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### SMART CREDIT MANAGEMENT

Supporting sales growth and reducing risks with credit tools in the international trade

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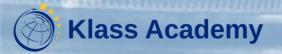
Credit Management Magyarországon: Az optimális gyakorlat felé

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#### **Smart Credit Management**

## **Agenda**

- 1. Enhancing sales growth CASE STUDY
- 2. Optimising cash flow CASE STUDY
- 3. Preventing bad debt losses A POSSIBLE APPROACH







The Company is uniquely Positioned to Address the Challenges of Humankind

Food

Water

Infrastructure

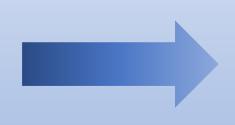
Transportation

Life Sciences

Environment

Defense

Energy



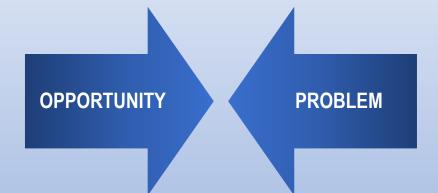
Opportunity Growing via Distribution







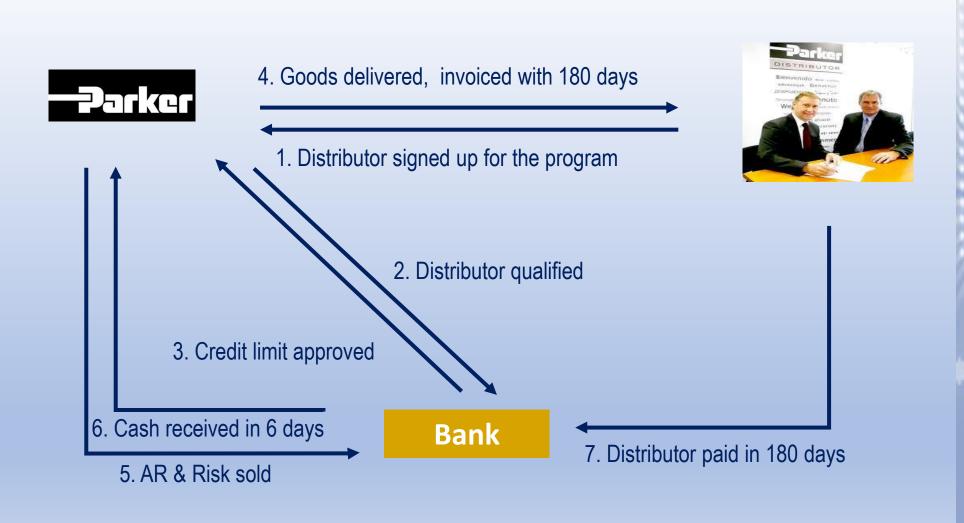
Growing via Distribution



Lack of liquidity in the channel











	<b>FY16</b> \$	<b>FY17</b> \$		
Sales to Customer	70.000	130.000	+ 60.000	Higher Sales
Parker Terms	30 days	90 days	+ 60 days	Longer Terms
Parker Credit Line	5.753,42	32.054,79	+ 26.301,37	Additional Cash





Distributors used \$ 26.301,37 additional cash to grow their business:

#### **INVESTED**

- New product line
- Additional stock to serve your customers faster
- Promotion
- New store/van
- Sales engineers

**Entered into projects that required longer financing** 







#### **SUPPLIER Benefits:**

- Profitable sales growth 10%
- Risk sharing
- DSO reduction
- Lessened RONA assets
- Customer relationship

#### **BANK Benefits:**

- Additional sales
- Growing safely
- Stronger relationship
- New growing SMEs
- Low transactional risk

#### **DISTRIBUTOR Benefits:**

- Free cash to invest into new ideas
- Low finance cost
- Tenor 180 days
- Good credit limit





#### **TAKEAWAY**

#### Credit Management can efficiently support sales growth by

- recognizing the needs of the market;
- understanding the characteristics of the customers;
- evaluating the customers' business plans;
- actively seeking a solution to finance growth.
- customer centricity and creativity helps.





