

# Leveraging Ecosystems, Investments, and Acquisitions to Keep an Innovative Edge

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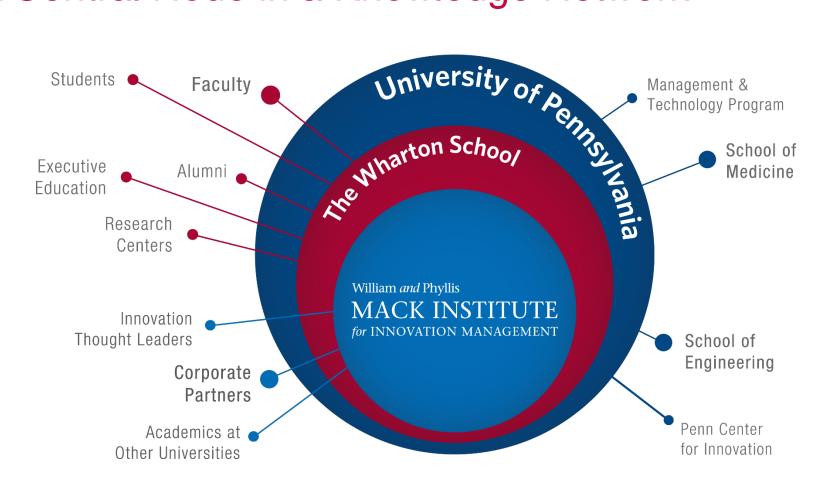
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# Who We Are

Our Mission, Major Roles, and Faculty Leadership



### A Central Node in a Knowledge Network



We act as the hub of a global network linking scholars, industry leaders, and students.





### **Our Roles**



Provide a research-based, cross-industry, interdisciplinary approach to innovation challenges



Cultivate thought leadership through scholarly research in innovation management



Connect academic theory to managerial practice, focusing on established and growing organizations



Expand student and alumni opportunities to enable innovation across the university



# Our Impact

Mack Institute activities focus on research, managerial practice, and students.

Countries represented in \$3.4M Research funding since corporate partner 2001 network Approximate total of 431 Research projects 2050 unique conference funded since 2001 attendees since 2001 Working papers, **Annual MOOC** 143K **537** scholarly articles, and enrollment books/book chapters Students engaged in Academic citations as of 30K 5000+ programs, faculty-led 2017 courses, and events annually



#### WHO WE ARE



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Research Priorities and Publications

### Research Priorities

The activities of the Mack Institute are guided by the research priorities we have jointly developed with our corporate partners, signaling issues for us to study and topics for our knowledge-building events.

Partners & Faculty

Mack Institute
Research
Priorities

Conferences
Research funding
Publications





### Research Priorities

### INNOVATION OPPORTUNITIES

How do emerging technology-based industries differ from established industries? How do they emerge and evolve?

What explains patterns of competitive entry, shakeout, and survival in these industries?

### STRATEGIES FOR INNOVATING

What distinguishes growth leaders from laggards?

How do winning firms bring their innovations to market ahead of their rivals?

What strategies can help contain risk from moves into adjacencies and white spaces?

# LEADING AND ORGANIZING FOR INNOVATION

What new forms of organization and business models are enabled by advances in technology and enhanced globalization?

How do best practice firms act on opportunities and threats sooner than their rivals?

#### CAPTURING ECONOMIC VALUE FROM INNOVATION

How do firms make wise bets on long-term innovation projects when prospects are distant and uncertain?

What is the right balance of risk and return in innovation portfolios?





# Research Programs

Each year, the Mack Institute funds research by Wharton faculty and PhD students on topics related to innovation management.

In 2016, the Mack Institute sponsored 27 faculty and PhD research fellowships with a total of \$209,000 in funding.

