

Ch 7: Value Creation and Strategic Information Systems

Information Systems for Managers

Learning objectives

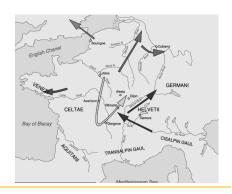
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What does it mean to Create Value

Creating Added Value Customer willingness to pay Suppliers opportunity cost

Strategic Information Systems

- A firm achieves competitive advantage when:
- * It is able to generate added value
- * Creating a unique and positive difference between CWP and SOC
- * Strategic information systems
- * Information systems used to support or shape the competitive strategy of the firm
- * Designed and implemented to enable the creation and appropriation of value



Strategic Information Systems

- * Defined by their purpose
- * No need for proprietary IT:
- * Technology alone does not determine added value
- * Information Systems enable the firm's value-creating strategy
- * Tactical systems are:
- * Critical to business operations
- * But do not generate added value



Tactical Systems

- * HR/PR systems
- * Used to process employees pay
- * Restaurant Point-of-Sale (POS) system
- * Used to manage
 - * Reservations
- * Seating
- * Order taking
- * Delivery
- * Billing



IT-Dependent Strategic Initiatives

IT-dependent strategic initiatives consist of identifiable competitive moves (or projects) – designed to lead to <u>sustained improvements in the firm's competitive position</u> – that <u>depend on the use of IT</u> to be enacted.

→ IT-dependent

→ Strategic

→ Initiative

It's not a few big ideas; it's a whole series of little things that add up to superiority.



Michael H. Jordan, former CEO, Frito Lay

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