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Sonae

A globally Growing Business Conglomerate

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Challenge	Manage a global & multi-domestic expansion strate with profitability & market risk balance	
Recommendation	Use a capital-light spear-head strategy to expand globally with a parallel strategy & brand implementation to leverage on House of Brands	

Todays Agenda

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Sonae operatres on many business division

Business Divisions

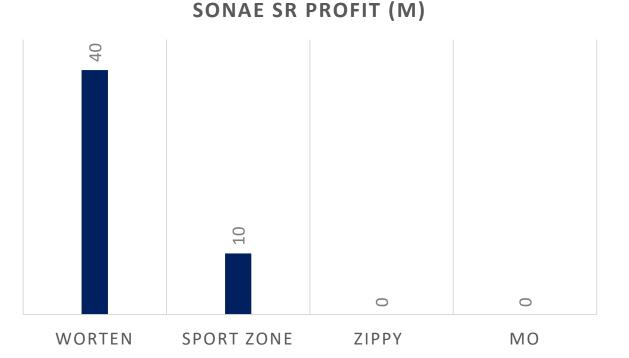
- Sonae MC Food Retail
- Sonae SR Specialized Retail
 - Growing & need expansion globally
 - Provide significant revenue
 - Profitability down in Spain
- Sonae RP Retail properties
- Sonae IM Investment Management
- Sonae Sierra Shopping malls
- Sonae NOS Telecommunications

Sonae SR is an important division for the company to increase revenues & secure profitability

Sonae Specialised Retail stands for 24% of Sonae Group total Turnover but has EBITDA issues

Sonae Specialised Retail

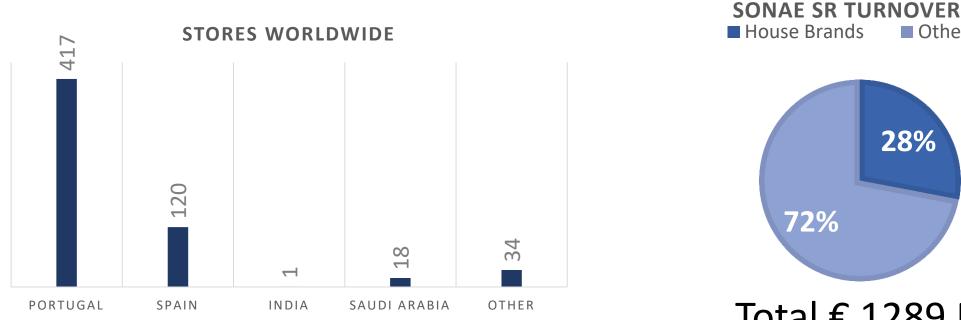
- Worten, Zippy & MO faces profitability issues in Spain
- Sport Zone has 50% own brands and profitable in Spain



Worten is the biggest but not capital light and other SR branches not profitable

Analysis Alternatives Recommendation Implementation Financial Risks

Sonae SR is global & the House Brands have the opportunity of higher margins



Total € 1289 M

Other

28%

Struggles for profitability & was hit by the financial crisis while expansion is expensive

Alternatives Recommendation Analysis Implementation Financial Risks

External Business Analysis

Political	Increased trade & competition due to free-trade agreement between EU & Canada
Economical	Economic downturn affected Europe greatly, but Portugal & Spain in partucilar Very high unemployment numbers in both Spain & Portgual $ ightarrow$ Recovery will take time
Social	Mall-culture is spreading worldwide. Aging population, older generation is growing customer segment with high purchasing power
Technological	Increased usage of smart devices & phones. E-commerce is quickly growing & cannibalising on physical retail sales
Environmental	Increased focus on sustainability in supply chain

Sonae needs market diversification to balance local market risks

Spain & Portugal need to recover from the economical recession which will take time.

 \rightarrow Risk for Sonae to only focus on these two markets

Western markets

- Low growth
- Stable economies
- = Low growth but secure revenue streams

Emerging Markets

- High growth
- Less stable economies
- = High growth but high risks

Expand to new markets to diversify local risks & balance both western and emerging markets

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Market capital lightness strategies for entering new markets

- Piggybacking Others retailing Sonae brands
- Franchising
- Others leasing Sonae store concepts
- Best

