Managerial Insights for Sustainable Real Estate Innovation

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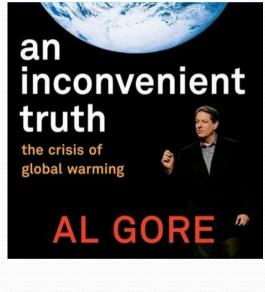
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Introduction

- Global warming:
 - Temperatures rising
 - Melting ice caps
 - Unpredictable weather patterns
 - Depleting water resources
 - → Increased CO₂ Emissions

Solution: Sustainability decreases CO2 emissions





Sustainability – definition

"Meet present needs without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs" (UN Conference WECD, 1987).

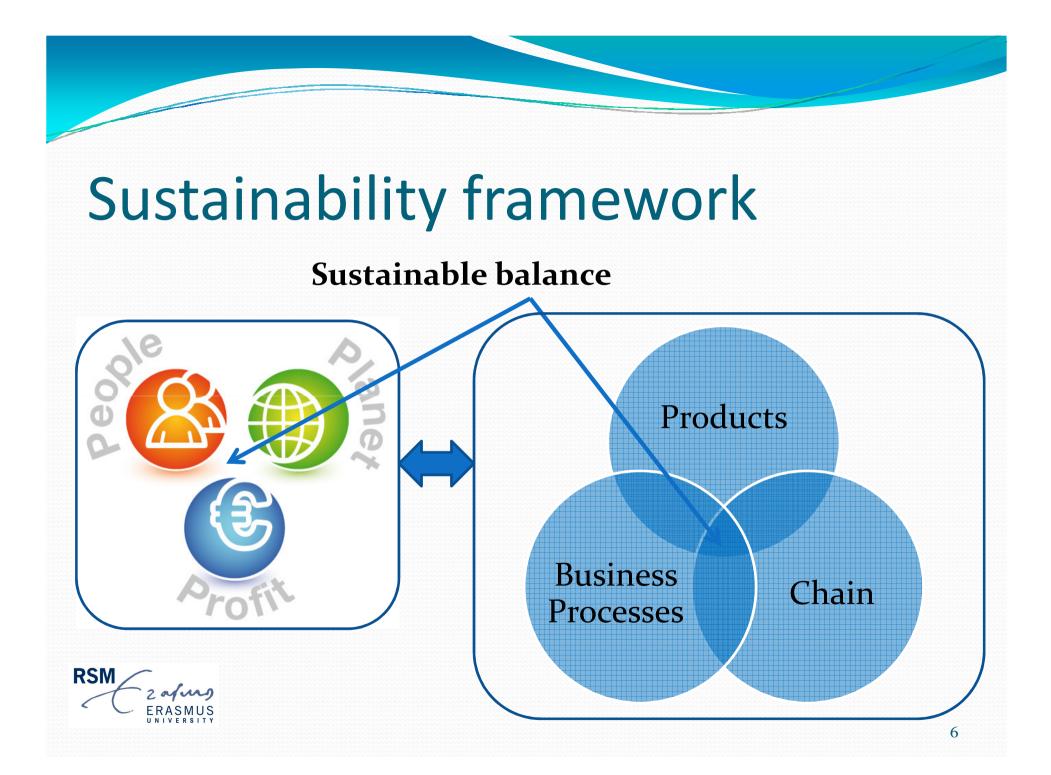


Sustainability and firms

- General attitude: Increased costs and governmental pressure
- Nidumolu, Prahalad, Rangaswami (2009) recently proposed sustainability as opportunity for competitive advantage
 - "Sustainability is the key driver of innovation"
- In practice observed at Heijmans N.V.
 - → Large Dutch construction and infrastructure development organization.



