Critical Corporate Social Responsibility, and

International Corporate Governance

Session 4: Citizenship, Reporting and Leadership

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Director's Blog

By Katherine V. Smith Executive Director



Achieving corporate citizenship progress together "Coming together is a

beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success." - Henry Ford Spring is a

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The State of Corporate Citizenship 2014

Our newly published research report



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Corporate Citizenship Conference

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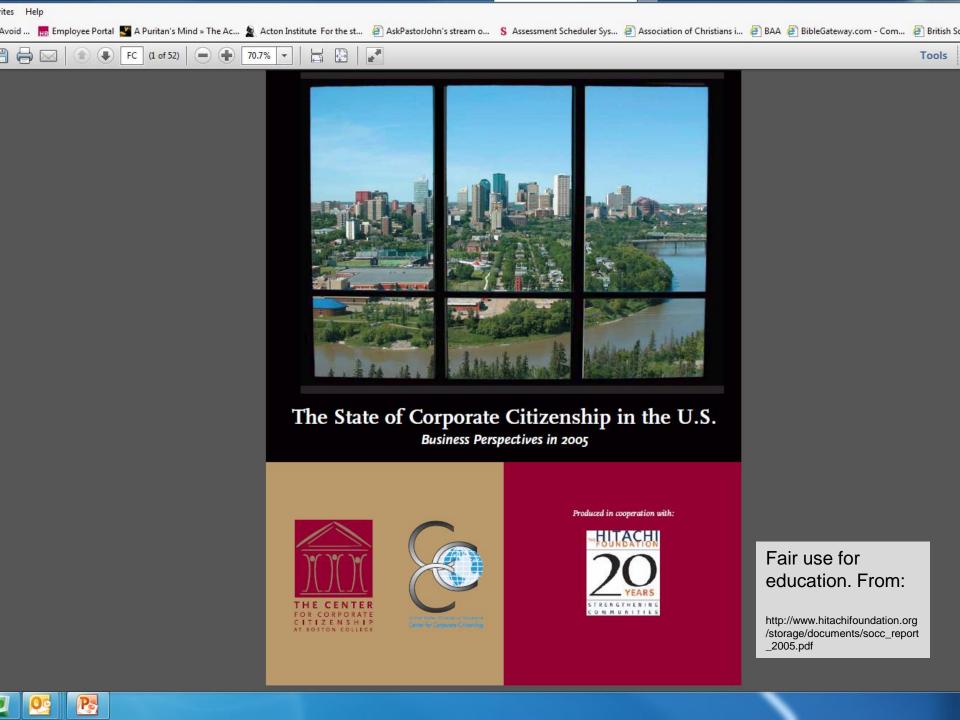


Figure 5: Drivers of corporate citizenship

Question asked: "To what extent do each of the following factors motivate or drive your company's efforts to be a good corporate citizen?" The 5-point scale ranged from "not at all" to "very great."

| | Year | Large Very Great | Total* | Small | Medium | Large |
|---|--------------|------------------|------------|-------|--------|-------|
| It fits our company traditions and values | 2005 | 45% 27% | 73% 75% | 68% | 79% | 91% |
| It improves our reputation/image | 2005 | 38% 19% | 56% 59% | 54% | 57% | 76% |
| It's part of our business strategy | 2005 2003 | 31% 13% | 44% 52% | 41% | 45% | 64% |
| It's important to our customers/consumers | 2005 | 27% 9% | 36% 53% | 33% | 36% | 53% |
| It helps to recruit and retain employees | 2005 | 22% 7% | 30% 38% | 25% | 34% | 55% |
| It's expected in our community | 2005 2003 | 19% 6% | 24% 30% | 20% | 24% | 50% |
| It responds to laws and political pressures | 2005 2003 | 10%4% | 14% 24% | 14% | 12% | 18% |

■ Large for 2005 ■ Very Great for 2005 ■ Large and Very Great for 2003

Small, medium, large columns represent "agree" and "strongly agree" responses for each category of company

* Total may not equal sum exactly due to rounding.

