

## GLOBAL E-BUSINESS AND COLLABORATION

# What Major Features of a Business Are Important for Understanding the Role of Information Systems?

## Organizing A Business: Basic Business Functions

Manufacturing and Production

Sales and Marketing

Product or Service

Human resources

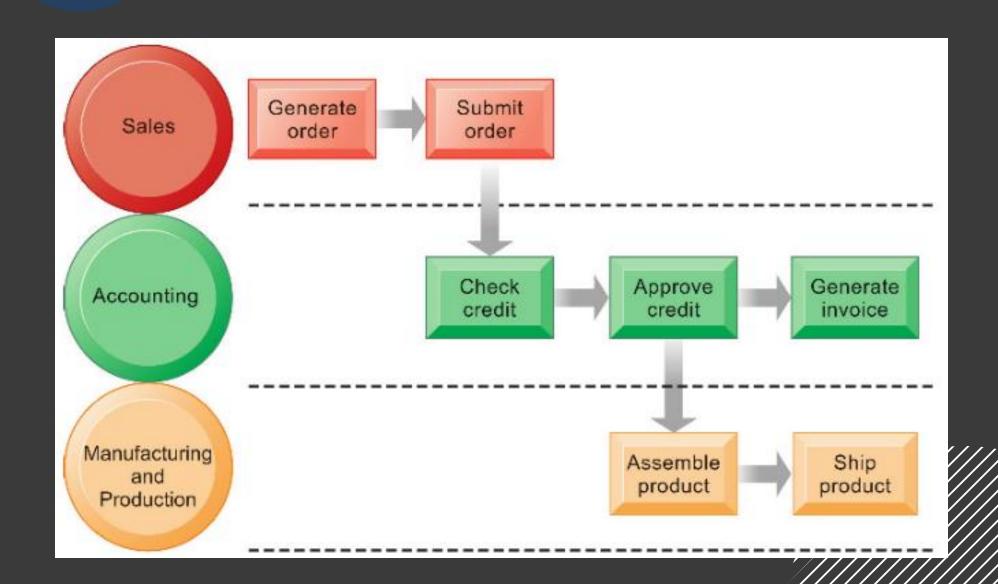
Finance and accounting

## **BUSINESS PROFILE**

Example of Functional Business Process:

Functional Area	Business Process
Manufacturing and Production	Assembling for product
	Check product quality
	Producing bill of materials
Sales and marketing	Identifying customers
	Making customers aware of the product
	Selling the product
Finance and accounting	Paying creditors
	Creating financial statements
	Managing cash accounts
Human resources	Hiring employees
	Evaluating employees' job performance
	Enrolling employees in benefits plans

### The Order Fulfillment Process



### How Information Technology Enhances Business Profiles?

Information systems automate many steps in business processes that were formerly performed manually, such as checking a client's credit or generating an invoice and shipping order.

Today, however, information technology can do much more. New technology can actually change the flow of information, making it possible for many more people to access and share information, replacing sequential steps with tasks that can be performed simultaneously and eliminating delays in decision making. It can even transform the way the business works and drive new business models.

# Managing A Business And Firm Hierarchies

Levels in the firm:

<u>Senior</u>

**Management** 

**Middle Management** 

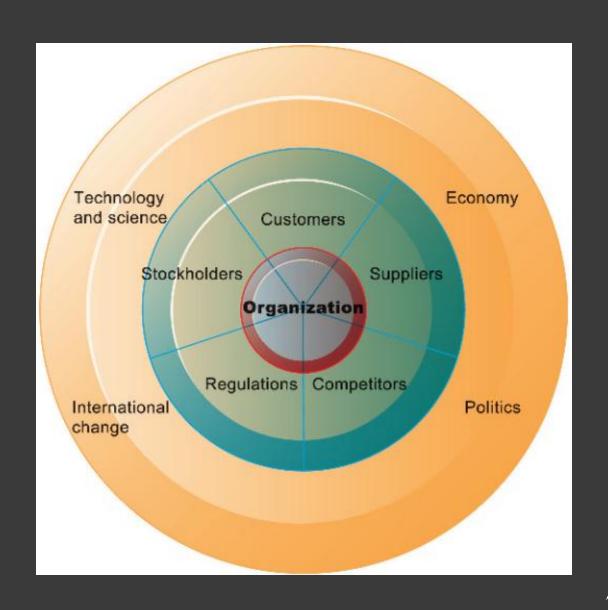
Scientist and knowledge workers

**Operational Management** 

Production and service workers

**Data Workers** 

### The Business Environment



# The Role of Information Systems in A Business

Businesses invest in information systems as a way to cope with and manage their internal production functions and cope with the demands of key actors in their environments