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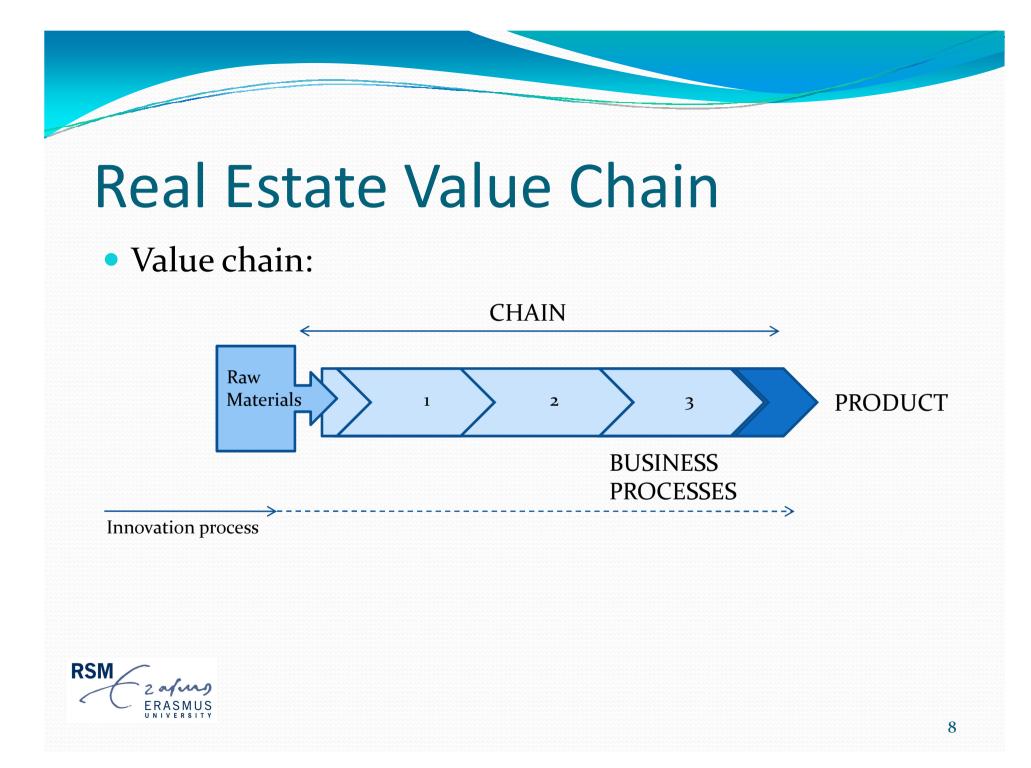
Sustainable Real Estate Development

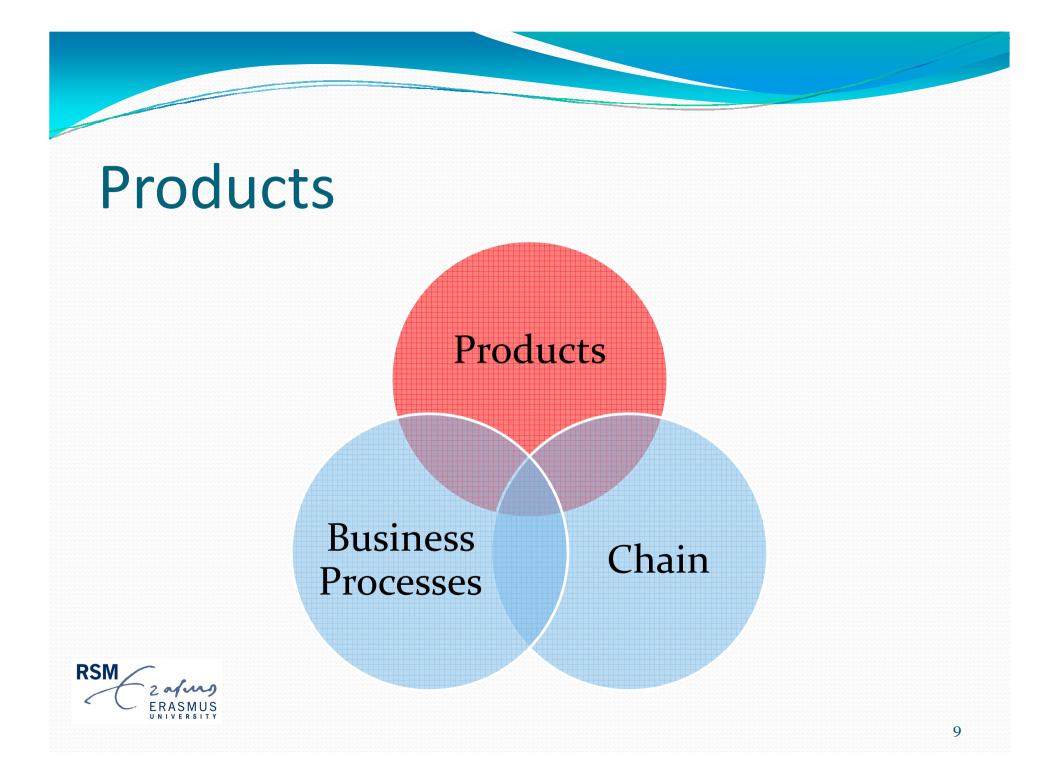
"The solution to the climate crisis isn't far off in the future; it's in the buildings we inhabit, our civic infrastructure and the way we organize our lives."