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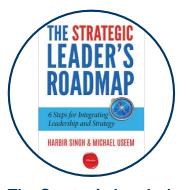
### Publications by Faculty



Fortune Makers
by Michael Useem, Harbir
Singh, Neng Liang, and
Peter Cappelli



Innovation Prowess by George S. Day



The Strategic Leader's
Roadmap
by Harbir Singh and
Michael Useem

#### **PUBLISHED ARTICLES**

"Which Industries are Served by Online Markets for Technology?" *Science Direct*, April 2017

"Building a More Intelligent Enterprise" MIT Sloan Review, March 2017

"Idea Generation and the Role of Feedback: Evidence from Field Experiments with Innovation Tournaments" - *Production and Operations Management*, January 2017



# Ways to Engage

Partnership and Ongoing Programs

### **Current Corporate Partners**

































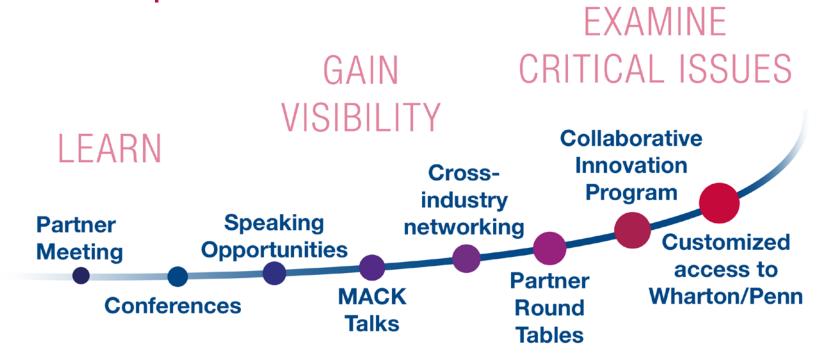






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### Partnership Benefits



### UNDERSTAND PARTNER NEEDS

As we get to know partners and better understand their needs, we can provide benefits that align with their interests.



# **New and Ongoing Programs**

### **Corporate Partners**

Researchers		Bi-annual industry conferences
Research funding Program on Vehicle & Mobility Innovation Wharton Technology &	Mack Talks Shows on Sirius Radio 11	Focused theme workshops  Partner roundtable events  Emerging technology  conferences
Innovation Conference  Mack Innovation  Doctoral Association	Collaborative Innovatio Prograr Online research archiv	n Innovation management
PhD conference Working Paper Series White Paper Series	Penn Wharto Commercialization Worksho Research assistance	P Alumni Affiliates
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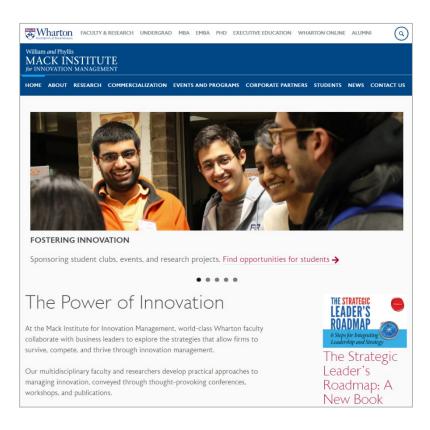
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# Leveraging Alliances, Ecosystems, Corporate Venturing, and Acquisitions for Innovation

**Introductory Thoughts** 

# The Challenge: Established firms have many strengths, but often struggle to sustain their innovative edge over time

Some have succumbed...









Some have reinvented themselves...











Many face the challenge now...





# Managing Innovation

Established firms have many strengths, but often struggle to sustain their innovative edge over time

Innovation requires strategy, technology, and organization to be aligned while adapting dynamically to evolving markets

New technologies, novel capabilities, and innovative organizations can be developed internally or sourced externally

- Ambidextrous organizations, global R&D networks
- Alliances, JVs, ecosystems, outsourcing, corporate venturing, M&A