Best for High Risk market entry

- Low investment
- But.. Low control

- Joint venture Partnering
- Own subsidiary Organic growth

Best for Low Risk market entry

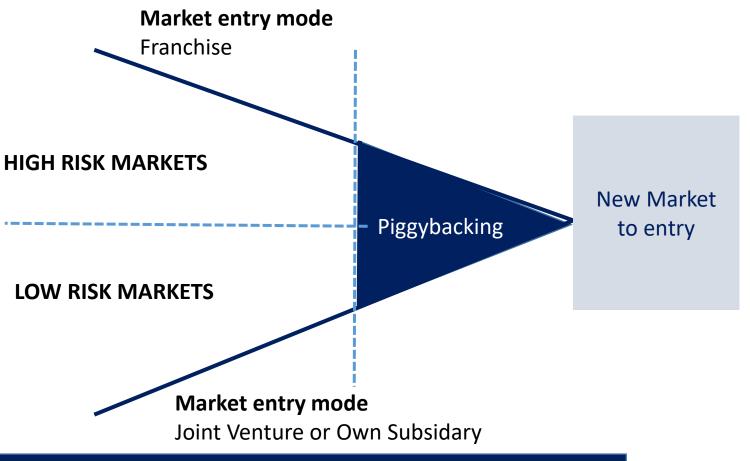
- High investment
- High control

Leverage on a SpearHead Capital-light strategy for penetrating global markets

Market Entry Phases

1. Piggybacking (Phase 1) - Allow existing retailer to sell Sonae Brands in markets where the company wish to expand for initial penetration making consumers aware & used to the products.

2. Choose between franchise & JV or
Subsidiary depending on market risk
(Phase 2) – Establish own retailers in will
eliminate middle man and increase margins
on retailing own brands



SpearHead market entry to new markets will allow Sonae to grow globally with profitability & balanced risks

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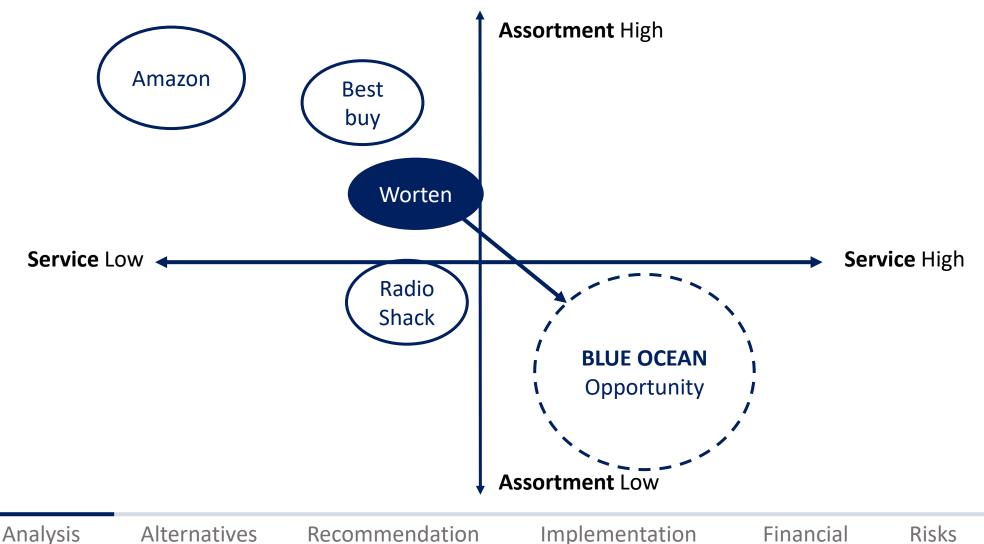
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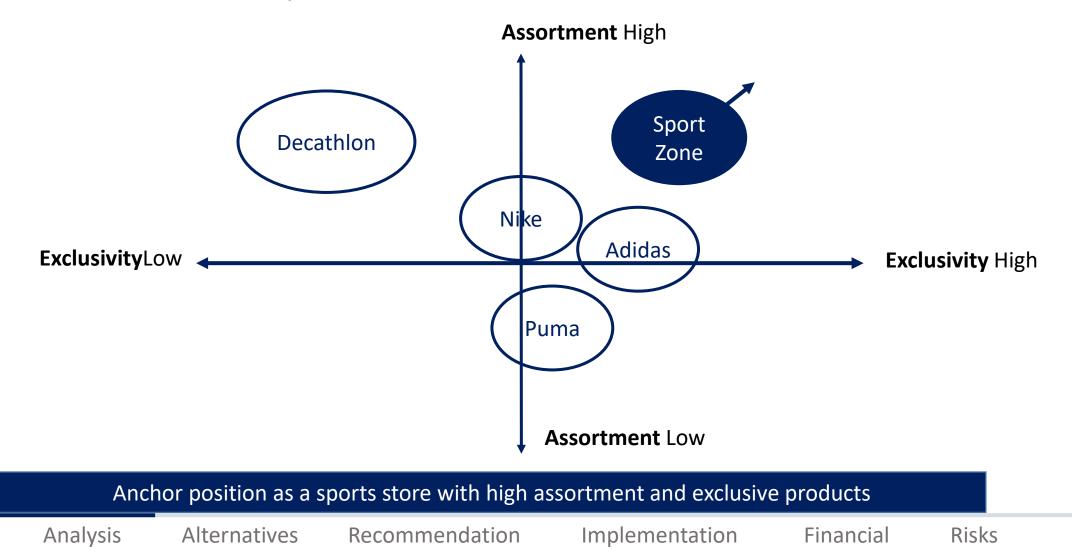
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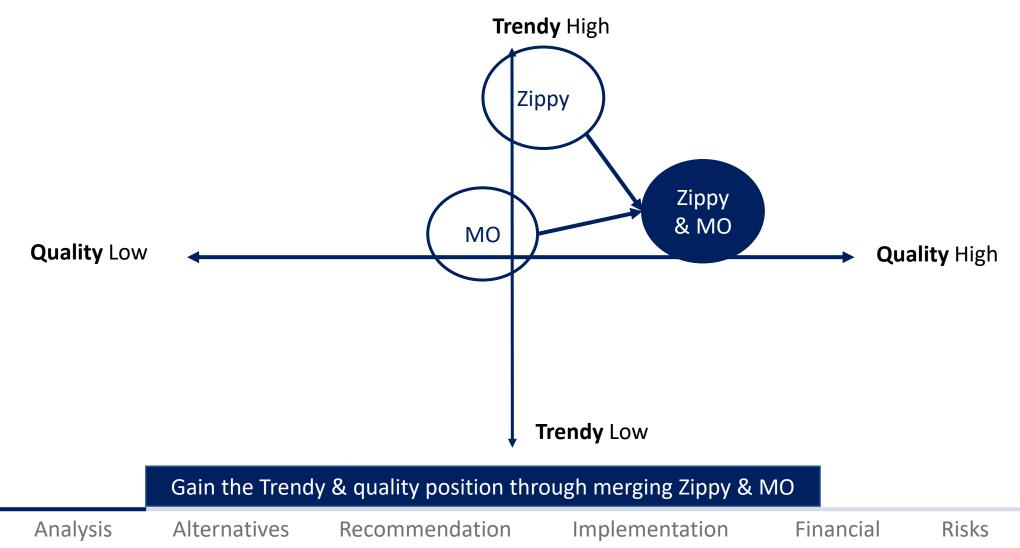
Opportunity for positioning Worten as a high service with focused assortment