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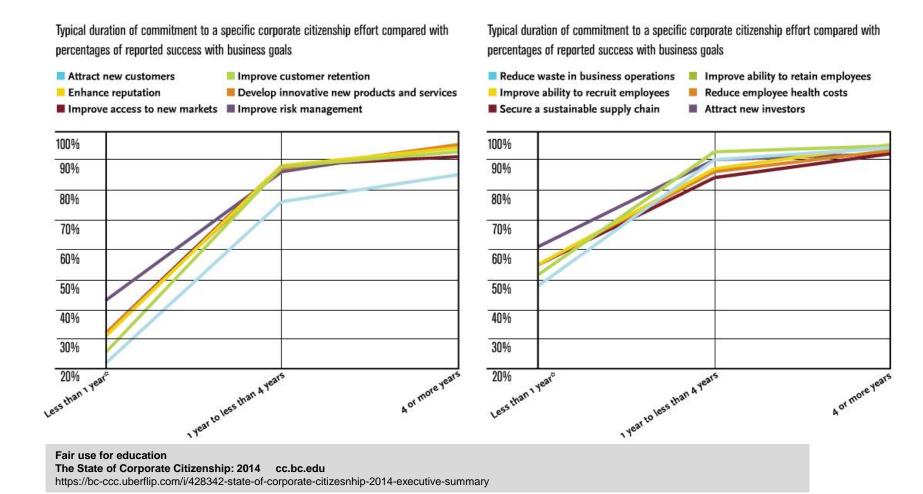
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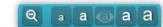
report success in achieving business goal citizenship efforts are supported for four

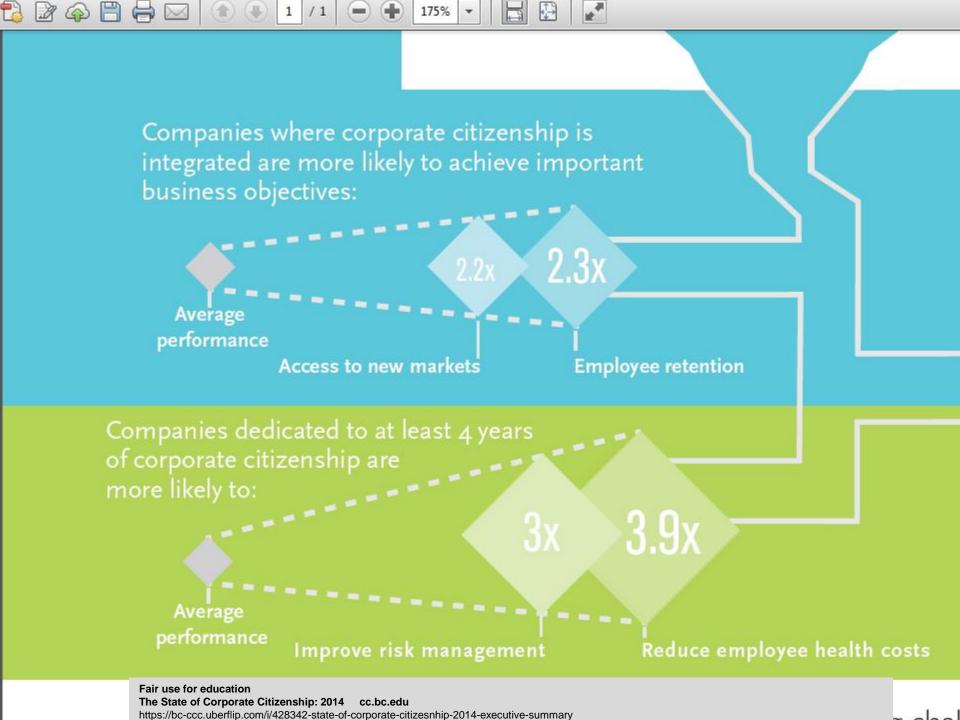
Long term "success" of citizenship strategies



