

IRG Growth Study

December 2020

The growth challenge

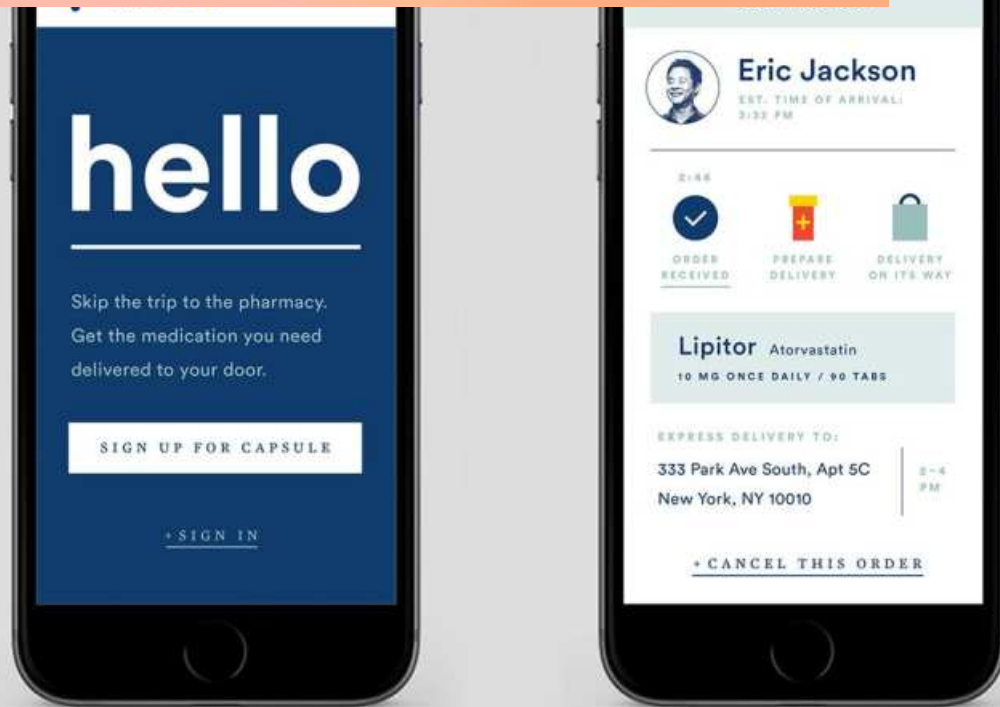
Traditional business growth formulas are lacking

What is holding growth back

Barriers to entry are disappearing



New players are breaking the rules



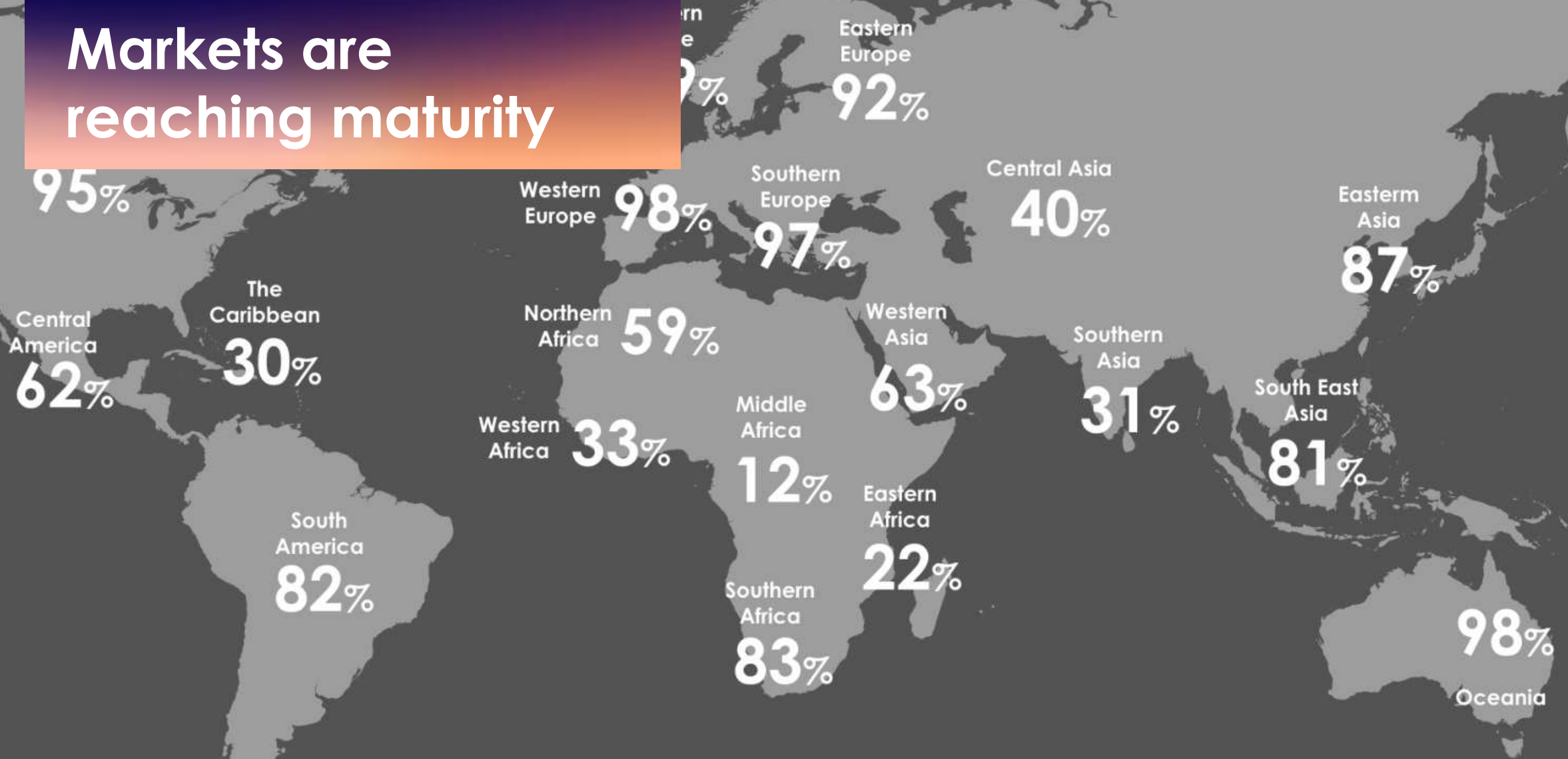
**Disruptors are being
disrupted**

How growth is
harder to maintain

Slowbalization



Markets are reaching maturity



The challenge of staying focused



Why stakeholders are pushing back on growth

The war for talent

Transparency of corporate culture



'License to operate' being challenged

An aerial photograph of the San Francisco skyline at dusk. The city is densely packed with skyscrapers, many of which are illuminated with warm lights. The Transamerica Pyramid is prominent in the center. In the background, the San Francisco Bay and the Golden Gate Bridge are visible under a cloudy sky. A semi-transparent orange and purple gradient box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing the text "Against a backdrop of...".

Against a backdrop
of...

Every partner
jockeying to 'own'
the consumer

Good Love Stories

TESCO

Every little helps



FIND THE FRESH, QUALITY INGREDIENTS
YOU LOVE IN STORE AND ONLINE

A close-up photograph of two men shaking hands over a wooden desk. The man on the left is wearing a light blue striped shirt and a black watch. The man on the right is wearing a dark blue suit jacket. In the background, a clipboard with a white sheet of paper labeled 'Contract' is visible. The image has a warm, slightly blurred aesthetic.

**Questions about
what to take
in-house...**

...and transparency

And then there's
Amazon...



Alibaba...



...and did we
mention Amazon?



There is growth
to be found

In 'uncomfortable
places'



With new partners



With niche brands





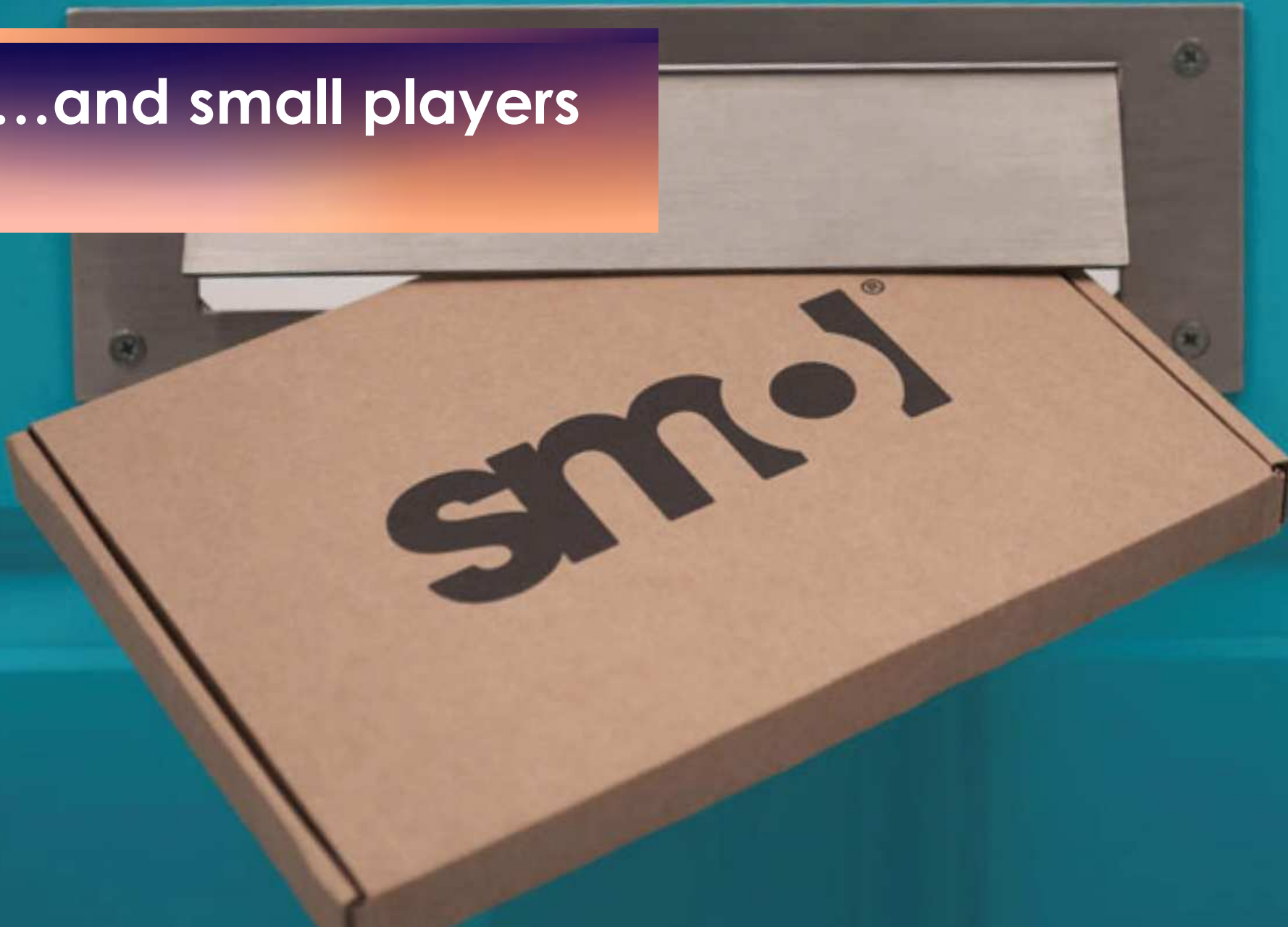
And by going
direct-to consumer,
by big players

THINK ABOUT DETERGENT AGAIN

Our simplest laundry solution. Delivered right to your door, regularly.

Try It Now

...and small players



Concerns around trust and fake news

And fake profit



Value extraction or
value creation to
fuel growth?



