Measuring Corporate Sustainable Performance in Monetary Terms

Application of the Sustainable Value Approach

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Why should we talk about Sustainable Value?

- There is a growing consensus that businesses need to deal with their sustainability performance.
- But <u>how</u> should managers deal with environmental and social aspects?
- Existing research and practice suggests to concentrate on the burden of a poor environmental and social performance.
- This is not in line with modern management thinking and it is therefore likely to fail.
- Managers tend to think in a value-oriented rather than a burden-oriented way.
- Sustainable Value, the concept we are about to introduce, appeals to what managers do best – create value.



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What is this presentation about

- Introducing the Sustainable Value approach.
- Results of the assessment of 65 European companies in the ADVANCE project.
- Outlining another study that was conducted using the Sustainable Value approach.



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Why do companies use resources?

Companies create a return.





More return preferred to less return.

Companies need resources.



Less resource use preferred to more resource use.



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Financial market perspective vs. Sustainability perspective

- Financial markets only focus on economic capital.
- Objective: above average (risk-adjusted) return on capital.
- This falls short of the sustainability concept!
- Companies not only use economic capital but also environmental and social resources.
- Without environmental and social resources there is no return.
- From the viewpoint of sustainability focusing only on return on capital is insufficient.
- → How can we determine if a company has created value with its economic, environmental and social resources?



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When are resources used in a valuecreating way?

• In general, value is created whenever the return exceeds costs:

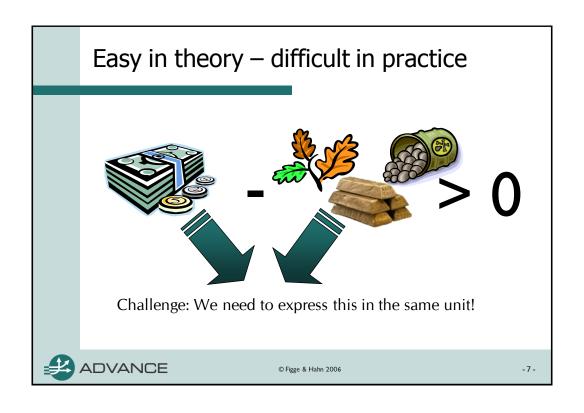
Value = Return - Costs

- This rule is fundamental to any economic assessment of corporate performance.
- Sustainable Value extends this basic rule to environmental and social resources.



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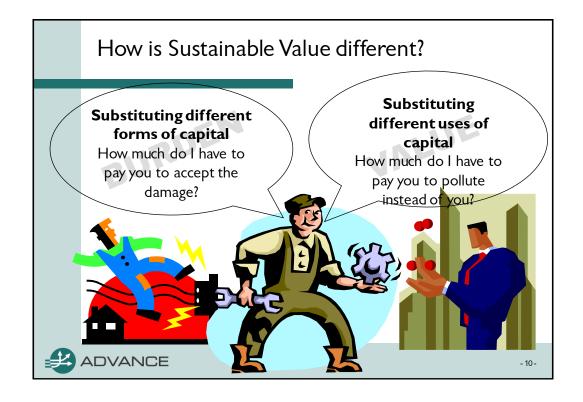
The Value-Oriented Approach

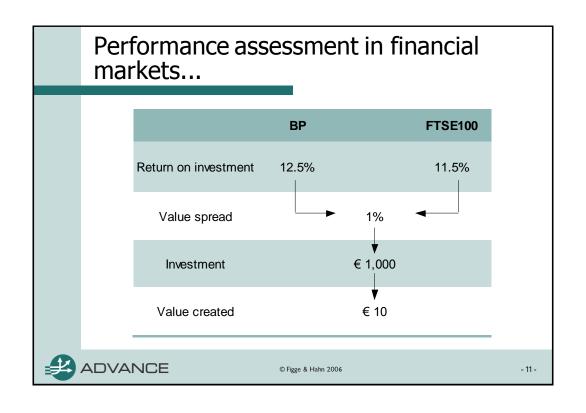
- How much value is created?
 - How much € return is created per ton of CO₂?
 - How much € return is created per ton of VOC?
- Compare the return of alternative uses (opportunity costs)
 - When used in another place how much more return is created (opportunity cost)?
 - Value is created only if the return exceeds the opportunity costs.
- It's
 - Focused on how much value is created.
 - Easy to do.
 - Using the logic of the financial markets.
 - Compatible with managerial thinking.

