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Business Planning and Modeling

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Business Planning and Modeling Content

- Role of business Planning today. Basic concepts
- Telecom business modeling
- Typical evaluation results

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Business Planning and Modeling Definition of business plan

A Business Plan presents the calculation of the financial indicators that enable the managers to evaluate the financial performances of an entreprise in order to take decisions.

A Business Plan summarises the results of the planning process:

- the objectives to reach (subscribers demand, sales)
- the description of all activities requested by the project;
- the future revenues expected from the project;
- the planned expenses (investment and operations);
- the accounting statements and the financial indicators characterising the profitability of the project.

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Business Planning and Modeling Types of business plans

Strategic Business Plan for evaluating a strategy:

 aid for making internal decisions for the whole company (strategic guidelines at the national level, all markets)

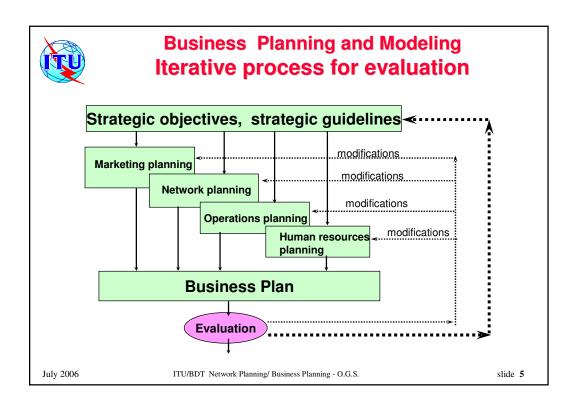
Tactical Business Plans for specific projects:

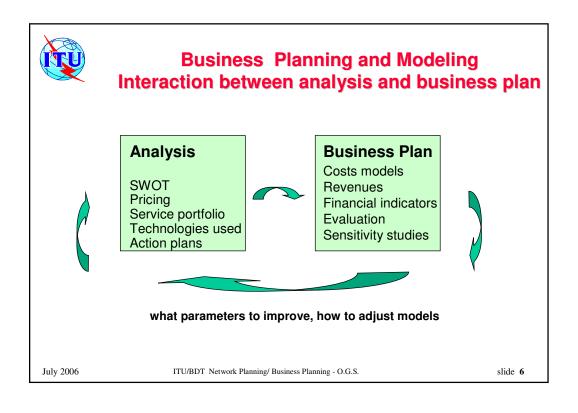
 aid for making internal decisions for a particular area, or a market segment: IN, mobiles, IP

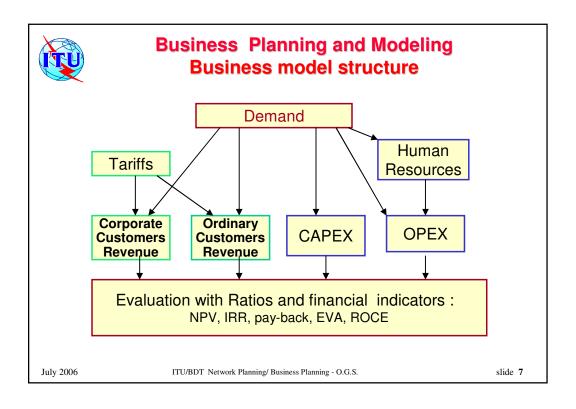
Short term Business Plans for management control:

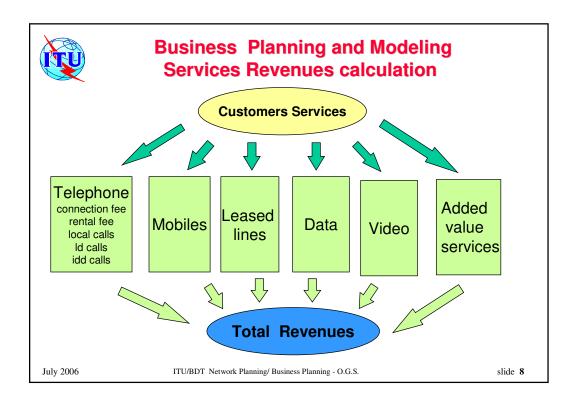
- · aid for monitoring the implementation of projects
- · preparation and follow-up of budgets,