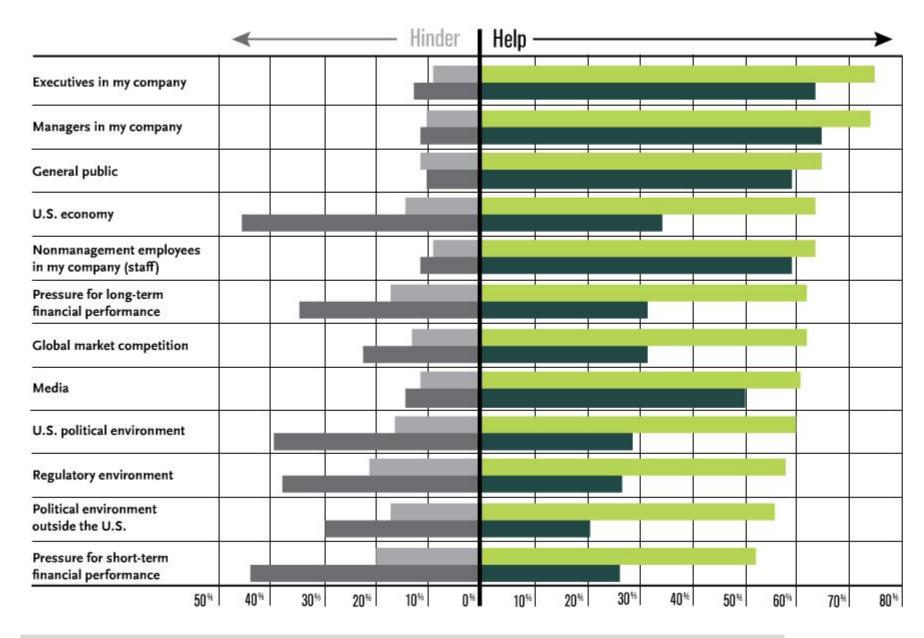
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The US in 2014



A tool for summarising the corporate citizenship of a large corporation

Activity: bringing your poster to a conclusion



Stages of Corporate Citizenship:

A Developmental Framework

by Philip Mirvis, Ph.D. and Bradley K. Googins, Ph.D.

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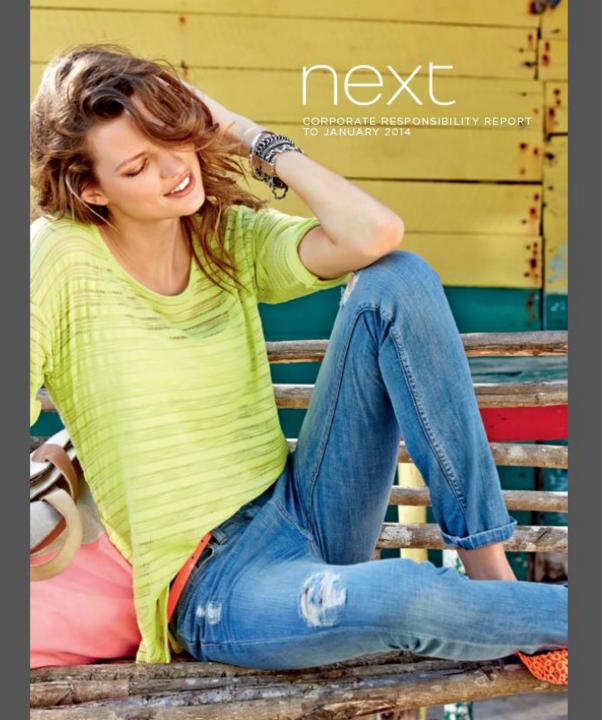
A Center for Corporate Citizenship at Boston College Monograph

