

PRESENTATION

"Innovative Product Development in the Medical Device Sector"

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3 Innovation Topics:

- The Creative Environment
- Leveraging Co-Creation
- Patent Obstacles



The Creative Environment

References:

 Where Good Ideas Come From: The Natural History of Innovation, by Steven Johnson



2. What Technology Wants, by Kevin Kelly





The Creative Environment

- Does innovation arise from the profit motive?
- Is "necessity the mother of invention"?
- Or "Are Inventions Inevitable?" *
- "Ideas are networks" what are the best networks today?
- What is "scenius"?





The Biological Model for Innovation

- The "adjacent possible"
- The "agency" of technology evolution
- The role of repeated failure [mutations]



Co-Creation

Applying the power of all of the stakeholders in an enterprise to optimize its development

Ref: Building the Co-Creative Enterprise by Venkat Ramaswamy and Francis Gouillart,

www.prtm.com/cocreation



| | TRADITIONAL | CO-CREATIVE |
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| VALUE | Deliver a defined customer experience to a targeted customer set | Enhance experience of all stakeholders |
| GOALS | Established at outset, don't change | Initially set by management, strategy allowed to emerge over time |
| KEY FOCUS | Interests of firm paramount. Interests of employees & others secondary or not considered | Basic tenet is that considering the interests of all stakeholders maximizes the size of pie, overall profits, and stability |
| ADVANTAGES | Economies of scale, big bold moves, speed | Knowledge & expertise of all stakeholders is leveraged |



Imagining a Patent-Free World

- Patents are meant to stimulate innovation, but do they?
- If patents ended, how would companies large and small change?
- Does the growth rate of technology and manufacturing in China illustrate what a patent-free world might be like?
- What would the short-term look like vs long-term? Would the system be stable & sustainable?





Example – Esterline Infection Control Keyboard

- 400 person medical division of \$1.5B aero company
- Canon Medical Design Excellence Award winner
- Beat out 3 other companies in customer's competition
- Success factors:
 - Highly decentralized corporate management
 - Small business unit teams within division no silos
 - High level device goals set by customer (large hospital)
 - Internal cross-functional team co-created with customer
 - Won competition due to innovative reminder system
 - Project within their core competencies (OEM user interfaces)
 - They did file patent, but didn't really matter