When growth is lacking

The CMO is typically
the first to go



SpencerStuart



Cannes 2018: the Marketing challenge



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 **Kimberly-Clark**

Johnson & Johnson

Mondelēz
International

Kellogg's

MARS

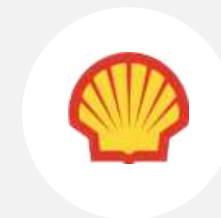
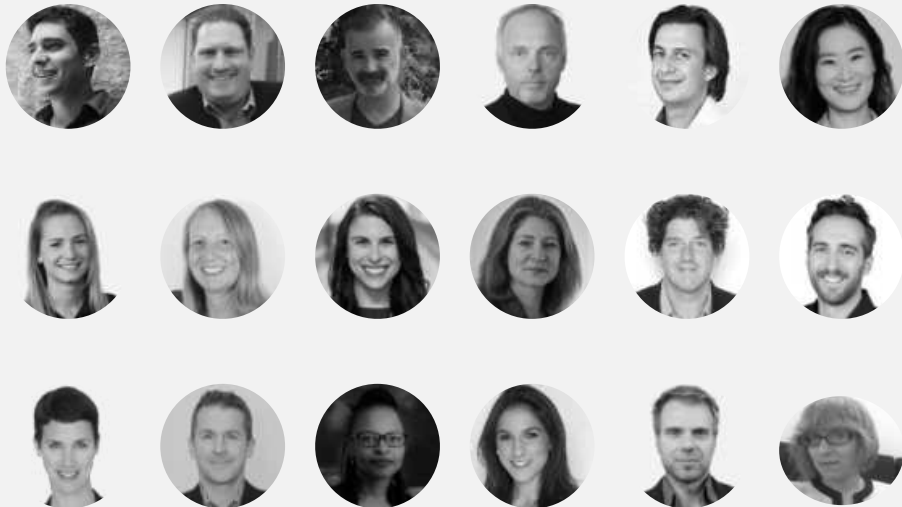
We need a new
growth architecture...

**And that's
why we
created IRG**

Tested and proven methodology



Core team from 15 WPP companies and across the industry



Global Partners

KANTAR CONSULTING

WARC



SpencerStuart



WPP



ANA



Diverse advisory board



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VP Marketing Solutions,
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Emeritus Professor
Wharton



Cindy Wang
CMO,
UXIN Group



Frank Cooper
CMO,
BlackRock



Shiv Shivakumar
GE President for Strategy & Bus. Dev.
Aditya Birla Group

750+ vision interviews
explored contrasting
business cultures



SY Lau
SVP of Advertising,
Marketing & Branding



Fernando Machado
Chief Marketing Officer

Across market development levels



Morgan Flatley
Chief Marketing Officer, US



Noma Halimana
Country Manager, Zimbabwe

From unicorns to established businesses



Rudolph Karundeng
Head of Golive! Initiative



Hazel Detsiny
MD Food Solutions

Across disciplines



Ariel Steinmann,
Head of Digital Banking



Mike Romoff
Head of Global Agency &
Channel Sales

And from different
perspectives



Tex Gunning
CEO



Reed Cundiff
Manager of Customer &
Market Research



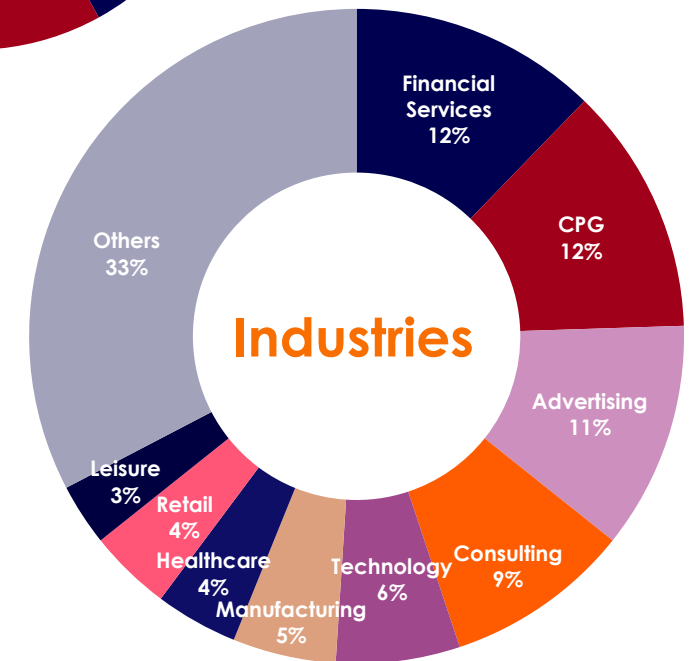
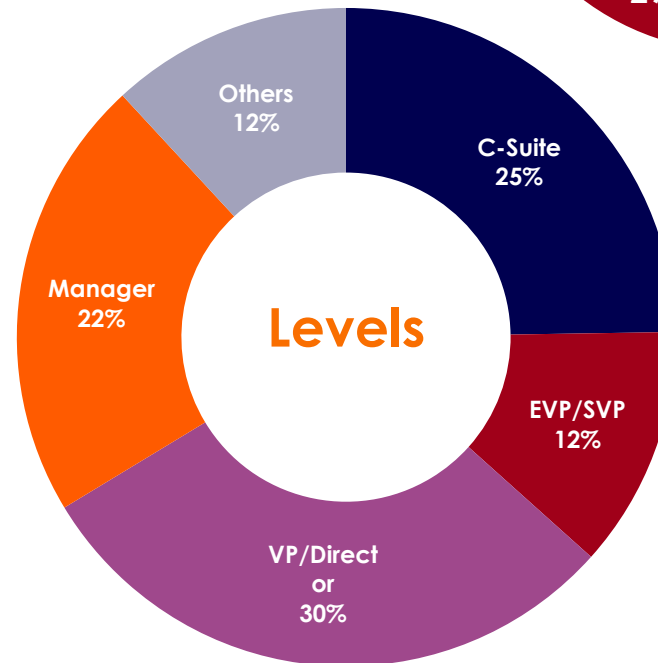
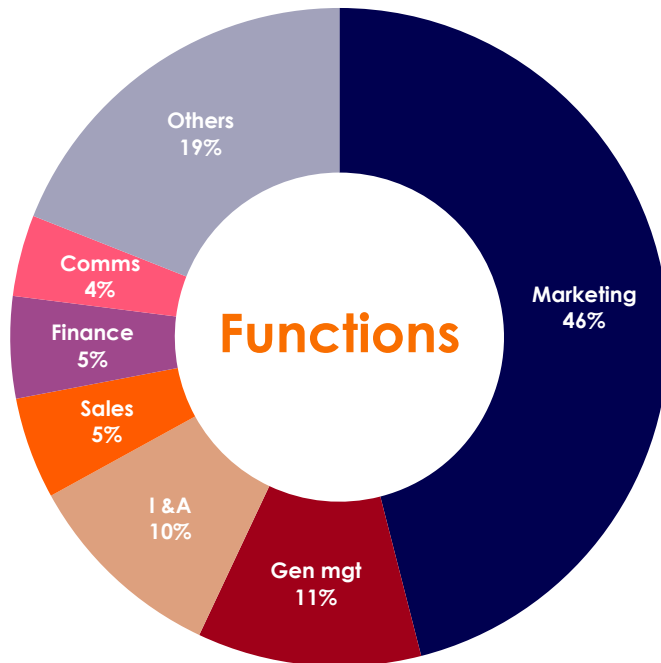
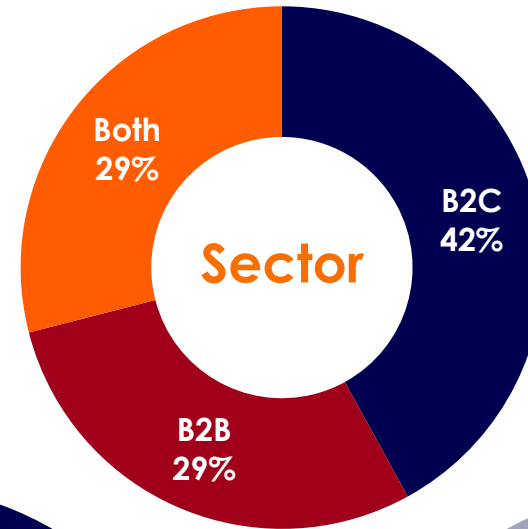
**More than 5000
survey respondents**





Across 73 markets

All functions, levels and industries



AI meta analysis of all things 'business growth'

