

# Knowledge Management Diverse on Innovation and Challenges on posed by Covid-19

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**Abstract:** Knowledge could be transferred within organization as in and out. Specially in modern businesses must rapidly and efficiently react to market demands when operating in a chaotic environment. Companies can confront the complexity and uncertainty of economic realities by leveraging new knowledge and technologies always give advantages. The conveyance of information required for knowledge production that is aided by trust and result may be a crucial feature in its development which also increasing the company's chances of gaining a market edge. The study of this research hope to get the close a gap in the literature by presenting the results of empirical research on the role of organisational trust in the creation of knowledge that also find the challenges as faced by covid-19. Because of the disruption created by Covid-19, where remote working and remote-digital meetings have grown more common. Some case handle by face-to-face interaction and conversation, remote communication brings the certain of limitations although managerial skills and application procedure help with new organizational contexts. The goal of this study is to give theoretical ideas and insights for further research, as well as practical consequences for negotiators and professionals in general going through by analysing and debating within academic literature. Based on the outcome analysis, the entire research is described as in this paper where people's motivation, consequences and beliefs coincidentally perform in well manner.

**Key Words:** Covid-19, Knowledge management, Organizations Learning, Innovation.

## 1. INTRODUCTION:

In recent years, companies can confront the complexity and uncertainty of economic realities by leveraging new knowledge and technologies. In this case, trust, which is viewed in terms of favourable expectations toward the other party and provides a sense of security in the face of market volatility, fosters the activities that favour their establishment. When all employees share the same values, missions, and goals just for development. The receptivity to new partners grows as a result of trust, which supports the collaboration required to generate new knowledge and innovativeness among employees. Integrative negotiations are built on the foundation of trust, which fosters openness, willingness to work, and the freedom to be creative. Trust presents itself in a variety of ways, affecting the overall negotiation process in terms of time, intensity, procedure, and outcomes. Many research back up the link between trust and innovative thinking, but it's most common when it comes to the link between innovative thinking and vertical and institutional trust [1]. It's difficult to find research that considers horizontal trust as well. This research also focuses and fill this knowledge gap. In order to achieve goal and overcome the gap few things need to consider which extended on organizational trust that make knowledge creation. In the creation of knowledge, organisational trust is critical. Because it builds the commitment and trust that are essential in acquiring and disseminating information, trust has an impact on the effective acquisition and dissemination of knowledge in companies [2]. This facilitates the flow of information required to develop knowledge, as well as the systems that enable it to be shared. During the COVID-19 epidemic, workers' experiences working from home (WFH), particularly their well-being and performance, have received a lot of attention. However, little consideration has been devoted with trust where managers react to WFH and how this may affect their ability to communication perform in their remote job as distance managers. This research investigates how knowledge workers' conduct and dealt with distance employees during COVID-19.

## 2. LITERATURE REVIEW:

Knowledge in an organisation can be viewed as a source of new solution ideas that combined with the skills of its users, can result in the production of innovativeness. Employees' innovativeness is aided by the dimensions of organisational trust, which encourage them to seek out new solutions. The impact of horizontal trust on the emergence of innovativeness is a subject that has received little attention. Only a few research has found a link between horizontal trust and innovation. Research study found from Clegg et al. (2002), when people trust their colleagues, they are more likely to innovate throughout developing ideas to implement on specific task. On other case, the outbreak of Covid-19, social contact has had to adjust in order to recover from the pandemic's socioeconomic repercussions. During this time,

virtual meetings have become a popular method of communication and collaboration. So, it could be found that trust between colleagues via virtual interaction more effective on this case. In a negotiation, this is becoming increasingly important just because of take advantage of virtual meetings and create trust in trade negotiations, it is necessary to identify the problems and methods for better communication, as well as to address any future interaction gaps that the current global setting may provide.

The Covid-19 presented us with new difficulties to confront, in the sense that every difficulty presents a potential to improve. In particular, how to effectively use technology to carry out TM distant processes that were previously carried out face to face, such as negotiations especially integrative negotiations because, international trade talks are complicated and have traditionally been established in a face-to-face setting. Remote working and remote-digital meetings were, for a time, the sole means of interactive collaborative working because to Covid-19, and they have remained popular throughout time. When compared to face-to-face interaction and conversation, remote communication is certain to have limitations. The importance of trust is highlighted in the technologically mediated (TM) distant setting, when engagement and cooperation are limited compared to face-to-face interactions.