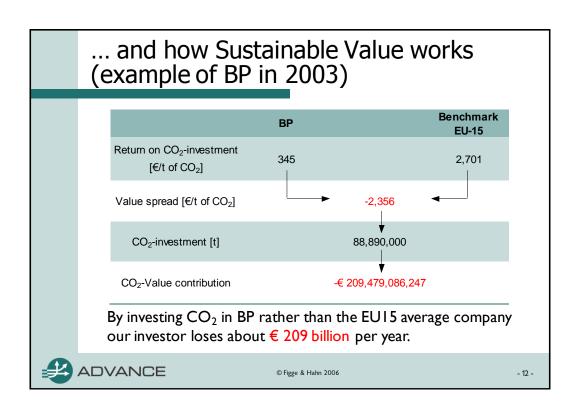


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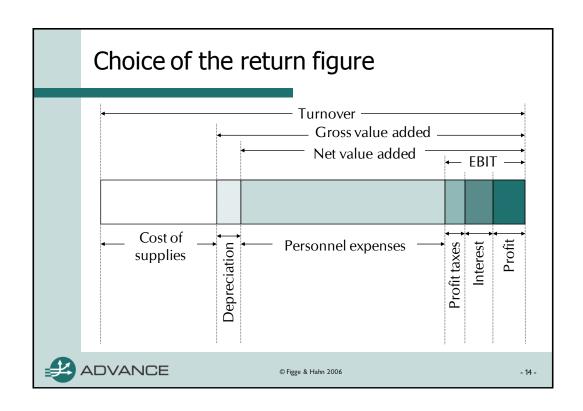
Preparing the assessment

- Which indicators should be taken into account?
 - Economic resources
 Capital employed, (fixed) assets
 - Environmental aspects
 Emissions, wastes, resources consumption, etc.
 - Social aspects
 Number of accidents, employment
- Which return figure should be chosen?
 - Profits, value added, ...
- Which benchmark should be chosen?



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Choice of the benchmark

- The choice of the benchmark heavily influences the explanatory power of the results.
- Cross-sector vs. sector-specific benchmark?
 - Different explanatory power
 Best in class vs. best in economy
 - Integrated assessment is possible
- Past-oriented vs. future-oriented benchmark?
 - Target efficiencies as benchmark
 - → Policy objectives as benchmark
- Possible benchmarks: Company level, regional level, national economy, industry sector, efficiency targets



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Data collection and verification

- Collect data for the indicators that have been defined before.
 - on the company level
 - on the benchmark level
- Data has to be consistent:
 - Definition of indicators
 e.g. waste definitions, direct vs. indirect emissions, definition of assets for measuring capital use, etc.
 - Scope of the data
 Does the scope of environmental data match the scope of financial data?
 - Return figure on company and benchmark level has to be consistent.
- If necessary: Correct or amend data.



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The ADVANCE Survey

- Scope of the survey
 - 65 European companies
 - Time frame 2001-2003, as well as 2010
 - Seven environmental indicators (CO₂-emissions, NO_x-emissions, SO_x-emissions, CH₄-emissions, VOC-emissions, water use, waste generation)
 - Return figures used: Gross value added (company level) and Gross domestic product (benchmark level)
- Benchmark: EU15, past and future performance scenario
- Data has been collected from publicly available sources
 - Corporate data: reports, websites
 - Benchmark data: statistical offices, international organisations, EU-policies



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Calculation of Sustainable Value

- 1. How efficiently does the company use its resources?
- 2. How efficiently does the benchmark use the resources (opportunity costs)?
- 3. How much more or less efficiently does the company use its resources compared to the benchmark (value spread)?
- 4. How much more or less return does the company create in comparison to the benchmark with each resource (value contribution)?
- 5. How much Sustainable Value does the company create with its set of resources used?