# The Role of Information Systems in A Business

Specifically, as we noted in Chapter 1, firms invest in information systems for the following business objectives:

- To achieve operational excellence (productivity, efficiency, agility)
- 2. To develop new products and services
- To attain customer intimacy and service (continuous marketing, sales, and service; customization and personalization)
- 4. To improve decision making (accuracy and speed)
- 5. To achieve competitive advantage
- 5. To ensure survival

How Do Systems Serve Different Management
Groups In A Business And How Do Systems that
Link the Enterprise Improve Organizational
Performance?

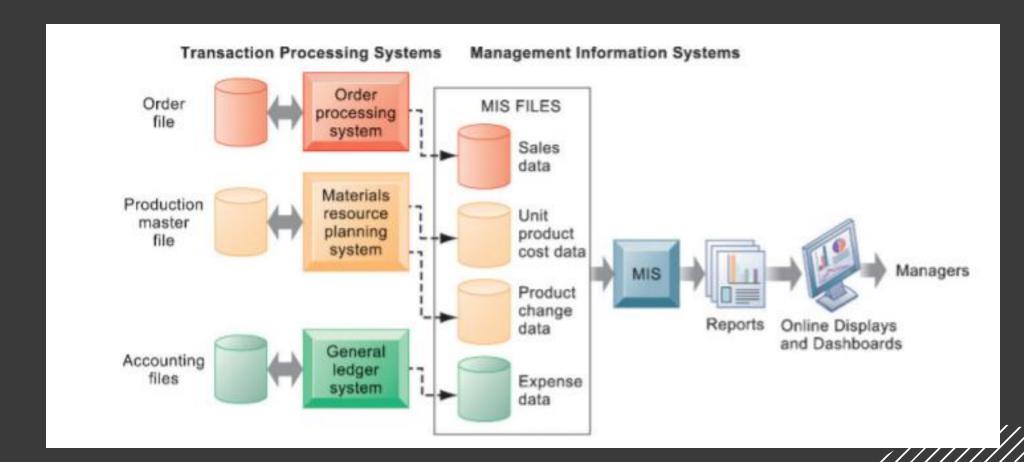
# Transaction Processing System (TPS)

- TPS provide the kind of information
- TPS is computerized system that performs and records the daily routine transaction necessary to conduct business

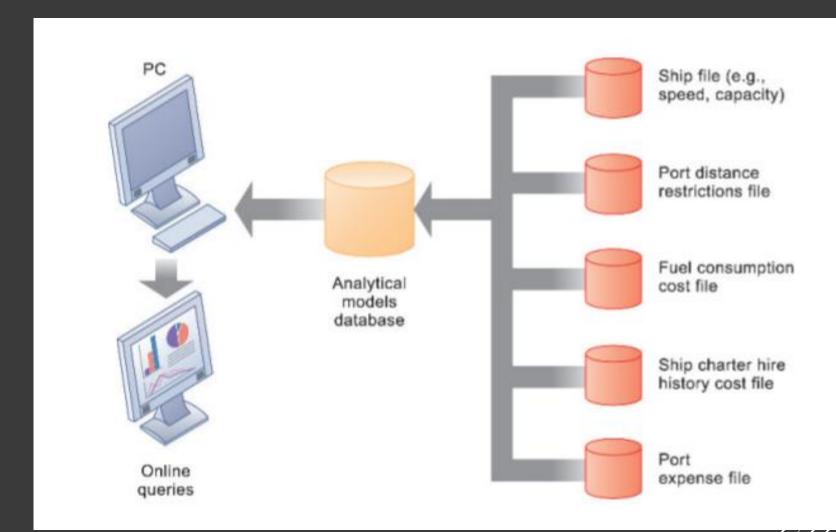


Business Intelligence is a contemporary term for data and software tools for organizing, analyzing, and providing access to data to help management and other enterprise users make informed decisions.

## Figure 2.6



## Figure 2.8



# System For Linking The Enterprise

#### **Enterprise Applications**

Systems that span functional areas, focus on executing business across the business firm, and include all leves of management

### There are four major applications:

- 1. Enterprise systems
- 2. Supply chain management systems
- 3. Customer relationship management systems
- 4. Knowledge management systems

#### **Intranets & Extranets**

Intranets are simply company websites that are accessible only by employees.

