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# Financial Restructuring

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- **The restructuring market**
- Financial information
- Financial restructuring introduction
- Financial restructuring roadmap – Data analysis
- Financial restructuring roadmap – Negotiating a solution



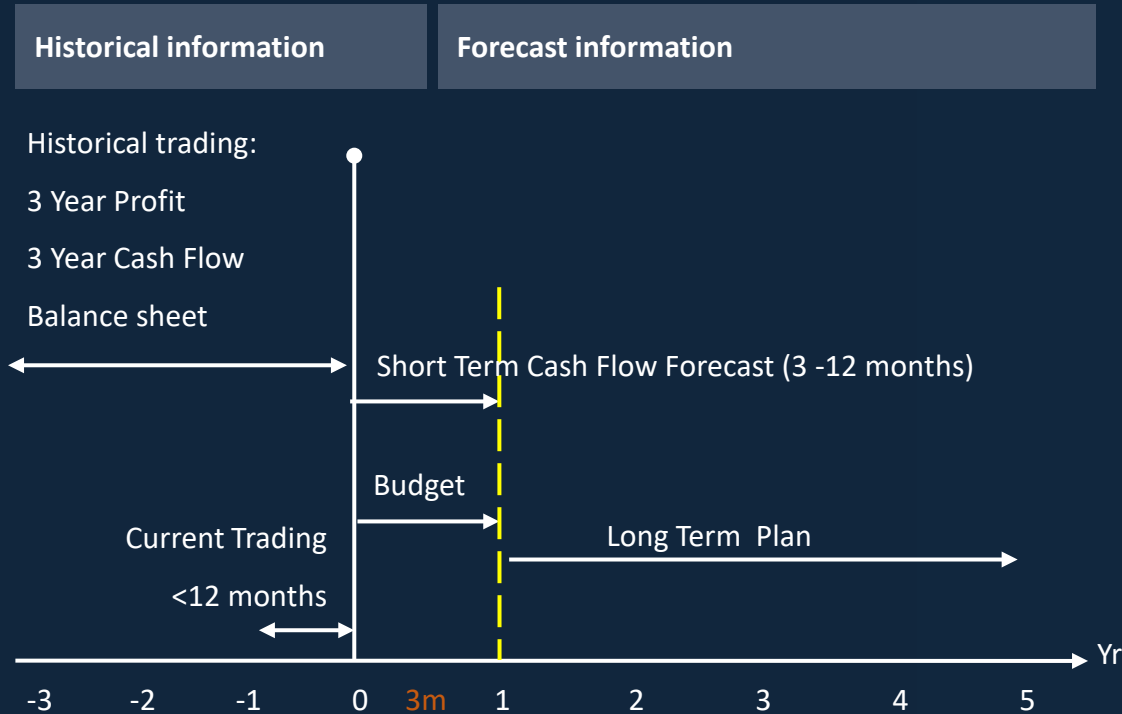


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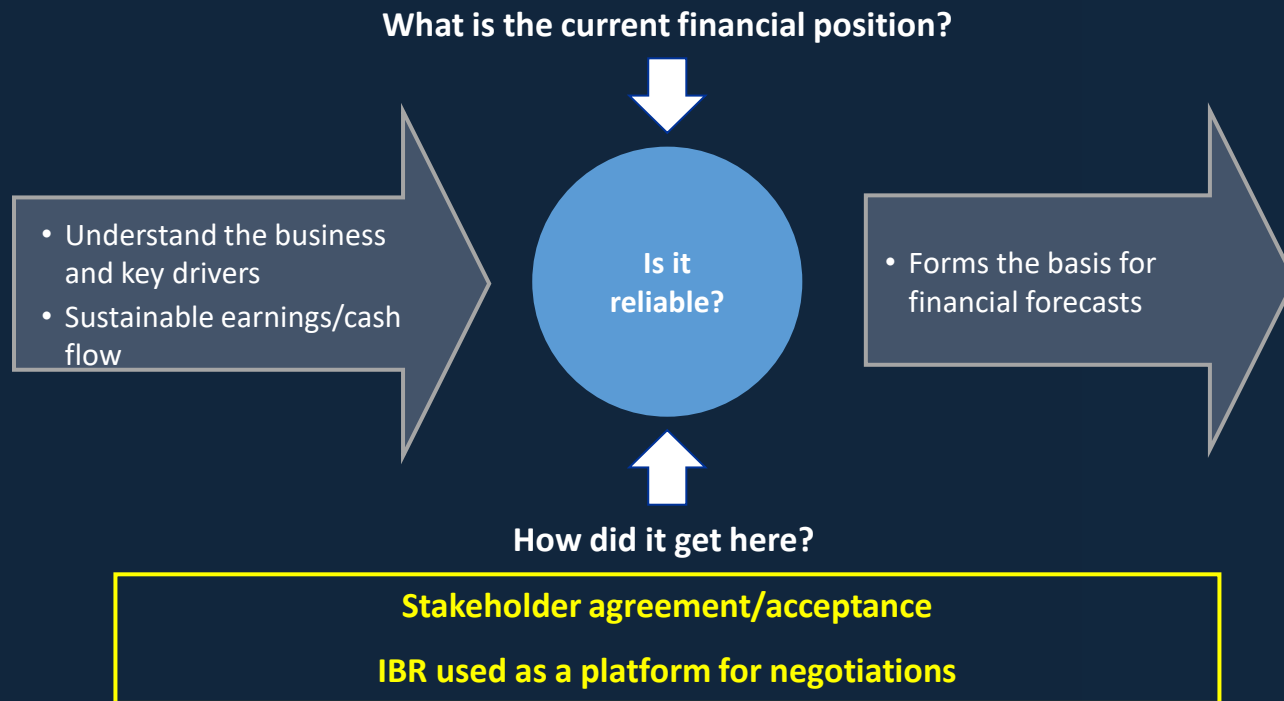
# Financial information



# The key stages of the Restructuring Process



# Historical financial information – relevance to restructuring



# Historical financial information – what are we looking for?

	<b>P&amp;L</b>	<b>Cash flow</b>	<b>Balance sheet</b>
<b>What?</b>	A financial statement that summarizes the revenues, costs and expenses incurred	A statement of the amount of cash a company generates and uses during a period	A statement of the assets and liabilities at a point in time
<b>Why?</b>	<b>What has gone wrong?</b>	<b>Where has the cash gone?</b>	<b>What is the current asset /liability position?</b>
<b>Typical issues?</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Consistent track record: distortions/one off items</li><li>• Underlying performance &amp; margin trends</li><li>• What makes profits/losses?</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Inconsistency between cash and profits</li><li>• Working capital cycle</li><li>• Seasonality</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Key areas of subjectivity</li><li>• Unrecognised liabilities/contingencies</li><li>• Is it a suitable starting point for forecast?</li></ul>

# Historical financial information - EBITDA

## What is EBITDA?

<b>A typical P&amp;L</b>	Sales	x
	Cost of sales	(x)
	Gross profit	x
	Overheads	(x)
	<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>x</b>
	Interest	(x)
	Profit before tax	x
	Tax	(x)
	Net profit	x
<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>Operating profit</b>	<b>x</b>
	Add back: Deprecation	x
	Add back: Amortisation	x
	<b>EBITDA</b>	<b>x</b>