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Sustainable Value of BP in 2003

	Amount of resources used in 2003	Efficiency of BP	Efficiency of benchmark		Value Contribution
CO ₂ -emissions [t]	88,890,000 * (345 €/t	- 2,701	€/t) =	€ 209,479,086,247
NO _x -emissions [t]	220,318 * (139,125 €/t	- 1,004,300	€/t) =	-€ 190,613,662,029
SO _x -emissions [t]	150,895 * (203,132 €/t	- 1,779,304	€/t) =	. € 237,836,359,349
Waste generated [t]	526,749 * (58,190 €/t	- 6,270	€/t) =	€ 27,349,021,775
Water used [m³]	516,922,761 * (59 €/m³	- 41	€/m³) =	€ 9,213,251,654
VOC-emissions [t]	268,785 * (114,038 €/t	- 970,676	€/t) =	€ 230,251,578,888
CH ₄ -emissions [t]	235,400 * (130,211 €/t	- 586,083	€/t) =	€ 107,312,253,695
Sustainable Value 20	003				-€ 134,132,952,397
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Explanatory power of the absolute Sustainable Value

- A company creates Sustainable Value whenever it uses its resources more efficiently than a benchmark.
- In ADVANCE a positive Sustainable Value shows which companies use their environmental resources more efficiently than the EU15 economy on average.
- The absolute Sustainable Value shows the monetary value that is created or lost compared to the benchmark due to the use of the resources by a company.



Return to Cost Ratio (RCR)

- To compare companies we take into account company size.
 → Return to Cost Ratio
- Return to Cost Ratio = Ratio between the return of the company (gross value added) and the opportunity costs, i.e. the return that the benchmark would have achieved with the company's resources.
- Return to Cost Ratio > 1
 - → Company is more eco-efficient than the benchmark (EU15)
- Return to Cost Ratio < 1
 - → Company is less eco-efficient than the benchmark (EU15)
- Return to Cost Ratio 2:1
 - → Company is twice as eco-efficient as the benchmark (EU15)



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Return to Cost Ratio of BP in 2003

	Efficiency of B	P		Efficiency of the			Return to Cost Ratio
CO ₂ -emissions [t]	345	€/t	:	2,701	€/t	==>	1:7.8
NO _x -emissions [t]	139,125	€/t	:	1,004,300	€/t	==>	1:7.2
SO _x -emissions [t]	203,132	€/t	:	1,779,304	€/t	==>	1:8.8
Waste generated [t]	58,190	€/t	:	6,270	€/t	==>	9.3 : 1
Water used [m³]	59	€/m³	:	41	€/m³	==>	1.4 : 1
VOC-emissions [t]	114,038	€/t	:	970,676	€/t	==>	1:8.5
CH ₄ -emissions [t]	130,211	€/t	:	586,083	€/t	==>	1 : 4.5
Return to Cost Ratio 2003							1:5.4



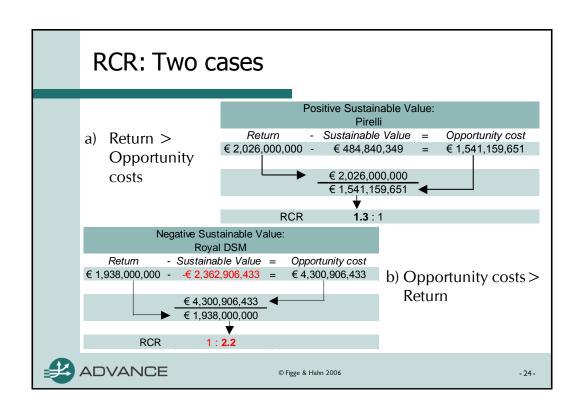
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Explanatory power of the Return to Cost Ratio

- The Return to Cost Ratio shows by which factor the efficiency of the company exceeds or falls short of the benchmark efficiency.
- The Return to Cost Ratio is an integrative measure of corporate efficiency and can include the use of economic, environmental and social resources.
 - → Indicator of corporate eco- and sustainable efficiency
- The Return to Cost Ratio can be used for comparing companies of different sizes.
- The Return to Cost Ratio allows to compare corporate ecoefficiency in a Factor X style.