Extranets are company that accessible to authorized vendors and suppliers and often used to coordinate the movement of supplies to the firm's production apparatus.

E-Business

E-Commerce

E-Government

# Why are Systems for Collaboration and Social Business So Important and What Technologies Do They Use?

### What is Collaboration?

- **Collaboration** is working with others to achieve shared and explicit goals.
- Collaboration and teamwork are more important today than ever for a variety of reasons.

Changing nature of work

Growth of professional work

Changing organization of the firm

Changing scope of the firm

Emphasis on innovation

Changing culture of work and business

### What is Social Business?

**Social business**, the use of social networking platforms, including Facebook, Twitter, and internal corporate social tools, to engage their employees, customers, and suppliers.

## **Applications of Social Business**

<b>Business Application</b>	Description
Social Networks	Connect through personal and business profiles
Crowdsourcing	Harness collective knowledge to generate new ideas and solutions
Shared workspace	Coordinate projects and tasks, co-create content
Blogs and wikis	Publish and rapidly access knowledge; discuss opinions and experiences
Social commerce	Share opinions about purchasing or purchase on social platforms
File sharing	Upload, share, and comment on photos, videos, audio, text documents
Social marketing	Use social media to interact with customers, derive customer insights
Communities	Discuss topics in open forums, share expertise

## Business Benefits of Collaboration and Social Business

Productivity

Quality

Innovation

Customer service

Financial performance

## Building a Collaborative Culture and Business Process

Collaboration won't take place spontaneously in a business firm, especially if there is no supportive culture or business processes.

A collaborative business culture and business processes are very different.

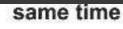
# Tools and Technologies for Collaboration and Social Business

- Email and Instant Messaging (iM)
- 2. Wikis
- 3. Virtual Worlds
- 4. Collaboration and Social Business Platforms
- 5. Checklist for Managers:

  evaluating and selecting

  collaboration software tool

## Checklist for Managers: Evaluating and Selecting Collaboration Software Tools



synchronous

#### different time

asynchronous

same place colocated

#### Face-to-face interactions

decision rooms, single display groupware, shared table, wall displays, roomware,...

#### Continuous task

team rooms, large public display, shift work groupware, project management,...

different place

### Time/Space Collaboration and Social Tool Matrix

#### Remote interactions

video conferencing, instant messaging, charts/MUDs/virtual worlds, shared screens, multi-user editors,...

#### Communication + coordination

email, bulletin boards, blogs, asynchronous conferencing, group calenders, workflow, version control, wikis,...

# What Is The Role of The Information Systems Function In A Business?

## The Information Systems Department

- The information systems department is the formal organizational unit responsible for information technology services.
- It is responsible for maintaining the hardware, software, data storage, and networks that comprise the firm's IT infrastructure.
- Consists of specialists, such as programmers, system analysts, project leaders, and information systems managers and is often lead by a Chief Information Officer (CIO)

## The Information Systems Department

#### CIO

(Chief Information Officer)

 Senior manager who oversees the use of information tecnology in the firm

#### **CSO**

(Chief Security Officer)

- In charge of information security for the firm
- Responsible for enforcing the firm's information security policy

#### **CPO**

(Chief Privacy Officer)

 Responsible for ensuring the company's data privacy laws

#### **CKO**

(Chief Knowledge Officer)

 Responsible for the firm's knowledge management program by designing programs and systems

#### **CDO**

(Chief Data Officer)

 Responsible for enterprise-wide governance and usage of information to maximize the value of the organization's data

# Information Systems Services

- 1. Computing platforms provide computing services that connect employees, customers, and suppliers into a coherent digital environment
- 2. Telecommunications services provide data, voice, and video connectivity to employees, customers, and suppliers
- 3. Data management services, store and manage corporate data and provide capabilities for analyzing the data
- 4. Application software services provide development and support services for the firm's business systems

# Information Systems Services

- 5. Physical facilities management services develop and manage the physical installations required for computing, telecommunications, and data management services
- 6. IT management services plan and develop the infrastructure, coordinate with the business unites for IT services, manage accounting for the IT expenditure, and provide project management services
- 7. IT standards services provides the firm and its business units with policies that determine, not only which information technology will be used but when and how they are used

# Information Systems Services

- 8. IT educational services provide training in system use to employees and offer managers training in how to plan for and manage IT investments
- 9. IT research and developments services provide the firm with research on potential future information systems projects and investments that could help the firm differentiate itself in the marketplace.

## THANK YOU

## ANY QUESTIONS?