# Historical financial information - EBITDA

- EBITDA is often used as a **proxy** for **'cash profit'**, as performance metric and as basis of valuation
- ....but **EBITDA is not 'cash flow'** and may not be comparable between different companies
  - There are cash flows that are recorded in the P&L, but shown 'below' EBITDA
  - There are cash flows which do not get recorded in the P&L
  - There may be differences in accounting policies or judgemental accounting treatments between businesses that impact EBITDA
  - The underlying nature of the business may create a natural difference between profit and cash flow



# Historical financial information - EBITDA

## Non-recurring items

- Reported EBITDA may include non-recurring income/expense

## Items reported below EBITDA in the P&L

- Interest – cash/non cash
- Tax – cash/non-cash

## Capex

- Cash flow not in EBITDA
- Depreciation charge may approximate, but need to consider maintenance vs. growth

## Working capital

- Changes in stock, debtors and creditors do not impact EBITDA
- May be significant in distressed scenario (e.g. impact credit insurers)

## Nature of business

- May be a natural disconnect between EBITDA and cash flow, e.g.,
  - Travel company (cash on advance bookings vs. P&L based on date of travel)
  - Construction/long-term manufacturing (milestone payments, contract accounting)

# Historical financial information - EBITDA

## Leased vs. owned assets

- **Operating lease:** rent expense in EBITDA , no balance sheet liability (i.e. cost in EBITDA = cash flow)
- **Finance lease:** depreciation and interest cost in P&L, capital repayments in cash flow, and BS shows finance liability (i.e., no cost in EBITDA but cash flow)
- **Owned asset:** depreciation, no cash flow or BS liability (i.e., no cost in EBITDA and no cash flow)

## Differences in accounting policies

- Revenue recognition (e.g., where service provided over time, but cash received upfront)
- Capitalisation of expenses (e.g., R&D, sales commissions)
- Provisions for future liabilities and cash flows

## Non-100% owned subsidiaries

- Operating profit EBITDA includes more than proportionate ownership %
- Need to understand impact on cash flows – trapped cash?

# Forecast information

## What does it look like?

## Purpose

### Short term plan

- Cash only
- Weekly (or daily) forecasts for c.13 weeks
- Transaction based
- Updated weekly or at least monthly

- **Crisis stabilisation**
- Short term cash management
- Quick wins

### Medium term plan

- 12-18 month budget using monthly rests
- Integrated P&L, cash flow and balance sheet
- Revised circa quarterly
- Rolling – circa 12 month visibility

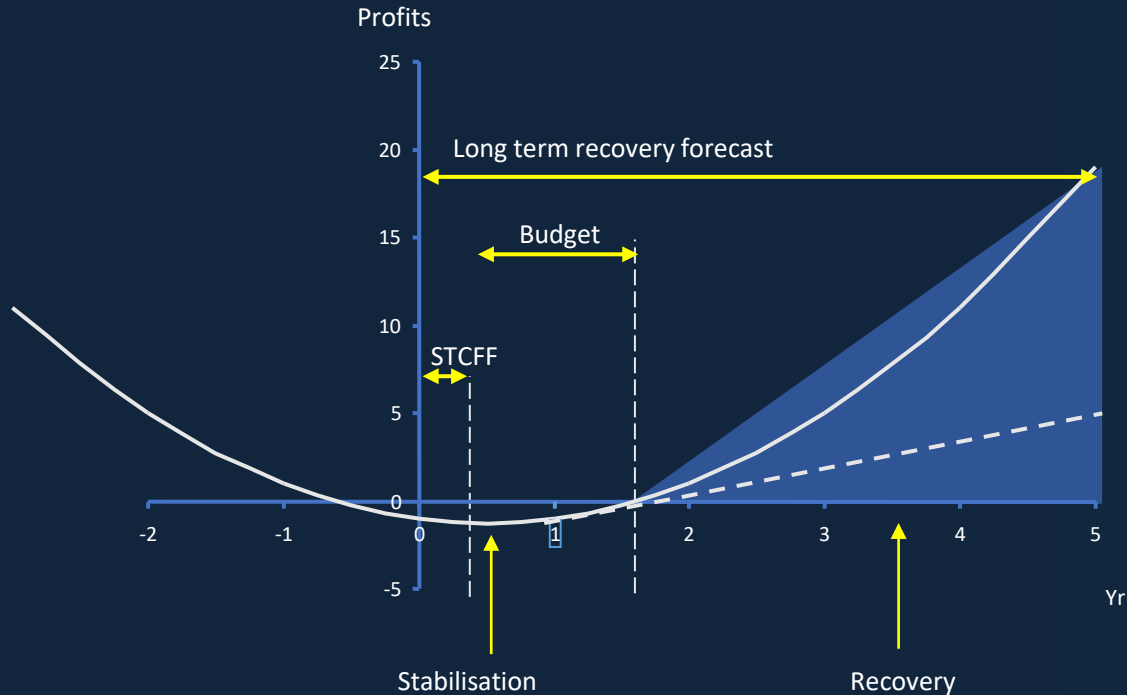
- Detailed modelling of **restructuring plan**
- Covenant and headroom monitoring

### Long term plan

- 3 to 10 year strategic plan
- Simplified assumptions

- **Strategic planning**
- Long term funding requirements

# The restructuring profit/cash forecast



# Forecasts - Medium & long term

- Integrated P&L, Balance Sheet and Cash Flow
- Focus on cash

**1. Base case**  
( 'As is' )

**2. Restructuring case**  
( 'Management/Equity case' )

- Disposals
- Cost reduction
- Cost and benefits

**3. Sensitised case**  
( 'Bank Case' )

- Realistic downside
- Covenant setting

# Forecasts - development and purpose in a restructuring

## Stage 1 Base case

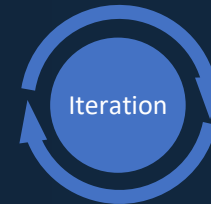
- Do the financial projections reflect the current situation and industry dynamics?
- Are underlying “as is” assumptions supportable?
- Is the existing business viable? – what will happen if we do nothing?
- What is funding requirement?

## Stage 2 Model impact of operational Restructuring

- Have underlying problems identified in the diagnosis been addressed in plan?
- What is the cost of implementation?
- What is the timescale/benefit?
- What funding is required?
- Given the risks, are the proposals worthwhile?

## Stage 3 Form the basis of any financial restructuring

- Is forecast turnaround achievable and what are the risks?
- What is cash generation?
- What new funding is available?
- How much debt can be supported?
- What is longer term value?