**We analyzed LinkedIn
data from over 800m+
connections across
3m+ employees**



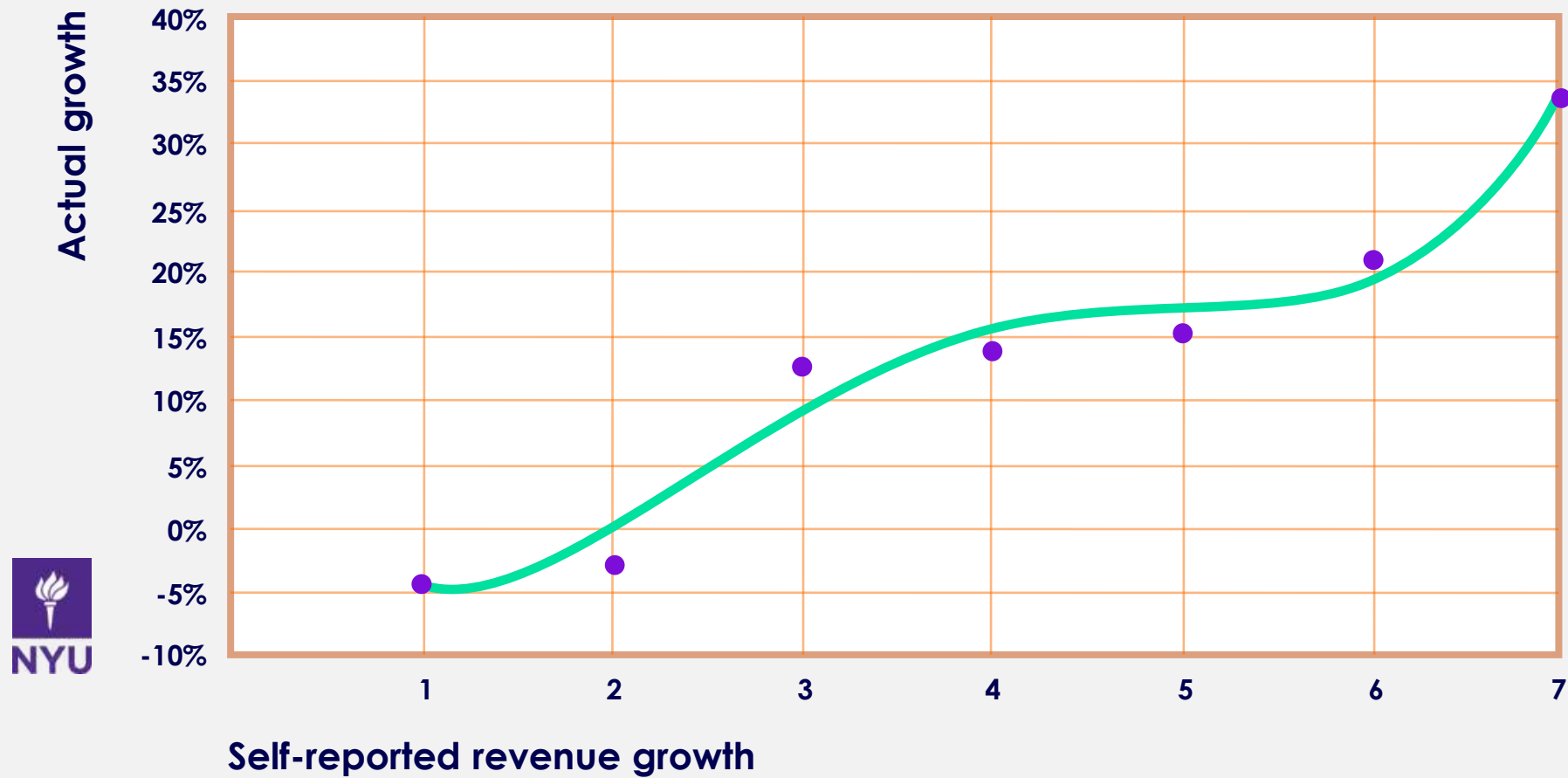


WINNERS

LOSERS

Contrasting the
revenue growth of
over- and under-
performers

Validated methodology



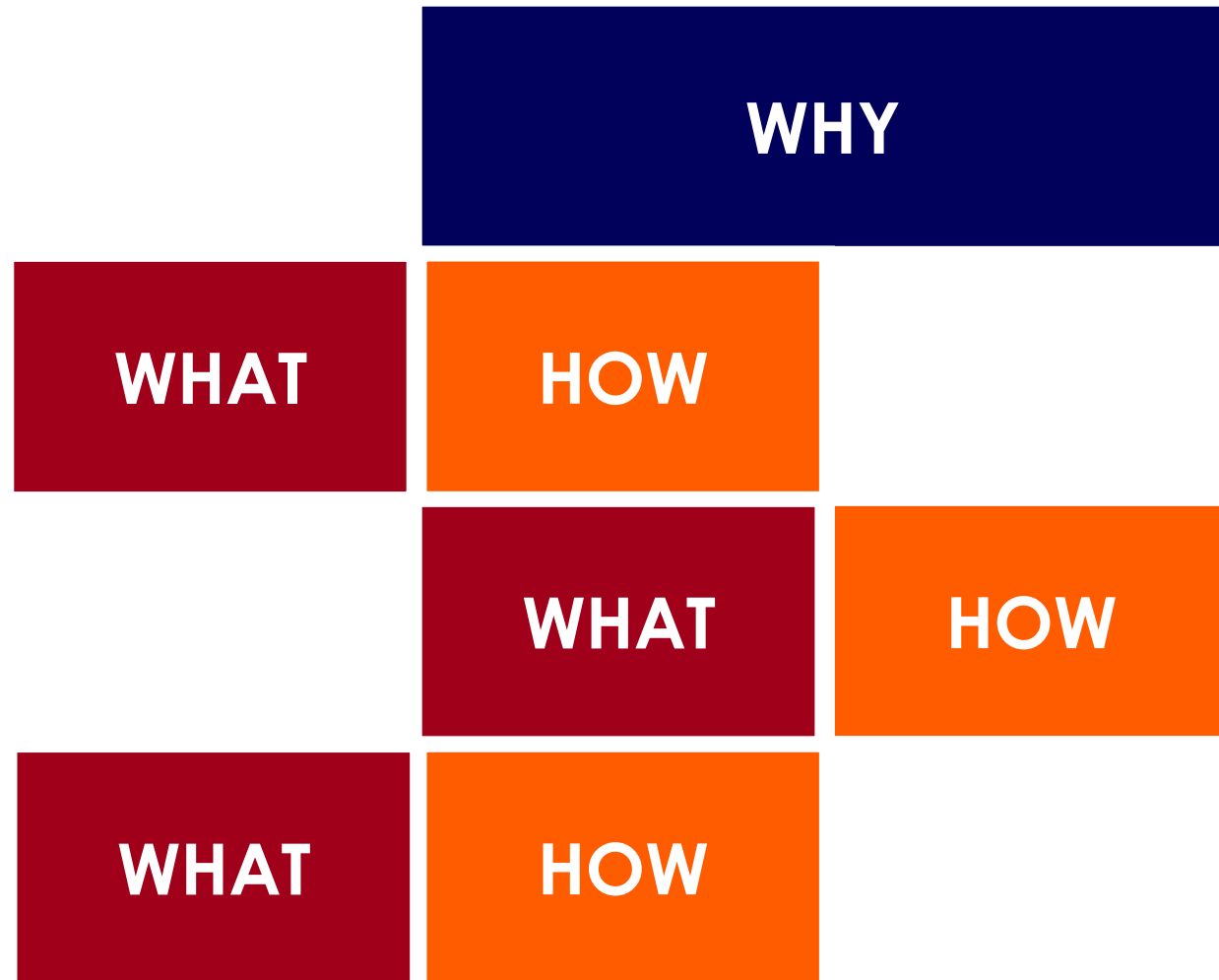
A large crowd of people is gathered outdoors, many wearing face masks and holding umbrellas. The scene suggests a protest or demonstration, with individuals of various ages and ethnicities visible. The umbrellas are in various colors, including black, red, and blue. The text "Updated since COVID struck" is overlaid on the top left of the image.

Updated since
COVID struck

**What does it
take to win**



The 7 Building Blocks of Growth

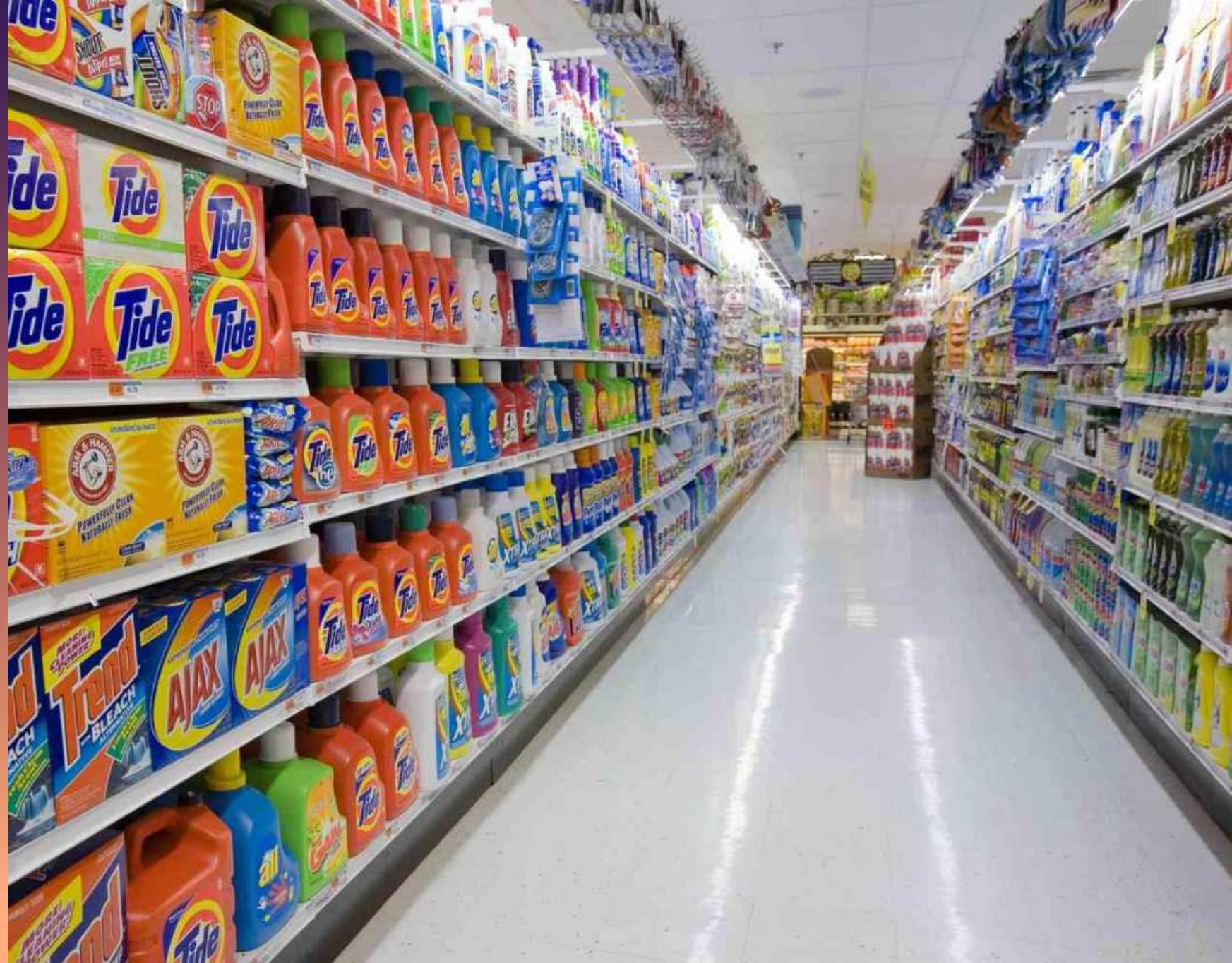


1. Abundant Markets



MYTH 1

“ Growth is about winning market share from competitors”



Overperformers
think about Nielsen,
Amazon and Kickstarter

30%

nielsen

11%

amazon

3%

KICK
STARTER
.COM

Spotting and choosing the right wave

36%

86%

Assess and understand market developments

They make a
bet about the
future...

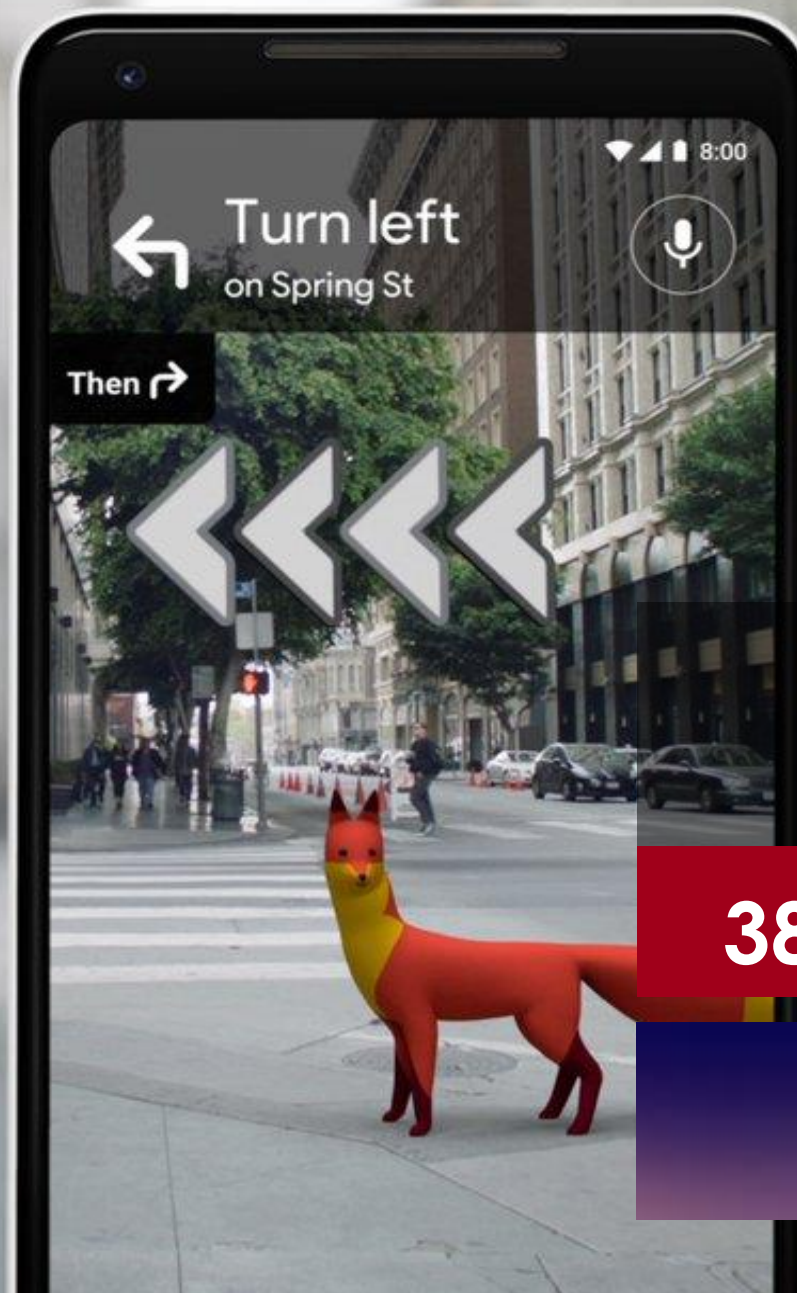


29%

63%

Long-term
growth focus

...and stick
with it



38%

72%

Consistency with
big bets

The background of the slide features a close-up of several colorful chess pawns (red, yellow, green, blue, and purple) positioned on a white chessboard. A faint, dark blue network diagram with interconnected nodes is overlaid on the chessboard, suggesting a strategic or interconnected theme. The text is overlaid on a semi-transparent orange and purple gradient box in the upper left corner.

Allocating marketing investments accordingly



Underperformers
focus more on
their slice of the pie

55%

44%

Focus on increasing
market share

Overperformers
take a more
expansive view



46%

56%

Focus on category
growth and beyond

From creative
software to total
marketing solutions

Mars: from Pet Food to Pet Care



Progression checklist

FROM...



TO...