# **ECOSYSTEMS**

## Ecosystems Ideas

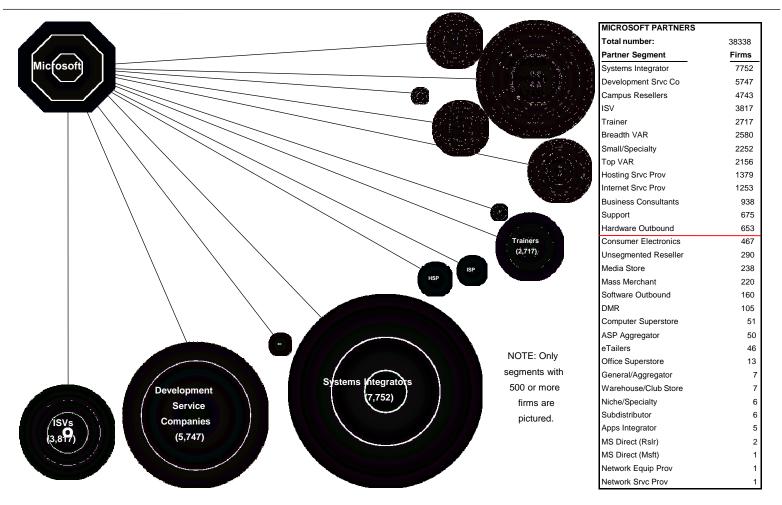
Why did Blackberry lose its position?

Why did Apple gain?





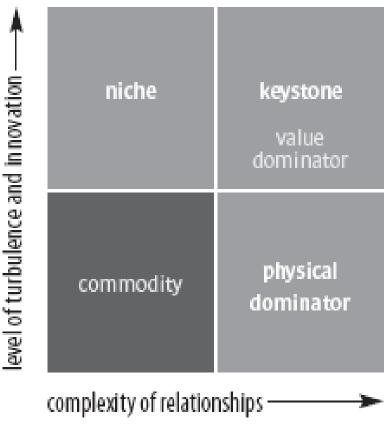
# Business ecosystems based on alliance networks are very common today

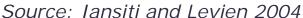




Source: Iansiti 2003

# Managing distributed resources as a keystone player is critical in complex, innovative environments









# Aligning interests of members is key to managing alliance networks

#### **CONSIDERATIONS**

- Group size
  - Access to assets and capabilities vs. management of separate interests
  - Phased enlargement
- Membership mix
  - Appropriate combination of assets and capabilities
- Internal rivalry
  - Innovation and flexibility vs. tension, slow decisionmaking

### SUCCESS FACTORS

- Complementary partners
- Knowledge sharing processes
- Co-specialized assets
- Governance systems
- Leadership by one or few firms





# INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL CORPORATE VENTURING

### Four types of corporate ventures to propel growth Cerporate

objective financial strate aic Promoting a standard •Leveraging underutil. tech. • Exp'ting with new capab. Developing backup tech. • Exploring strat. whitespace tight Chip design/ Driving Emergent Consulting manufacturing allows exploration of advances strategy of current business potential new businesses operational Software apps. capability Enabling Passive Laptop battery complements strategy provides financial of current business returns only loose Stimulating demand (through complem. prods.)

investment



Linkto

Source: Chesbrough 2002

# Corporate venturing offers strategic gains but weaker incentives than VC

#### CORPORATE VENTURE VS. VENTURE CAPITAL STRUCTURES

Attribute	CV	VC
Incentive Intensity	weaker	strong
Financial Discipline on Downside	weaker	strong
Monitoring	Internal	External, including outside Board
Discovering Alternative Business Models	constrained	unconstrained
Time Horizon	indefinite	tied to fund length
Scale of Capital Invested	potentially large	smaller
Coordination of Complementarities	extensive	limited
Retention of Group Learning	strong	weak