			Value (i	,	
	Company	Sustainable Value 2003	Sustainable Value 2002	Sustainable Value 2001	
1	DaimlerChrysler	29,876,257,351 €	31.896.158.886 €	30.077.701.600 €	
	Robert Bosch GmbH	9,831,338,053 €	9,848,159,729 €	8,781,223,889 €	
3	BMW	9,510,633,231 €	9,229,109,374 €	8,936,911,302 €	
4	Volkswagen	8,059,197,491 €	9,524,622,621 €	9,476,251,319 €	
5	Philips	7,598,054,795 €	7,819,713,882 €	7,062,910,654 €	
6	PSA	6,768,651,026 €	7,354,519,022 €	6,369,181,491 €	
7	Airbus	4,979,414,025 €	4,946,677,601 €	4,919,428,944 €	
	ABB	4,864,578,563 €	4,629,687,169€	5,351,681,013 €	
	AstraZeneca	4,751,779,963 €	5,234,319,758 €	5,157,364,953 €	
_	Renault	4,033,665,898 €	3,994,028,068 €		
	Unilever	3,936,173,454 €	4,099,071,601 €	3,741,605,198 €	
	Volvo	3,396,583,146 €	3,341,355,994 €	3,163,639,310 €	
	MAN	2,911,193,152 €	2,999,267,056 €	N/A	
	STMicroelectronics	1,864,722,805 €	2,151,281,043 €	1,983,089,745 €	
	Schering	1,856,454,221 €	2,000,508,333 €	1,932,729,530 €	
	Novonordisk	1,803,753,359 €	1,662,704,380 €	1,454,469,452 €	
	Henkel	1,727,305,657 €	1,808,526,836 €	1,979,307,081 €	
	Agfa-Gevaert Electrolux	1,414,583,745 €	1,375,236,353 €	979,533,009 €	
	Heidelberger Druck	1,344,258,783 € 1,045,327,850 €	1,602,891,149 € 1,269,945,673 €	1,299,950,346 € 1,602,529,592 €	
	Heineken	945,376,403 €	1,269,945,673 €	904.335.303 €	
	Scania	918.892.898 €	814.196.290 €	904,335,303 €	
22	Scania	910,092,090 €	814,196,290€	059,550,611€	

	Company	Sustainable Value 2003	Sustainable Value 2002	Sustainable Value 2001
23	Atlas Copco	764,760,925 €	833,335,269 €	886,664,786 €
24	l Pirelli	484,840,349 €	565,728,852 €	628,655,253 €
2	5 SKF	462,421,338 €	444,516,507 €	486,362,570 €
20	NedCar	332,640,428 €	373,256,227 €	377,900,637 €
2	Novozymes	188,204,358 €	181,084,299 €	141,987,196 €
28	3 Gorenje	173,345,874 €	153,711,847 €	130,261,422 €
29	Richter	65,527,374 €	59,266,260 €	44,893,450 €
) Acea	-92,371,263 €	-369,997,290 €	-173,807,935 €
-	Crown van Gelder	-155,668,471 €	-168,012,961 €	-156,963,500 €
32	2 AEM Torino	-454,372,273 €	-575,779,231 €	-450,622,442 €
33	B Holmen	-686,700,910 €	-616,926,138 €	-485,243,089 €
	I ICI	-1,179,280,321 €	-387,434,350 €	-541,029,421 €
	5 ASM	-1,627,498,489 €	-1,649,438,188 €	-1,629,457,399 €
	S SCA	-2,053,526,721 €	-1,473,676,237 €	-1,180,348,962 €
	Royal DSM	-2,362,906,433 €	-2,217,345,664 €	-3,776,538,401 €
	M-Real	-3,484,338,448 €	-3,095,686,977 €	-3,116,670,554 €
	Pilkington	-4,271,035,368 €	-4,708,240,192 €	-4,814,993,723 €
	BG Group	-4,664,900,505 €	-6,694,706,346 €	-5,349,553,626 €
	FIAT	-5,167,821,763 €	-8,213,636,833 €	-5,142,150,044 €
	2 Slovnaft	-5,612,746,855 €	-5,211,931,865 €	-5,382,274,790 €
	UPM-Kymmene	-5,896,828,632 €	-5,604,587,018 €	-4,062,897,272 €
44	Kemira	-6,383,372,500 €	-6,167,231,721 €	-6,221,841,861 €

