **IIRC Framework**



### Guiding Principles

### Strategic focus and future orientation:

An integrated report should provide insight into the organisation's strategy, and how that relates to its ability to create value in the short, medium and long term and to its use of and effects on the capitals.

### Connectivity of information:

An integrated report should show a holistic picture of the combination, interrelatedness and dependencies between the factors that affect the organisation's ability to create value over time.

### Stakeholder relationships:

An integrated report should provide insight into the nature and quality of the organisation's relationships with its key stakeholders, including how and to what extent the organisation understands, takes into account and responds to their legitimate needs and interests.

### Materiality:

An integrated report should disclose information about matters that substantively affect the organisation's ability to create value over the short, medium and long term.

### Conciseness:

An integrated report should be concise.

### Reliability and completeness:

An integrated report should include all material matters, both positive and negative, in a balanced way and without material error.

### Consistency and comparability:

The information in an integrated report should be presented:

- On a basis that is consistent over time
- In a way that enables comparison with other organisations to the extent it is material
  to the organisation's own ability to create value over time



## **IIRC Framework**



### The Content Elements

### Organisational overview and external environment:

What does the organisation do and what are the circumstances under which it operates?

### Governance:

How does the organisation's governance structure support its ability to create value in the short, medium and long term?

### Business model:

What is the organisation's business model?

### Risks and opportunities:

What are the specific risks and opportunities that affect the organisation's ability to create value over the short, medium and long term, and how is the organisation dealing with them?

### Strategy and resource allocation:

Where does the organisation want to go and how does it intend to get there?

### Performance:

To what extent has the organisation achieved its strategic objectives for the period and what are its outcomes in terms of effects on the capitals?

### Outlook:

What challenges and uncertainties is the organisation likely to encounter in pursuing its strategy, and what are the potential implications for its business model and future performance?

### Basis of presentation:

How does the organisation determine what matters to include in the integrated report and how are such matters quantified or evaluated?

Note: The Content Elements are not mutually exclusive i.e. they do not need to appear in a set sequence or in discrete stand alone sections in an integrated report. Rather, information in an integrated report is presented in a way that makes the connections between the Content Elements apparent.

# **CLOSING NOTES-**

- THREE CRITICAL CHALLENGES in Today's Business Environment needs to be responded in proper way
- Responding to the Strategic Challenge: BOH strategy: Crafting innovative business model, Engaging in co-creation of value with conflicted stakeholders, and Envisioning and enabling a desired and sustainable future (Sustainability with Green Swans)
- Given Situation, understanding on why TBL fails and Moving to Value system are needed: Green Swans
- The extended Porter's Five force is also needed to achieve Future-Fit Company and Society.



# **CLOSING NOTES-Cont...**



- Given Situation, what the roles that accountants can play?
- The basic roles: scorekeeping, attention directing, and problem solving.
- The role of Management Accounting & Control
- The extended roles are needed to respond: the grasping of the integrated reporting.