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New Business Models for Professionals: Sustainability and Intangibles

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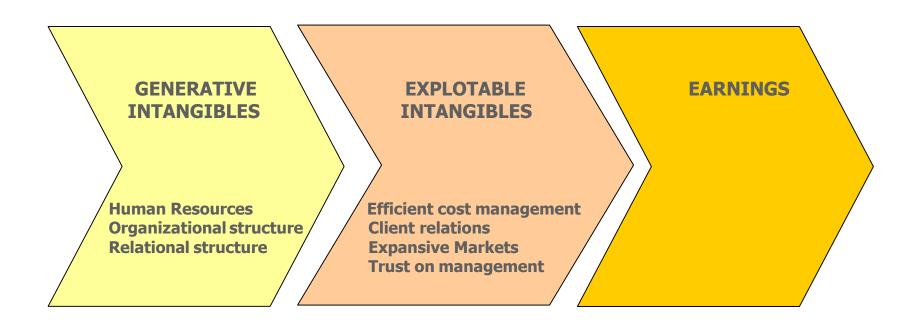
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Researching on Intangibles

- International and EU Projects:
 - □ OCDE 1995-1998, Sweden, Spain
 - EU: MERITUM, E-Know.net, Prime 1998-2008, Sweden, other
 Nordic & Southern countries, Spain
 - Guidelines for Managing and Reporting on Intangibles:
 Intellectual Capital Report, 2002
- Readings on Intangibles & Intellectual Capital, 2004
- Cañibano, L; Gª-Ayuso, M. y Sánchez, M.P., 2000, Accounting for Intangibles: A literature review. *Journal of Accounting Literature*, 19: 102-130. (9.000 readers, 500 citations)
- Cañibano, L., 2018, Accounting and intangibles, Spanish Accounting Review, 21 (1): 1-6.
 - Critical or generative Intangibles/Commercially exploitable intangibles

Value chain:

Generative Intangibles & Commercially Exploitable Intangibles



Some relevant questions

- What are intangibles?
- Why are they important?
- Why now more than before?
- Are intangibles missing in Financial Statements?
- Should companies report on their intangibles?
- Are intangibles important for investment analysis?
- Do we need a new business model?
- What should companies, auditors, analists, investors & regulators do?

Emerging Sustainability Report

- Integrated Report
 - Financial + NON Financial
- EC Directive NON Financial Information, 2014
 - Transposition to Law in Spain, 2018
- EC Project on Sustainability, April 2021
 - Included ESG: Environment, Social and Governmental activities
 - EFRAG (EC): Trying to issue standards and metrics on ESG
- In Spain AECA: IS-Integrated Suite
 - Platform to prepare Integrated Report: Financial + ESG

Global ESG standardization IFRS Sustainability

International Sustainability Standards Board (ISSB)

- (Draft) IFRS S1: General Requirements for Disclosure of Sustainabilityrelated Financial Information, March 2022.
- (Draft) IFRS S2: Climate-related Disclosure with the Technical Readiness Working Group prototypes, March 2022
- Comments until 29 July 2022

New business model's main topics

- Sustainability-related <u>risks and opportunities</u> arise from dependence and impact on resources.
 - Enterprise's value and returns of providers of financial capital may be eroded.
 - Future cash flow can affect access to finance and cost of capital.
- Disclosure Core content:
 - Governance: processes, controls and procedures
 - Strategy: risks and opportunities could affect decision making
 - Risk management: processes used to identify & manage risks.
 - Metrics and targets: information used to assess, manage and monitor the entity's performance, intangibles included.

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