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#### **Global FP&A Trends Webinar**

# Modern FP&A at the time of "Black Swans"

21 April 2020



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# **Agenda**

- FP&A at the time of uncertainty
- "FP&A: short- term priorities. Collaborative Planning". Alessandro Cardito, Global Consumer Beauty FP&A Director at Coty
- "FP&A: mid term priorities. Scenario Planning and Reforecasting on Demand". Alban de Vatteville, VP Finance, FP&A Leader Global Connect at Nielsen
- \* "FP&A: long- term priorities. Moving to leading FP&A". Gordon Stuart, CFO at Unit4
- Conclusions and Recommendations







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We create space for people to do more work that really matters.

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# **Today's Business Environment**



Donald Rumsfeld, former US Defense Secretary:



The gap between what we know and what we think we know may be widening.

Nate Silver, Author



# "FP&A: Short-Term Priorities. Collaborative Planning"





Alessandro Cardito
Global Consumer Beauty FP&A Director at Coty



## **FP&A Short -Term Priorities Quote**





The essence of strategy **is not** to carry out a **brilliant**plan that proceeds in steps;

it is to put yourself in situations where **you have more**options than the enemy does

Robert Greene
Author of "33 Strategies of War"



# **FP&A Short-Term Priority N1: Over-Communicating**



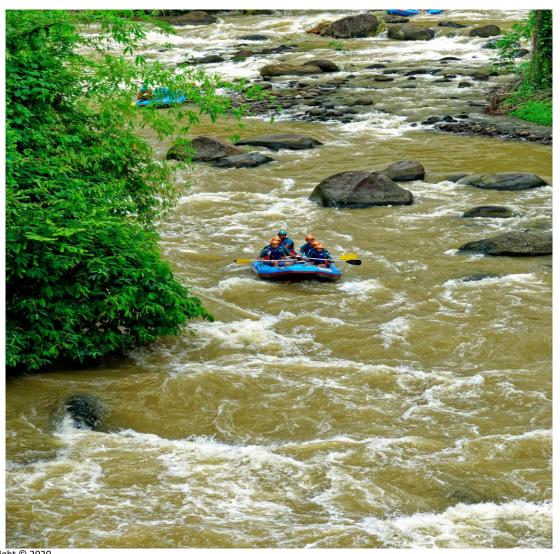


- Upstream & Downstream
- Aristoteles's threptic
- Be clear & direct



# FP&A Short-Term Priority N 2: Collaborative Planning





- Be the raft master!
- Cross-functional and multidimensional
- Focus on short term- 3 months planning
- No unturned stone



# FP&A Short-Term Priority N 3: Cash is King





- Assess the low end of the cash forecast
- Evaluate options (including corporate buckets)
- Establish priorities



# FP&A Short-Term Priority N 3 – Cash is king





Overcommunicate- upstream and downstream



Collaborative planning- be the raft master



Cash is King - buy time!





# POLLING QUESTION 1



# "FP&A: mid - term priorities. Scenario Planning and Reforecasting on Demand"





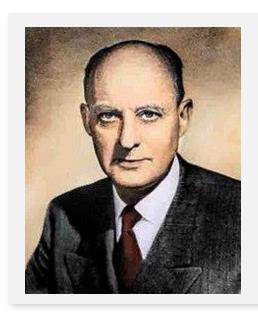
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# **FP&A Mid -Term Priorities Quote**



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Grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,

the **courage** to change the things I can, and the **wisdom** to know the difference

Reinhold Neibuhr American theologian



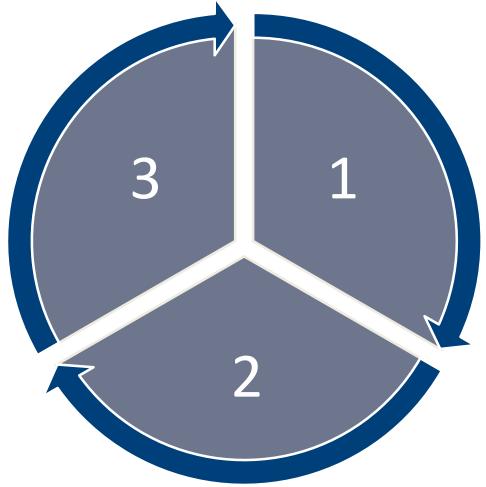


# **FP&A Mid-Term Strategy**

Run an agile crisis management framework



Adjust strategy based on **triggering events** 



Model **Scenarios** based on the new possible realities

Make sure you understand your new **profitability** model





## Possible short term impacts

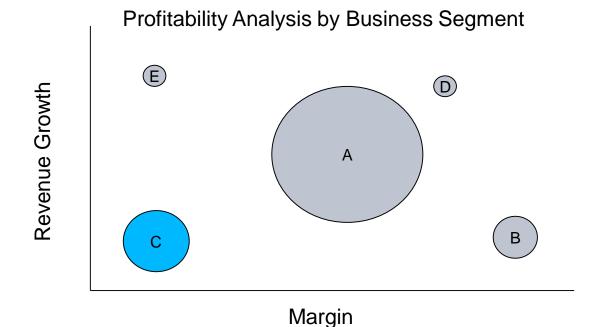
#### Fixed costs management (Top 5)