Source: Chesbrough 2000





## Opportunities in Corporate Venturing

### Facilitate the venture definition process

Middle manager as coach

Middle manager as strategist

Venture manager as organization builder

### Create the Strategic Context

Need for corporate development strategy

Substantive assessment of venture strategies

### Structural Context

New Venture division

Reward systems to encourage experimentation and then scale up or exit





# Success factors in CVs are hybrid of alliance and M&A processes

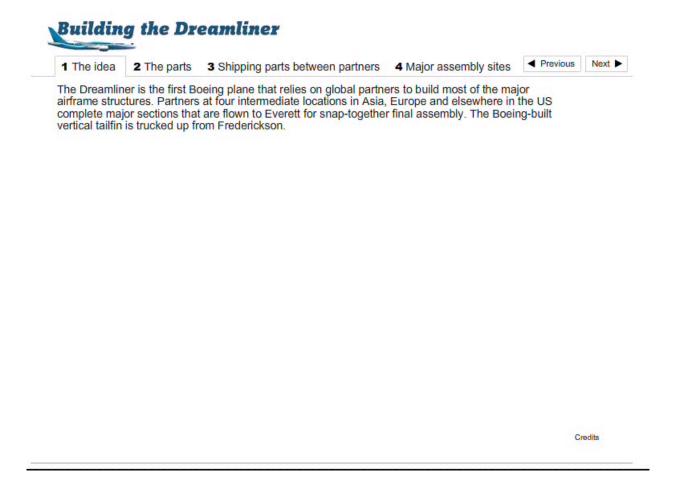
- Systematic evaluation of opportunities
   Strategic and financial interests
   Technical, organizational, and market due diligence
- Clearly defined objectives and investments in deal Strategic benefits, financial returns Financial expenditures, services to be provided
- Organization and processes for managing investment Intra-firm
   Inter-firm
- 4. Active and regular monitoring of performance
   Metrics
   Decision on continuing relationship





# ALLIANCES

# Building the Dreamliner: Concept





Source: The Seattle Times 2010

### Relational Capabilities

### **Building Partner-Specific Assets**

Customize assets to those of the partner to create idosyncratic value chain; requires understanding of opportunism and building of trust

### Accessing Complementary Capabilities

Early identification of complementary partners

Accurately gauge relative fit and costs of misfit





### Relational Capabilities - Cont'd

### Develop effective knowledge sharing routines

Partner-specific absorptive capacity

Routines for knowledge acquisition

Clear points of contact across firms

### Appropriate governance structures

Formal contracts developed to account for opportunism

Clear exit clauses

Informal governance mechanisms – trust, reliability, reputation





### Choice Between Acquisition and Alliances

#### Synergy type:

Modular – pooling (code sharing in airlines)

Sequential (pharma tech sourcing)

Reciprocal (Exxon Mobil)

Nature of Resources

soft vs hard assets

Extent of redundancy

Degree of Market Uncertainty

Level of competition for the resources

Capabilities/experience of the firm with the given transaction (perhaps even biases)





# **CORPORATE ACQUISITIONS**

## **Acquisition Examples**

Microsoft-LinkedIn

Facebook-WhatsApp

**GM-Cruise Automation** 

Pfizer-Medivation

BlackRock-FutureAdvisor

**Uber-Geometric Intelligence** 

Walmart-Jet.com





#### MANAGING CORPORATE ACQUISITIONS

#### Strategic considerations

Assess sources of competitive advantage

Fit

**Timing** 

#### Market considerations

**Bidding** 

Negotiation

#### Post-acquisition issues

Degree and scope of integration

Cross-cultural issues

Reaching stable outcomes





## Summary

#### First identify drivers of value.

- Use Vision-Positioning-Capabilities-Competition framework
- Within positioning, use differentiation and cost
- Three ways to create value: efficiency (lower cost), market power (differentiation) or changing the game (shifting the frontier)

#### Use value drivers for discounted cash flow

- Impact on cash flows year one to five, and then terminal value. Use comparables and scenario analysis
- Translate value drivers into initiatives that can be implemented starting the first month

#### Due diligence

- Verify value drivers; be aware of overconfidence bias, self justification bias
- Strategic due diligence using virtual teams
- Discount revenue synergies more than cost synergies