# Financial Information summary

- Historical and forecast financial information forms the building block for restructuring
- Stakeholders will need to undertake due diligence and 'accept' position
- Fundamental in unblocking other restructuring obstacles
  - Going concern audit requirements
  - Local stock exchange requirements – 'working capital'







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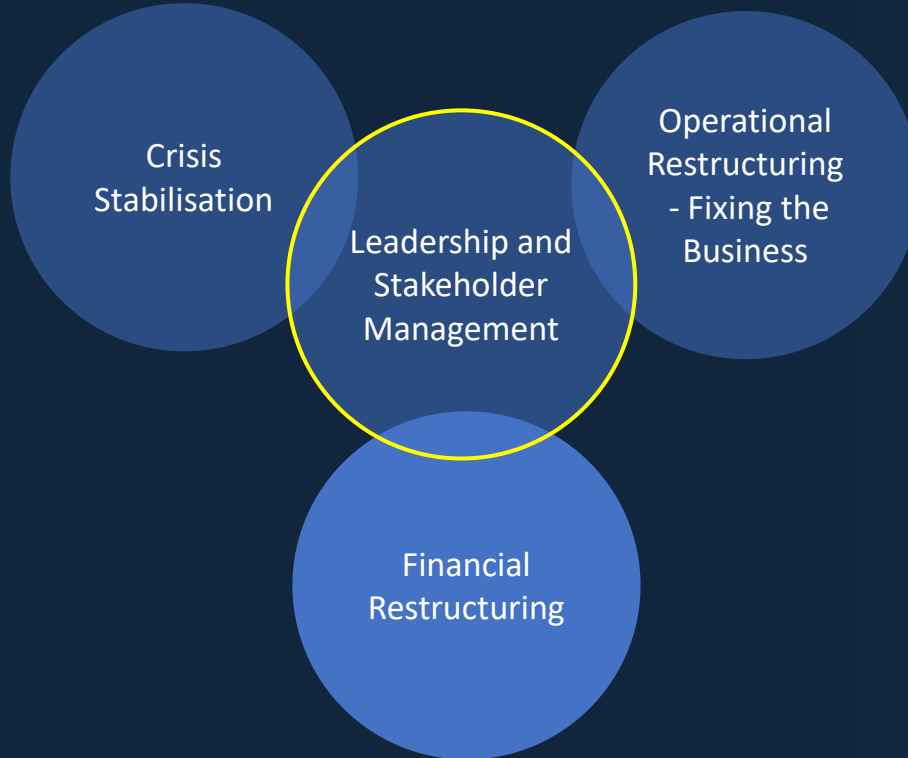
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# The Turnaround Framework

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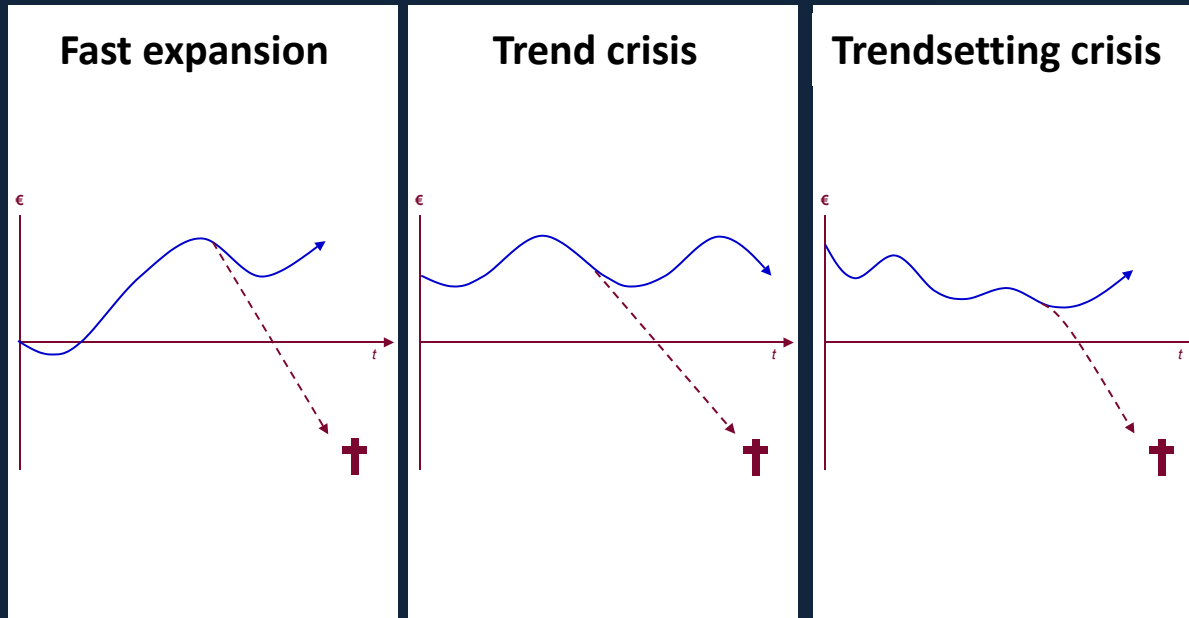


# Options when faced with distress

	Do nothing	Operational restructuring	Financial restructuring
Improve EBITDA	x	✓	x
Improve cash cover	x	✓	✓
Fix balance sheet	x	x	✓
Conserve equity value	x	✓	x
Create equity value	x	✓	x / ✓

In most cases, doing one of the above in isolation is not enough to fix root causes and position for long term growth

# Understand type of crisis





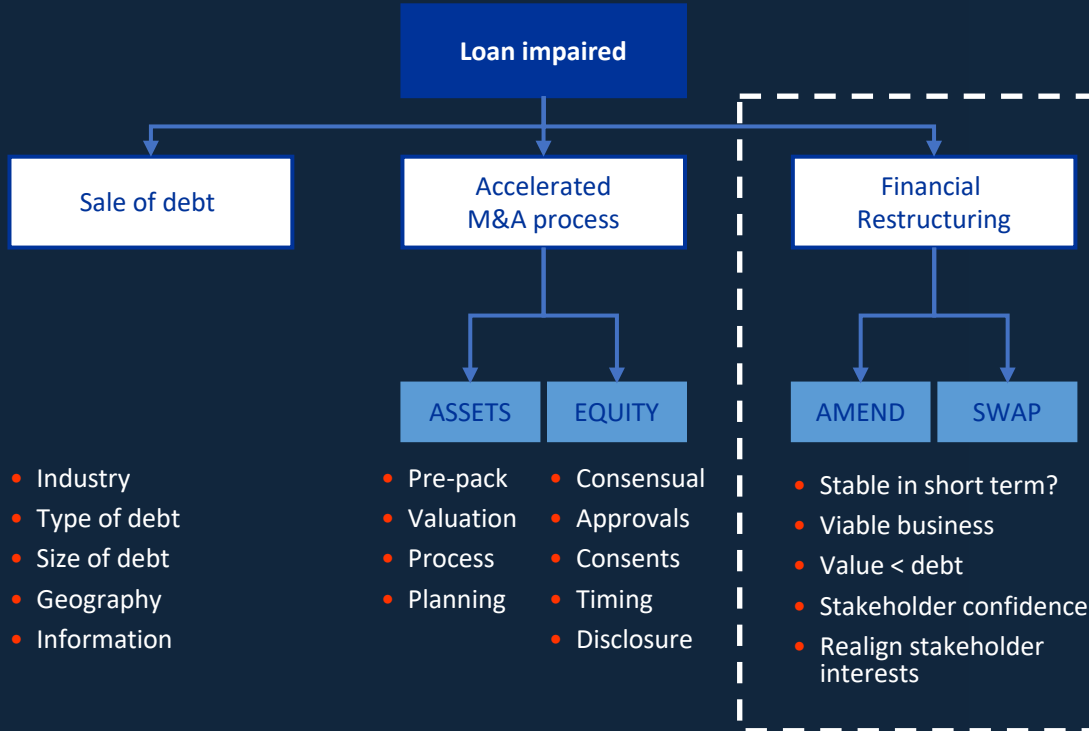
# Financial restructuring - “Cash is king”

“There are two types of companies that fail:

- Those that make losses and run out of cash
- Those that make profits and run out of cash”

**“Intervention is essential to reduce an inevitable acceleration towards failure”**

# Options available to the Lenders are limited



# Financial restructuring

- What is it?
  - A change in the capital and debt structure of the company or group
  - In a distressed situation it arises when businesses are unable to meet the demands of existing debt structure
- What does it look like?
  - Debt rescheduling
  - Debt for equity exchange
  - Debt for debt exchange
  - New funding: debt/equity





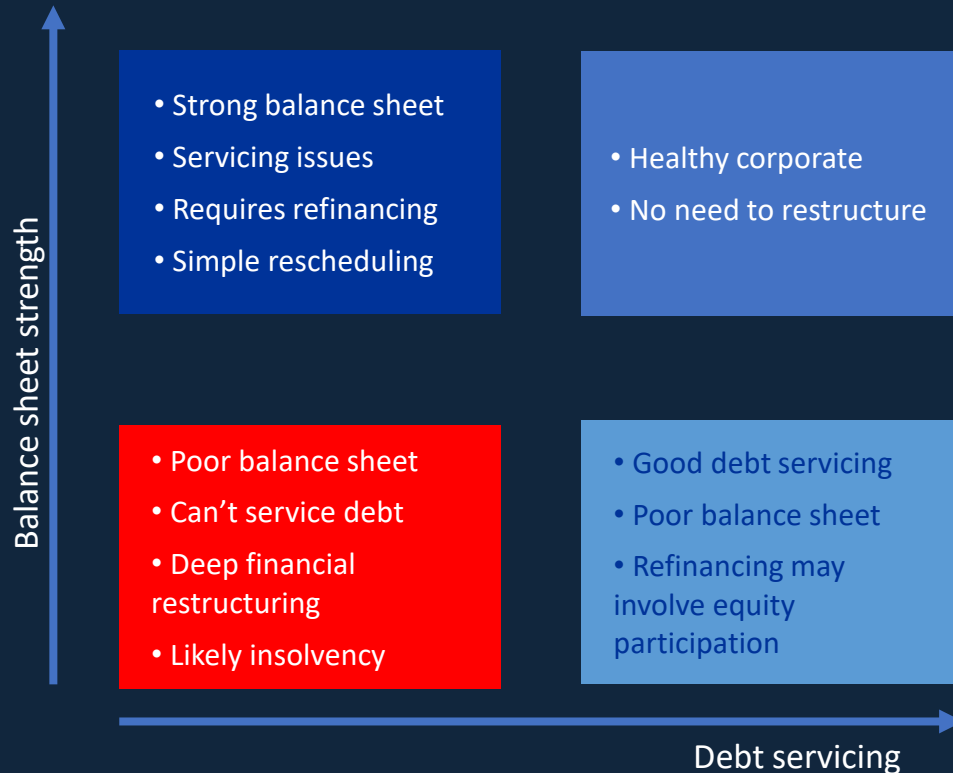
# Financial restructuring objectives

- Reduce debt to serviceable levels
- Restore balance sheet solvency
- Restore creditor confidence
- Recognise current value of the different debt and equity instruments
- Have regard for the taxman
- Recognise management motivation
- Be commercial, as simple as possible and be 'once and for all'
- Be acceptable to all shareholders





# When is financial restructuring needed?





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# Formulating a Financial Restructuring

## Data analysis (IBR)

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# A: What is the new funding requirement?

- **Starting point**
  - How much cash is needed?
  - “Extent of the problem”
  - “Cost of fixing”
  - Drives stakeholders attitudes
- **How assess requirement?**
  - Cash flow forecast
  - Need headroom
    - Seasonal requirements
    - Mid month peaks
    - Use sensitised cash flow forecast



# A: What is the new funding requirement?

- Why is it needed?
  - Normalisation of creditors
  - Fund turnaround: redundancy/investment/advisor costs
  - Fund losses
  - Pay interest!
- Fundamental that stakeholders understand and agree funding requirement
- Must be adequate
- Iterative process
  - Desired plan versus Fundable plan



# A: What is the new funding requirement?

## Calculation methodology

	Cumulative to FY18 €m	Cumulative to FY19 €m	Cumulative to FY20 €m
EBITDA	3.3	8.1	14.2
Free cash flow	1.4	5.1	10.1
Interest	(4.0)	(8.0)	(11.7)
(increase) in net debt	(2.7)	(2.9)	(1.6)
Scheduled debt repayments	(5.7)	(8.6)	(11.4)
<b>Shortfall</b>	<b>(8.3)</b>	<b>(11.5)</b>	<b>(13.0)</b>
Funded by:			
RCF drawn	1.0	1.0	1.0
Opening cash (1 January 2018)	1.4	1.4	1.4
<b>New money</b>	<b>6.0</b>	<b>9.1</b>	<b>10.6</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>11.5</b>	<b>13.0</b>



## B: What is the debt capacity ?

- How much debt can be supported
  - Adopt a sensitised view to earnings and cash generation
- Free cash flow forecast
  - $FCF = EBITDA - \text{working cap movements} - \text{capex} - \text{tax}$
- What are existing debt service requirements?
  - Cash pay interest/PIK/capital repayments
- Desired debt service?
  - Leverage/Interest cover/debt service multiples
  - What are assumed interest rates/margin/coupons on new instruments?