Product-based market definition



Future needs-based market definition

Ad hoc trend presentation



Proactive systemic approach for aligning investments with size & shape of future demand

Traditional usage & attitude studies



AI-based social watching, tension mining, & friction identification

Ad hoc, unaligned initiative overkill



Embedding “one vision of the future” into the organization

Actions



Shift investment from explaining the past to predicting the future



Define your market so you have no more than 3% share



Define compelling growth platforms that guide everything the business does... and stop everything else

2. Multiple Models



MYTH 2

“If it doesn’t fit in our ROI model, the spreadsheet mafia will kill it”





**Overperformers
play chess and
checkers
simultaneously**

39%

71%

**Willingness to accept new
business models**

From supermarket
shelves to cafes &
subscription models

Costa Coffee

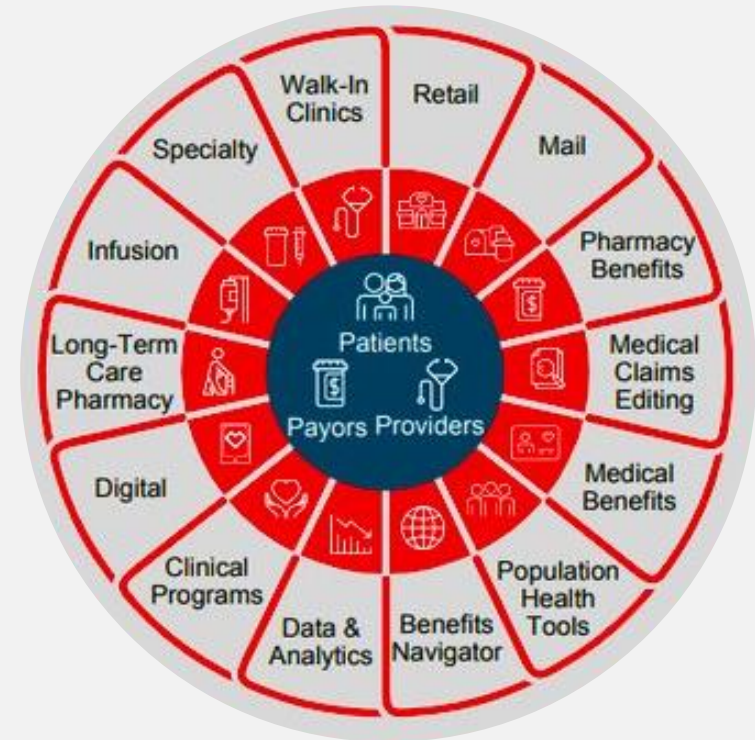


Introducing
pepsi® HomeMade
Created by us.
Made by you.

soda stream
caps®

The advertisement features a collection of seven circular caps for the SodaStream Pepsi HomeMade system. The caps are arranged in a cluster, each with a different color and flavor: wild cherry (purple), vanilla (light blue), cranberry splash (red), peach (yellow), and two others (green and orange). A tall glass of iced cola with a lemon wedge is shown next to a white SodaStream bottle with a blue cap. The bottle has the Pepsi HomeMade logo and '0.5L' printed on it. A blue base for the system is also visible.

Across verticals, channels, segments and cultures



Via home-grown 'skunk works' or acquisition



Marketers need to boost financial literacy



Progression checklist

FROM...



TO...

ROI understanding



Financial acumen leading to business modeling proficiency

Dependent on the 'spreadsheet mafia'



Independent & interdependent, commercially partnered with finance

Focus on the ROI horizon



Focus on the assumption behind the business model

Conversation focused on ZBB



Conversation focused on fuelling growth

Actions



Ensure the investment approval process allows for multiple business models



Create or participate in start-up platforms



Implement a finance-for-marketers training program

3. Evolving Experiences



MYTH 3

“Growth is all about increasing customer satisfaction”



**Overperformers
embrace the 'Always
Beautifully Dissatisfied'**



$$x_i = \frac{34_p f}{-26_p}; \quad x_i = \frac{(34_p - T)f}{-26_p}; \quad Y_i = Y_r = \frac{86_p}{-26_p}$$
$$-26_p = f \frac{T}{x_i - x_r} = f \frac{T}{d}; \quad 34_p = x_i \frac{T}{d}; \quad 86_p =$$

Focusing on eliminating friction



32%

81%

Deliver
ever-evolving experiences

Hyatt: from hotel to full-service business travel solution



Constantly improving your experience

How it works



Progression checklist



FROM...

TO...

Product focus



Total experience focus

A DIY mindset



Developing a diverse partner ecosystem

NPS obsession



Fascination with removing friction

Interrogating consumers to map manifest wants



Immersion in uncovering latent needs

Discrete innovation projects



Marketing 'kaizen' (continuous improvement)

Optimization OR innovation



Optimization & innovation

Fighting for brand consistency across touchpoints



Value creation along the whole consumer journey

Actions



Measure and benchmark your “share of experience”



Ensure all your solutions include product, service and experience components



Drive both optimization and innovation

4. Open Culture



MYTH 4

**“Our culture
cannot be
changed, it’s in
our DNA”**



Overperformers
rewrite the culture
script



Microsoft

Building an ecosystem with complementary partners

39%

67%

External
connectivity

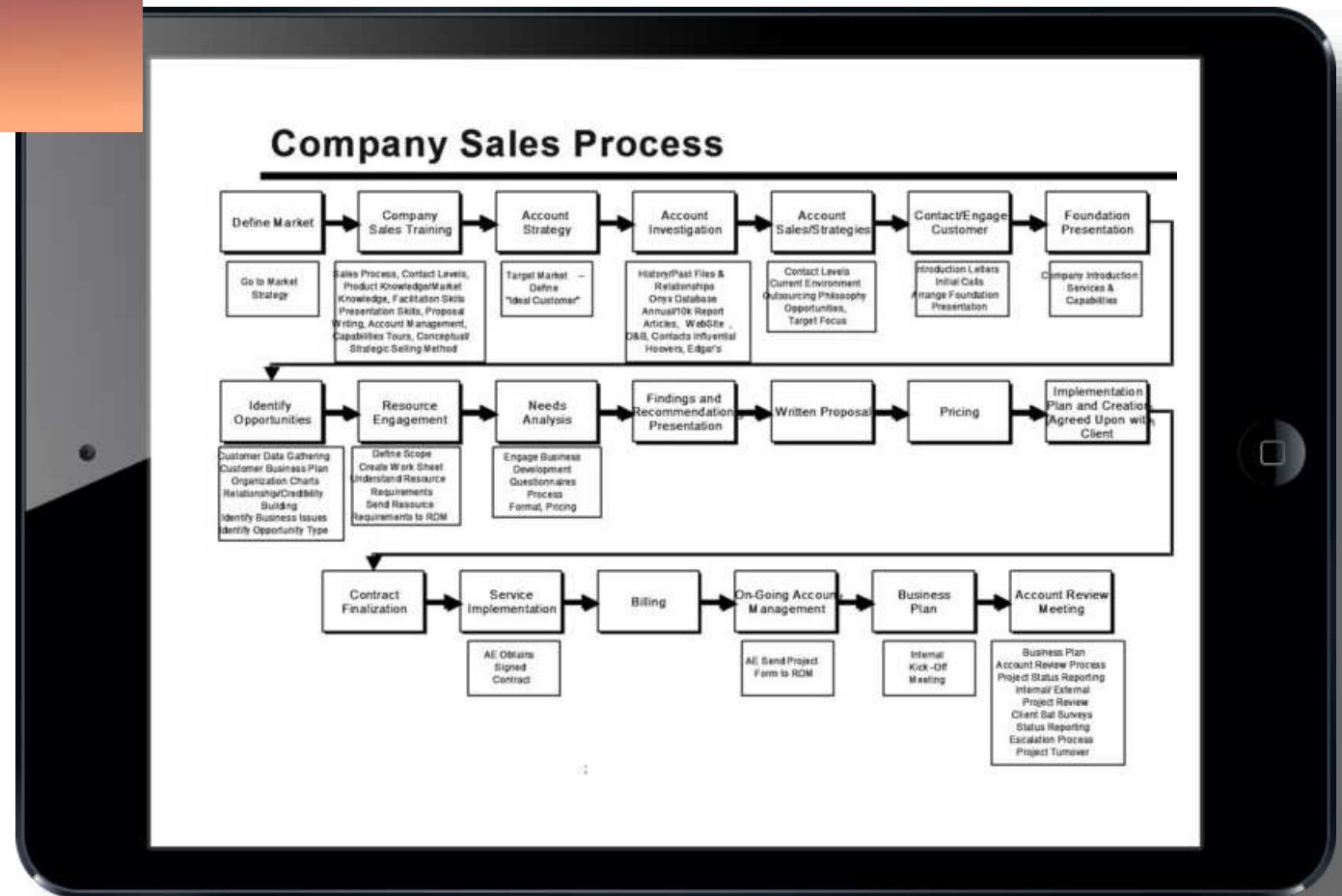
Uber | Spotify

“Procedures, structure & quality”

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overperformers 83





Culture to deliver
evolving experiences

#1 CULTURE DESCRIPTION
Innovation,
change,
entrepreneurship

133
OP index



More diverse strategic decision-making

45%

70%

Diversity in strategic decision making

Winners train more

More training time per employee per year

Days of training on annual base

Over
performer



Under
performer



0. 0.25 0.5 0.75 1.

Pernod Ricard: a new culture of growth and entrepreneurship



Unilever founders Council



Progression checklist

FROM...



TO...

Closed



Open & connected

Process orientation



Innovative entrepreneurship

Male, pale and stale



Real diversity

Celebrating expertise



Celebrating learning & growth

Actions



Redefine career paths from a linear trajectory to a “jungle gym”

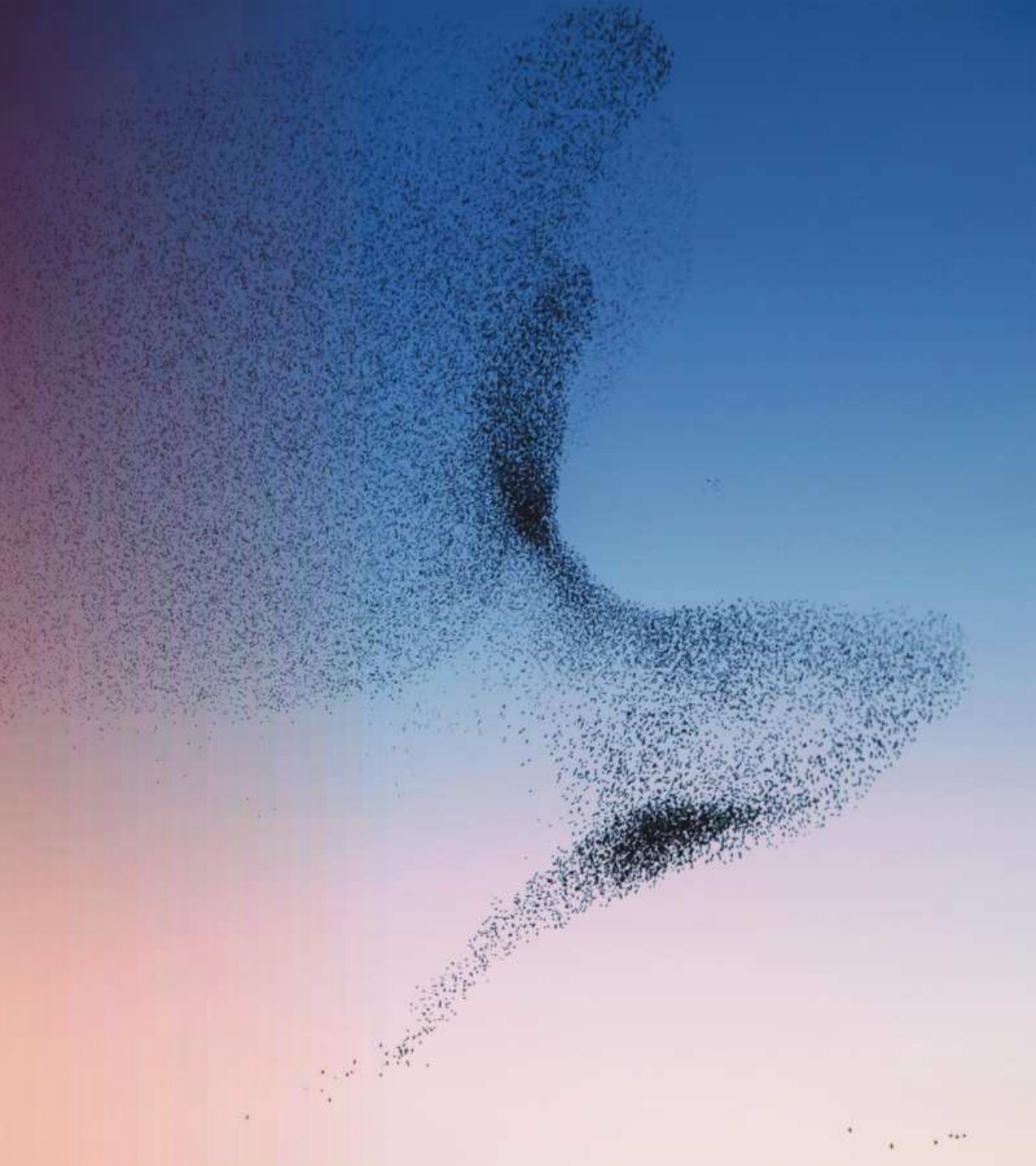


Celebrate and reward intrapreneurship



Ensure that the senior decision making team is truly diverse

5. **Anticipative** Organization



MYTH 5

“Agile is forcing us to redefine our RACIs”