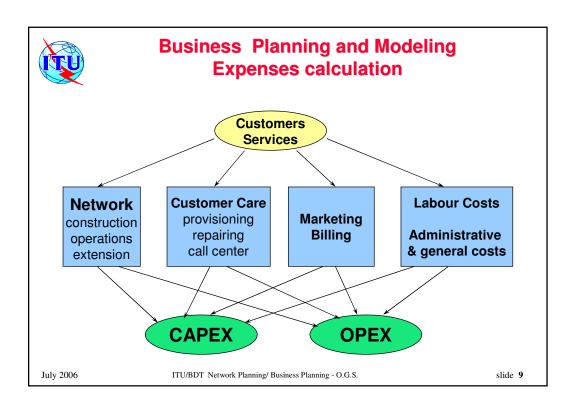
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Business Planning and Modeling Financial Statement

- □ Income Statement:
 - Net income = revenues expenses
- □ Balance Sheet:
 - Company capital = Assets liabilities
- Cash flow statement :
 - Cash balance = Inflows outflows

All fundamental financial indicators are carried out with the elements of these 3 statements

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Business Planning and Modeling Financial indicators calculation

The most useful economical indicators are:

- Net present value (NPV)
- Internal rate of return (IRR)
- Discounted Payback period (DPP)
- Net cash flow (NCF)
- Discounted cash flow (DCF)
- Operating income
- Revenue per service/service class

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Business Planning and Modeling The purposes of the accounting statements

Income statement



to analyze potential profit

is the profit enough?

Balance statement



to analyze the financial structure

how to finance the development enough / too much equity ? Enough/ too much debt

Cash-Flow statement

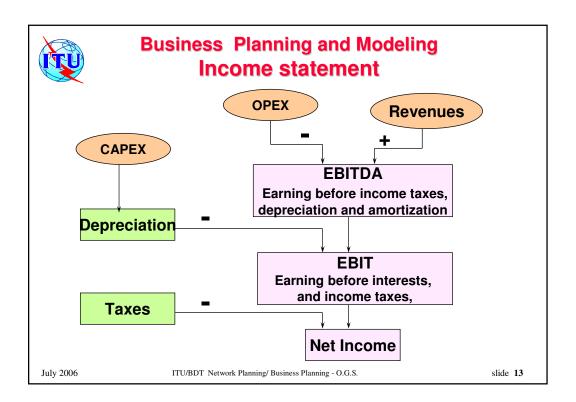


to make payments at every due date

to have the right cash at the right time

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Business Planning and Modeling CAPEX: Capital Expenditures

CAPEX contribute to extend the fixed assets, and they are depreciated over an economic life time

CAPEX are necessary for extending the business or for improving the range of services provided by the operator.

Examples:

- · Purchase of land & buildings,
- Network construction
- Purchase of information systems (hardware & software)



Business Planning and Modeling OPEX= Operations Expenditures

OPEX are expenses which don't contribute to extend the fixed assets, and consequently are not subject to depreciation

OPEX are necessary for running the company,

- Technical operations (switching, transmission, local loop,...)
- Commercial operations (marketing and sales)
- Administrative operations (support,..)

Examples:

- Labor costs for operations,
- Travelling expenses, periodic administrative costs,
- Rental of equipment, rental of cars, rental of buildings
- Interconnection fees

