THEFUTURE GROWTH OF INTERNATIONAL RADE...

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OUR GLOBAL NEW NORTH FUNDING PARTNERS



INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS

In Addition To Funding Partners

- WEDC
- Milwaukee Export Assistance Center
- M7
- NWTC
- FVTC
- LT(
- Chambers?
- Airports/Ports?
- Universities?
- Others?

EXPORTING MYTHS

- Only large multi-national companies can succeed in exporting
- A company needs a product in order to export
- A company has to be a manufacturer in order to export
- Only high-tech products are successfully exported
- Exporting is not profitable

REASONS TO CONSIDER EXPORTING

- While the United States remains the single largest market in the world, it represents less than 25% of the global economy
- Exporting can place a company's product or service in markets that are experiencing above–average growth
- Exporting can extend a product's life cycle
- Foreign exchange rates

BENEFITS OF EXPORTING

- 15% Average Higher Wages
- 15–20% Faster Growth
- 17% More Profitable
- Better Resistance to Domestic Market Disruptions

Currently Only 50% of Export Ready Companies Are Exporting (According to the U.S. Department of Commerce Bureau of Economic Analysis)

BENEFITS OF EXPORTING TO THE S/M BUSINESSES

- enhance domestic competitiveness
- increase sales and profits
- gain global market share
- exploit corporate technology and know-how
- extend the sales potential of existing products (extend product life-cycle)
- lower per unit costs
- stabilize seasonal market fluctuations
- enhance potential for corporate expansion/valuation
- sell excess production capacity
- gain information about foreign competition
- new knowledge and experience

EXPORTING DISADVANTAGES

- develop new promotional material
- substitute short-term profits for long-term gain
- incur added administrative costs
- allocate personnel for travel
- wait longer for payments/longer sales cycle
- modify your product or packaging
- apply for additional financing
- obtain special export licenses

IDEAL EXPORT BUSINESSES

Primary

- Small/Medium Sized New North Area Manufacturers, Producers, Distributors
 And Service Companies
- Partners—Chambers, Education, Tourism, Other EDO'S And Trade
 Organizations
- International Companies Interested In New North's Products And Services

Secondary

 International Companies Interested In Expanding Or Relocating To The New North (made easier with a strong local trade development program)

WHAT WE DO

INTERNATIONAL TRADE CONSULTANT
WORKING WITH NEW TO EXPORT AND EXPANDING EXPORTS TO NEW COUNTRIES



In addition:

- Work with International Partners
- Organize International Trade Seminars, Workshops and Other Events

OBJECTIVES

- Provide a regional trade development network to assist New North businesses to export worldwide—a connecting point
- Assist New North companies to identify international clients and diversify markets through a menu of export support programs
- Market NE Wisconsin's advantages worldwide through Wisconsin's international offices and other local-led trade events
- Build an international representation network to identify FDI prospects and to assist Wisconsin companies to export

INTERNATIONAL OBJECTIVES

Primary

- Primary contact for new-to-export companies—offering export counseling and advice
- Leverage and interface with state/federal resources/agencies—Develop strategic partnerships
- Leverage and interface with large community organizations (EDO, chamber, education, trade agencies, tourism, etc.).
- Promote service delivery by leveraging existing resources
- Develop new services for unmet or emerging needs
- Expand "knowledge network" area for international services
- Assist New North companies to export products and services (primarily through business development missions/shows, Gold Keys, etc.) to global markets and identify Joint Ventures and Strategic Alliance Partners
- Market New North's international advantages worldwide—market New North's industries and services worldwide
- Export promotion-promote NEWI to the world marketplace
- Penetrate new markets/expand existing markets
- Identify and exploit specific market niches for the New North region

Secondary (future?)

- Attract international investment to the New North region
- Advocate continuous improvement of New North's critical factors for global competitiveness

BUSINESS/COMMUNITY OUTREACH

- Visit businesses, educational institutions, partner organizations, government, tourism, etc. to build consensus and shared vision/cohesiveness and resonate that their input and activities are all vital components to the overall success of New North's Global initiative and success
- It's important to execute a specific agenda and objectives with a cohesive plan integrating/leveraging synergies of these organizations to help both existing companies and prospects from the outside

SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES

Provide Guidance In Areas Including:

- Offering export counseling and advice
- Assisting NN companies in marketing their products and services overseas
- Primary contact for new-to-export companies
- Export readiness assessment
- Basic exporting information and tools
- Referrals for financial and governmental assistance

- Produce export activities (workshops/seminars, conferences & networking)
- Assist in Export Market Plan development
- Financial Planning including Grant Opportunities
- Assist in Strategic Planning
- Market Entry
- Organizing and executing overseas trade missions, shows and other activities

EXPORT READINESS ASSESSMENT

The Export Readiness
Assessment is designed to
determine a company's
strengths and opportunities
when approaching the
decision to actively seek
international business
opportunities. The
assessment will gauge
readiness to export based
on four criteria:

- 1. Export Resources
- 2. Marketing Methods
- 3. Management Commitment
- 4. Product Potential

A. COMPANY READINESS

- Are you an established presence in your industry domestically?
- 2. How extensive is your current domestic sales outreach?
- 3. How do you sell and distribute your products in the domestic market?
- 4. Do you customarily conduct market research and planning for your domestic operations?
- 5. To what extent do you advertise and promote your products in the domestic market?
- 6. Do any of your current managers or staff have export marketing or sales experience?
- 7. Has your company received any unsolicited inquiries from foreign firms?
- 8. Could you promptly fill any new export orders from present inventory or other sources?
- 9. How would you handle any new or additional export business within your organization?
- 10. What is the current status of your export activity?
- 11. Is your top management committed to exporting as a new or expanded area of activity?