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L
1								Ids Leadership Team				
2		Status	Sponsor	Stakeholders	Governance	IdS Director	BRM	Project Mgr	Tech Manger	Service Owner	Tech Architect	Project Team
3	Delievable	Yes, No, n/a										
4	Name					Renee	C/S	R/G	Nick	Andrea	Phil	
5	INITIATION PHASE											
6	Statement of Work / Business Case		A		I	I	R	C	I	I	I	
7	Project Authorization and Prioritization		I		A (strategic)	A (tactical)	A (tactical)	R	A (tactical)	A (tactical)	A (tactical)	
8	Assign Resources (Project Team)				I	A	I	I	R	R	R	C
9	PLANNING											
10	Project Charter		A	I		I	S	R	I	I	I	C
11	Stakeholder list			C		I	S	R	I	I	I	C
12	Communication Plan					I	C	R	I	I	I	C
13	Project Kickoff		I	C		I	C	R	I	I	I	C
14	Project Status Meetings and report		I	I		I	C	R	I	I	I	C
15	Risk Plan			I		I	C	R	I	I	I	C
16	User Requirements			A		I	R	I	I	I	I	C
17	Project Scope (detailed)			A		I	R	S	I	I	I	C
18	Project Schedule - High Level Work Breakdown Structure with durations			I		S	C	R	I	I	I	S
19	ANALYSIS AND DESIGN PHASE											
20	Functional Specifications					I	I	A			C	R
21	System Design					I	I	A			C	R
22	Data Analysis					S	I	A			C	R
23	Systems Architectural specification							I	C		A	R
24	Design Review and sign off							I	A		C	R
25	Scope changes		A	C	I	I	R	S	I	I	I	C
26	DEVELOPMENT PHASE											
27	WBS: Identify, prioritize and assign staff to work packages (stories)					I	I	A	C		C	R
28	Execute work - software development (integration)					I	I	A	I	S		R
29	Daily standup meetings							A				R
30	System Testing and Validation							I	A		I	R
31	Security analysis and review							I	A	I	I	R
32	Create training plan					C	I	I	R	I		S

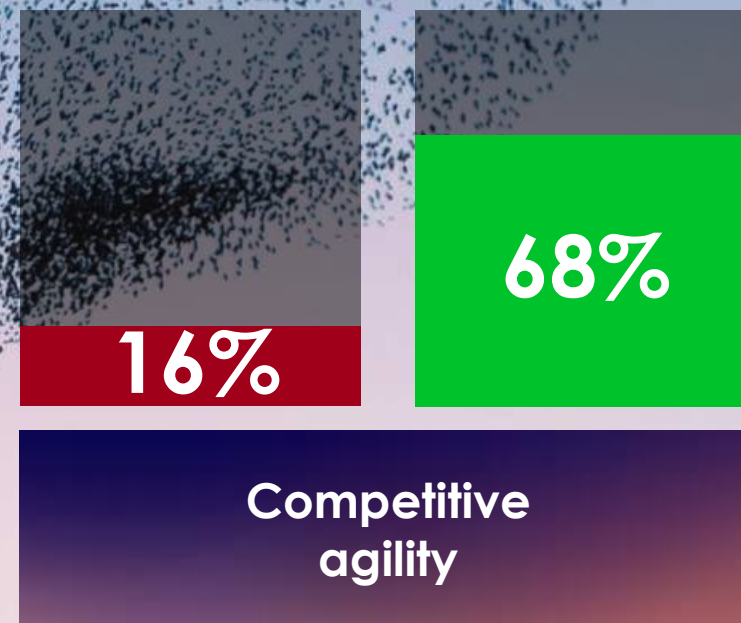
**Overperformers
organize to win wars
through micro-battles**



Switching
perspective...



...on organizational change



Prioritizing the breakdown of internal barriers



24%

50%

Effectively removing
internal barriers

Safety Check

@workplace
by facebook.

Building Internal bridges

and loved ones during a crisis.



35%

67%

Internal
connectivity

Connecting horizontally And vertically

3.5x
more connections
with other functions

5.5x
more connections
with senior leaders

Integrating marketing and sales for E-commerce

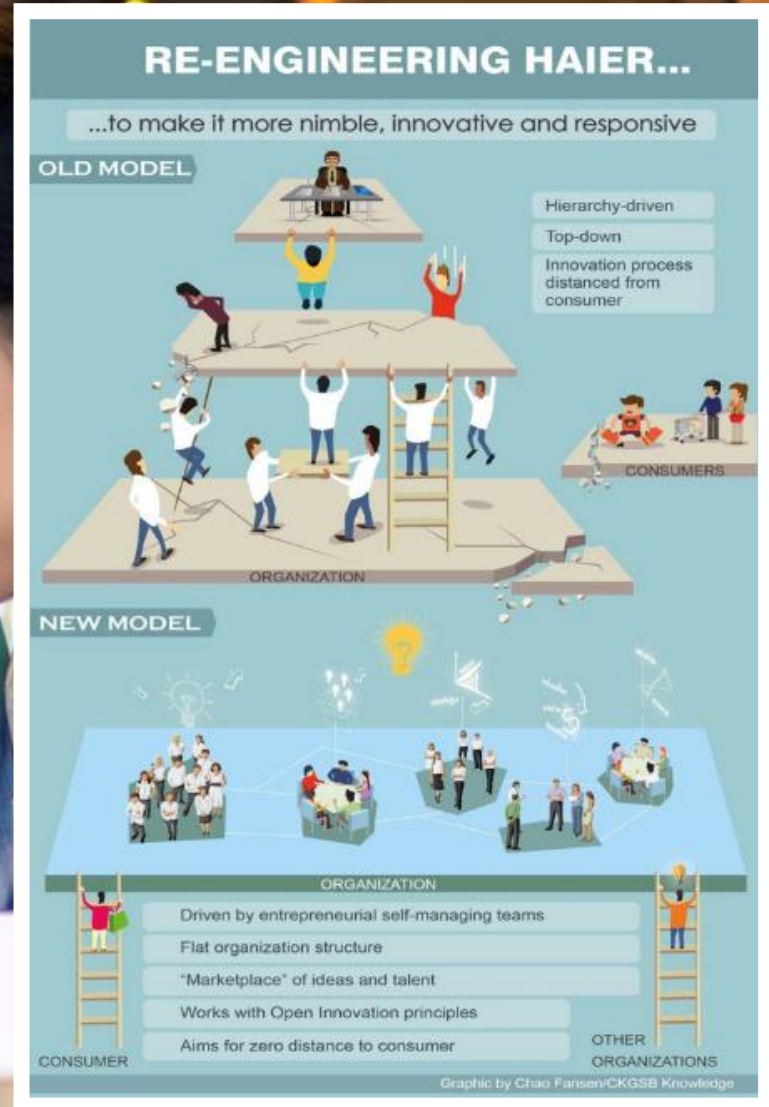


37%

68%

Marketing
and sales collaboration

Haier: a flat organization with small competitive teams



Empowered mini-CEOs



Progression checklist

FROM...



TO...

RACI straightjacket



Freedom in a framework

Rigid brand identity bibles



Continuous results-based course correction

Individual performance KPIs



Results-based team KPIs

Top-down line of command



Empowerment of consumer-facing colleagues

Actions



Push accountability down to consumer-facing staff



Enhance your RACIs with guiding principles



Create multi-disciplinary 'fit for purpose' teams for all your strategic initiatives

6.

Whole-Brained



Growth Study Myth:

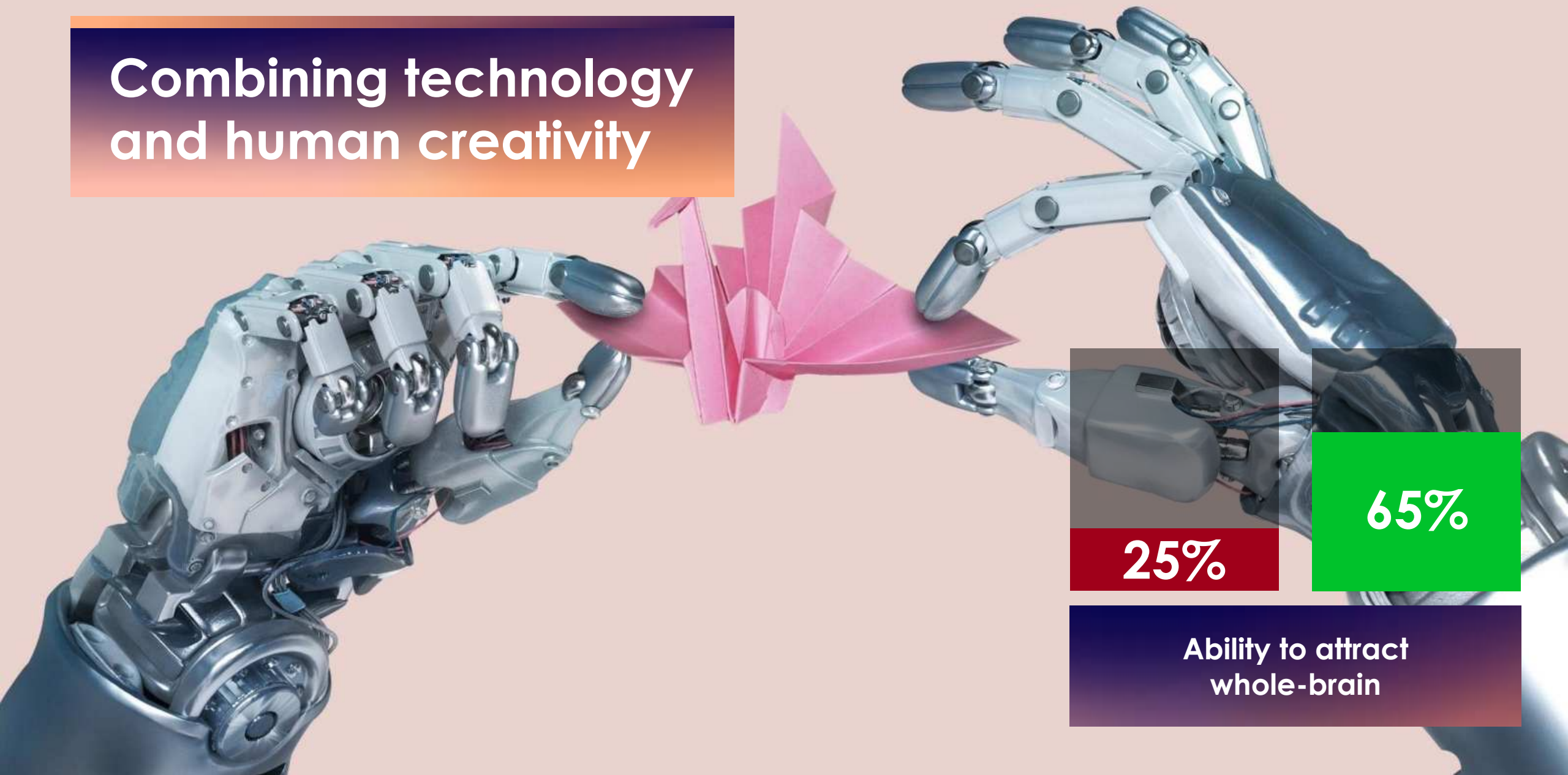
*“If only we had
more data
& analytics ”*