Sportzone needs to create a bigger distinction in its market position



Merging Zippy & MO will combine their strengths into synergy



Key success factors for managing a expansion strategy for Sonae



Current alternatives available



The decision matrix clearly indicates alternative three

	Organizational Structure	Profitability	Capital-light Strategy
Divest Zippy & MO to focus on profitable retail segments	Alarming	Excellent	Alarming
2 Expand to new markets in order to balance market risks	Excellent	Alarming	Sub-optimal
Use a capital-light spear-head strategy to expand globally with a parallel strategy & brand implementation to leverage on House of Brands	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent

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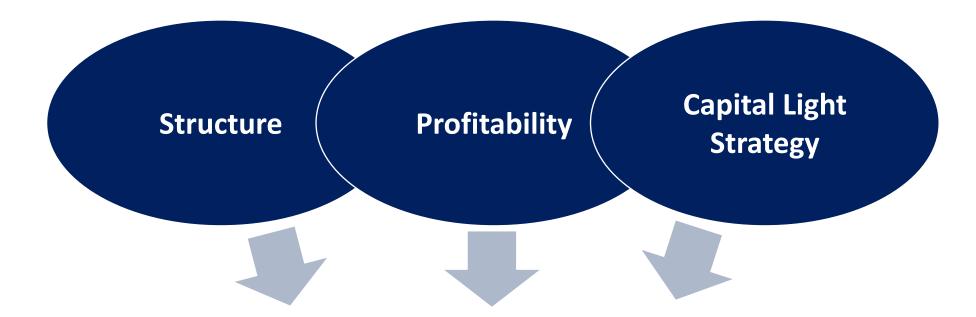
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Global Flexibility

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Global Expansion Strategy

- 1. Capital Light Spearhead Strategy for Global Expansion
- 2. Merge Zippy & MO

1. Worten - #1 in tech knowledge & components

- Focus on house brand and components
- Marketing in store
- Increase focus on service
 - \odot Home installation
 - \odot Book a meeting in store
 - \odot Extensive website with chat
 - \odot Call Center for phone support

