

# **The Economics of Cooperation**

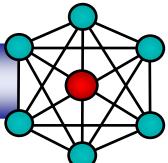
How Cooperation Creates Abundance

- Does Cooperation Create Competitive Advantage?
- How the Economics of Cooperation Works
- What Analysts Should Look For
- Economics of Expandables & Abundance

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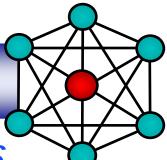


# **Alliances are Created to Produce Synergy**

- Synergy is the Interactive and Co-Creative Spiritual Force that enables More to flourish than each of the parts can produce independently
- Synergy requires at least four powerful elements
  - Common Vision
  - Trust & Integrity
  - Respect for Differences
  - Culture of Collaboration & Discovery







# How the Economics of Cooperation Works



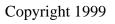
#### **Key Driving Forces:**

- Collaboration
  - Cooperation Enhances Inter-Organizational and Inter-Personal Velocity
    - » Elimination of Non-Value Added Transaction Costs
    - » Fast Time to Action
- Innovation
  - All Innovation is based on Differentials in Thinking (If two people think alike, no innovation occurs)
  - Synergy of Compatible Differences
- Integration
  - · Alignment of Goals, Processes, and Action
  - Interaction transforms Conflict into Problem Solving and Thrives in Adversity



#### **Asset Utilization:**

- Leverage Other People's Installed Assets & Capabilities
- **Risk Management** 
  - Shared Risk and Shared Reward
  - High Trust Lowers Transactional Friction Costs
  - Win-Win Environment Stimulates Innovative Co-Creation





## Alliances are based on Prudent Trust

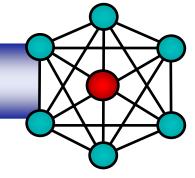
- Why Trust is Important -

# High Levels of Trust Enable:

- Very High Performance
- Greater Innovation, Creativity & Synergy
- Expansion of Possibilities
- Enhanced Problem Resolution
- Faster Action/Implementation and...
- Lower Transaction Costs

Results in Higher Profits

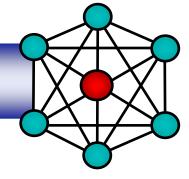




# What will be Valued in the Future:

- 1. "WISE INFORMATION" will be the "Blood Stream" that Sustains the Networked Enterprise
- 2. COLLABORATIVE STRATEGIC INTEGRATION will be the Alignment Mechanism of human and organizational synergy
- 3. SPEED OF DEVELOPMENT & IMPLEMENTATION will become More Important than Cost as an Economic Currency
- 4. **CO-CREATION** will become the Basic Unit of Work
- 5. INNOVATION will become the most Valued Resource as the Primary Source of Regenerative Intellectual Capital