# Debt capacity

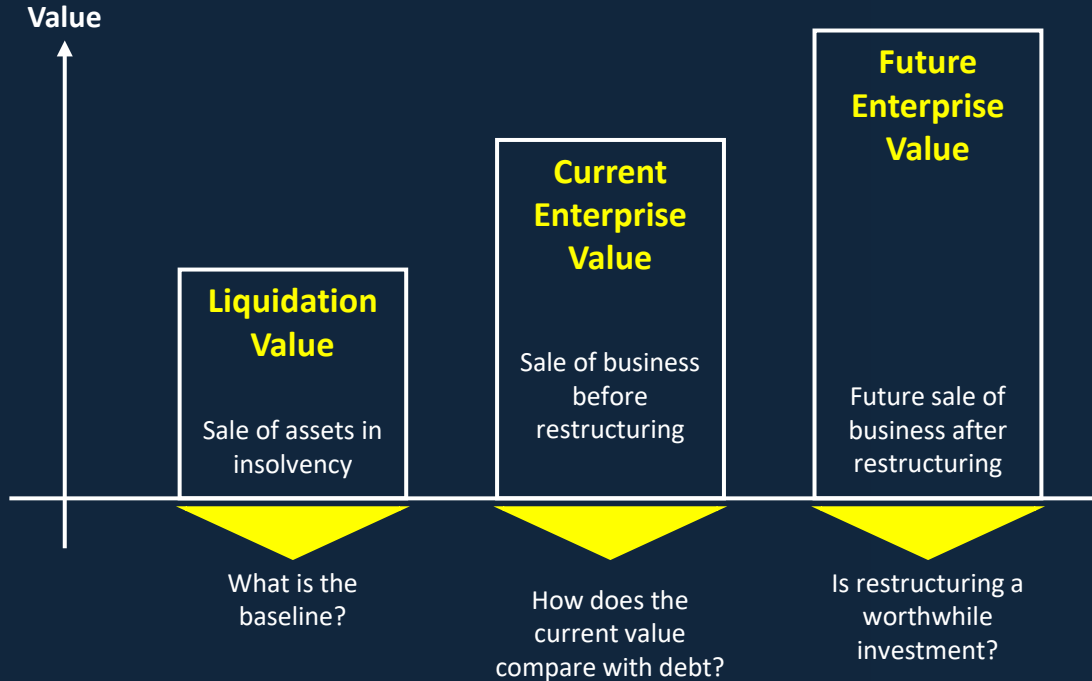
## Calculating debt capacity – example

€m	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	
EBITDA	29	30	35	
Movement in working capital	1	(2)	(3)	
Capex	(8)	(10)	(12)	
Tax	(2)	3	3	
<b>Free cash flow</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>23</b>	
Assumed blended interest rate	10%			
Straight line repayment <u>period</u> (years)	10			
	<b>Debt capacity</b>			
FCF: debt service ratio	<b>1.25</b>	80.00	84.00	92.00
(FCF / DSR) / (IR + P/100)	<b>1.50</b>	66.67	70.00	76.67
	<b>1.75</b>	57.14	60.00	65.71
	<b>Debt capacity</b>			
FCF: interest cover ratio	<b>1.50</b>	133.33	140.00	153.33
(FCF / ICR) / (IR)	<b>2.00</b>	100.00	105.00	115.00
	<b>2.50</b>	80.00	84.00	92.00



# C: What is the value of the business?

## Three valuation scenarios in a restructuring



# What do you want to value?



A simple asset



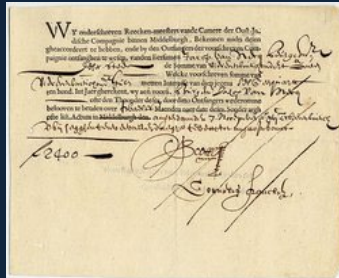
An intangible



A business



A brand name



A stock



A bond

# A similar asset may have different values



Intangible Value

Store Price



Operating Value



# Valuation Approaches

## 1. Income Approach

- Discounted Cash Flow (DCF)
- Historical/current/past period earnings capitalisation

## 2. Market Approach

- Guideline companies (public companies)
- Transaction multiples
- Other rules of thumb

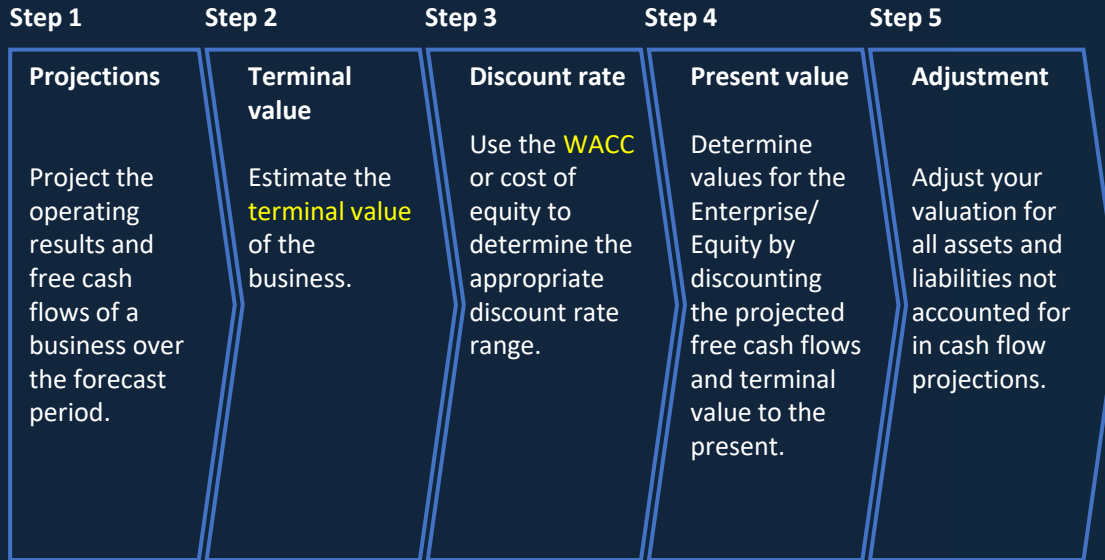
## 3. Cost Approach

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**EY applies the income approach in general as the preferred option, and this is preferably corroborated with a market approach and/or cost approach**

# Valuation - Income Approach

How does it work?



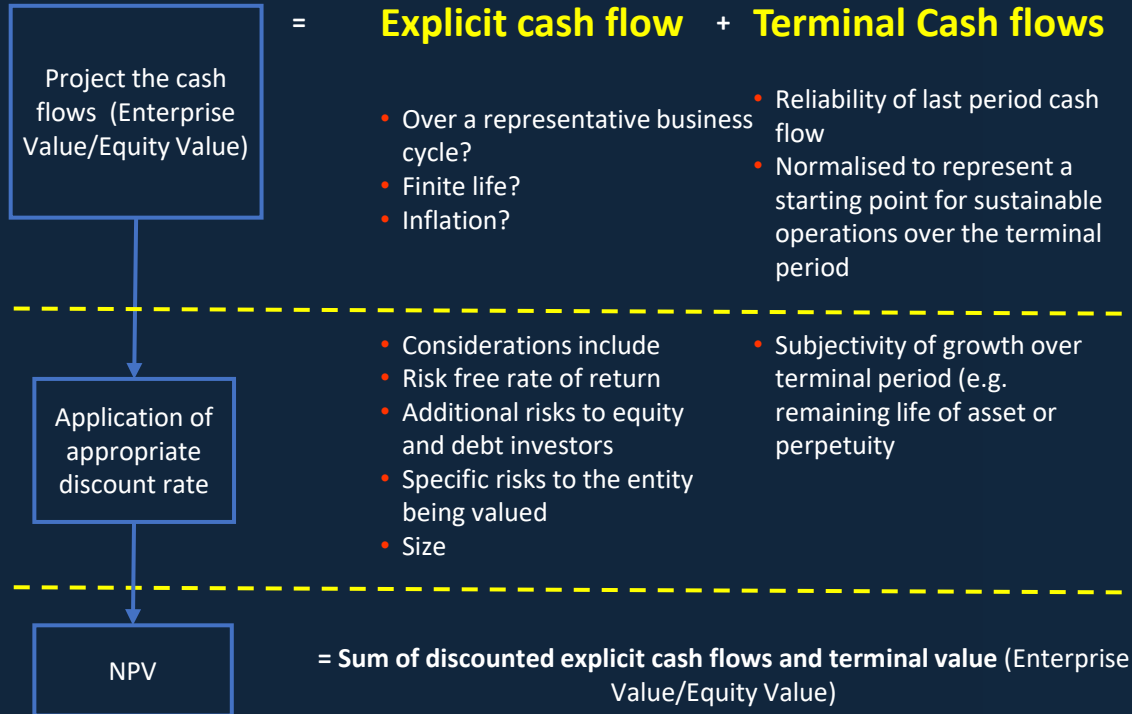


# Valuation - Income Approach

- **WACC** =  $((E/(E+D)) * Re) + ((D/(E+D)) * Rd) * (1-Tc)$
- **Terminal value** = value of projected expected cash flow beyond the explicit forecast horizon