Grab the existing gap and become most service focused tech retailer

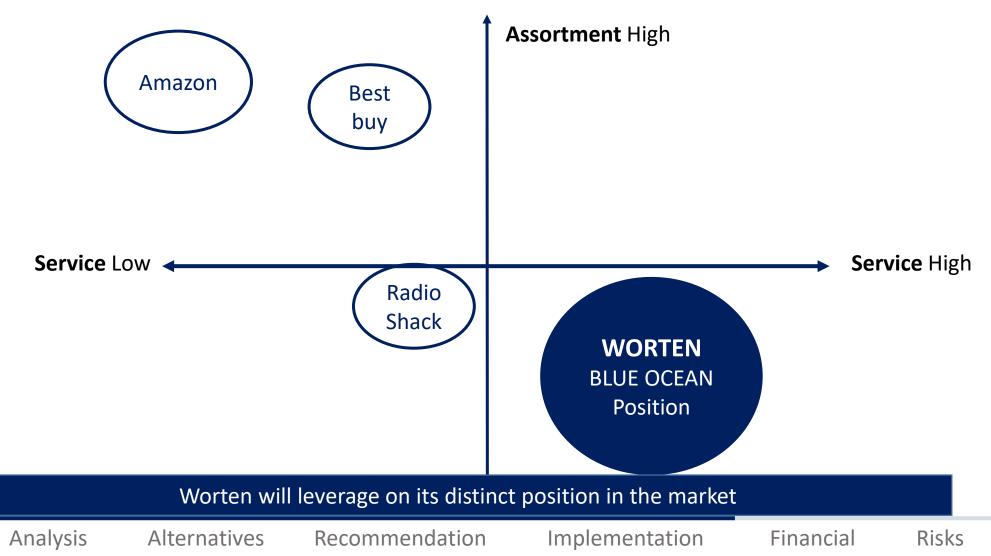
Worten's new strategy will require some costs that will be covered by efficiency

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- More staff & more service
- Lower warehousing costs due to smaller & carefully selected items
- Higher margins on own produced brands

Lower working capital & in house brands enables light capital expansions globally

Establishing Worten as the number one accessory & add-on Consumer Eletronics Retail Chain

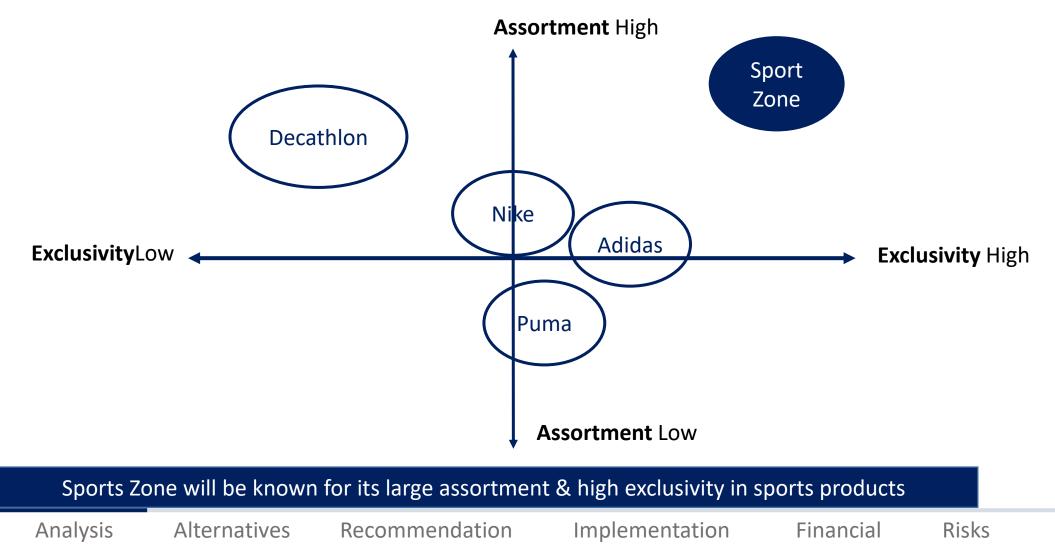


1. Sport Zone – selected assortments based on countries

- Increase exclusivity to affirm market position
- Supply chain with Zippy & MO to increase agility in trends
- Leverage the own exclusivity and assortment

Cut costs with supply chain to increase margins

Distance Sport Zone from other sports retailers by making the position more distinct



1. Spearhead Strategy

- Offer opportunity to sell Worten and Sport Zone products to local retailers
- Strategy: Make customers aware of products before entering with franchise
- Enter 5 new markets
 - 3 western
 - 2 emerging