Abs	Absolute Sustainable Value (iii)									
		Company	Sustainable Value 2003	Sustainable Value 2002	Sustainable Value 2001					
	45	Centrica	-6,484,312,051 €	-12,834,638,423 €	-5,430,386,355 €					
	46	AEM	-7,142,337,483 €	-6,510,858,118 €	-8,614,154,252 €					
	47	OMV	-7,462,535,912 €	-3,553,659,898 €	-3,069,629,435 €					
	48	Celanese	-7,553,743,315 €	-8,793,888,967 €	-8,614,673,206 €					
	49	9	-8,294,523,146 €	-8,360,879,211 €	-7,326,879,643 €					
		Unipetrol	-9,494,288,327 €	-9,440,175,071 €	-7,623,798,440 €					
		Scottish & Southern Energy	-12,309,698,069 €	-11,081,817,768 €	-10,309,334,324 €					
		BASF	-13,872,669,586 €	-13,800,774,004 €	-11,914,484,411 €					
		ERG	-13,934,166,613 €	-5,645,405,911 €	-5,403,881,658 €					
		Stora Enso	-14,082,317,266 €	-12,631,904,344 €	-12,041,859,643 €					
		Edison	-22,242,425,384 €	-21,589,281,668 €	-17,387,026,298 €					
	56	Fortum	-40,000,506,604 €	-33,187,790,518 €	-28,988,448,020 €					
	57		-47,855,870,740 €	-42,134,764,406 €	-44,333,288,178 €					
		MVM	-49,084,322,299 €	-47,474,419,831 €	-45,101,727,657 €					
		ENEL	-53,148,520,028 €	-83,332,940,631 €	-98,816,528,577 €					
		Repsol YPF	-55,854,211,710 €	-54,537,662,628 €	-50,291,816,234 €					
	61		-56,413,585,743 €	-57,593,090,048 €	-51,017,351,104 €					
		ENI	-76,763,875,489 €	-79,336,466,007 €	-71,445,300,635 €					
	63	Suez	-110,625,047,824 €	-103,839,466,449 €	-115,264,987,660 €					

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-134,132,952,397 € -146,524,592,820 € -154,568,271,662 €

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Interpretation

ADVANCE

- Overall, in ADVANCE 29 of the 65 companies under analysis create a positive Sustainable Value between 2001 and 2003.
- DaimlerChrysler achieves the biggest positive Sustainable Value in our survey.
- With its environmental resources DaimlerChrysler creates about € 29.9 billion more return than the EU15 on average.
- This represents the monetary value of DaimlerChrysler using its environmental resources more eco-efficiently than the EU15 on average.
- Shell yields the lowest absolute Sustainable Value of about € –180.9 billion in 2003.



	to Cost Rat	.10 (1	,				
Rank 2003	Company	RCR 2003	RCR 2002	Rank 2002	RCR 2001	Rank 2001	
1	Airbus	4.5 : 1	4.7 : 1	1	4.6 : 1	1	
2	Novonordisk	4.4 : 1	4.4:1	2	4.3:1	4	
3	Gorenje	4.3 : 1	4.1 : 1	4	3.8:1	6	
4	BMW	3.9 : 1	4.1:1	5	4.3:1	3	
5	Schering	3.8 : 1	4.2:1	3	4.4:1	2	
6	Philips	3.6 : 1	3.2 : 1	8	3.2 : 1	8	
7	DaimlerChrysler	3.6 : 1	3.7 : 1	6	3.6 : 1	7	
8	Heidelberger Druckmaschinen	3.4 : 1	3.7 : 1	7	3.9:1	5	
9	Agfa-Gevaert	3.1 : 1	2.8:1	12	2.5 : 1	14	
10	PSA	3:1	3.2 : 1	9	2.9 : 1	10	
11	NedCar	2.9 : 1	3:1	10	3:1	9	
12	ABB	2.8 : 1	2.6:1	13	2.8:1	12	
13	Robert Bosch GmbH	2.7 : 1	2.9:1	11	2.8:1	11	
14	MAN	2.5 : 1	2.5 : 1	15	N/A	N/A	
15	Volvo	2.5 : 1	2.5 : 1	16	2.5 : 1	15	
16	Henkel	2.5 : 1	2.6 : 1	14	2.8:1	13	
17	STMicroelectronics	2.2 : 1	2.3 : 1	17	2.3 : 1	16	
18	AstraZeneca	2.1 : 1	2.1:1	18	2.1 : 1	17	
19	Scania	2:1	1.9 : 1	19	1.8 : 1	19	
20	Renault	1.9 : 1	1.9 : 1	20	1.9 : 1	18	
21	Novozymes	1.7 : 1	1.7 : 1	21	1.6 : 1	22	
22	Electrolux	1.6 : 1	1.6:1	22	1.5 : 1	23	