#### Which companies would you like to have as customer?

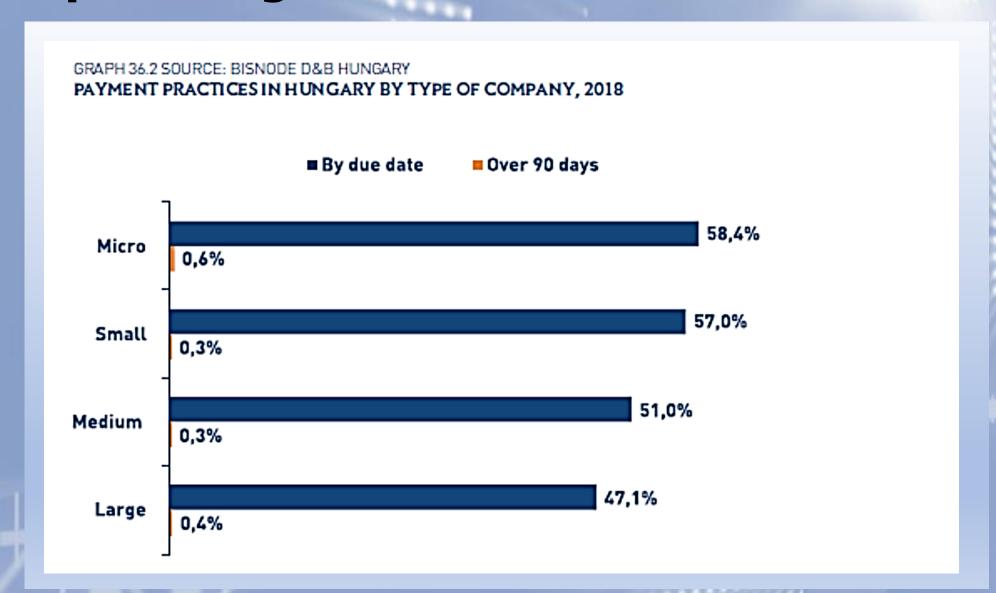
- 1. Micro and small
- 2. Medium size
- 3. Large Companies

Large Companies mean bigger deals.

What about the payments?









Willing	Great Customers	Company is late due to bad management	
Unwilling	Late due to disputes. Late due deliberate supplier payment policy	Fraudsters	
	Able	Unable	





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# **Optimising Cash-flow CASE STUDY**





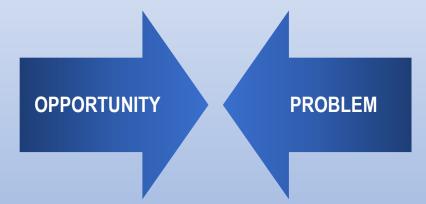








Large Contract



Disruptions in the OTC Process





The "Best Practice" Continuous Improvement : KAIZEN









**Manager**: Their business model doesn't fit PH model; they want to buy from the manufacturing entities...

SC Inside Sales:

Workload is high due manual order entries

**EDCN**: They want one PO= one delivery note= one invoice? We need to reduce DSI

SC Lean: Same errors in 10 different sales companies?

**Corporate IT**: EDI implementation can take from 2 weeks to 12 months depending on the response time of partners

**SC Claim**: Prove of delivery is not available after 3 months

Corporate
Credit: They
are the largest
overdue
customer of
EMEA

**SC Finance**: We cannot collect efficiently – our invoices are rejected

**SC IT**: we need full EDI, but divisions are slow with implementation





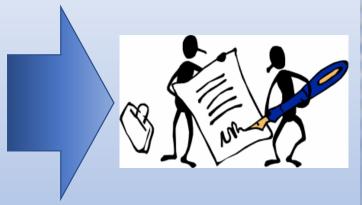
#### Reasons behind the delay?

O2C:
Order entry
Production
Order completion
Shipping
Invoicing
Collection
Cash application