- Event and Internal Meetings
- Hiring pause
- Travel and Expenses
- Delay programs and investment
- Furlough and government subsidies

#### Variable Costs Management

- Supply chain impact
- Review critical / material supplier contracts

# How does it impact your Profitability model?







# **FP&A Mid-Term Priority N2**

# Model Scenarios based on the new possible



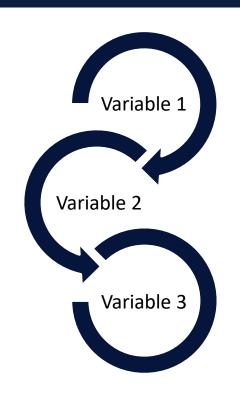
## **Evaluate possible Scenarios**

#### Supply

- Product / Service
  - Availability
  - Quality
  - Distribution

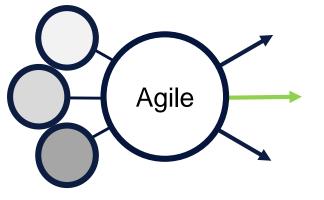
#### **Demand**

- Client / Consumer
  - Budget
  - behavior
- Markets
  - Economy
  - Legislation
  - Environment



# Create an Action plan by Scenario

- Product / Service
  - Portfolio
  - Production
  - Investments
  - Technology
- Business Unit
  - Markets
  - Verticals







# **FP&A Mid-Term Priority N3**

## Adjust strategy based on triggering events



### Identify triggering events

# Mobilize the entire Organization

## Take rapid actions

#### External

- Clients / Suppliers
- Environment
- Economy
- Consumer confidence

#### Internal

- Sales / Revenue
- Pipeline
- Conversion rate

- Operating Plans by Business Units / Verticals
- Bonus and incentives
- Communication and change management related to new objectives

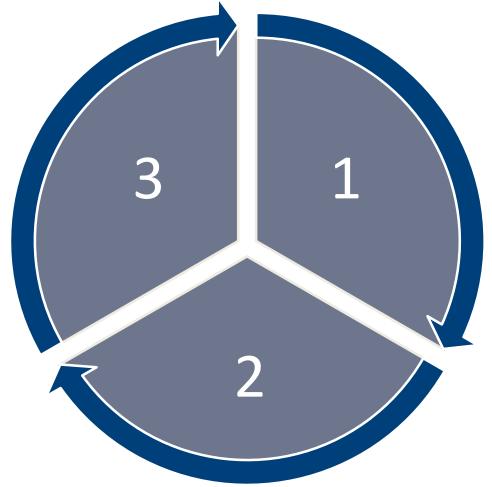
- Execution
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# POLLING QUESTION 2



# "FP&A: long- term priorities. Moving to leading FP&A"





**Gordon Stuart CFO at Unit4** 



# "FP&A: Long -Term Priorities"





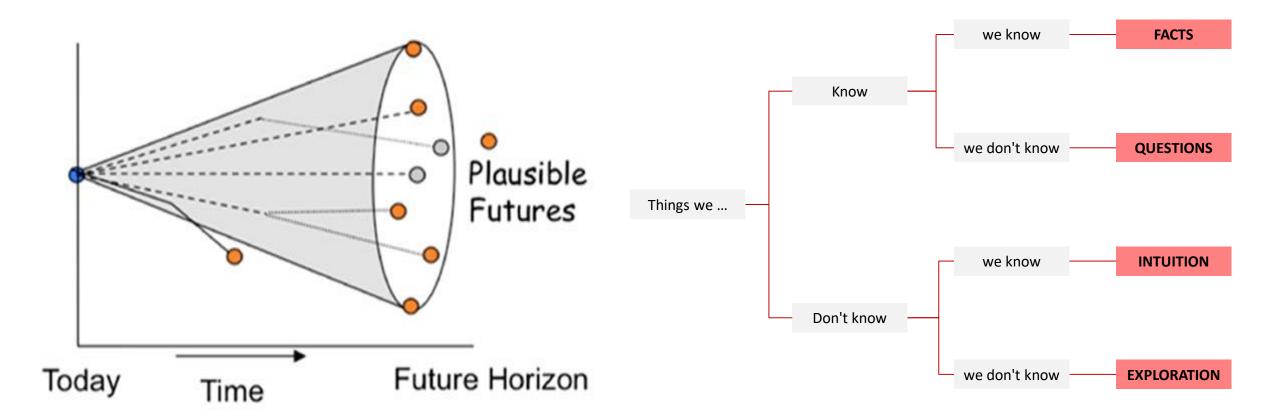
Prediction is very difficult, especially about the future

Neils Bohr Physicist, Nobel Laureate



# FP&A World as an Uncertainty Cone





adapted from Uncertainty cone to bound the future by Paul Schoemaker



# **FP&A Long - Term Priorities**

# **Decision making horizons**





New product development



New markets



Real estate



Manufacturing facilities



# International FP&A Board: FP&A Analytics Maturity Model



#### **DEVELOPING STATE**

#### **INTERMEDIATE STATE**

#### **LEADING STATE**



















- **♦ NO FORMAL PROCESS**
- ♦ NO ESTABLISHED ANALYTICAL DRIVERS
- ♦ NO PLANNING MODEL AND TOOLS
- ♦ NO BI TOOL
- **♦ NO COLLABORATION**
- NO BUSINESS PARTNERING