Overperformers unlock data with human insights



Combining technology and human creativity



25%

65%

Ability to attract
whole-brain

Starting with the data

36%

66%

Data and analytics at the core
of strategic decision making

And developing creative
solutions inspired by the data

LINEAR TV:
14%

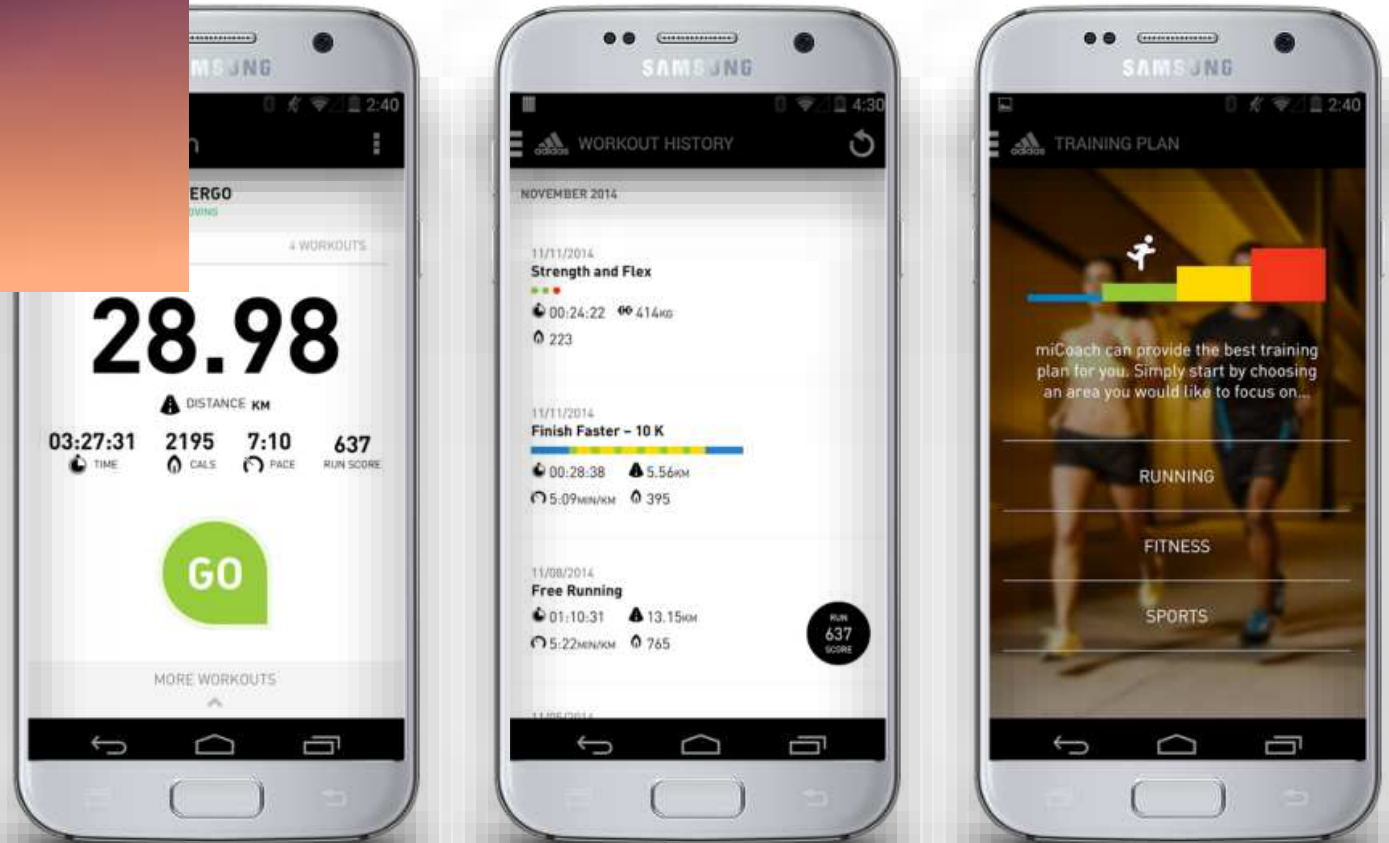
NETFLIX:
30%

20%

59%

Marketing
creativity

Adidas:
communication >
marketing >
business planning



**Adecco:
AB testing >
human insights >
creativity**

APP OF THE MONTH

How The Adecco Group keeps on investing and optimising their own sales enablement app



Progression checklist

FROM...



TO...

Competing data and insight sources



One version of the truth

Treating AI as a panacea



Using AI for what it's good at

Data and creativity silos



Whole-brain talent and teams

Focus on the 'what'



Focus on 'so what' and 'now what'

Actions



Create whole-brain teams of equals



Integrate multiple sources and define 'one version of the truth' - accessible for all



Shift focus from the 'what' to the 'so what' and 'now what'

7. Humanized Growth



MYTH 7

“Our objective
is to boost
profitable
growth”



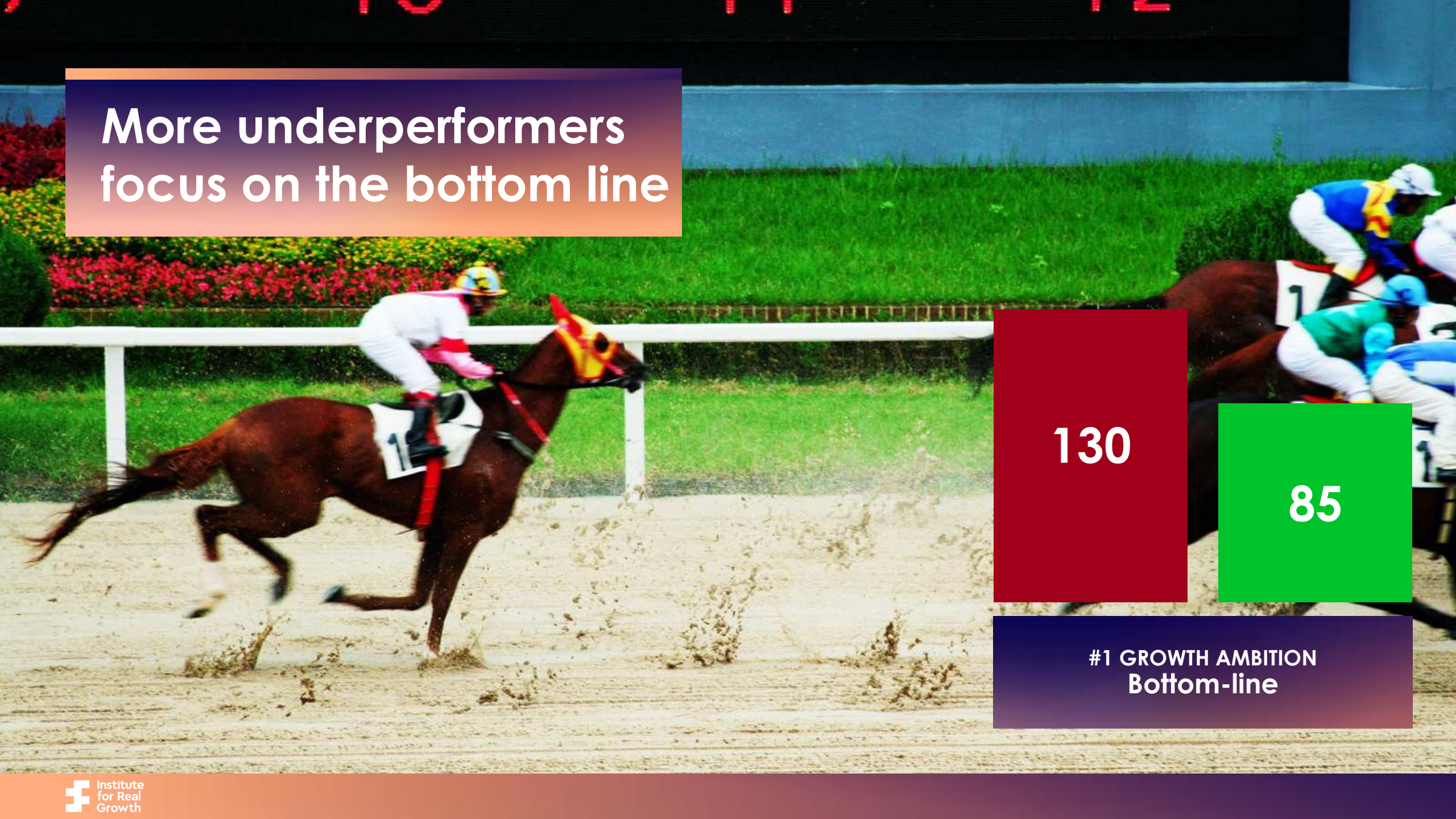
A photograph of a horse race in progress. Several horses and jockeys are competing on a grass track. In the foreground, a dark horse with a blue saddle cloth featuring the number '2' is prominent. A jockey in a yellow and red silks is leaning forward. In the background, there are green hills and a cloudy sky. A white fence separates the track from the spectators.

Everyone focuses on
top-line growth

93

98

#1 GROWTH AMBITION
Top-line revenue

A photograph of a horse race in progress. A brown horse with a yellow and red saddle cloth is in the foreground, galloping on a dirt track. A jockey in a white and pink outfit is riding it. In the background, other horses and jockeys are visible, along with a green grassy field and a blue wall.

**More underperformers
focus on the bottom line**

130

85

**#1 GROWTH AMBITION
Bottom-line**



More overperformers
focus on the people
they serve

76

120

#1 GROWTH AMBITION
Impact on people

Haidilao: obsessed with colleagues, consumers and communities

Haidilao Hot Pot



Cisco: from product focus to the 'People Deal'



Progression checklist



FROM...

TO...

Financial results as a goal



Financial results as an outcome

Financial growth objectives only



Multi-dimensional growth objectives

Talking about quarterly results engineering



Talking about a long-term growth story

Shareholder growth



Purposeful growth

Purpose as a marketing tactic



Purpose as a business philosophy

Growth internally & externally as separate tracks



One growth story for both internal & external

Actions



Link business growth to people growth KPIs and incentive structures



Make all growth objectives equally important

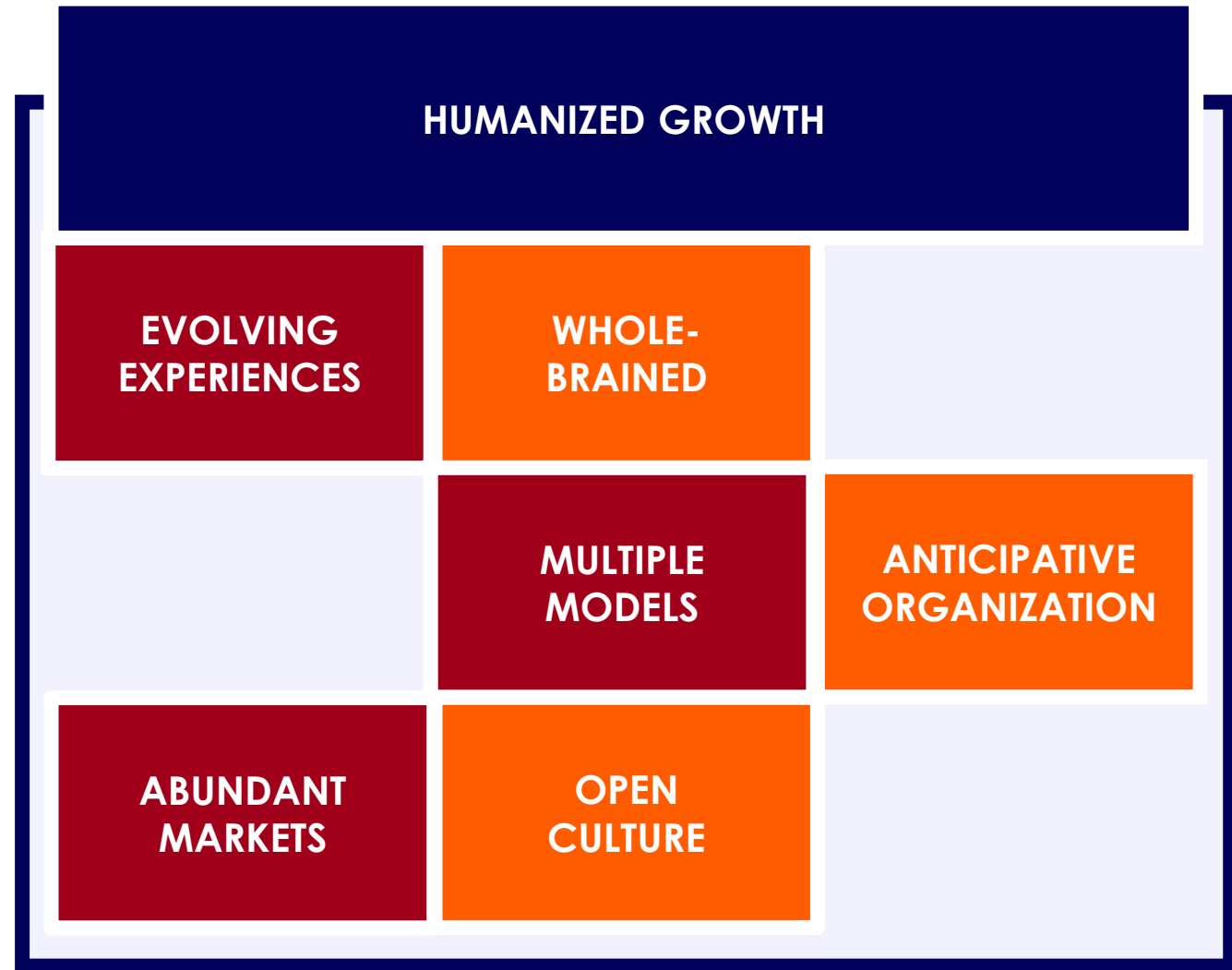


Articulate your ambition in terms of your impact on people and the world around them

The 7 Building Blocks of Growth



Emerging Future



Growth leadership

Is this the future?

THE DISCIPLINE OF GROWTH

Francisco Crespo
Chief Growth Officer

THE COCA-COLA COMPANY
beverages for life





Need to go beyond
communication...