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_	Rank 2003	Company	RCR 2003	RCR 2002	Rank 2002	RCR 2001	Rank 2001	
	23	Atlas Copco	1.6 : 1	1.6 : 1	24	1.6 : 1	21	
	24	Richter	1.5 : 1	1.4 : 1	26	1.4 : 1	25	
	25	Volkswagen	1.5 : 1	1.6 : 1	23	1.6 : 1	20	
	26	Unilever	1.4 : 1	1.4:1	27	1.4 : 1	27	
	27	Heineken	1.3 : 1	1.5 : 1	25	1.4 : 1	24	
	28	Pirelli	1.3 : 1	1.4:1	28	1.4 : 1	26	
	29	SKF	1.3 : 1	1.3 : 1	29	1.3 : 1	28	
	30	Acea	1:1.2	1:2.1	33	1:1.3	30	
	31	Imperial Chemical Industries	1:1.4	1:1.1	30	1:1.2	29	
	32	SCA	1 : 1.6	1:1.4	31	1:1.3	31	
	33	FIAT Group	1 : 1.8	1:3.3	39	1:1.6	32	
	34	Holmen	1 : 2.1	1:1.9	32	1:1.8	33	
	35	BASF	1:2.2	1:2.2	35	1:2.1	35	
	36	Royal DSM	1:2.2	1:2.1	34	1:2.9	39	
	37	Centrica	1:2.6	1:4.4	45	1:2.9	38	
	38	Degussa	1:2.7	1:2.7	38	1:2.4	36	
	39	BG Group	1:2.7	1:3.9	43	1:3.3	41	
	40	UPM-Kymmene	1:2.7	1:2.5	36	1:2	34	
	41	AEM Torino	1:3.2	1:3.8	41	1:4.2	44	
	42	M-Real Corporation	1:3.2	1:2.7	37	1:2.6	37	
	43	Pilkington	1:3.9	1:4	44	1:3.9	43	
	44	Stora Enso	1:4.6	1:3.9	42	1:3.4	42	

Rank 2003	Company	RCR 2003	RCR 2002	Rank 2002	RCR 2001	Rank 2001
45	ENEL	1:5	1:8.3	54	1:9.1	54
46	Crown van Gelder	1:5	1:5	46	1:5.3	45
47	BP	1:5.4	1:6.1	48	1:5.5	46
48	OMV	1 : 5.8	1:3.7	40	1:3.1	40
49	Shell	1:5.9	1:6	47	1:6.1	48
50	ASM	1:6	1:7.2	49	1:6	47
51	ENI	1 : 7.1	1:7.8	52	1:6.4	50
52	Celanese	1 : 7.8	1:7.7	51	1:7.2	52
53	Repsol YPF	1:8.7	1:8.7	55	1:6.2	49
54	Suez	1:8.9	1:7.5	50	1:8.4	53
55	Scottish & Southern Energy	1:9	1:8	53	1:7.2	51
56	Kemira	1:9.2	1:8.9	56	1:9.4	55
57	AEM	1:14.2	1:17	58	1:23.5	60
58	Fortum	1:16.3	1:13.1	57	1:14.1	56
59	Edison	1 : 18.8	1:19.5	59	1:15.6	57
60 61	Energias de Portugal Slovnaft	1 : 21 1 : 26.1	1 : 21.9 1 : 25.6	60 61	1:24 1:19.6	61 59
62	FRG	1:26.1	1:25.6	63	1:19.6	59 58
62	Union Fenosa	1:27.9	1:32.8	62	1:19.1	58 62
64	Unipetrol	1:40	1:42.3	64	1:20.7	63
65	MVM	1:188.3			1:150.4	64
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Interpretation

- The leading companies in the ADVANCE survey use their environmental resources more than 4 times more ecoefficiently than the EU15 on average.
- Top performing companies in 2003 are Airbus, Novonordisk, Gorenje, BMW and Schering.
- The laggards among the companies use their environmental resources at least 30 times less eco-efficiently than the EU15 on average.
- Slovnaft, ERG, Union Fenosa, Unipetrol, and MVM are the laggards of the ranking.