Customer's R2P

Problem statement	Process
Order was entered twice into the ERP system.	Order entry
Delivery address was incorrectly set up.	Order entry
Supply entity was incorrectly set up.	Order entry
Order lines were not entirely entered into the ERP system.	Order entry
Bad product quality.	Production
Products deviated from the specification.	Production
Product documentation was incomplete.	Production
Order was produced with 2 weeks delay.	Production
Product labels were incorrect.	Order completion
Customer received only half of the order.	Order completion
Delivered and invoiced quantity did not match.	Order completion
Packaging was damaged.	Order completion
The product was damaged during the delivery.	Shipping
Transportation took 2 weeks longer, than expected.	Shipping
Shipping documents did not contain the order reference.	Shipping
Products were stolen on the road.	Shipping
Invoice contained wrong price.	Invoicing
Customer requested "electronic" invoices but received paper ones.	Invoicing
Electronic invoices got lost.	Invoicing
Invoice was issued with wrong currency.	Invoicing
The customer postponed payments because of the year end.	Collection
Customer did not recognised invoices.	Collection
Payment terms were vaguely defined.	Collection
Payment milestones were not followed.	Collection
Cash was applied to wrong invoices.	Cash application
Cash was applied to a wrong customer number.	Cash application
Cash was booked to a dummy account.	Cash application
Customer's debit note was not matched with its short	Cash
payment.  Customer ignored the price update schedule.	application Customer
	process Customer
Justified upcharge was rejected.	process Customer
The customer did not book payable invoices.	process
Customer did not match the Purchase Order with	Customer

#### Solution?



The Perfect Contract





#### **TAKEAWAYS**

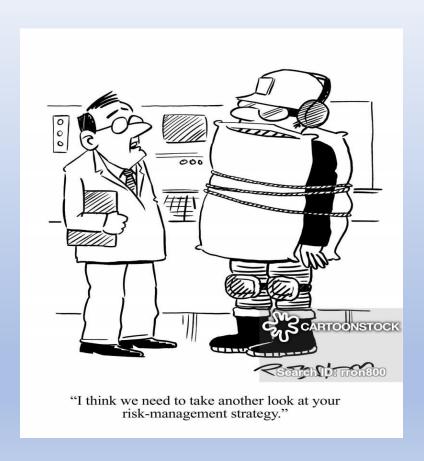
- Credit Management can efficiently optimise Cash flow by focusing on large customers.
- If problems relate to the O2C flow Kaizen is a "best practice".
- Continuous Improvement Process is key to deliver value to the large customers.
- Don't set back, if you are awarded a large contract, but prepare the Perfect Contract!





## Preventing bad debt losses A POSSIBLE APPROACH

#### Can we sell without taking a Risk? No!



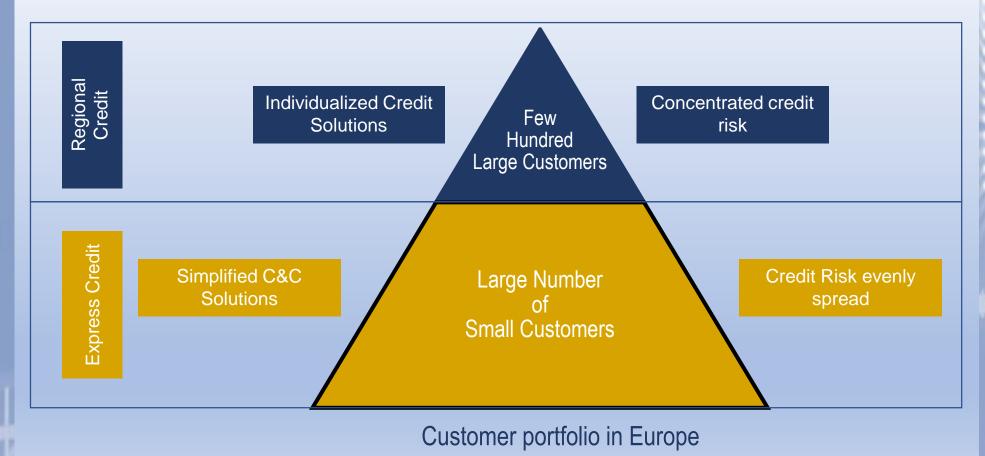
But we can mitigate risk

Using collaterals
Credit insurance
Portfolio approach



## Preventing bad debt losses A POSSIBLE APPROACH

#### **Example "Portfolio"**







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#### **TAKEAWAYS**

#### Credit management can prevent bad debt losses

- Using customer segmentation
- Algorithm for low value exposure
- Individual risk assessment for top exposure

#### Make sure to have a Professional Credit team

- Skills need to be continuously polished
- Technical knowledge to be adjusted to the target countries and industries





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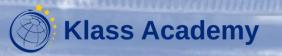
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