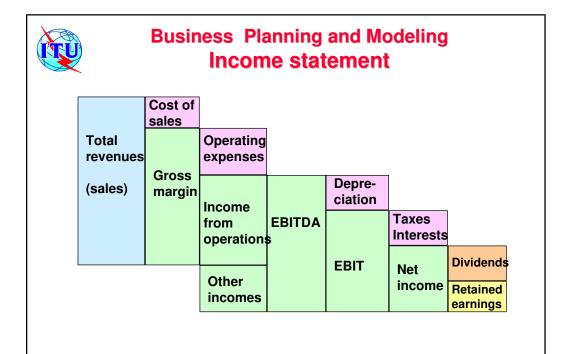
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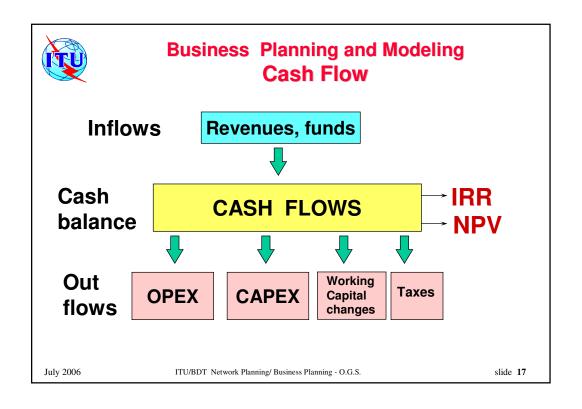
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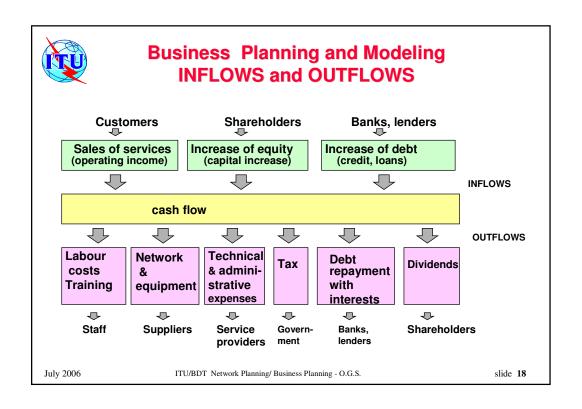
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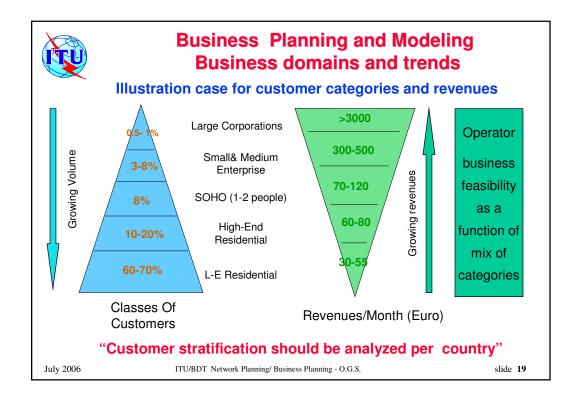
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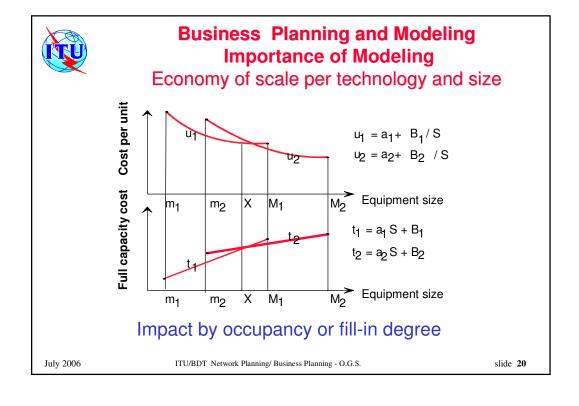