A different benchmark: EU target efficiencies for 2010

Target efficiencies are calculated in the following way:

Target efficiency = targeted GDP / targeted emission level

	Target efficiency of the EU15 for 2010	Efficiency of EU15 in 2003	Targeted improvement
CO ₂ -emissions	3,733 €/t	2,701 €/t	38.2 %
NO _x -emissions	1,933,747 €/t	1,004,300 €/t	92.6 %
SO _x -emissions	3,151,784 €/t	1,779,304 €/t	77.1 %
Waste generated	9,802 €/t	6,270 €/t	56.3 %
Water used	53 €/m³	41 €/m³	26.6 %
VOC-emissions	2,052,246 €/t	970,676 €/t	111.4 %
CH ₄ -emissions	579,704 €/t	586,083 €/t	-



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The top 20 companies

	Company	RCR 2003 > 2010	Sustainable Value 2003 > 2010
1	Novonordisk	3.6 : 1	1,675,499,967 €
2	Gorenje	3.5 : 1	162,107,899 €
3	Airbus	3.4 : 1	4,523,246,485 €
4	Schering	3:1	1,677,996,126 €
5	BMW	3:1	8,514,813,453 €
6	Philips	2.7 : 1	6,660,947,431 €
7	NedCar	2.7 : 1	318,600,391 €
8	DaimlerChrysler	2.7 : 1	26,133,559,478 €
9	ABB	2.5 : 1	4,564,400,666 €
10	Heidelberger Druckmaschinen	2.5 : 1	896,414,327 €
11	Robert Bosch GmbH	2.4 : 1	9,127,352,912 €
12	MAN	2.2 : 1	2,630,188,140 €
13	Agfa-Gevaert	2.2 : 1	1,126,670,350 €
14	AstraZeneca	2:1	4,570,525,310 €
15	Volvo	2:1	2,882,359,807 €
16	STMicroelectronics	1.9 : 1	1,612,847,924 €
17	Henkel	1.8 : 1	1,280,626,186 €
18	Scania	1.8 : 1	818,437,840 €
19	PSA	1.6 : 1	3,665,294,761 €
20	Atlas Copco	1.5 : 1	697,900,393 €

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The 20 worst performing companies

	Company	RCR 2003 > 2010	Sustainable Value 2003 > 2010
46	OMV	1:7.9	-10,660,067,507 €
47	ENEL	1:8	-92,696,195,508 €
48	BP	1:9.1	-248,473,202,187 €
49	ASM	1:9.7	-2,823,001,775 €
50	Shell	1:9.9	-331,423,483,150 €
51	ENI	1:11.3	-130,652,388,317 €
52	Celanese	1:13.1	-13,559,572,503 €
53	Suez	1:13.6	-175,345,711,302 €
54	Kemira	1 : 13.8	-9,979,144,884 €
55	Scottish & Southern Energy	1:14.3	-20,507,824,481 €
56	Repsol YPF	1:15.2	-102,177,853,981 €
57	AEM	1:18.1	-9,297,562,895 €
58	Fortum	1:24.7	-61,912,703,062 €
59	Edison	1:26.2	-31,542,932,659 €
60	Energias de Portugal	1:35.8	-83,343,912,554 €
61	ERG	1:44.5	-22,544,233,829 €
62	Slovnaft	1:45.1	-9,852,893,473 €
63	Union Fenosa	1:51.5	-99,263,349,894 €
64	Unipetrol	1:65.8	-15,800,783,469 €
65	MVM	1:303	-79,145,245,744 €



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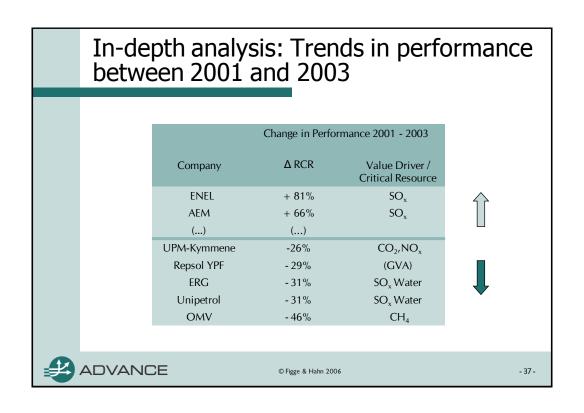
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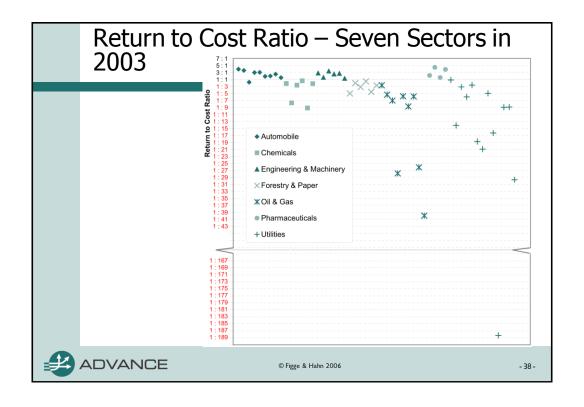
- The results now show by how much companies contribute to the achievement of EU policy targets.
- The best performing companies clear the hurdle of the European target efficiencies by a factor of 3 or more.
- The Danish pharmaceutical company Novonordisk is the top performing company with regard to the EU performance targets with a RCR of 3.6 : 1.
- Numerous oil & gas companies and utilities produce Return to Cost Ratios between 1:35 and 1:65.
- Even if we turn away from the absolute extreme, there is a considerable performance differential of a factor of 135 between the top performing companies and the laggards.