...and shiny, distracting
digital toys

**Making better
marketing decisions...**



...and influencing better
business decisions



Abundant markets: new growth framework



Multiple models: McDelivery



Evolving experiences: Experience of the Future (EotF)



Open culture: archway
to opportunity &
inclusion push



Anticipative organization: Fast Action Teams



Whole-brained: new data inspired marketing programs



**WORLD
TASTE
TOUR** 

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Humanized Growth

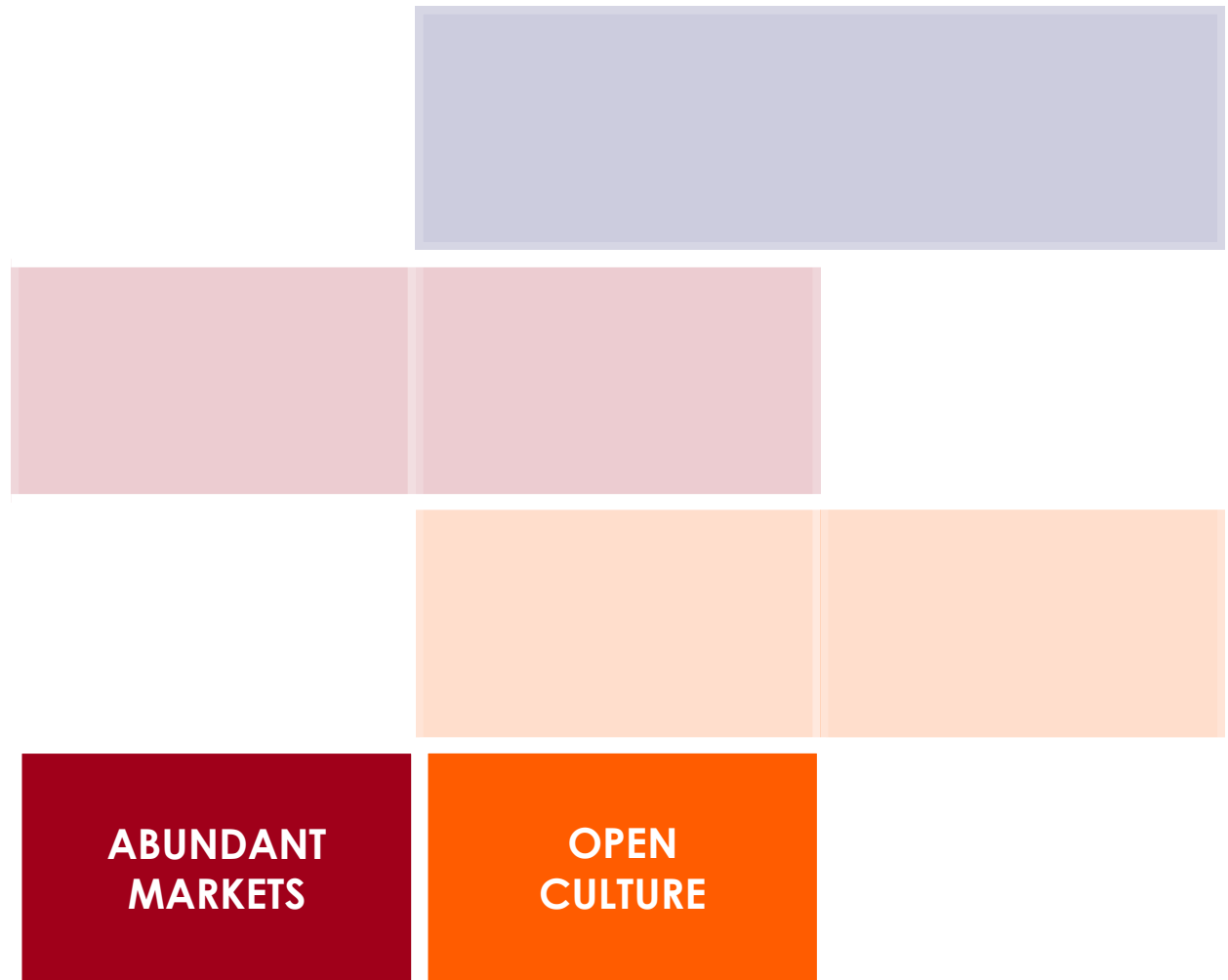




One CMO journey: CMO > CGO > CEO

HERSHEY
THE HERSHEY COMPANY

Real Growth leadership characteristics

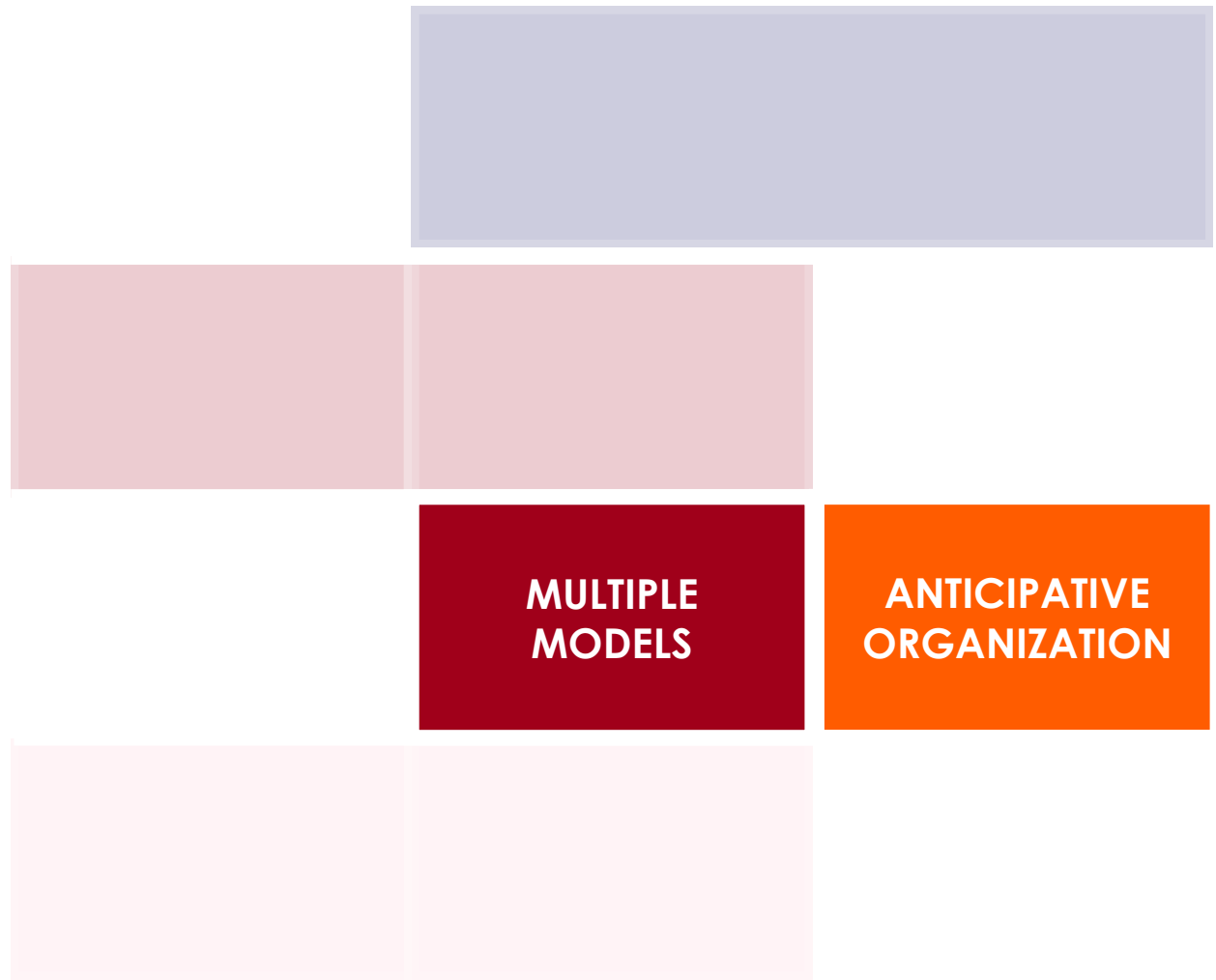


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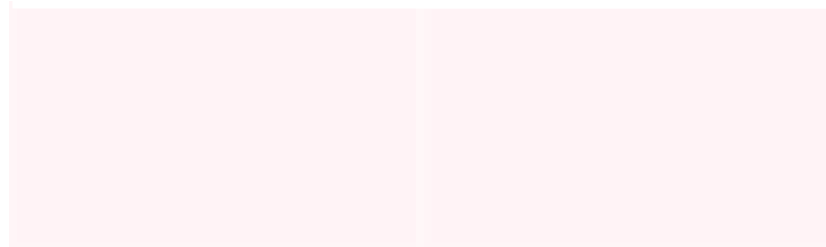
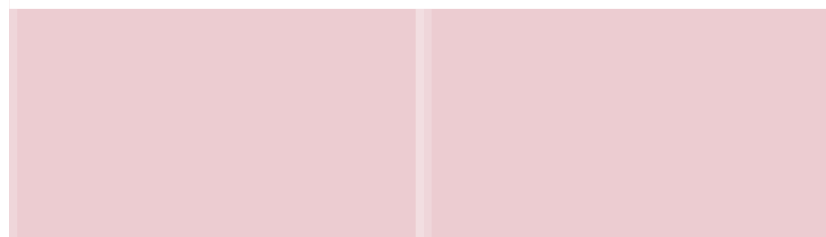


HUMBLE

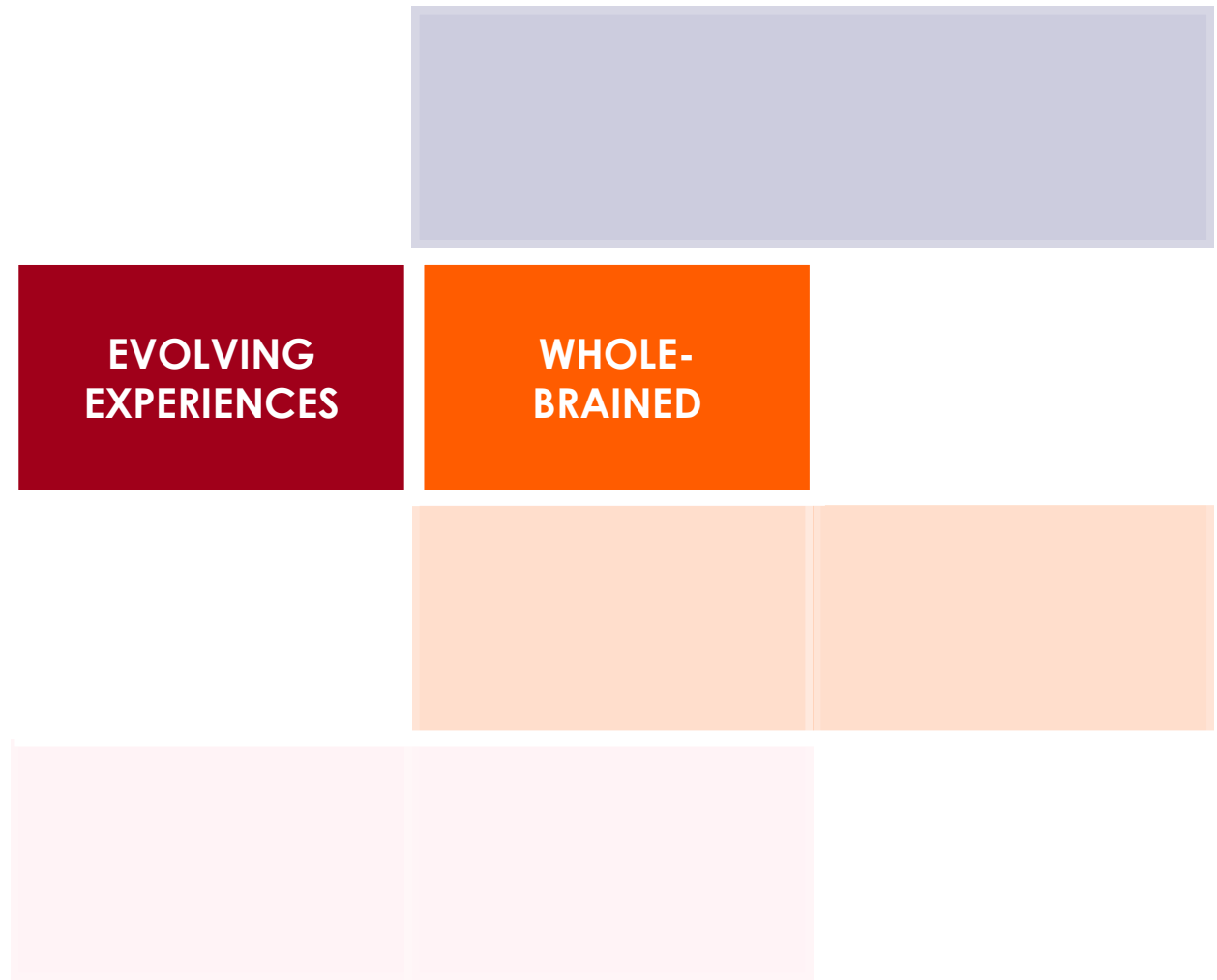
Real Growth leadership characteristics



Real Growth leadership characteristics



Real Growth leadership characteristics



Real Growth leadership characteristics



PASSIONATE

Real Growth leadership characteristics

HUMANIZED GROWTH

Real Growth leadership characteristics



COURAGEOUS

Facing a New Reality



Pre-COVID

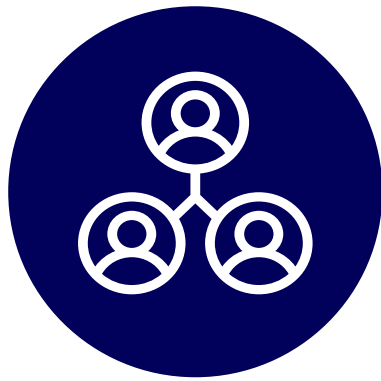


Customers



Capital Markets

At COVID Outbreak



Colleagues



Community

Humanized Growth



Colleagues



Customers

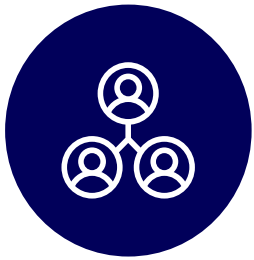


Community



Capital Markets

Humanized Growth equation



**Colleague
Value**

x



**Customer
Value**

x



**Community
Value**

x



**Capital Market
Value**

Short Termism



2008

“To prosper over time, every company must not only deliver financial performance, but also show how it makes a positive contribution to society”