- ♦ INCONSISTENT PROCESS
- ♦ BASIC ANALYTICAL AND REPORTING DRIVERS
- BASIC PLANNING MODEL AND TOLLS
- **♦** BASIC BI TOOL
- **♦ MINIMAL COLLABORATION**
- **♦ HIGHLY MANUAL PROCESS**
- ♦ DESCRIPTIVE ANALYTICS
- ♦ BASIC FP&A BUSINESS PARTNERING

- ♦ DEFINED PROCESS
- **♦ DEFINED ANALYTICAL DRIVERS**
- ♦ DEFINED PLANNING MODEL AND SYSTEM
- ♦ DEFINED BI
- ♦ SOME ELEMENTS OF COLLABORATIVE PLANNING
- **♦ HEAVY RELIANCE ON IT**
- ♦ DESCRIPTIVE AND DIAGNOSTIC ANALYTICS
- DEFINED FP&A BUSINESS PARTNERING

- ENTERPRISE-WIDE PROCESSES
- MULTIDIMENSIONAL ANALYTICAL DRIVERS
- ♦ DRIVER BASE PLANNING MODEL
- ♦ COLLABORATIVE PLANNING
- ♦ SELF-SERVICE PLANNING TOOLS
- ♦ PREDICTIVE ANALYTICS
- **♦ EASY SCENARIO ANALYSIS**
- ♦ STRONG FP&A BUSINESS PARTNERING

- ♦ INTEGRATED PLANNING PROCESS
- LEADING MULTIDYMENSIONAL ANALYTICAL DRIVERS
- MULTIDYMENSIONAL DRIVER BASED MODEL INTEGRATED WITH BI
- REAL-TIME COLLABORATIVE PLANNING
- **♦ INTEGRATED FLEXIBLE SYSTEMS**
- ♦ AUTOMATION, PREDICTIVE AND PRESCRIPTIVE ANALYTICS
- ♦ DIGITAL ON-DEMAND PLANNING (AI/ML)
- QUICK MULTIDIMENSIONAL SCENARIO ANALYSIS
- LEADING FP&A BUSINESS PARTNERING



# FP&A Analytics Maturity Model: Leading Stage





♦ INTEGRATED PLANNING PROCESS	all key business elements incorporated
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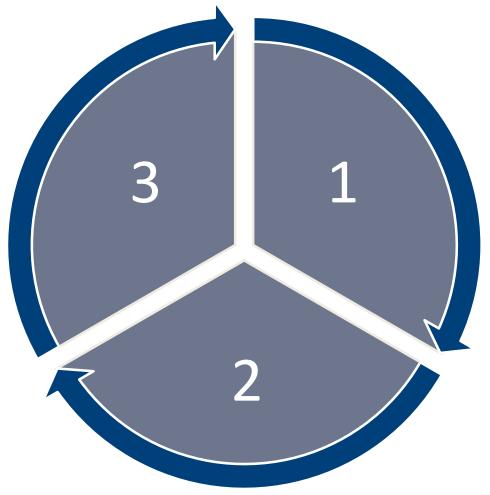
- ♦ MULTIDIMENSIONAL DRIVER BASED MODEL INTEGRATED WITH ......integrated systems not excel bridges
  BI
- ♦ REAL-TIME COLLABORATIVE PLANNING ......all stakeholders engaged
- ♦ INTEGRATED FLEXIBLE SYSTEMS ......remove inconsistencies ensure single source of truth
- ♦ AUTOMATION, PREDICTIVE AND PRESCRIPTIVE ANALYTICS ......objectivity not bias
- ♦ DIGITAL ON-DEMAND PLANNING (AI/ML)
  ......understand impact of market movements
- ♦ QUICK MULTIDIMENSIONAL SCENARIO ANALYSIS ......real time feedback from changing assumptions
- ♦ LEADING FP&A BUSINESS PARTNERING .......hold the pen and take leadership role







FP&A Analytical Maturity Journey

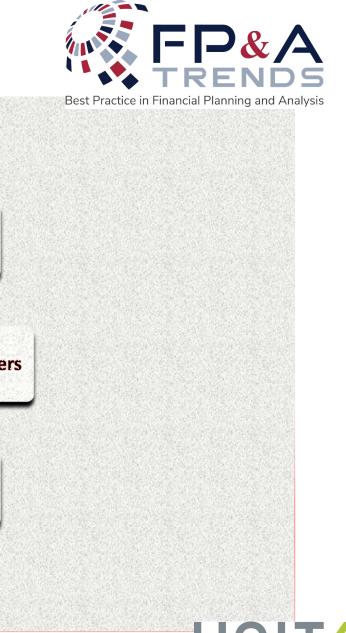


Decision Making Horizons

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# 12 Facets of FP&A Analytical Transformation



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# **Thank You!**



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