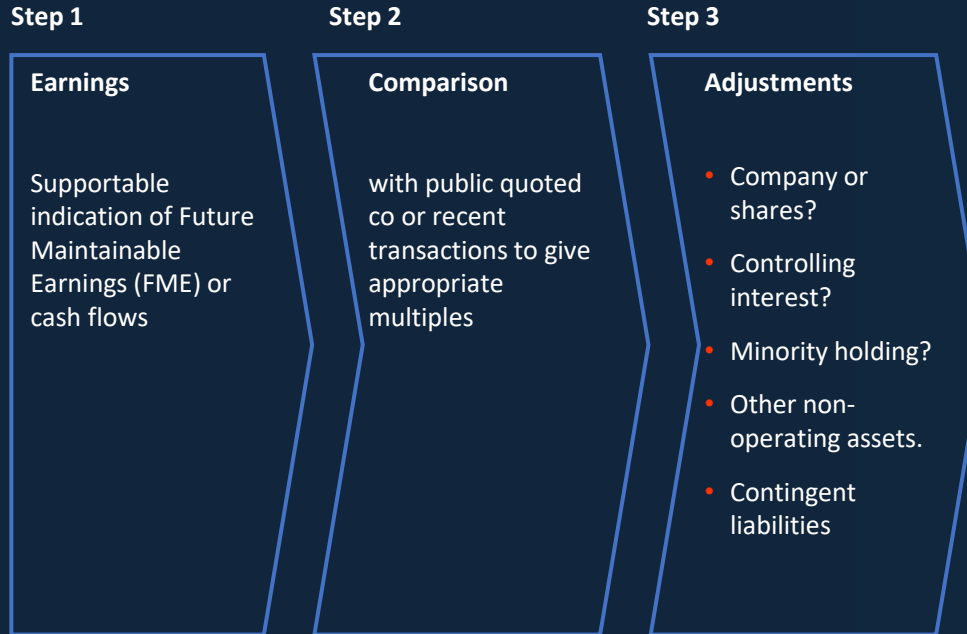
# Valuation - Income Approach





# Valuation - Market Approach

## How does it work?





# Valuation - Market Approach

Enterprise Value = Earnings before interest x Appropriate multiple

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Equity Value = Earnings after interest x Appropriate multiple

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# Valuation - Market Approach

## Considerations

- Determination of Future Maintainable Earnings is a matter of professional judgement, having regard to the following:
  - Activities and value drivers of the business
  - Position and potential of the business in comparison to listed comparable companies or transactions
  - Company track record in achieving its forecasts
  - Reasonableness of the forecasts and consistency with your understanding of the business and market
  - Is management capable of delivering the expected profits?
  - Consideration of business life cycle



# Valuation - Asset based approach

- Generally assets are worth no more than the earnings/cash flow they are capable of generating
- Asset based approach used when earnings are insufficient to justify a value more than net tangible assets
- Always a factor in valuation – provides a frame of reference for main valuations

## Going concern:

- Assumes a company will continue to trade
- Requires determination of market value of assets and liabilities
- May require elimination of intangible assets if earnings not justifiable



# Valuation - What is the position on an insolvent basis?

- What are the assets worth on an insolvency?
- Range of asset based valuations
  - Sale of business as an insolvency
  - Liquidation value
- Requires valuation/insolvency skills and experience
- Lower than enterprise value since assets are written down, liabilities crystallised and costs incurred



# Liquidation analysis

	Book value	Sale of business	Liquidation
<b>Fixed</b>			
Freehold property	30.0	21.7	10.8
<b>Floating</b>			
Land & Building (non fixed charge)	8.0	7.2	3.6
Plant & Machinery	6.5	3.0	1.5
Stocks	1.0	0.3	0.2
Trade Debtors	14.5	11.1	7.8
Sundry Debtors	3.0	1.2	0
	33.0	22.8	13.1
Preferential Creditors	–	(2.8)	(2.8)
	33.0	20.0	10.3
<b>Total estimated realisations in insolvency</b>	<b>63.0</b>	<b>41.7</b>	<b>21.1</b>

**Note: Items valued at nil – goodwill, fixed asset investments and loans to other subsidiaries**



# Where does money go on insolvency?

- Based on:
  - Legal structure
  - Legislation
  - Security position
  - Intercompany debt structure
- Must be undertaken on a legal entity basis
- In a large group structure with multi-stakeholders, this can be a very complex exercise requiring sophisticated modelling.
  - Arguably the single most powerful tool in complex restructuring



# Where does money go on insolvency?

€m	Book value	Sales of business	Liquidation
Total estimated realisation on insolvency before costs	63.0	41.7	21.1

## Example 1

Single company, single bank loan of €35m

Return to bank		35.0	100%	21.1	60%
Return to unsecured creditors		6.7	–		
		<u>41.7</u>		<u>21.1</u>	

## Example 2

Bank 1 secured loan of €20m

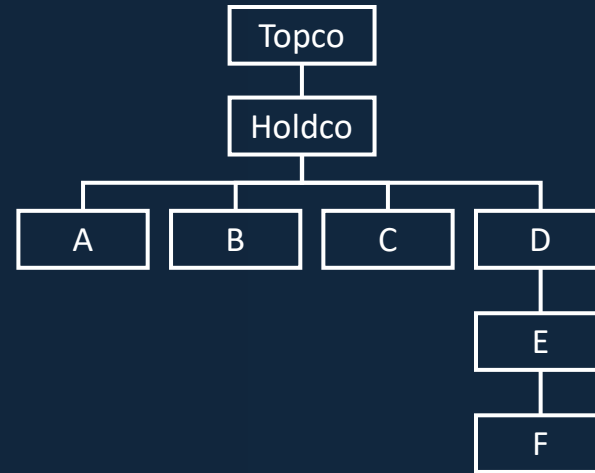
Bank 2 unsecured loan of €15m

Return to bank 1		20.0	100%	20.0	100%
Return to bank 2		15.0	100%	1.1	7%
Return to unsecured creditors		6.7	–		
		<u>41.7</u>		<u>21.1</u>	

# Where does the money go on insolvency?

## Group Example

- Topco owns €5m unsecured bonds
- Unsecured bank debt of €10m owned by Holdco
- F is the only company with assets. They have a liquidation value of €20m
- D has a minority interest of 50%
- F owes A €6m intercompany debt
- F owes €4m to suppliers
- A owes €3m to suppliers



