

#### **Evento finale della Community Retail 5.0 - 2022**

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#### IL RETAIL ALLA PROVA DEL CAMBIAMENTO

Il nuovo modello di Retail Specializzato: omnicanale, circolare e inclusivo

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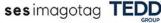














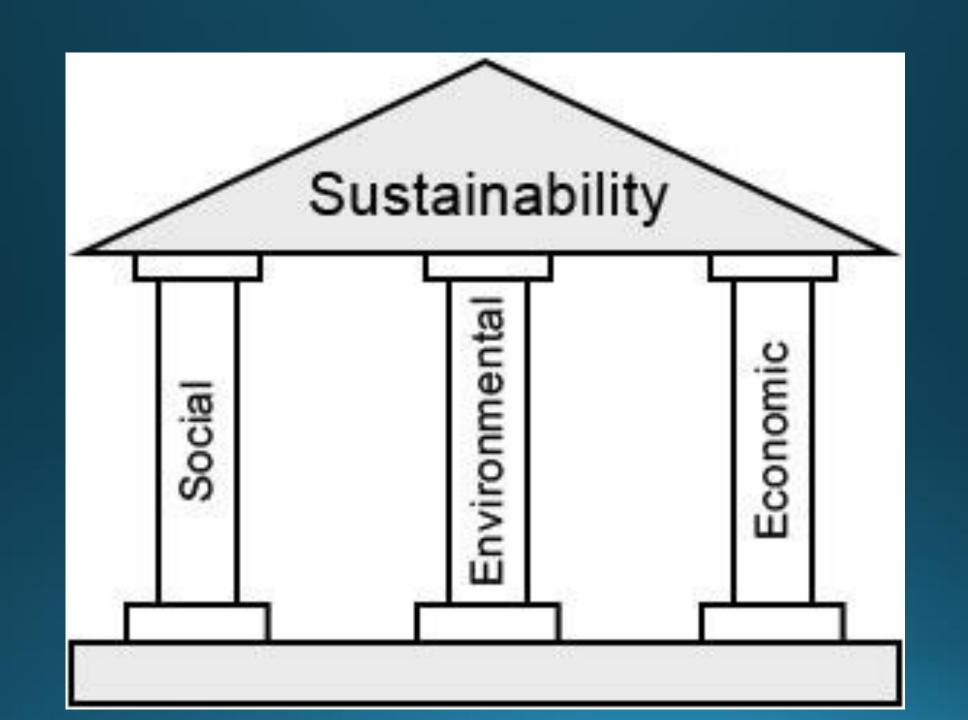




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- President Euronics Int'l (turnover of 23 Bil €, 37 countries)
- President EuCER Council (European association of TCG retailers)





# 1st pillar: economic. Be profitable!!



### **Specialized Retail**

------> evolution of last 10 years: link online to offline

-----> huge cost for retail

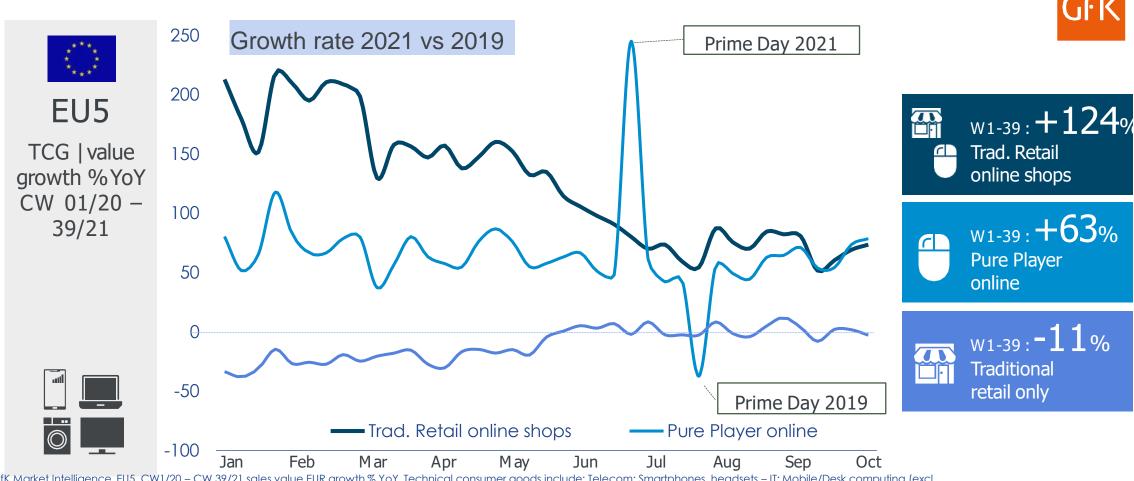
First sector confronted with digital transformation:

-----> we are at the forefront of innovation

A retailer has NO future if is not omni-channel: offering both strong online and stores at the same time.