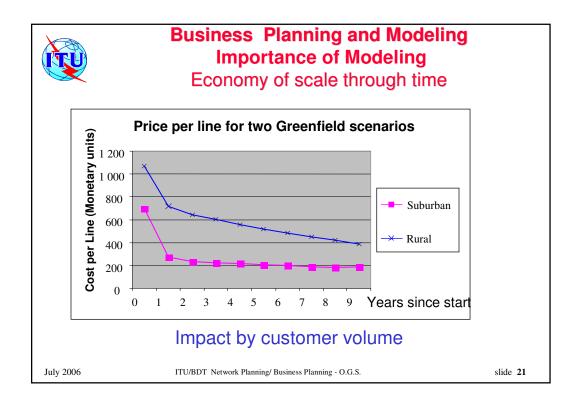
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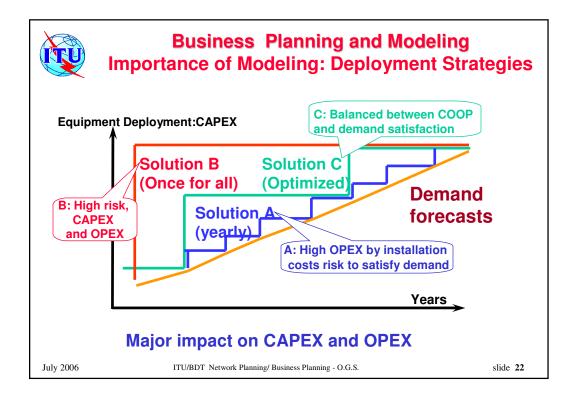








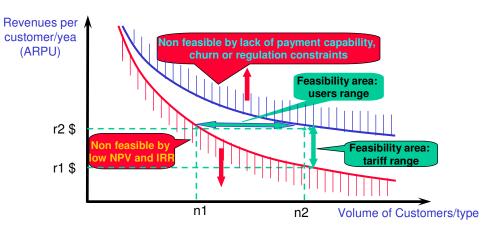






Business Planning and Modeling Key Factors in competition: Business feasibility

Business feasibility space as a function of volume and ARPU



Feasibility space highly dependent on country size and economical level

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Business Planning and Modeling Role of Business Planning

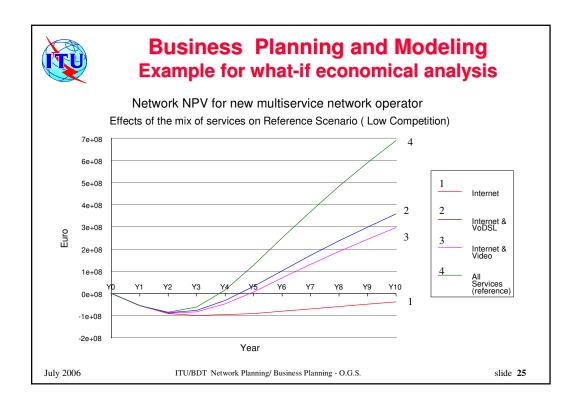
Evaluations to be based on robust techno-economical tools due to high number of alternatives and complexity

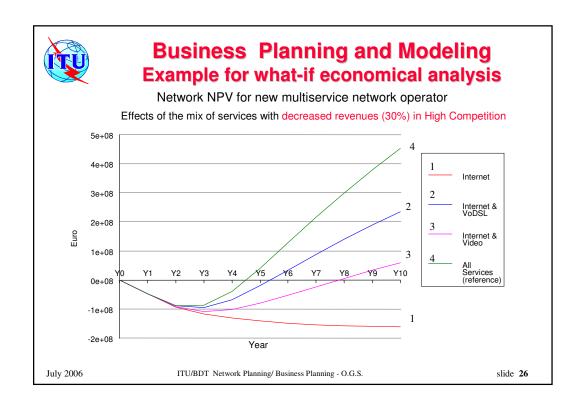
Case study for medium size country with mixes of customer classes and triple play services domains:

- Multiservice IP Network with integrated operation available
- Three service categories: Voice, Data/Internet, Video distribution
- Modeling demands, multiservice traffic flows, dimensioning, network resources, CAPEX, OPEX and financial results for different levels of competition
- Evaluate differential future Cash-flows, NPV, IRR, etc. for a 10 years period

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Business Planning and Modeling Summary Remarks

- Ensure proper modeling of key techno-economical factors and professional tools
- Focus on multiple customers, multiple services domains
- Take benefit of all economies of scale
- Maintain business indicators within benchmark margins in competition

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