Compliance

A value generation perspective



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Overall idea

Developing and structuring a corporate function that integrates:

- Regulation and "traditional compliance"
- Integrity management/education
- Corporate security both internal & external
- Compliance is everywhere today!

My empirical base: around 50 projects as expert witness, compliance expert, external advisor, etc.



(Over)-simplified history

- -1977 FCPA: (prompted by more than 400 U.S. companies admitting to paying bribes or making other illegal or questionable payments to foreign governments)
- -American business <u>did not make</u> any significant efforts to establish systematic controls until the collective impact of five brutal years of unremitting scandal (1985–1990)
- -1990s: transition phase, US commissions mention "ethics" but they don't really know what they are talking about
- -2001: Enron scandal, Sarbanes Oxley & Co...
- -2019: Almost 20 years after Sarbanes, we are in a phase of trial and errors, significant cross-national differences, cultural approaches, etc.



Some data

1. Cosmetic

Over 95% of the firms/corporations

2. Reactive/proactive

3. Value generation

- a) beyond pure compliance
- b) cultural approach,
- c) Internal & external monitoring & forecasting
- d) Integration & coordination



How can we add value?

Two main ways:

1) Cultural work: training, screening, value-driven work, etc.

<u>2) Pro-active control system</u>: identification critical assets (tangible & intangible), forecasting scenarios and related situations, monitoring internal and external activities, identification and prosecution malpractice, etc.

Compliance becomes useful to commercial and operation departments, to HR, to strategy, etc.



Cultural work

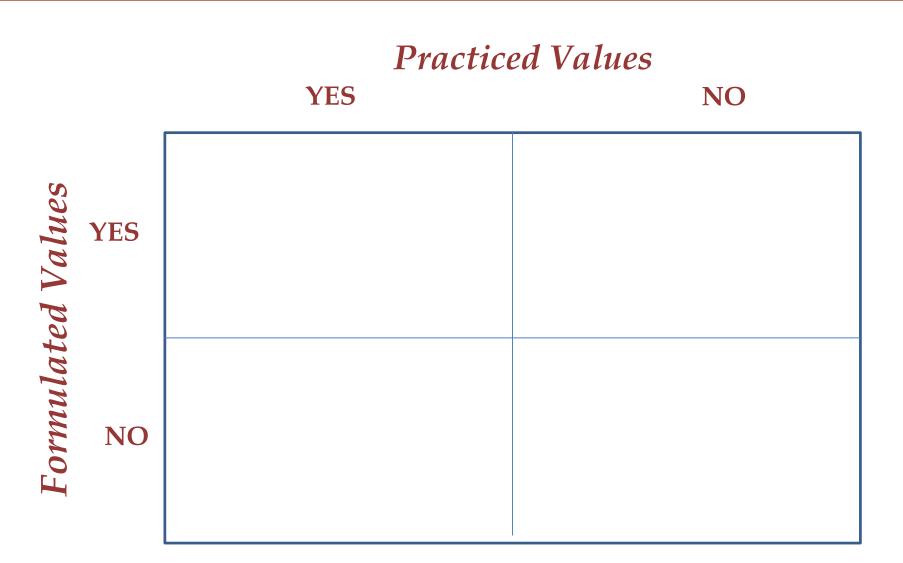
Corporate cultural is relevant:

- 1) Do you really know what people perceive in your organization?
- 2) Do you have reliable tool to detect **corporate values** (stated vs. practiced)?
- 3) How do you work on the cultural work necessary to nourish a culture of integrity?

Added value to the HR department...



Organizational Values Audit Matrix



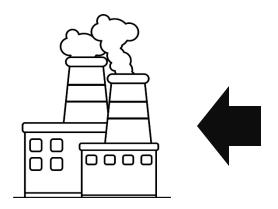


Entry & exit...





- Profiling
- Motivation



- Values
- Culture
- Int. & ext. processes



- Integrity Screening
- Profiling
- Motivation



Monitoring our Organization (internally)

- Red Flags
- Risk Maps
- Whistleblowing lines
- Training
- Developing privileged channels
- Critical assets/profiles/situations
- Integration with & control of security departments



Warning signals, hints, indicators of possible fraud



The existence of a red flag does not mean that fraud exists



Extra attention to exclude or confirm a potential fraudulent activity.



Some patterns, practices and specific forms of activity are red flags that could signal irregularities or fraud.



Monitoring our Organization (externally)

- Critical stakeholders & risks
- Evolution normative scenarios & trends
- Geo-political & tech. scenarios
- Developing inform. channels
- Critical assets & risks
- Integration with police forces
- Interaction with national security agencies, etc.





Creating Organizational Value

- **1) Human Resources Department:** *understanding & control internal dynamics, profiles, groups, etc.*
- **2) Production Department:** 1) + critical technologies, resources, etc.
- 3) Logistical Department: 1+2+ critical areas, etc.
- **4) Commercial Department:** 1+2+3+ critical socioeconomic areas
- **5) General Direction:** 1+2+3+4+geopolitical/strategic perspectives