(Former USA President Bill Clinton)

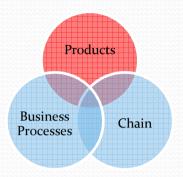








Case 1: Rabobank Headquarters

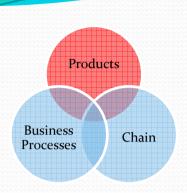


- "The binoculars"
- 105 meters high
- 25 Floors
- 56.000 m2 floor surface





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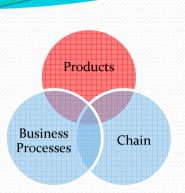
- Sustainable facts:
 - EPC = 0,567
 - →43% lower than standardized allowable energy consumption
 - FSC wood project certificate
 - Self providing energy system



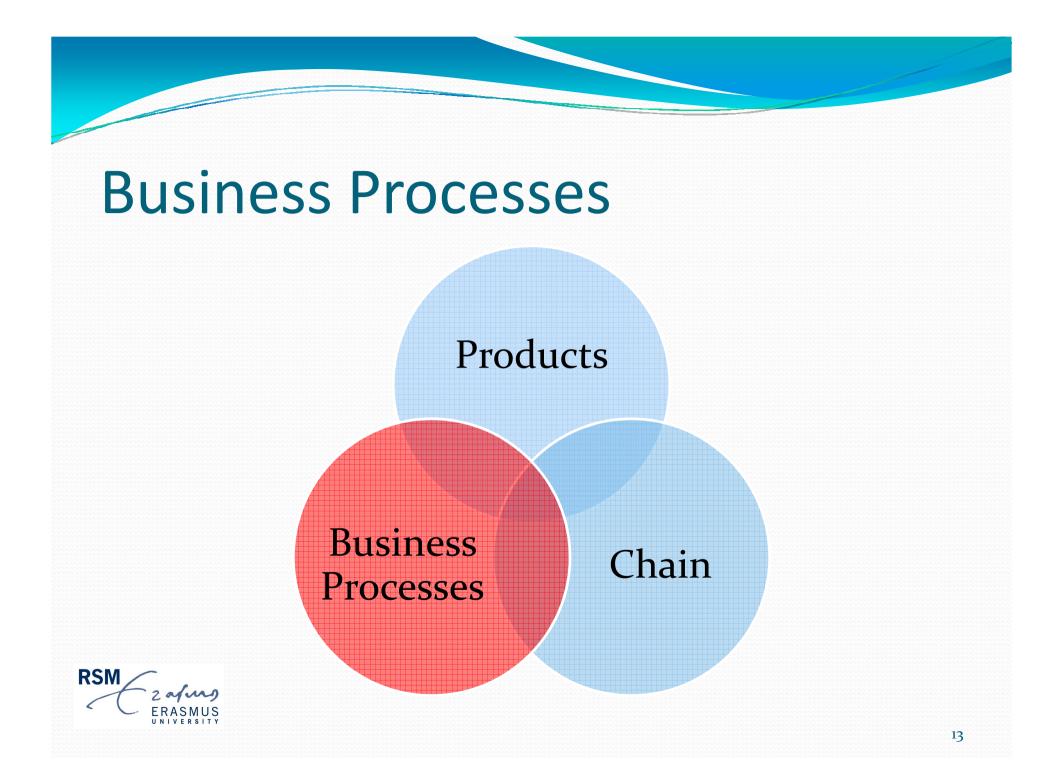


Products

- Relevant goals:
 - Reduction of CO₂ emission
 - Reduction of energy consumption
 - Waste reduction & separation
 - Purchase of sustainable raw materials