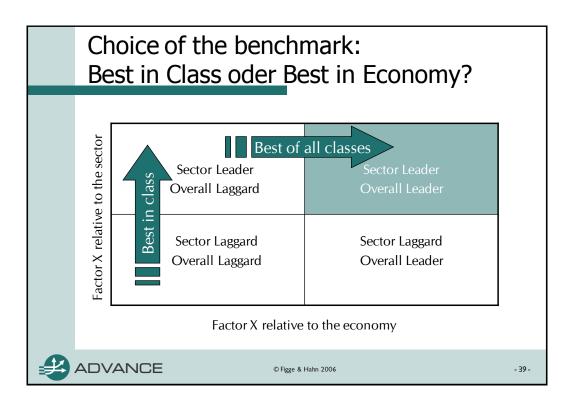


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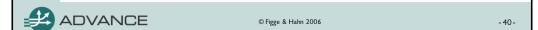






Other possible applications

- Sector studies
 - Industry average is used as benchmark
- Triple bottom line assessments
 - Integration of economic, environmental and social resources
- Integration into financial analysis
 - Environment and social performances as a complement to financial performance information
- Socially Responsible Investing
 - Assessment of corporate sustainable performance within and across sectors based on the logic of financial analysis.



Sustainable (Shareholder) Value of the automobile sector - a wide & focused study

- ADVANCE looks
 - at the environmental performance of companies
 - of different sectors
 - from the perspective of providers of capital, personnel and government.
- As mentioned the scope of the approach can be customtailored.
- Our automobile study looks at
 - the economic, environmental and social performance
 - of one sector (automobile)
 - from the perspective of the providers of capital.



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Application to the automobile sector

- Car manufacturers:
 BMW Group, Daihatsu, DaimlerChrysler, Fiat Auto, Ford, GM,
 Honda, Hyundai, Isuzu, Mitsubishi, Nissan, PSA, Renault,
 Suzuki, Toyota, Volkswagen.
- Indicators:

Environmental Indicators	Social Indicators	Economic indicators
CO ₂ -Emissions	No. of work accidents	Operating profit
NO _x -Emissions	No. of employees	Total assets
SO _x -Emissions		
VOC-Emissions		
Waste generated		
Water use		



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What are the results?

- The study shows how much more EBIT Earnings before interest and taxes – could be earned with a constant use of
 - Economic,
 - Environmental and
 - Social capital.
- Results vary between about +6% Sustainable Value per sales (BMW) and -10% Sustainable Value per sales (FIAT) in 2004.
- The study demonstrates that a value-orientated approach to corporate sustainability management can create significant Sustainable Value.
- Put differently, economic, environmental and social resources could be used more efficiently from a shareholder perspective than they are used today.



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Conclusions (i)

- Sustainable Value applies the logic of investment performance assessment to environmental and social resources.
- To create value the return on environmental resources must cover the costs of the resources.
- Sustainable Value compares the resource use of a company to a benchmark and thus defines the cost of a resource via opportunity costs.
- A company creates Sustainable Value whenever it uses its resources more efficiently than a benchmark.
- As a result, Sustainable Value expresses corporate environmental or sustainable performance in monetary terms.



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Conclusions (ii)

- Sustainable Value can cover the use of economic, environmental and social resources.
 - → Integrated triple bottom line assessment
- Sustainable Value can be used with different benchmarks.
- The Return to Cost Ratio provides a comparative measure of corporate eco- and sustainable efficiency.
- Sustainable Value assessments can be used in different contexts as well as for in-depth analyses of corporate environmental and sustainable performance.