Within this field, trust is a prerequisite for productive interrelationships and collaborative work, and it is widely recognised as a valuable intangible resource and asset for enabling organisations and individuals to achieve strategic objectives [3]. Integrative negotiations need trust, which is built via interpersonal encounters [4][5][6]. People require tools, reasons, and a supportive environment for the exchange of information and knowledge sharing and thus, trust appears in several ways, impacting the length, intensity, and outcomes of the whole negotiating process. The epidemic drove us to grow into a world of virtual contact fast and unpredictably [22]. People had to adjust to continue working, learning, and talking with others while coping with social distance to stop the virus from spreading. They were advised to employ new technology that, at the time of the pandemic's onset, were not fully integrated into everyday routines, nor were they even accessible or practical. Intangible assets that rely on presence interactions, such as trust, were jeopardised during the transition to a virtual world.

### 3. THEORETICAL FOUNDATION:

A well-crafted strategy is required to progress and produce positive results, and it will be deployed and implemented later during the negotiating process, which has traditionally depended on face-to-face encounters which bring the theoretical aspect as also point out in this research as below.

- **Trade negotiations**

International trade talks between governments are complicated and lengthy procedures involving a variety of players and parties, the major actors being trade ministries or departments within national governments [7]. To establish an agreement, negotiating teams must prepare, plan, and analyse their own and counterparts' requirements, interests, and goals for at least a year [6]. Each negotiation team creates a trade negotiation framework in response to a broad strategy that will result in a certain style of negotiation.

- **Building in trust**

In negotiations, people's willingness to give information and expertise is significantly influenced by their level of trust. Knowledge exchange is facilitated by a trustworthy environment and effective leadership [4]. This is becoming increasingly important in a negotiating process, as the parties may encounter unfavourable events and sequences that are damaging and potentially breach a trusting environment.

Integrative negotiations establish and build trust as a multi-level dynamic, inter-personal, and inter-organizational process based on interactions among individuals, groups, and organisations [6]. Trust is an intra and inter-organizational problem while managing numerous negotiating relationships, since it is a critical component of the organisational social system [21]. As connection and cooperation become increasingly constrained, virtual meetings and the TM distant surroundings underline the need of developing trust and trusting. Nonetheless, their goal is to foster transparency so that efficient information exchange and knowledge sharing may take place, which is essential for successful and effective discussions. In this environment, digital relationships require even more trust than traditional face-to-face interactions.

- **Partnership Meeting**

Meetings serve as a portal to dynamic intra- and inter-organizational social dynamics. People communicate information and expertise during meeting encounters in order to establish common ground on which to manage relationships [8]. Meetings serve a variety of purposes, which may be categorised into five categories: sense making tools, collaborative technologies, stresses, rituals, and interventions (Scott et al., 2015). The decision to have a meeting with virtual presence has traditionally been suggested to be consistent with the meeting's purpose and aims [6][7][9].

Other concerns such as attitudes toward technology, behaviour in hybrid meetings and cultural implications should be examined after the choice to have a virtual or hybrid meeting has been taken [8]. With the outbreak of the Covid-19, however, there was no choice but to have virtual meetings. As a result, while virtual meetings could be held in general, their efficacy was impaired, depending on their goals and objectives.

There is even less research on the influence of culture on virtual teams than there is on face-to-face interactions [8]. Nonetheless, variations in the individualism or collectivism dimension [11] which have a significant influence on communication between cultures [12]. Individual objectives are valued more than communal goals in cultures with a high level of individuality. As a result, moving to virtual cooperation is likely to be easier for them.

#### 4. CHALLENGES OF KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT:

It might be difficult to quantify the benefits of knowledge management. Many businesses fail to see the benefits of the huge volumes of publicly available data and documented experiences. Knowledge management efforts are pushed to the back of a lengthy list of projects as corporate priorities and resources move to initiatives with quantifiable near and long-term benefits to the business.

However, as businesses begin to experience the effects of poor knowledge management, we are seeing tools to assist with quantitative analysis emerge [13]. Organizations should, at the absolute least, determine what knowledge is important to them and develop a value proposition for knowledge management. In order to develop a knowledge management business case and/or value proposition, a company must examine the following steps for further assists.