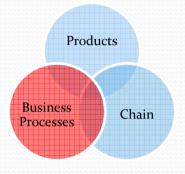


Case 2: Mobile Asphalt Production Factory

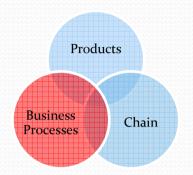
- Infrastructure:
 - Mobile asphalt plants
 - Production on each designated location
 - Less CO₂ emission







Gaining competitive advantage



• Carbon Disclosure Project

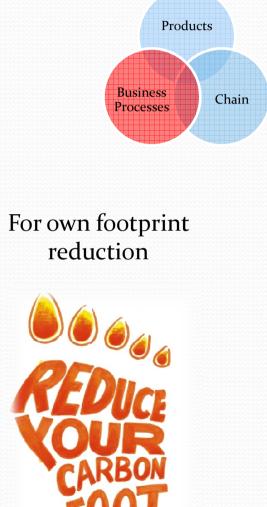
- Independent not-for-profit organization
- ISO 14001: 2004
 - Environmental management system standards



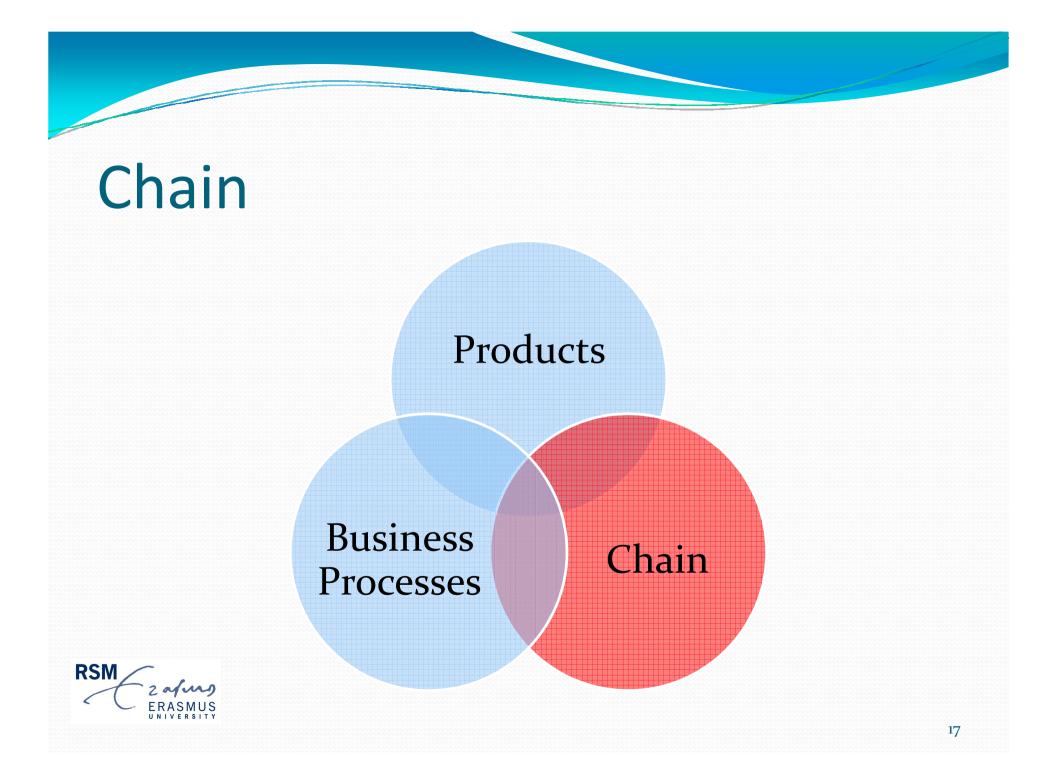
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Business Processes