- 12. How much per year could you afford to spend on export development?
- 13. How long would your management be willing to wait to achieve acceptable export results?

B. PRODUCT READINESS

- 1. Have domestic sales of your product grown over the past 3 years (average per year)?
- 2. What is your product's current share of the domestic market?
- 3. Is your product price-competitive in the domestic market?
- 4. What payment terms would you be willing to offer reputable foreign buyers? Does your product compare favorably with domestic competitors in features and benefits?
- 5. Would you be willing to adapt your product and/or packaging to better suit foreign markets?
- 6. Is your product costly to transport over long distances?
- 7. Is any special training required to assemble, install or operate your product? Does your product require any special technical support or after-sale service? Can your product tolerate harsh or widely varying environmental conditions?

SPECIFIC INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES TO PURSUE

In Support Of Local/Regional/State Partner Organizations

- Export Sales/Trade Missions (in country)
- Inbound Trade Missions
- Partner Searches
- Trade Shows
- Catalog Shows
- "Special Missions"
- Other Marketing Events/Opportunities

PRIMARY TARGET MARKET CRITERIA

- Top 25 Wisconsin Export Markets
- Top 25 Wisconsin Total Trade
- Top 25 U.S. Export Market
- USDOC-Identified Big Emerging Markets
- Sector–Related Investment Potential
- Top 25 US Investment Source

SECONDARY TARGET MARKET CRITERIA



ADVANTAGES OF TRADE MISSIONS + GOLD KEYS

Have Proven to be One of the Most Successful and Cost-Effective Ways to Develop and Expand Business Internationally

- Your in-country
- Meet prospects face-to-face, see facilities
- Time is country is spent with pre-screened prospects with definitive timetables-no downtime
- Opportunity to network with local business professionals (lawyers, bankers, Chambers, trade groups, etc.)
- Local expertise (FCS industry trade specialists)
- Multiple staff conducting appointments
- Reputation of the U.S. Embassy (get appointments you had trouble getting)
- Embassy preferred rates at hotel
- Market briefing/research (breakfast briefings, Embassy receptions, etc.)
- Translators/drivers
- Country knows you're there (publicity/media coverage, etc.)
- Possible EDO investment track/opportunity or other tie-ins

PICTURES FROM TRADE MISSIONS













MY TRADE MISSIONS/RECRUITMENT

MEXICO CITY

February 2009

6 businesses

\$2 million sales/expected sales

35 trade leads

MEXICO

November 2003

\$1.2 million sales/expected sales

76 trade leads

PANAMA/COSTA RICA

February 2007

7 businesses

\$4.4 million sales/expected sales

108 trade leads

PANAMA

March 2005

8 businesses

\$11.5 million sales/expected sales

123 trade leads

COSTA RICA

January 2005

7 businesses

\$5.1 million sales/expected sales

85 trade leads

11 businesses

USTRALIA

August 2001

8 businesses

\$6.22 million sales/expected sales

85 trade leads

MEXICO

August 2000

17 businesses

\$7.22 million sales/expected sales

195 trade leads

CANADA (INBOUND)

October 2002

7 businesses

\$1.6 million sales/expected sales

45 trade leads

116 businesses participated in overseas international trade events

64 companies participated in local/regional led Trade Missions

31 companies participated in Florida Governor led Trade Missions

21 companies participated in other state/partner events

COLLABORATIVE MARKET ACCESS GRANT (CMAG)

This program is designed to help industry associations, alliances, agencies, nonprofits, regional economic development organizations or other state/local departments located in Wisconsin to work with Wisconsin companies to increase exports. This grant provides pass–through reimbursed funds. Organizations may apply for up to \$150,000 to provide assistance of no more than \$15,000 per Wisconsin company per fiscal year July—June 30.

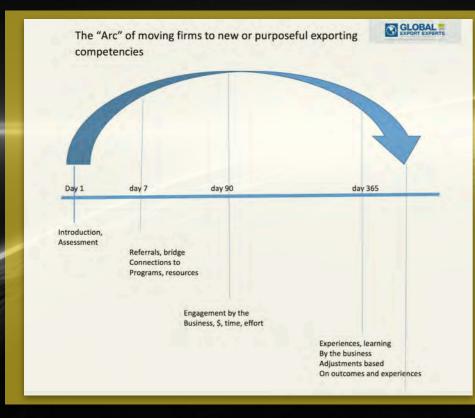


BENEFITS OF AN INTERNATIONAL STRATEGY TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS

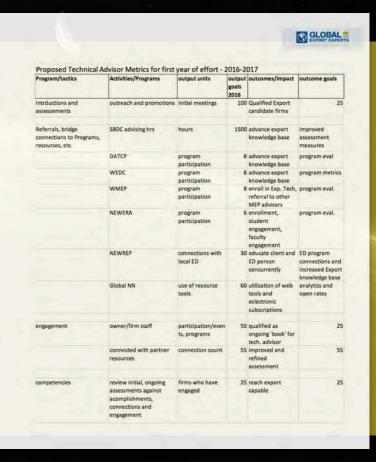
- Displays To Businesses Community Commitment To Expand Local Business Into New Markets
- Counters The Incentives Given To Newly Recruited Companies Or Existing Business Whom Don't Qualify For Other Incentives
- Get In The Door Of More Companies As There Is Now A Program Most Can Utilize And Easily Participate In
- Potential Increased Tax Collections
- Potential Increase In Average Wages
- Can Assist In Job/Company Retention
- Assists With Both FDI And Other Recruitment Activities Can Generate Both Trade And Investment Leads/Interest

MEASURABLES

Global New North







Also SBDC reporting requirements/metrics

THANK YOU. ANY QUESTIONS?

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