STAGES OF CORPORATE CITIZENSHIP



| | | Stage 1: Elementary | Stage 2: Engaged | Stage 3: Innovative | Stage 4: Integrated | Stage 5: Transforming |
|------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|--|--|---|----------------------------------|
| Dimensions | Citizenship Concept | Jobs, Profits & Taxes | Philanthropy, Environmental Protection | Stakeholder Management | Sustainability or Triple Bottom Line | Change the Game |
| | Strategic Intent | Legal Compliance | License to Operate | Business Case | Value Proposition | Market Creation or Social Change |
| | Leadership | Lip Service, Out of Touch | Supporter, In the Loop | Steward, On Top of It | Champion, In Front of It | Visionary, Ahead of the Pack |
| | Structure | Marginal: Staff Driven | Functional Ownership | Cross-Functional Organizational Coordination Alignment | | Mainstream: Business Driven |
| | Issues Management | Defensive | Reactive, Policies | Responsive, Pro-Active, Programs Systems | | Defining |
| | Stakeholder Relationships | Unilateral | Interactive | Mutual Partnership Influence Alliance | | Multi- Organization |
| | Transparency | Flank Protection | Public Relations | Public Reporting | Assurance | Full Disclosure |

Style and tone of reporting



If a picture can speak a 1,000 words, the cover of the Next CSR Report conveys, perhaps, the core values of the NEXT brand.

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It is thought provoking to see how Next first introduce the issue of "children" in their CSR Report...

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↑ Total trading space 651,065m² (+4%)
Our Annual Report and Accounts can be viewed at www.nextplc.co.uk

FTSE4GOOD

NEXT continues to be listed in the FTSE4Good Index. The index is designed to measure the performance of companies that meet prescribed standards of corporate responsibility and facilitate investment in those companies

OUR SUPPLIERS

The products we sold were manufactured in 40 countries (-9%)

We worked with 512 suppliers during the year (-10%)

We carried out 1,554 audits at our suppliers' factories (-6%)

OUR CUSTOMERS

- There is an average of 345,000 transactions per day across NEXT Retail and Directory (+2%)
- NEXT have 4.0 million active global Directory customers (+8%)
- 90% of NEXT Directory orders by value are placed online (+3%)



Child clothed in Next.

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CARRIER BAGS

NEXT continues to support and encourage our customers to reduce use of single-use carrier bags where appropriate by using the most appropriate size of bag for their purchase or placing the purchase in the customer's own bag if requested.

In 2011, NEXT implemented local arrangements in lin with regulatory charging requirements for single-use carrier bags in Wales – read more on www.next.co.uk. The monies raised from this charge are equally distributed between two Welsh charities

 World Wildlife Fund-Cymru, who are working to protect the marine wildlife around the Welsh coastline, and Tŷ Hafan, who offer comfort, care and support for life-limited children and young people and their families.

NEXT'S CARRIER BAG CHARGE IN WALES: SPOTLIGHT ON OUR FUNDING TO TŶ HAFAN

Half of all the fees charged for our carrier bags in Wales since 2011 have been donated to Tŷ Hafan, who is the only children's hospice in South Wales, to provide specialist palliative care services to meet the needs of life-limited children and their families since 1999.



COMMUNITY CONTINUED...

With life-limited children and young people, care is often given over a number of years and Tŷ Hafan offers short break care to give families desperately needed time-out, which can include accommodation for any family member who wants to stay over. They also provide comfort, support and relief outside the hospice, at home and in the community to ensure each child has a comprehensive care programme.



The support offered isn't just centred on managing the physical realities of a child's condition. Tŷ Hafan recognises that caring for a child with a life-limiting

Children supported by the 5 pence that Next now charge on each carrier bag used in Wales.

work with life-limited children, young people and their families from across Wales."

- Diane Stringer Tŷ Hafan Strategic Relationships Coordinator

A tool to help you discuss disclosures in a critical manner

Note: this tool only helps you to discuss the disclosures...not the issues themselves. However, the distinction between the "issues" and the "reporting" of such issues is nuanced.

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The Global Reporting Initiative ('GRI') values [our] help in spreading the word about sustainability reporting by referencing GRI and GRI's materials. The next slides use a framework developed by the Global Reporting Initiative.