**Laurence D. Fink
Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, BlackRock**

2018

2019: US Business Roundtable



STATEMENT ON THE PURPOSE OF A CORPORATION

Americans deserve an economy that allows each person to succeed through hard work and creativity and to lead a life of meaning and dignity. We believe the free market system is the best means of generating good jobs, a strong and sustainable economy, innovation, a healthy environment and economic opportunity for all.

Businesses play a vital role in the economy by creating jobs, fostering innovation and providing essential goods and services. Businesses make and sell consumer products; manufacture equipment and vehicles; support the national defense; grow and produce food; provide healthcare; generate and deliver energy; and offer financial, communications and other services that underpin economic growth.

WHILE EACH OF OUR INDIVIDUAL COMPANIES SERVES ITS OWN CORPORATE PURPOSE, WE SHARE A FUNDAMENTAL COMMITMENT TO ALL OF OUR STAKEHOLDERS. WE COMMIT TO:

DELIVERING VALUE TO OUR CUSTOMERS. We will further the tradition of American companies leading the way in meeting or exceeding customer expectations.

INVESTING IN OUR EMPLOYEES. This starts with compensating them fairly and providing important benefits. It also includes supporting them through training and education that help develop new skills for a rapidly changing world. We foster diversity and inclusion, dignity and respect.

DEALING FAIRLY AND ETHICALLY WITH OUR SUPPLIERS. We are dedicated to serving as good partners to the other companies, large and small, that help us meet our missions.

SUPPORTING THE COMMUNITIES IN WHICH WE WORK. We respect the people in our communities and protect the environment by embracing sustainable practices across our businesses.

GENERATING LONG-TERM VALUE FOR SHAREHOLDERS, WHO PROVIDE THE CAPITAL THAT ALLOWS COMPANIES TO INVEST, GROW AND INNOVATE. We are committed to transparency and effective engagement with shareholders.

EACH OF OUR STAKEHOLDERS IS ESSENTIAL. WE COMMIT TO DELIVER VALUE TO ALL OF THEM, FOR THE FUTURE SUCCESS OF OUR COMPANIES, OUR COMMUNITIES AND OUR COUNTRY.

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New Reality





The future is uncertain



2020 Update: Significant shift to Humanized Growth

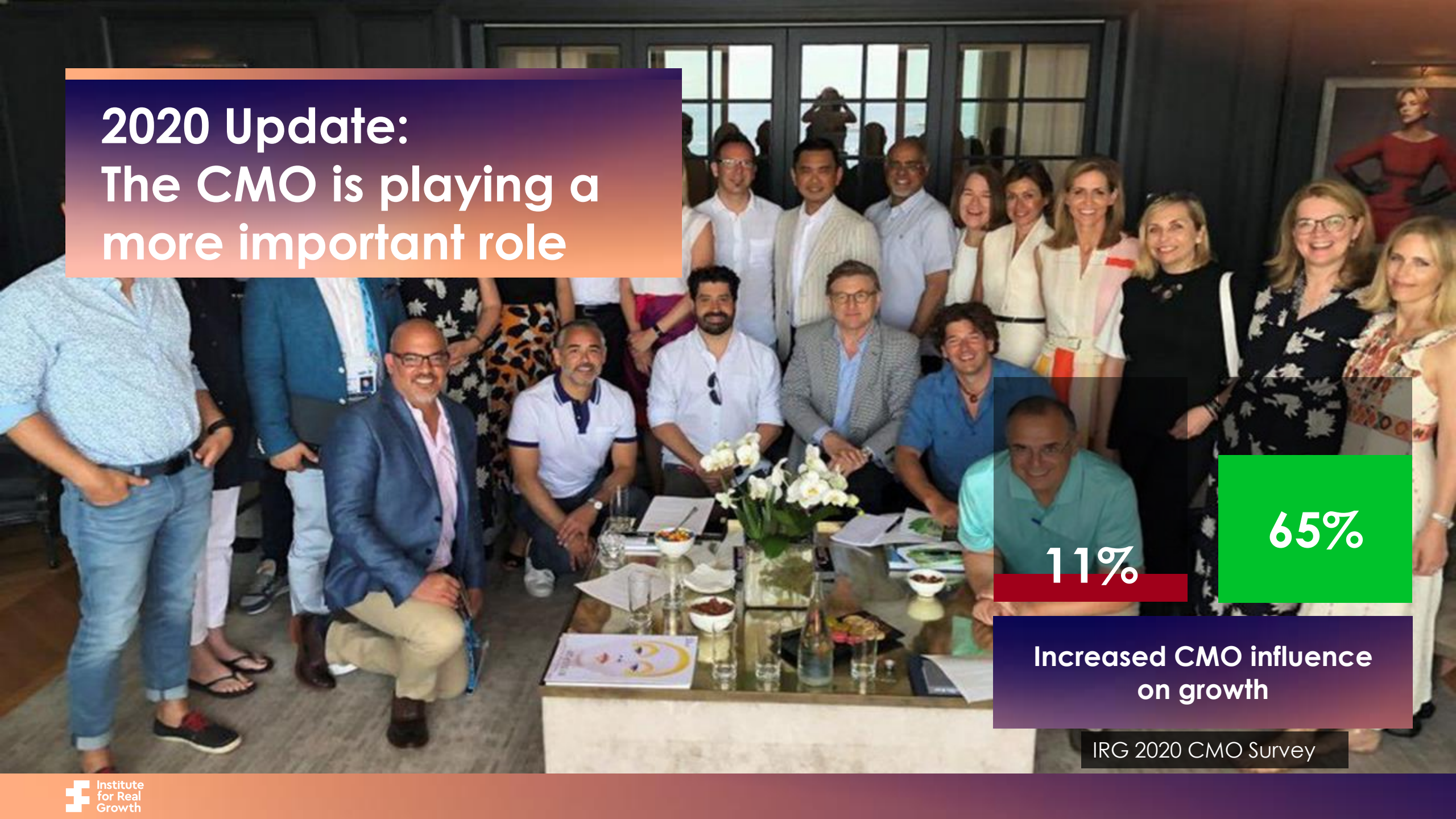
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More Humanized
Growth Study

IRG 2020 CMO Survey

2020 Update: The CMO is playing a more important role



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Increased CMO influence
on growth

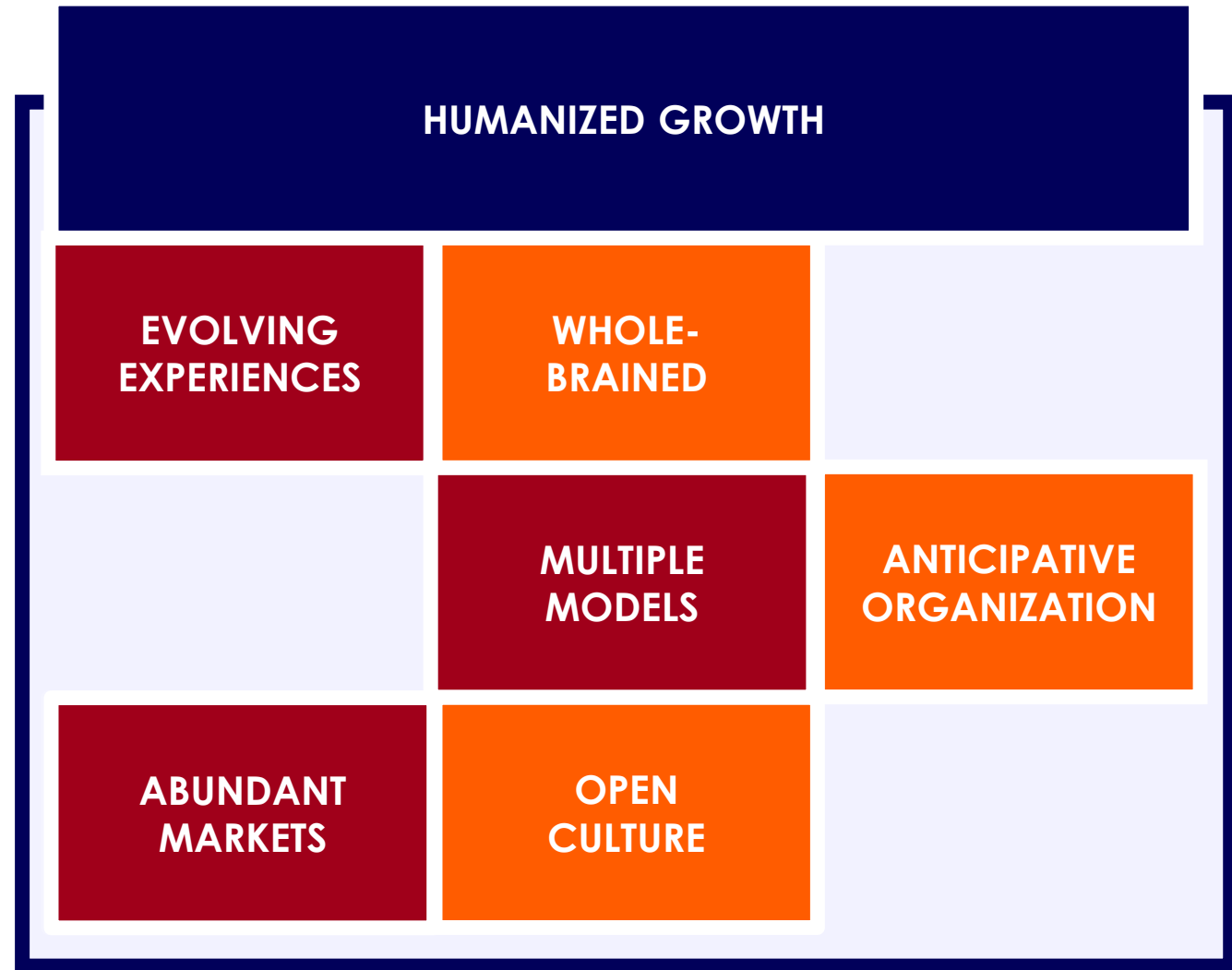
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In summary

The background of the slide is a microscopic image of plant tissue, showing a dense network of hexagonal cells. The cells are stained in shades of blue and purple, with some showing prominent nuclei. The overall texture is organic and complex.

The new architecture for Real Growth...

Is human
centric...



A person with long dark hair, wearing a red hoodie and black leggings, is running away from the camera on a dirt path. The path leads into a vast, arid landscape with sparse vegetation and distant hills under a blue sky with scattered clouds. The person's hair is blowing in the wind, and their right leg is in mid-stride, showing a running shoe with a distinctive tread pattern.

Delivers sustained growth

Recognizes all stakeholders' needs

“To prosper over time, every company must not only deliver financial performance, but also show how it makes a positive contribution to society”

**Laurence D. Fink
Chairman & Chief Executive Officer, BlackRock**

Future-proofs the organization

And combines data,
creativity and
technology



Drones

Burning Man 2018



**To deliver ever-evolving
experiences that delight**

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