- Existing knowledge management capabilities should be audited, which involves identifying current knowledge sources, important contributors, and knowledge uses within the company. Stakeholders should be questioned to better understand what knowledge is required and to assist in identifying knowledge gaps and how they affect the organization's capabilities. An assessment of present assets will provide a starting point for calculating the expenses of future capabilities.
- In order to better grasp the true immediacy of a knowledge management project, assess the organization's externalities and internal capabilities. The value of a company's investment now vs later can be assessed in terms of potential benefits or expenses. Any estimations and projections will benefit from the consideration of the time value of money [14].
- Align knowledge management efforts with the organization's main strategic goals and establish their strategic role in attaining the corporate vision – for example, increasing existing market share, developing a new product or line of business, or improving productivity and efficiency. This will also help discover important commercial advantages that may be quantified later.
- It's crucial to accommodate the appropriate level of security for knowledge management. Most users should be denied access to sensitive material, but those with the necessary credentials should have simple access [15].
- Overwhelming Shared Leadership As a knowledge leader, the individual in question is responsible for collaborating with coworkers and persuading them to share their knowledge base for the organization's benefit.
- Getting People Motivated Technology cannot overcome organizational culture challenges or develop a culture that values learning, sharing, changing, and improving.
- Measuring Knowledge is difficult to quantify, and it is considerably more complicated since it is copied from human interactions and experience. Rather of focusing on outcomes or efforts, the focus should be on dispersed purpose.
- Keeping up with technology is a major problem. Regulating how information should be distributed, as well as transmitting it swiftly and efficiently, is a huge issue. Constantly changing structures necessitate learning how to be smart, quick, agile, and responsive, all of which are attributes that a KM tool must possess.

Some issues for knowledge workers are determining what they can offer to the organization's quest for knowledge. Many knowledge employees are unable to cooperate and contribute successfully to their organization's strategic goals and mission. Knowledge management systems give tools for using organisational content and collaborating, but many lack the tools that a knowledge worker needs to realise what they can contribute to their company [16]. Most businesses face a difficult job in communicating the goals that drive innovation to all employees. Even though the goals are communicated to each individual, they frequently lack the ability to innovate. The shift to the cloud and digital transformation. COVID-19 has accelerated the shift to cloud-based software and technology. Prior to COVID-19, some people thought of the cloud as an immediate investment, while others thought of it as a nice-to-have or something that could be done later [17]. When it comes to digital transformation and the cloud, COVID-19 has altered the current and future environment.

The efficacy with which controlled knowledge helps employees of the company to cope with today's circumstances and successfully foresee and build their future appears to be closely related to the value of knowledge management. Employees will inevitably rely on outdated or inaccurate information and knowledge which no defined processes are in place, will waste time recreating information that already exists, and will expend too much energy searching for the relevant needed information if no defined processes are in place. Capturing, reviewing, storing, and organising knowledge and content necessitates a well-defined process architecture [18]. Knowledge supplied should be evaluated and rated on a regular basis based on its use and value to the company. Where a knowledge management system that is not filtered for quality and up-to-date content may likely to fail.

## 5. FINDINGS STUDY AS ANALYTICAL RESULT :

Implementing knowledge management strategies to solve these issues might require a major time and resource commitment. Consider that the rate of process adoption is strongly tied to the value and usability of any given process when building and implementing a new process architecture. Many obsolete and ineffective knowledge management systems that exist today within a company are informal and unrecorded, often avoiding a corporate-mandated process. The informal behaviour of information exchange and sharing will not be addressed by replacing old unused corporate processes with new ones. As a result, rather than a more prescriptive set of mandates and rules, the corporation's goal is to construct a high-level process architecture that provides recommendations and a set of controls [19].

While today's knowledge management systems have advanced tremendously, finding and adopting the correct solution bring to analysed problem. Only use in the proper technology, people able face a slew of issues, including difficult information access, erratic search relevancy, and a failure to employ features and capabilities that meet company needs. Organizations encounter problems while integrating new technologies as a result of a fragmented infrastructure [20]. Email, shared network files, online application platforms, and cloud apps and databases are all good sources of information and material.

At the least, it could be said that any organization should devote some effort to drafting a request for information from technology suppliers, allowing the needs and capabilities to be assessed objectively and qualitatively.

## 6. DISCUSSION AND CONCLUSION:

In the global economy, effectively managing organisational knowledge is a need for achieving competitive advantages. Knowledge management presents significant obstacles to global business operations. It is discovered that the strategic knowledge gap is massive, and that the only way to deal with it is to develop emergent knowledge strategies. So, current epidemic has heightened the need to strengthen knowledge banks yet growing usage of digital channels has resulted in more and more diverse forms of material. Whereas new content governance choices have been required as a result of various elements like use of chat and video. Due to the various content categories are such rich sources of information, the problem is figuring out how to make them searchable which correctly maintained metadata through a single platform as a result knowledge workers may quickly locate as necessary. As seen this study has implications for academics as well as practitioners in business and knowledge management where demonstrates how the COVID19 crisis challenges the deliberate knowledge strategy paradigm and opens a discussion about the need to integrate emergent knowledge strategies into complex and creative strategies based on a dual perception of time, a probabilistic thinking model for exploring possible futures, and new transformative business models.

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