See G4 Sustainability Reporting Guidelines: https://www.globalreporting.org/resourcelibrary/GRIG4-Part1-Reporting-Principles-and-Standard-Disclosures.pdf

Warning about the G4 GRI Tool

This tool is designed to be used to analyse very long CSR Reports - it is not designed to be used upon the shorter CSR disclosures found in The Annual Report and Accounts!

However, the "module assumes" that CSR Reporting in The Annual Reports and Accounts is important - and that the principles of the G4 GRI tool can be a useful way of analysing the disclosures in The Annual Report and Accounts.

Stakeholder Inclusiveness Principle - G4 GRI

The organization should identify its stakeholders, and explain how it has responded to their reasonable expectations and interests.

Key comments

In The Annual Report and Accounts the Directors do not have to do this - however a critical analysis of The AR&A would discuss how the "interests" of all key stakeholders have been discussed.

Identifying who (in your opinion) the stakeholders are, and discussing what you consider to be a "reasonable" expectation is could to lead to a mature critical discussion about the economic, social and political location of the company.

Sustainability Context - G4 GRI

The report[ing] should present the organization's performance in the wider context of sustainability.

The Annual Report and Accounts

Again - this is beyond the scope of the standard AR&A disclosures - but you could discuss how the issue of sustainability is handled in The AR&A.

Comment about Context

To do this will require you to familiarise yourself with

- Comparable companies
- Academic literature
- Media articles

The next three ideas are all closely linked. If the definitions confuse you, rather than help you, just remember...

Materiality: Did the reporter cover all the key issues?

Completeness: Did the reporter cover the impacts of all the key issues?

Balance: Did the reporter cover both the positive and the negative aspects of the impacts of key issues?

Materiality Principle - G4 GRI

aspect = issue See:
page 9 of the GRI Report

The report[ing] should cover Aspects that:

Reflect the organisation's significant economic, environmental and social impacts; or

Substantively influence the assessments and decisions of stakeholders.

The key question

What key issues have they not talked about?.

Completeness Principle - G4 GRI

Paraphrased definition

The Report[ing] should cover all material issues (ie. aspects) and a discussion of the impact of such issues (ie. boundaries).

Linked to "Balance" see next slide...

Key question: look for incompleteness

An easy way to create powerful criticality is to demonstrate that a company has not talked thoroughly about all the impacts of an important issue.

Impacts

Page 92 of the GRI report defines "impacts" as being either: positive, negative, actual, potential, direct, indirect, short term, long term, intended, unintended.

Balance Principle - G4 GRI

The report should reflect positive and negative aspects of the organization's performance to enable a reasoned assessment of overall performance.

The easiest way to achieve criticality

If you are able to sustain a cogent discussion about what has not been said - you are likely to be able to achieve a high mark.

Balance is linked to completeness - don't worry about getting the ideas a bit muddled up - as many of these ideas are all interlinked.

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Comparability Principle - G4 GRI

The organization should select, compile and report information consistently. The reported information should be presented in a manner that enables stakeholders to analyse changes in the organization's performance over time, and that could support analysis relative to other organizations.

You will probably not have the word count to achieve this.

Activity: review of Outokumpu Integrated Report

What ethical theories look at

The consequences of an action (eg. utilitarianism)

The actions themselves (eg. deontological ethics)

The motive or virtue behind the action (ie. virtue ethics)

Directors

http://events.ethicalcorp.com/reporting/2013/

Something academic theory can look at

Angus-Leppan, T., Metcalf, L., & Benn, S. (2010). Leadership styles and CSR practice: An examination of sensemaking, institutional drivers and CSR leadership. *Journal of Business Ethics*, *93*(2), 189-213.

Some leadership styles: Angus-Leppan et al. (2010)

Ethical: a sense of right and wrong, concern for others, concern for consequences, judging their own behaviours. De Hoogh and Den Hartog (2008) are cited.

Authentic: not hypocritical (or where the leaders behaviour behaviour keeps its integrity with their personal values). Walumbwa et al. (2008) is cited.