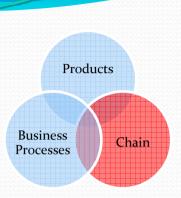
- Relevant Goals:
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 - Reduction energy consumption
 - Waste reduction & separation
 - Quality certificates







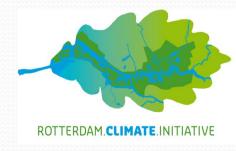
Rotterdam Climate Initiative



- 50% less CO2 emission in 2025 compared to 1990
- Climate change program
- Enhance economic climate Rotterdam

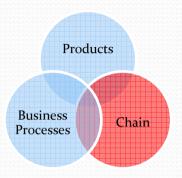






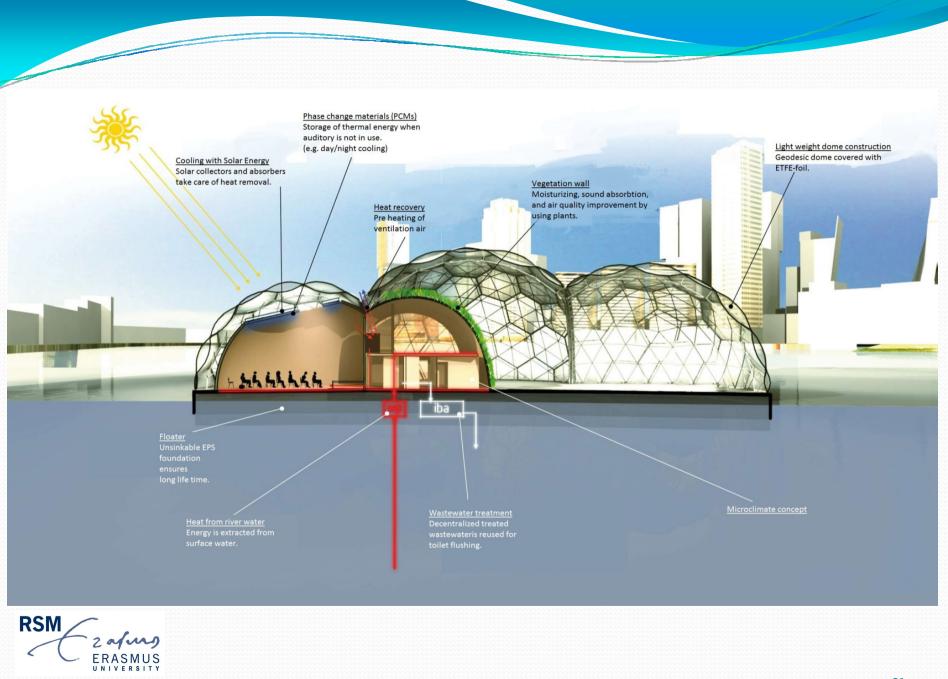


Case 3: Floating pavilions









Chain

Open innovation

Products Business Processes Chain

"In this world, companies must become nimble at 'open innovation' – at accessing and exploiting outside knowledge while liberating their own internal expertise for others' use."

(H.W. Chesbrough, 2003)



Chain: sustainable operations

- Use of FSC certified wood
- Stimulation of sustainable operations in total chain
- Risk: Suppliers may refuse to offer FSC certified wood
- \rightarrow trade-off for construction engineering organizations



Products

Chain

Business

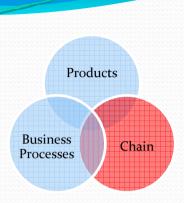
Processes



Chain

- Relevant goals:
 - Reduction of CO₂ emission
 - Reduction energy consumption
 - Waste reduction & separation
 - Stimulate diversity
 - Stimulate 'learning organization'
 - More use of FSC certified wood





Conclusion

Delivering CO₂ neutral products (products)

Much to gain in the route to the product (process)

Taking responsibility to promote planet (chain)



Thank you for your attention.

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