

# Partnering with Developing Economies

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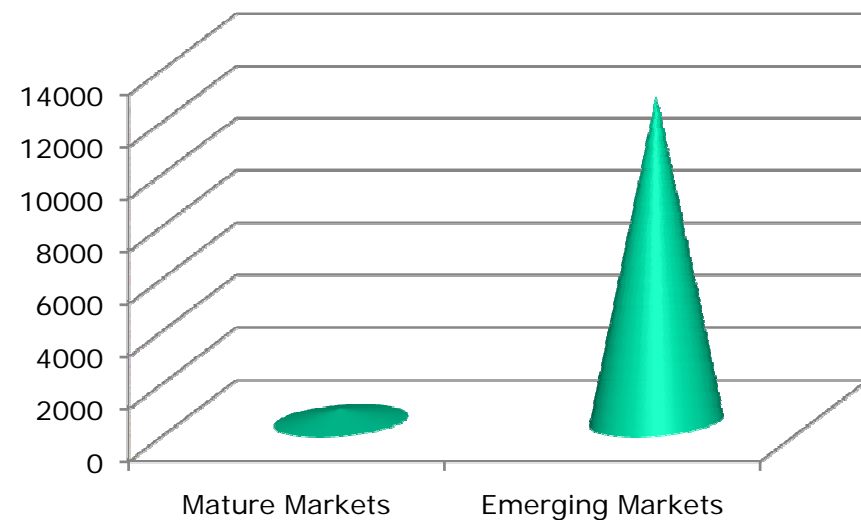
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# Changing nature of markets

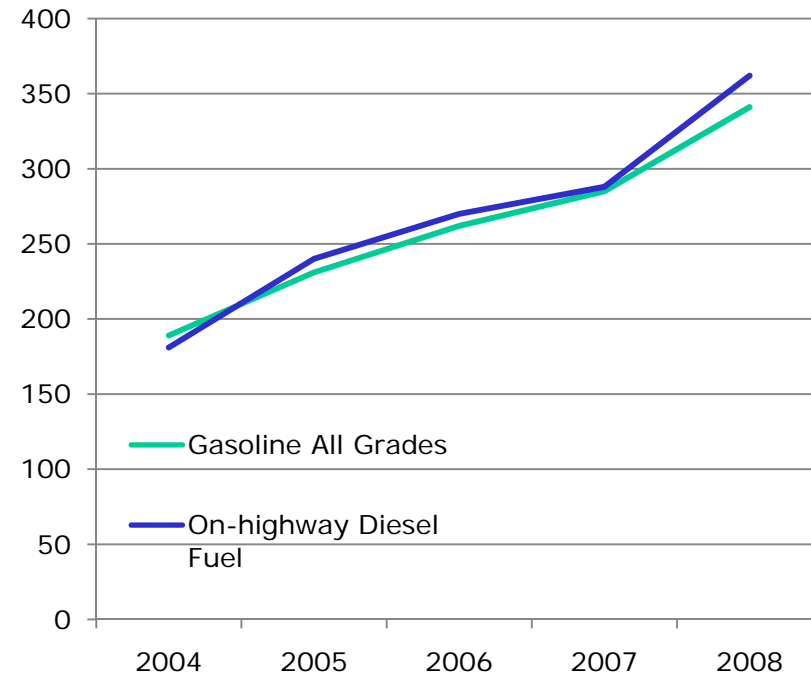
- ▶ **By 2015 emerging markets are expected to contribute 95% of the auto industry's growth.**
- ▶ **By 2020 prevailing notions of what a car costs, its production and its usage are likely to change significantly.**



*Projected growth in global assembly by markets 2007 to 2015 (figures in '000s)*

# Impact of oil prices

- ▶ Oil prices have risen by 375% over the last five years.
- ▶ Explosion in demand from emerging economies – rising auto sales.
- ▶ Global trend is towards smaller vehicles.
- ▶ Which in turn would increase proliferation of vehicles and higher demand on oil.