Transformational: charismatic, they inspire and stimulate through idealised visions

A weakness of academic theory

The consequences of an action

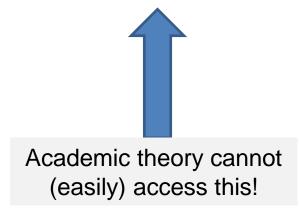
(eg. utilitarianism)

The actions themselves

(eg. deontological ethics)

The motive or virtue behind the action

(eg. virtue ethics)



Some leadership styles: Angus-Leppan et al. (2010)

Autocratic: coercion and a distinct lack of democratic process Walumbwa et al. (2008) is cited.

My mum?

Angus-Leppan et al. (2010) page 194

"Ethical leadership and authentic leadership share an emphasis on honesty, openness and integrity as well as a desire to do what is right."

Angus-Leppan et al. (2010) page 194

"However, ethical leaders have been found to use punishment to hold people accountable for ethical conduct.

(Brown and Trevino (2006) are cited).

....a glimpse of a man who justifies man himself....an instance of a man who makes up for and redeems man....

Nietzsche: the philosopher who announced the death of god

On the Genealogy of Morality

pages 293 and 294 in Ethics: The Essential Writings, Ed. Gordon Marino, Modern Library: New York.

....grant me just one glimpse of something perfect, completely finished, happy, powerful, triumphant, which leaves something to fear!

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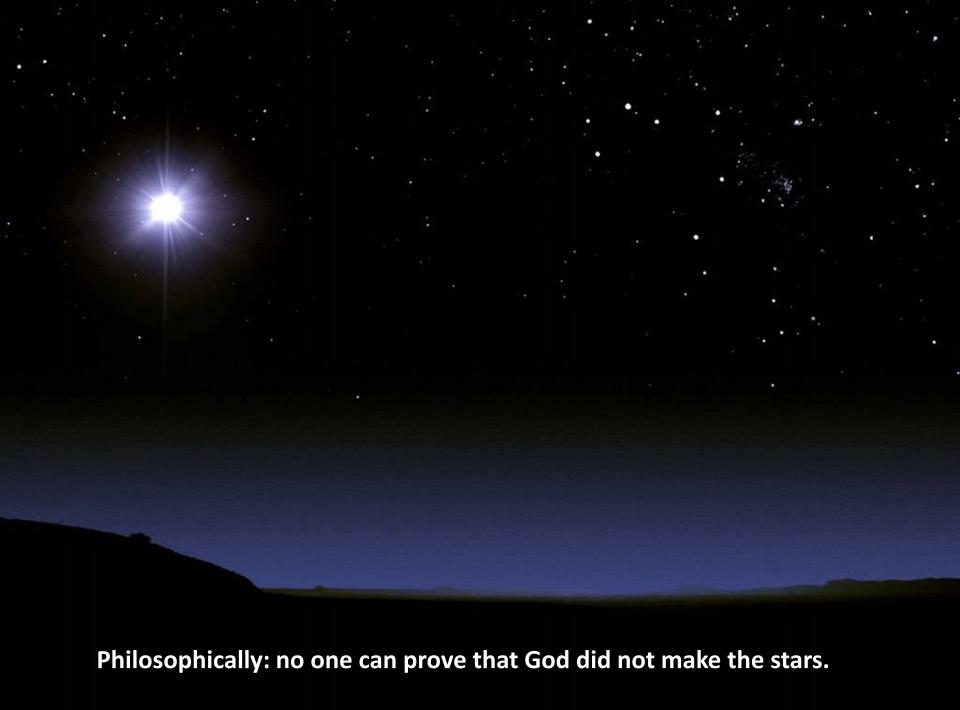
"Wisdom" personified

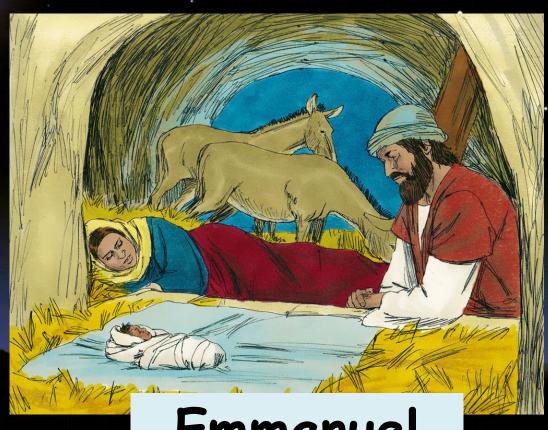
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Righteous with regard to punishment





Emmanuel









I condemn no one.

