

## **SL&M** Praxis

'Smartphone Wars' Michael A M Davies 28 July 2014





## Agenda for 'Smartphone Wars'

~09:05	• Briefing on the mobile marketplace
~09:15	<ul> <li>Develop strategy for 2015</li> </ul>
~09:45	<ul> <li>Present strategy for 2015</li> </ul>
~09:55	<ul> <li>Panel evaluation and feedback</li> </ul>
~10:05	<ul> <li>Develop strategy for 2016</li> </ul>
~10:35	<ul> <li>Present strategy for 2016</li> </ul>
~10:45	<ul> <li>Panel evaluation and feedback</li> </ul>
~10:55	<ul> <li>Develop strategy for 2017</li> </ul>
~11:25	<ul> <li>Present strategy for 2017</li> </ul>
~11:35	<ul> <li>Panel evaluation and feedback</li> </ul>
~11:45	<ul> <li>Final results</li> </ul>



## The mobile marketplace in 2014...

- In September, <u>Apple</u> launches iPhone 6 with a larger 4.7" sapphire display, thinner and with better battery life, and expands its accessories for the 'connected home'
- <u>Samsung</u> simplifies its product portfolio, but expands its scope, going upmarket with Galaxy S Prime which has premium steel and glass aesthetics, and mass market with Galaxy S World, and abandons the 'featurephone' market and its efforts with the Tizen platform for smartphones
- <u>Google</u> continues to (1) work to make Android more uniform, and (2) to expand its scope of activities, investing in and acquiring companies in music, entertainment, 'connected home' and 'connected health'
- <u>Microsoft</u> consolidates around a single OS and expands its product portfolio to the low end, emphasizing games that work across smartphones, tablets and Xbox
- <u>Amazon</u> expands its scope, building on the Fire smartphone and Fire TV with a broader range of devices for the connected home
- BlackBerry goes bankrupt; Canadians weep, and agree to sell it to Northrop Grumman
- **<u>Huawei</u>** and **<u>ZTE</u>** continue to compete aggressively on price in developing markets worldwide, driving low-end LTE devices in particular





## **Key questions**

- Which *customer* groups, and where and when are you targeting?
- What *applications*, 'jobs to be done', will you focus on?
- What *products and services* will you offer, as both core and complements, and how will your products and services be positioned and *differentiated*?
- What will be the scope of your *activities*, where will you make, buy or partner, and what will you focus your investment on, to build *core competences and capabilities*, inimitable resources?
- Which partners will you work with to build your *ecosystem*?
- What investments will you make in *R&D* and in *platforms*?

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