Let others sell your products while you establish contracts

1. Management transformation

- Internal capabilities in management
- Hire local management to use cultural knowledge
- Convert Worten into franchise structure
 - Capital Light
 - Leverage on local needs
 - Keep strategy for the existing stores

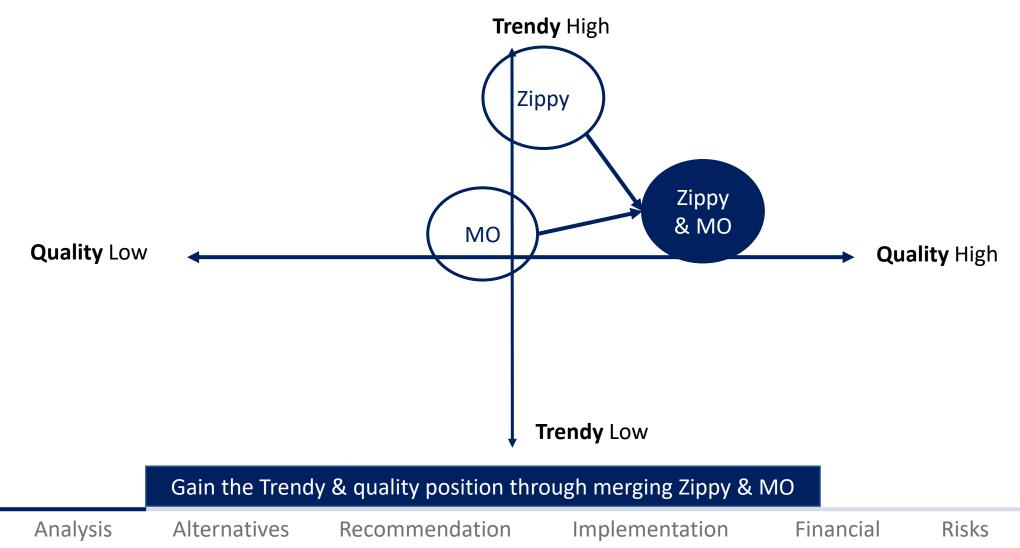
Use local management knowledge to reach international markets

2. Zippy & MO will be merged in order to reach profitability goals

- Share store locations \rightarrow from 233 stores to 200 stores with good locations
- Integrated supply chain for both Zippy, MO & Sport Zone for quick launches
- Move to quality and trendy segment
- Marketing and clear divisions on segments in-store to create exclusivity

A one-stop-shop will attract many customer segments and also lower costs

Merging Zippy & MO will combine their strengths into synergy



Zippy & Mo merger in combination with an integrated supply chain will create agility

Integrate the Supply chain

- Establish new production to have full control

- Find & negotiate with manufacturers

Product Synergies

 Fewer stores & selected brands for cost efficient production & logistics

Better selection

Agility in fashion trends

- Become differentiated & attract customers
- Better selection

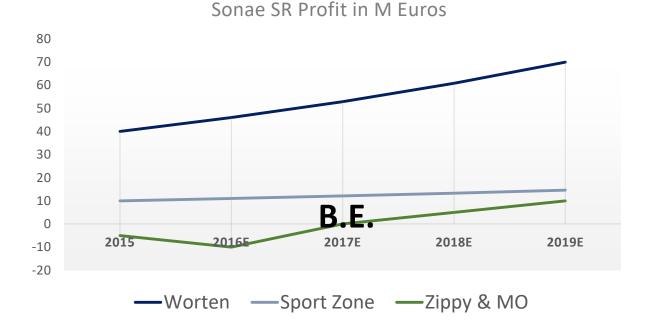
Investment of €10 M

Merger DH cost & stores down - profitable in 12 months

The merger of brands will enable Sonae SR to reach profitability in Spain & Portugal

Sonae SR's profitability will grow after the parallel strategies is implemented

- Zippy & MO merger will generate profit from approx. 2017 →
- Worten will grow with 15% annually from new markets & franchise
- Sport Zone will grow with 10 % annually from new markets



New structure will fulfill the goal of a Spanish breakeven in 2017

With the extensive strategy there will be risks

<u>Risk</u>

- Other retailers will not be interested in collaborations & piggybacking strategy
- 2. Difficulties in establishing integrated supply chain
- 3. Facing competition in new segments

Mitigation

- Piggybacking is a complementary strategy for easy penetration, but franchise & own subsidiaries can still be implemented
- 2. Have current relationships to either develop further or negotiate with new contractors, will take time
- 3. Sonae SR will now have more distinct positions in the market