Neil Fletcher FCA, FHEA

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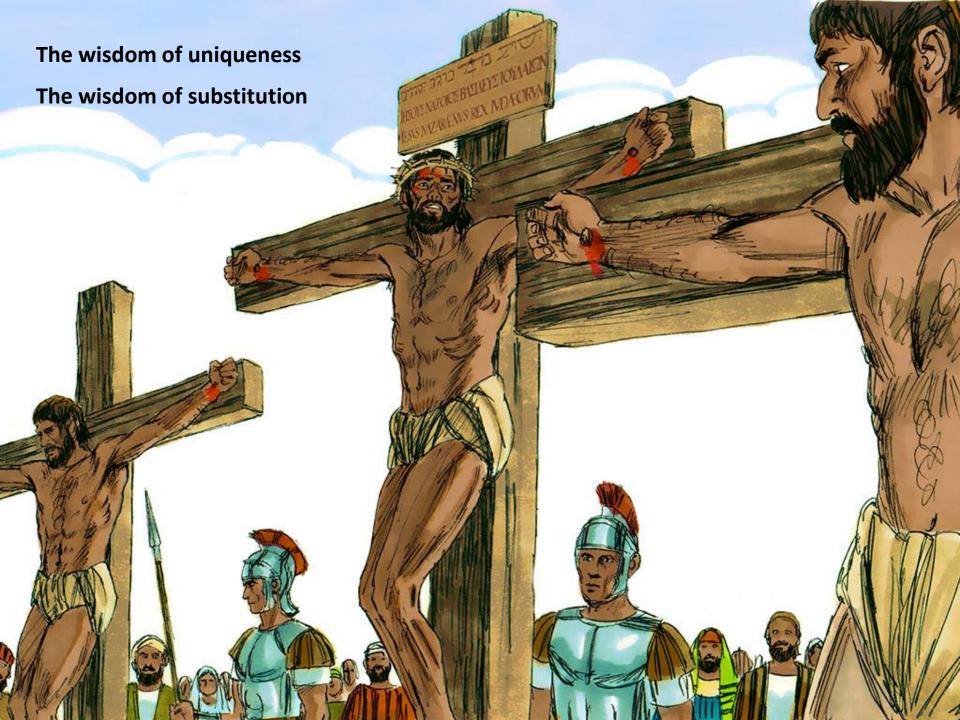
The consequences of an action (eg. utilitarianism)

The actions themselves (eg. deontological ethics)

The motive or virtue behind the action (eg. virtue ethics)

"Do not murder"

"Do not commit adultery"





Conclusion

National Law

Local Regulations: and regulatory bodies

Local "capitalism"

Globaliziation and "capitalism"