## Omni-channel Retail doubles the growth of pure players



Source: GfK Market Intelligence, EU5, CW1/20 - CW 39/21 sales value EUR growth % YoY, Technical consumer goods include: Telecom: Smartphones, headsets - IT: Mobile/Desk computing (excl. Media sticks/boxes), media tablets, monitors, keying devices, pointing devices - Office: Laser and inkjet printers - Consumer Electronics (CE): TVs, audio home systems, soundbars - Major domestic appliances (MDA): Cooling and washing machines - Small domestic appliances (SDA): Vacuum cleaners, shavers, food preparation, dental care, hot beverage makers; Value is in EUR NSP (non-**\*euronics** 

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## But 2022 is different....

- Until now online was only growing.
- Since end 2021 online has declined. In the U.S. online sales is 15% down.
- In Europe page views are down 14% (U.S. 7% down), which would mean EU online sales are down 20%.
- US online prices are down -1,9%, nonwithstanding inflation...
- TCG decline in prices (-15% in TV) are in no relationship with inflation.



# Is pure online always sustainable?

- Free delivery ?
- Free returns? (some onliners have +60% of their orders returned)
- Does pure online take up the tasks foreseen in the law:
  - Take back the old device?
  - Pay the right VAT ?



## Will the abuse be dealt with?

 For EuCER, a dominant retailer cannot at the same time own a dominant marketplace.

 We will have to see whether the D.M.A. & the D.S.A. have an influence on the abuse of dominant power of some online players.



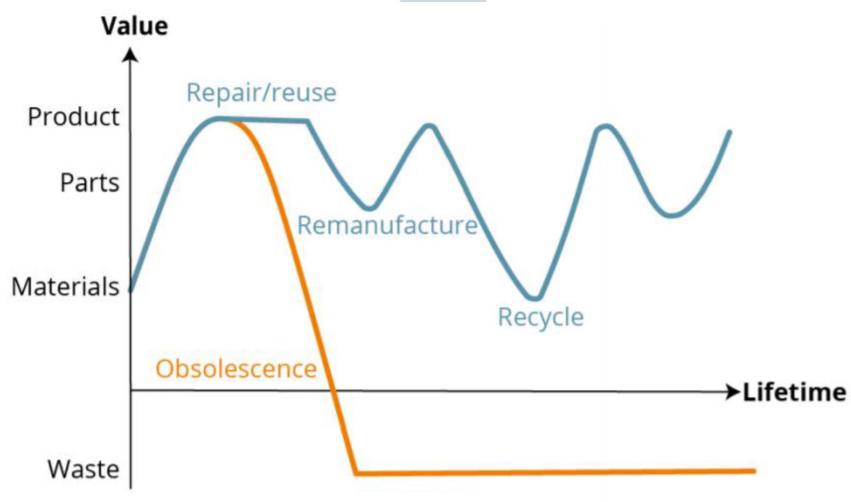
# 2<sup>nd</sup> pillar: Environmental in TCG

- Durability: longer lifetime
- Connectivity: upgrade the product.
- Repairability: instead of new product, 3D-printed spare parts.
- Recyclability: save resources.
- Energy consumption: less is more



## THE PRODUCT LEVEL





## Retail is the first and last mile

- The industry is not ready, apart from telecom.
- Industry is afraid as extra legislation burdens the manufacturing process.
   In other areas in the world the same set of rules do not apply.
- But... steps are made. In telecom we see a positive approach: easier because product line up is smaller and they are global players.
- Retailer is the first contact of the consumer: explain, demonstrate, compare the product. We have the duty to inform the consumer.
- And... we are the last contact: when the consumer wants to get its product repaired or recycled or disposed of...



# Touchpoints

- In Italy TCG retailers account for + 100.000 tonnes of electronic waste removal and ... free of charge.
- The click & collect system is the most sustainable supply format in the business (less traffic, less miles travelled, more community driven).
- Energy efficiency has increased with 60% in 10 years. An incentive which would encourage consumers to dispose of MDA-devices of +10 years would save the energy of a midsize town like Genoa or Palermo. A small investment for a large gain!



# 3rd pillar: social. Community

- A city needs stores, as without it, the city is dead. Retail is the social fabric of communities.
  - Who sponsors the local sports team?
  - Who subsidizes the local cultural initiatives?
  - Who pays for the Christmas decoration?

# 3rd pillar: social. Workforce.

- Retail is the premier enabler for low-skilled to improve their knowledge, experience and skills.
- Age groups from 18 till 65 are welcome and are employed in retail.
- Fortunately many retailers have a very good performance: Euronics' churnrate is 7 years.

# 3rd pillar: social. Diverse.

- As we are close to the consumer, our staff has to be a mirror of society.
- Representation of female staff is high on the workfloor, but could be better in management positions.
- Initiative to mentor female staff to progress in our management levels.



## **The Mentorship Group 2023**



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#### Right to Repair

- \* Repair by consumer or focus on SME's to repair?
- \* Extra warranties have proven to be detrimental as costs go up and ability to repair goes down.

#### **Digital Product Passport**

- \* TCG Retail will cooperate as the link between consumer and manufacturer
- \* Safeguard the interest of consumers.

# Waste from electrical and electronic equipment

- \* What can TCG retail do more?
- \* A European harmonizing would be a good improvement.

### Effective execution of Regulation

Digital Markets Act / Digital Service Act / Price Reduction Information /....





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