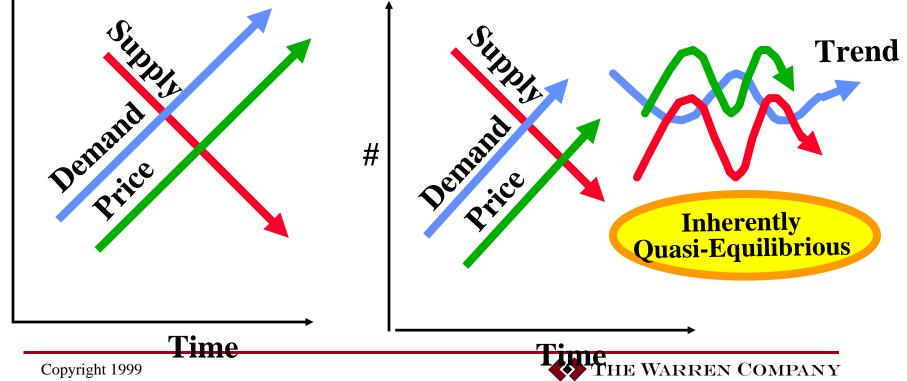
# **Traditional Economics**

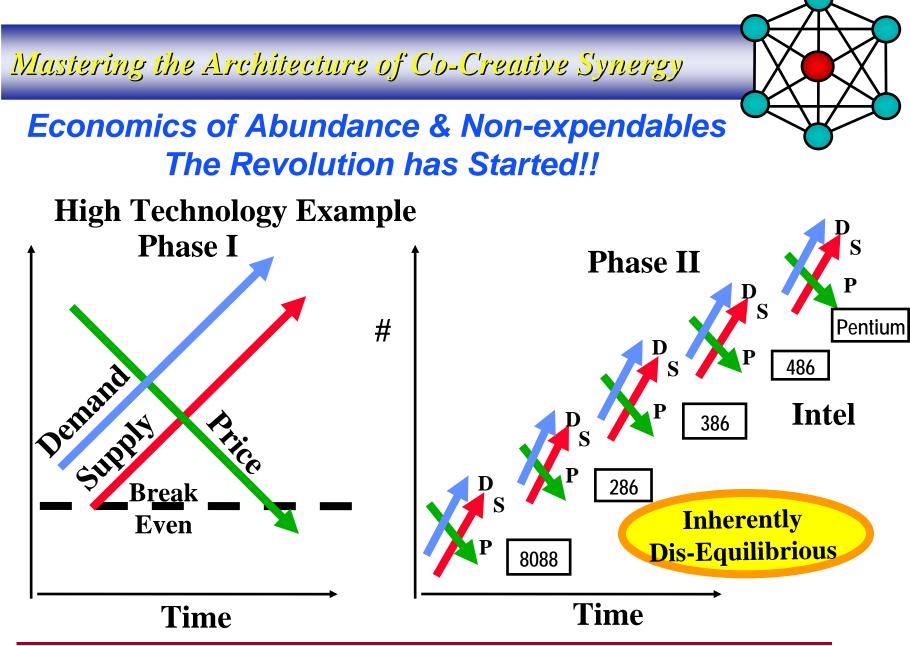
## Economics of Limits and Expendables

**Phase I** 

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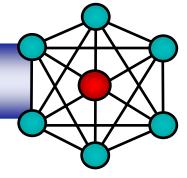
**Phase II** 





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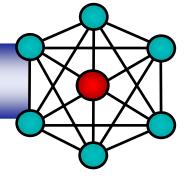


#### Things that are Expendable: (they get used up or disappear, and are either inherently useless or have significantly diminished utility once it is gone):

- » Hardware and Equipment
- » Time
- » Commodities, Fuel, Electricity, etc.
- » Materials for Production
- » Money

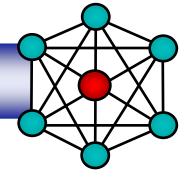
Things that are Expandable: (and don't get used up the more you use them):

- » Software
- » Technology
- » Networks & Information
- » Innovation and Breakthroughs
- » Teamwork & Cooperation
- » Communications
- » Caring, Happiness, Compassion
- » Co-Creative Innovation



#### The Economics of Limits-Expendables exist side-byside with the Economics of Abundance-Expendables

- » Integration & Synergy require the measuring of effective use of resources in <u>both</u> economic models simultaneously
- » Tremendous Value Creation occurs when both economic models are working in harmony with each other.
- Because Abundant-Expandable Systems have economic Supply-Demand-Price relationships that are inherently Dis-Equilibrious, they create a situation where stagnation and static behavior will not be sustainable in a highly competitive environment.
- Therefore, in fast changing strategic environments, only Dynamic, Regenerative, and Breakthrough behaviors will create sustainable competitive advantage.



- The emergence of the Networked Enterprise is, fundamentally, the most *Revolutionary and Complex Shift* in organizational functioning & structure in the history of commerce.
- The Shift will radically transform:
  - the nature of work
  - organizational interaction
  - leadership
  - · the very way we will think of business itself