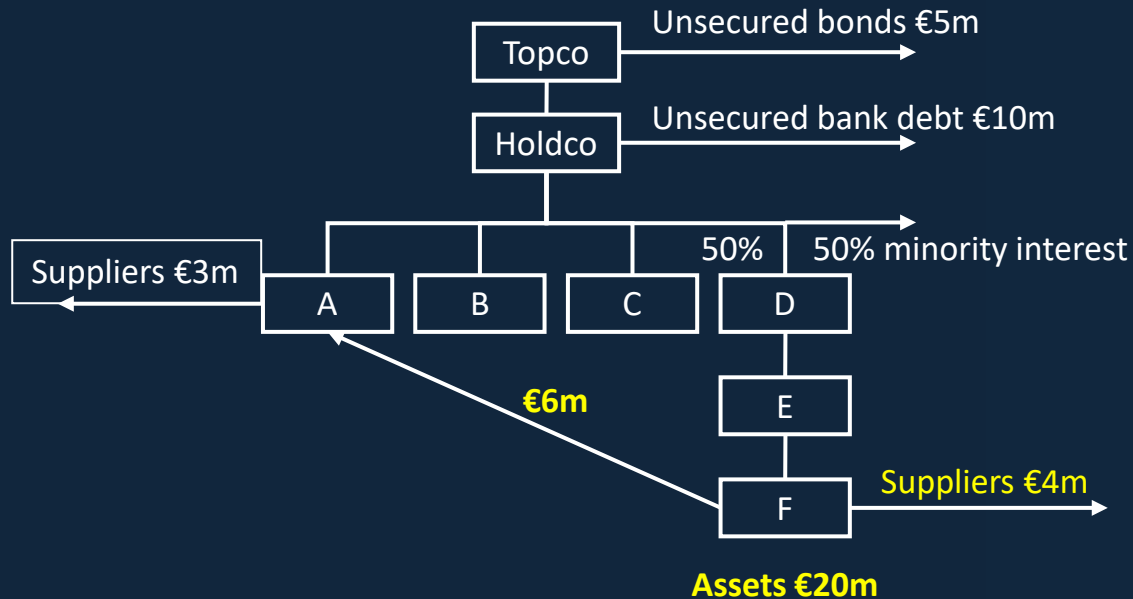
## Question: In an insolvency of the group

- How much will bond holders recover?
- How much will the bank recover?



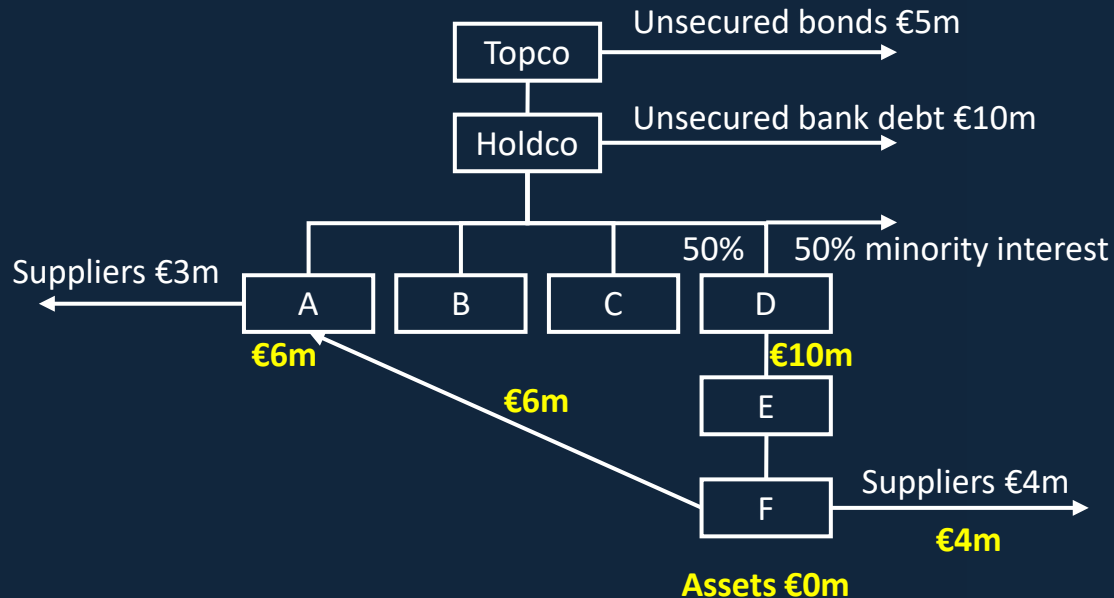
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## Solution – Step 1



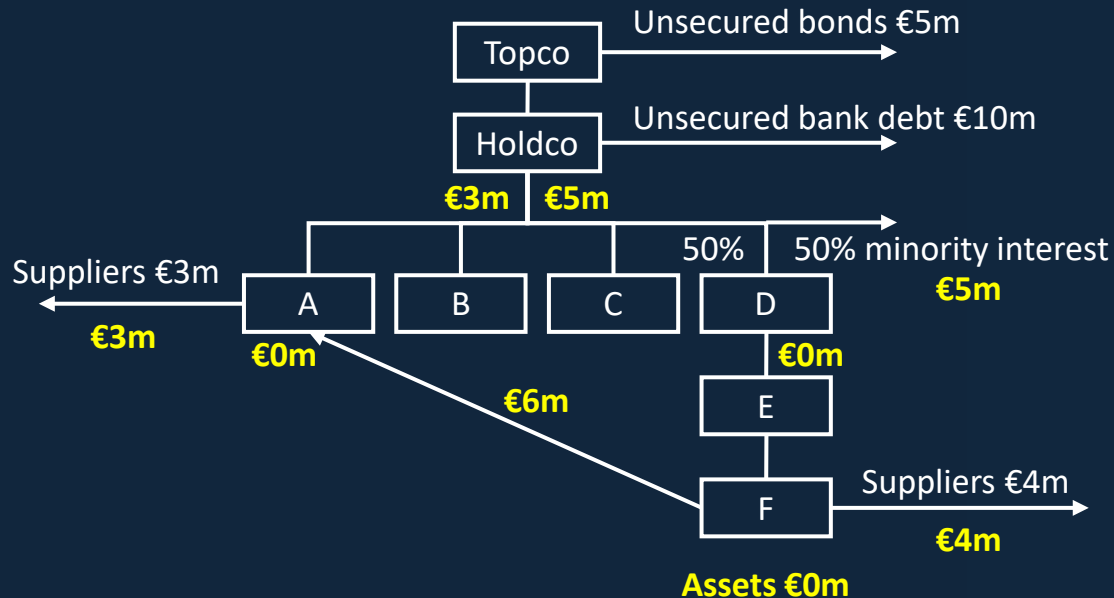
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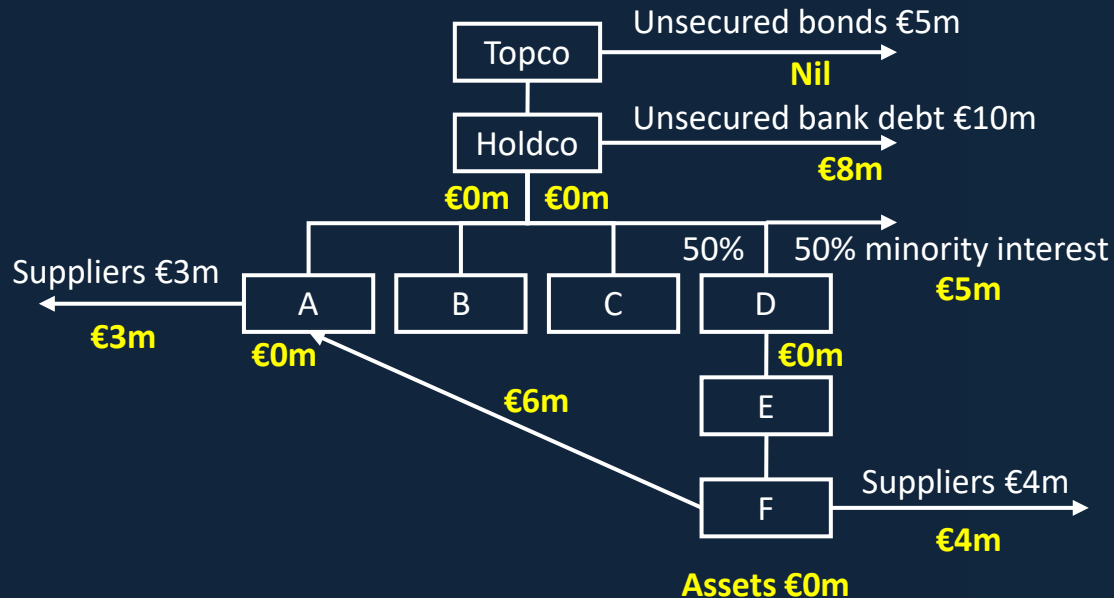
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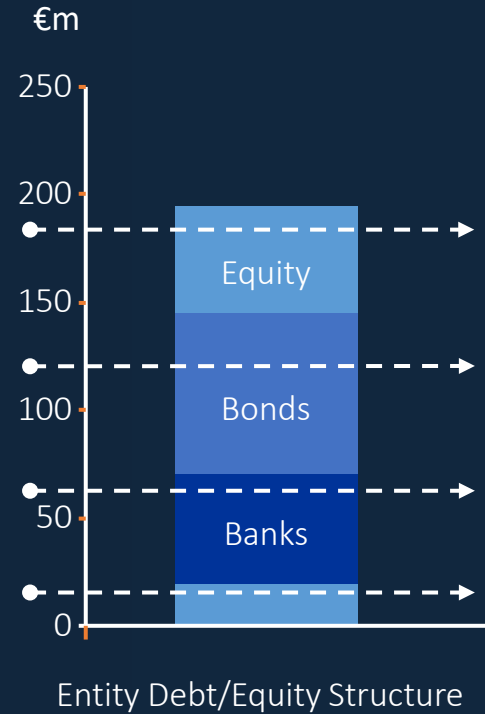
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## Solution – Step 4



