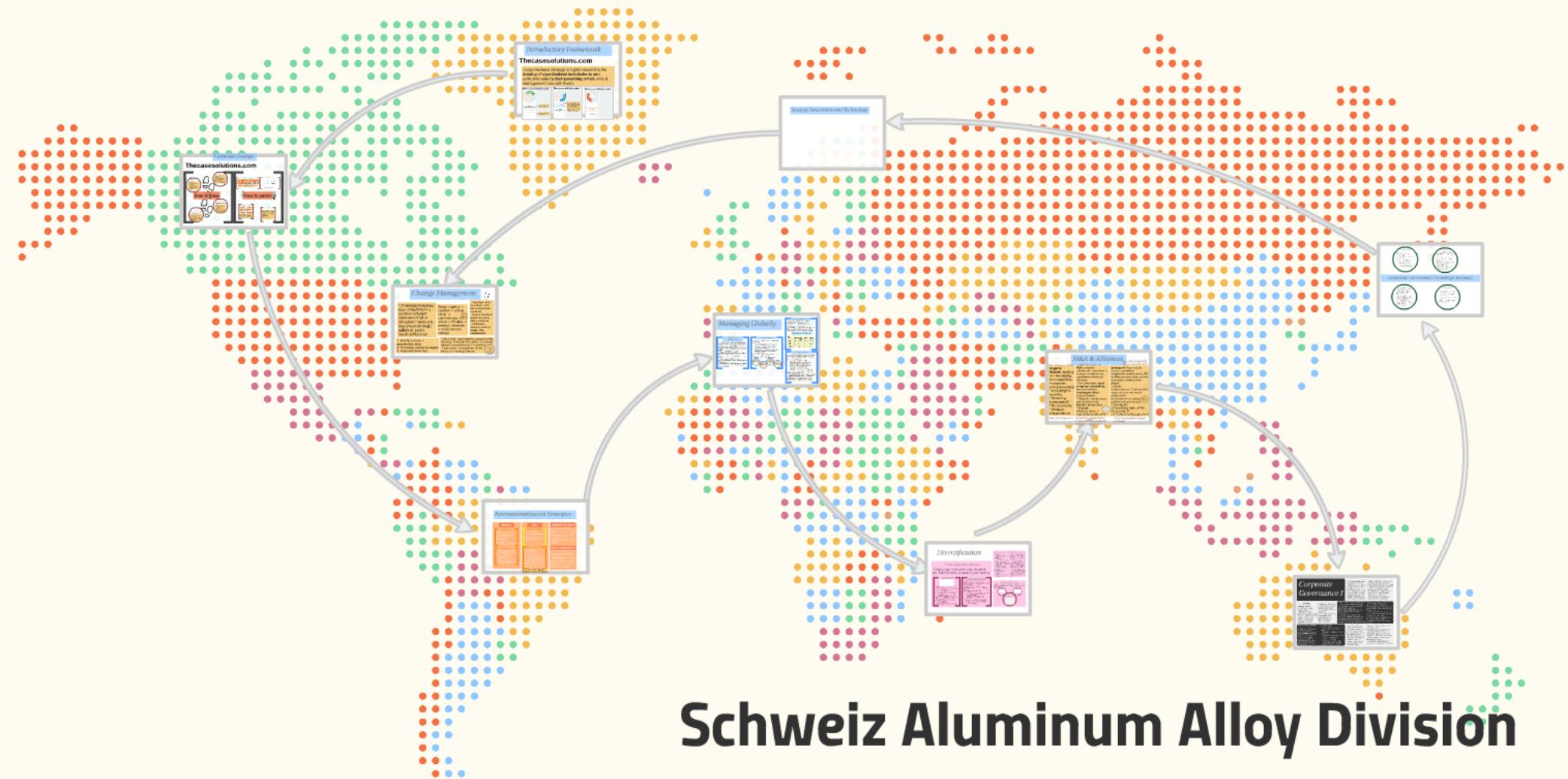


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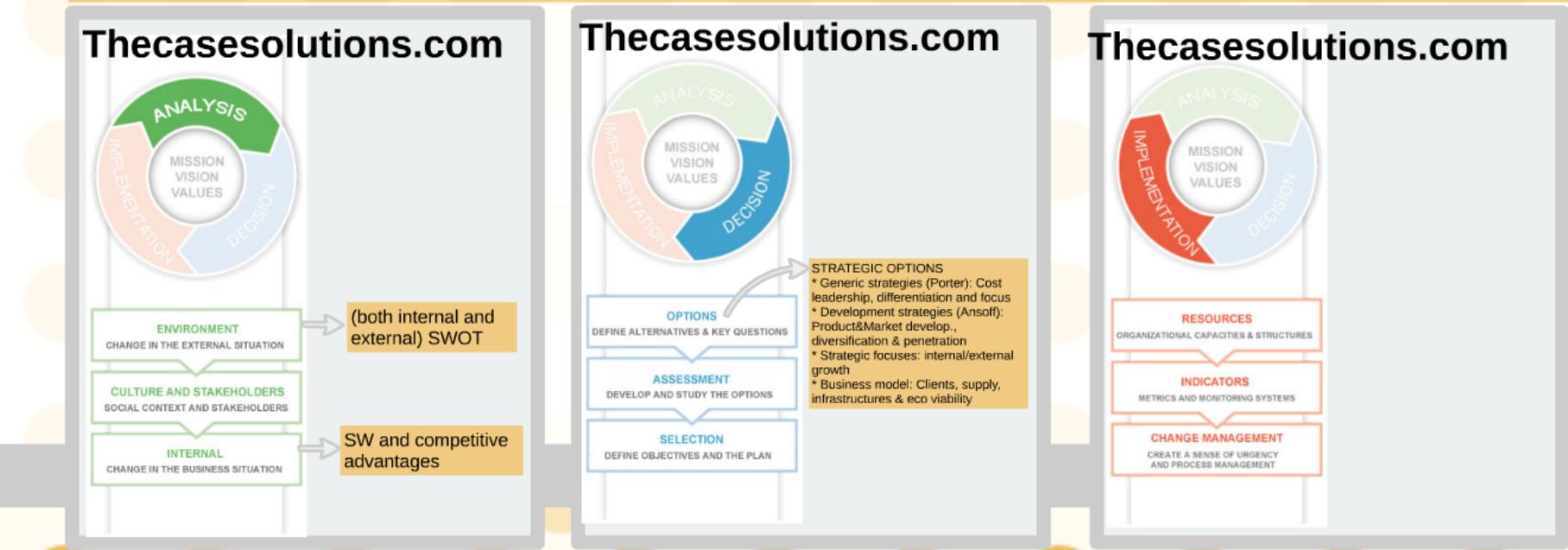
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Introductory Framework

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Corporate-level strategy is highly relevant to the drawing of organizational boundaries to add sufficient value by their **parenting** (which units & management role with them).