Shareholders

Directors

Listed company

Suppliers

Members of the supply chain, and communities impacted by the supply chain

Employee families and communities

Employees

Customers

Those impacted by the products and services

Media

Public Opinion

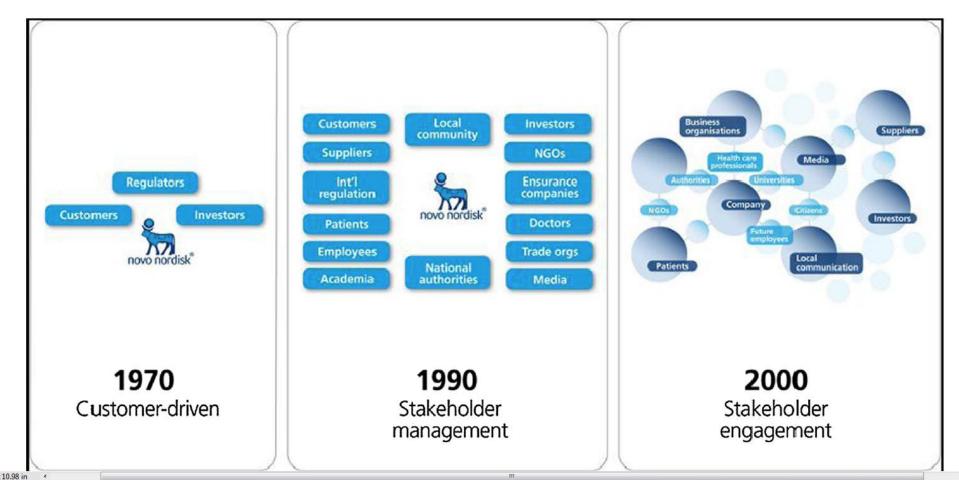
A Socio Political view of Corporate

Governance - an expanded version of Aguilera,
R. V., Williams, C. A., Conley, J. M., & Rupp, D.
E. (2006). Corporate Governance and Social
Responsibility: a comparative analysis of the UK
and the US*. Corporate Governance: An
International Review, 14(3), 147-158.

The "economy"

The "markets" eg. capital, product, labour

R. Strand, R. E. Freeman













Session 1: Critical Corporate Social Responsibility and International Corporate Governance

Wisdom, righteousness, justice and equity

Key sources

A brief introduction to Corporate Social Responsibility ('CSR')

A brief introduction to Corporate Governance ('CG')

Corporate Citizenship: linking CSR and CG

The power and pervasiveness of large corporations/companies

Session 2: International Corporate Governance

Activity: Veil of ignorance

A brief over view of Capitalism (possibly)

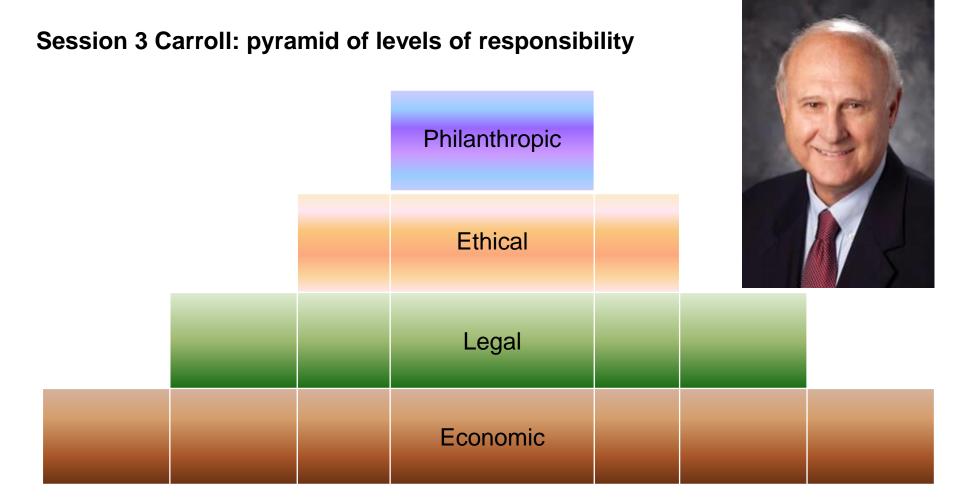
Stakeholder Capitalism
Activity: a first view of Amer 2014 and stakeholder contributions

Basic Corporate Governance
Activity: a second view of Amer 2014 and Directors

Technical Corporate Governance Key sources of information

Activity: Finnish Corporate Governance Code 2010 Activity: UK Corporate Governance Code 2014

Corporate Governance theories



Carroll, A. B. (1991). The pyramid of corporate social responsibility: toward the moral management of organizational stakeholders. *Business horizons*, *34*(4), 39-48.

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