#### Integration

- Use strategic initiatives as the organizing principle. Update based on new information, add detail. Announce a diagnostic that addresses key domains for implementation. Announce ley leaders and managers of change
- Use structure, systems, people and culture as instruments of integration (see IBM Lotus, Renault Nissan). Multiple task forces to add detail to initiatives, also for flexibility
- Continuity, persistence

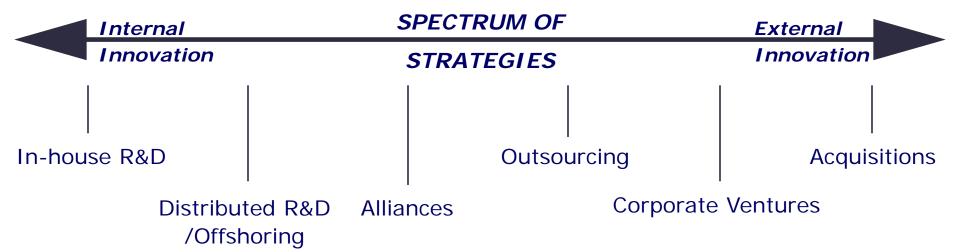








# A range of innovation strategies exists beyond in-house R&D







# Today's Agenda

Topics and Schedule

# Conference Agenda

9:45 a.m.–10:45 a.m.	Smart Emerging Technology Strategy
10:45 a.m.–11:00 a.m.	Break
11:00 a.m12:00 p.m.	Building Ecosystems: Innovation Networks, Partnerships, and Investments
12:00 p.m.–1:00 p.m.	Lunch and Networking
1:00 p.m.–2:00 p.m.	Organic and Inorganic Strategies for Innovation
2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m.	Workshop: Creative Qualities, Measuring Innovation
3:30 p.m.–4:00 p.m.	Closing Remarks









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# Appendix

**Additional Slides** 

# INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL CORPORATE VENTURING

## Dealing with Disruptive Innovation

Firms not ready to cope with disruptive change because of process inertia, complacency, immobile resources

Use of "heavyweight teams" to assume physical responsibility for the new venture. Can be collocated and dedicated to the project for success.

Particularly important in quadrant where we have poor fit of the disruptive innovation with the organization and poor fit with organization's values.

Need for spinout in the event of radical change.





# Managing the Internal Corporate Venturing Process

## Key challenges

Vicious circles: resources can be obtained if new ventures are defined, but that process requires resources

Not enough managerial impetus: needs champions at the new venture development level and then at the corporate level

Indeterminateness of strategic context: strategic drivers of growth not articulated clearly enough to be a guide to action

Perverse selection processes: reward structure not geared to experimentation – only to attaching to corporate initiatives, regardless of their merit





# ALLIANCES

## Objectives of Alliances

#### Risk/reward sharing

Ex: Aerospace joint ventures

#### Market entry or extension

Ex: Otls-Tianjin joint venture in China;
P&G - Papelera (CMPC) in disposable diapers

### Sharing technological and innovative activities

Ex: Alliances for joint research and development in biotechnology

#### Respond to regulatory constraints

Ex: joint venture in Indonesia for local production of automobiles, consumer electronics





# **CORPORATE ACQUISITIONS**

## Why Acquire?

#### **External Factors**

Industry consolidation

Chance to exploit acquired skills

Take advantage of synergies

Opportunistic

#### Factors associated with base business

Extending capabilities into new markets

Managing growth in a rapidly expanding market

#### <u>Others</u>

Managerial preferences

The only legitimate motivation is the creation of long term economic value





## **Key Decisions**

#### Strategic drivers of the acquisition

Does the target make sense?

How does it combine with our operations?

Target's view: should we sell? Why?

#### Market drivers

**Pricing** 

Deal structure

Responding to developments in the market: revising price, timing, exit strategy

### Post Acquisition

Integration process

Power struggles, culture wars