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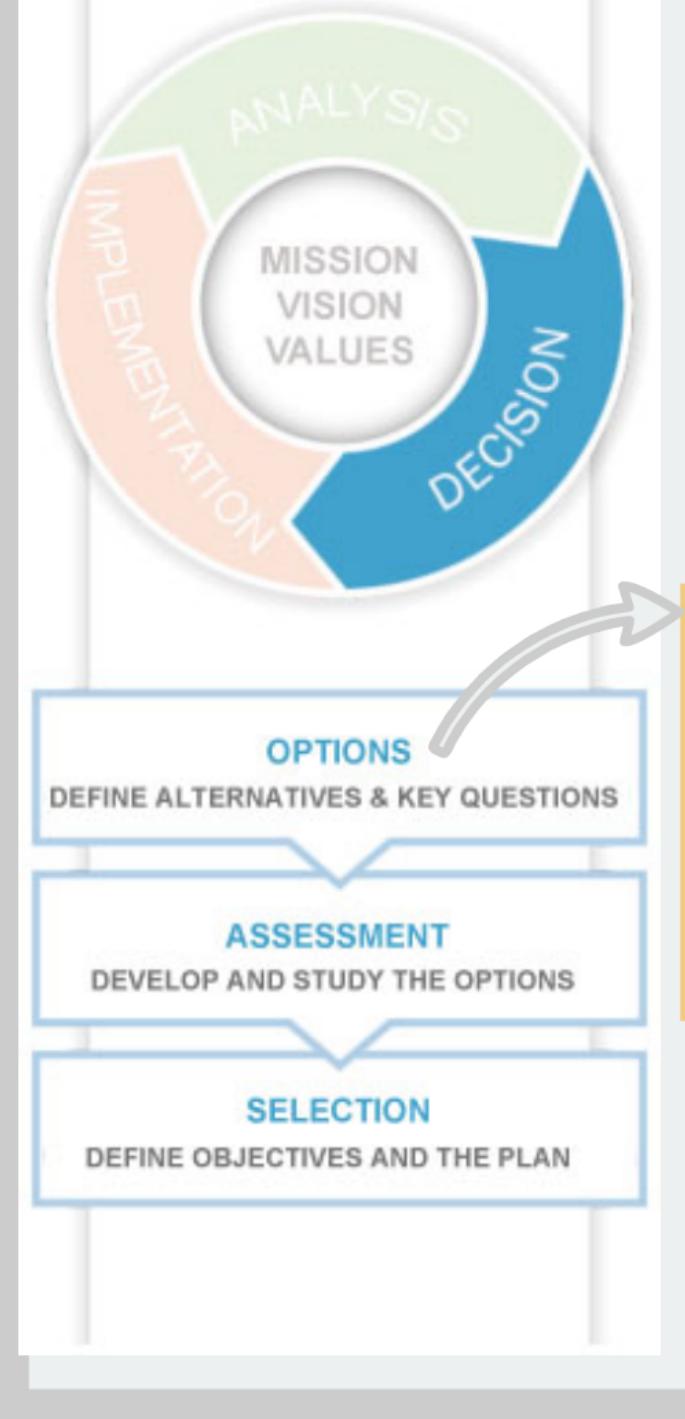


(both internal and external) SWOT

SW and competitive advantages

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STRATEGIC OPTIONS

- * Generic strategies (Porter): Cost leadership, differentiation and focus
- * Development strategies (Ansoff): Product&Market develop., diversification & penetration
- * Strategic focuses: internal/external growth
- * Business model: Clients, supply, infrastructures & eco viability

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Corporate strategy

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How to grow

- Diversifying Businesses**
 - a) related div
 - * Synergies (sharing resources)
 - b) unrelated div
 - * New industry without significant resources being shared (no synergies)

M&A, Alliances and Organic Growth
 - (M&A) Quick access to resources, neutralization of potential competitors.
 - (f) Cultural integration, excessive price.
 - (S Alliances) joint development & complementary alliances
 - Management difficulty, learning race
 - (Organic G) cultural compatibility, LT required, innovation challenge

Geographically
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 - REASONS**
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 - * Scale (use same resources)
 - * Economies of scale
 - * Sell more in international markets
 - However, adds complexity

Along the Value Chain
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 - * Vertical integration (to internalize key activities)
-> The company needs to have the basic knowledge and resources to be competitive

Value creation

	UNDERSTANDS KSF?	
IMPROVES CAPABILITIES & RESOURCES?	YES	NO
YES	★ Adding Value (Duh)	AV to Non-KSF
NO	✗ Value trap	Not Adding Value

* Strategic harmony: the influence of the corporate center matches the need felt by the BU

Types of Parenting

- Individual Support
- Linking Synergies
- General Functions and Services
- Corporate Development

Source: Gold, Campbell and Alexander.

How to parent

4 Styles of Parenting

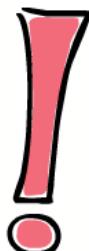
S Approach	S Innovation
Focus on 1 strat	Set rules of the game
S Alignment	S with discipline
BU to corporate centre despite high degree of diversification	Financial results, independence, BOD relationship with Stakeholders

Role of BOD

- Legal responsibilities
- Formal obligations on members
- Contribute to the relationship with stakeholders and alliances
- Supply info for CEO
- Advisory board
- Parenting
- Think tank

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