# D: Where does the value break?

- Position of the value break indicates who holds negotiating power
- Requires a valuation to be agreed between the parties



# E: What's the value left for the equity?

**What's left after the debt number?**

	€m
Enterprise value	90
New Money	10
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	<b>100</b>
Total debt (debt capacity post restructuring)	(90)
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<b>Equity value</b>	<b>10</b>
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# F: Who funds new money?

- Internal/external
- Existing/new
- Cost increases in distress
- Gives provider leverage:
  - Super priority: fully secured, priority payback
  - Equity: dilution of other equity holders



# F: Who funds new money?

## Sources of funds





# G: What happens to the old debt?

- **Amount:** Banks seek to maximise debt / Conversion of unsupportable amount to equity
- **Term:** Reschedule to meet cash flow
- **Secured:** New security will be sought
- **Margin:** Increase, equity kickers, participate in asset disposals, PIK

# G: What happens to old debt

- **Other considerations may include:**
  - What other debt exists and how is it being treated – is subordinated debt also being converted or written off
  - Might some of future interest be PIKed to support higher debt
  - What are the industry norms
  - Belief in business and management
  - Negotiating starting point
  - Entity priority model – evaluates returns for stakeholders usually based on insolvency distribution assumptions. Can determine relative stakeholder positions
- Ultimately, there is no ‘right’ answer....



# H: How is the equity value allocated?

## Simple example

EV	100
Debt post restructure	(90)
Equity value	<u>10</u>

- If original debt was 120 pre-restructure (i.e., 30 written off) and single debt provider – good argument to be allocated 100% of the equity
- More complex where providers of debt are in different jurisdictions with multiple layers in capital structure
- Based on liquidation principles and the use of a liquidation based entity priority model to determine payouts in an insolvency
- Position in negotiation driven by points of leverage

# H: How is equity value allocated

## Other considerations

- Implications of shareholding %:
  - Risk of consolidation
  - Ability to pass resolutions/control
- Need to incentivise management
- Debt for equity may be accompanied by new equity from new or existing shareholders
- Reputational impact as owner



# H: How is equity value allocated

## Tax considerations

- Release of debt covered by specific statutory exemption. Formal release of debt by Bank not taxable in debtor if release is in exchange for issue of ordinary shares
  - Care is required to ensure requirements for exemption are met and taxable waiver does not arise – wording of legal documents is important
- Does this result in a change of ownership?
  - Impact on utilisation of tax losses going forward
  - Does this create/break connection with other companies in group? May have impact on group relief
  - Degrouping charges

# H: How is the equity value allocated?

- Traditional players seek to maintain the same economic result they would have had
- Banks in syndicate may not have same economic position: purchased at a discount, insurance
- Opportunity funds may be seeking more... e.g., via “loan to own”
- Usually simplifies to all “trying to get as much of the value as possible”





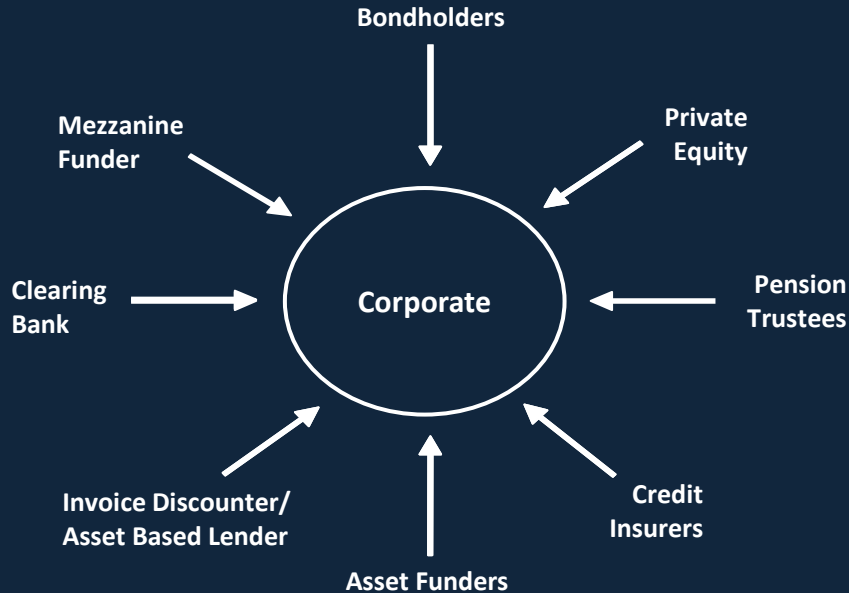
# I: Management team

- Does the current Management team have experience of a Turnaround?
- Do we have confidence that they can deliver the EBITDA forecast?
- Strength of Management team a key factor for the achievability of the restructuring plan



# J: Stakeholder management

## Understand stakeholder agendas



### Influencers

- Equity analysts
- Debt analysts
- Rating agencies
- Trade insurers

# J: Stakeholder management

- Stakeholders may have hidden agendas – may hold out
- A purely technical approach may allocate >100% of the equity
- Need shareholder consent to the plan
- Need to maintain plc status
- May have additional equity provided
- Management may need an incentive to see the plan through

**...reaching a solution may require protracted and delicate negotiations...**

# Financial Restructuring summary

## Analyse current position

- a. Understand funding requirement
- b. Calculate debt capacity of business
- c. Calculate the value of the business
- d. Understand where the value breaks
- e. Future equity value

## Negotiating a solution

- f. Identify source for new funding
- g. Negotiate on old debt
- h. Allocate equity value
- i. Review Management team
- j. Stakeholder management