US Energy Information : Retail prices

## ***Increasingly stringent legislation***

- ▶ Increased pressure on R&D activities to deliver on reducing CO<sub>2</sub> and increasing fuel economy.
- ▶ US CAFÉ standards revised from 27.5 mpg to 35 mpg by 2020.
- ▶ Bonus / penalty system introduced in The Netherlands in 2006, resulting in a consumer shift towards smaller vehicles.
- ▶ Italy had provided incentives to consumers to shift away from older vehicles towards low emission vehicles.
- ▶ French penalty system will eventually force auto makers to maintain an average below 130 gm /km CO<sub>2</sub> emissions by 2012.
- ▶ Developing economies are taking the cue on tightening legislation.

## ***Other factors***

- ▶ **European OEMs & Tier 1 suppliers can expect a further squeeze on margins beyond 2010 arising from possible changes to block exemption rules.**
- ▶ **Conditions favour entry of low cost competition into mature markets.**
- ▶ **The onus is on the automotive engineering community for “out-of-the-box” thinking to ease the situation and enable growth.**

# ***Demand side imperatives***

▶ **Rapidly changing demographics of consumer profile in growth markets.**



▶ **Road and parking infrastructure remains an issue in certain quarters.**



▶ **Availability of lower cost, “no-frills” small vehicles.**



▶ **Easy availability of vehicle finance options.**



▶ **Limited budgets for purchase, operation and maintenance of vehicles.**

# ***Demand side imperatives***

- ▶ **Focus areas in emerging economies change significantly. Typical examples include:**
  - ▶ **Extreme sensitivity to price, operating costs, service costs and service intervals.**
  - ▶ **Growth areas in mature markets such as infotainment and navigation are not high on priority in emerging economies.**
  - ▶ **Durability requirements especially on safety parts (eg. horns , braking systems etc.,) are more stringent.**
  - ▶ **Mountings for engine / powertrain require reinforcing.**
  - ▶ **Climate control, average passenger occupancy etc. also differ.**



# ***Few other engineering challenges***

- ▶ **As markets evolve, a whole new set of challenges also come into play.**
  - ▶ **Re-engineering the product for international adaptations.**
  - ▶ **With low product development spend.**
  - ▶ **A design to cost approach.**
  - ▶ **For a completely different set of driving and duty cycles.**
  - ▶ **With wider ranges in temperature and dust conditions.**
  - ▶ **Average available fuel quality not yet on par with developed economies.**
  - ▶ **While meeting globally converging legislative and statutory requirements.**

## ***Few other engineering challenges***

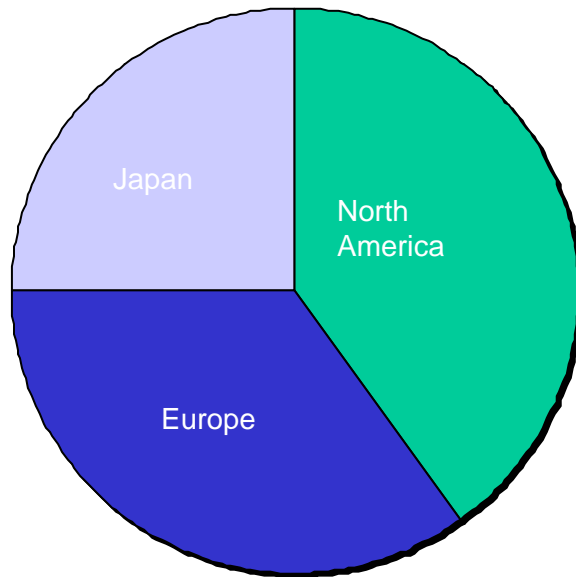
- ▶ **Consumer preferences and tastes differ widely.**
- ▶ **Overload factors , especially in commercial vehicles.**
  
- ▶ **Consequently, the ratio of successful product launches to unsuccessful ones is far higher in developed markets than in growth markets even with re-engineered international adaptations.**

## ***Downsizing trends***

- ▶ **Considering the shift to smaller vehicles and from a cost / benefit perspective a clear trend is noticeable towards engine and vehicle down-sizing especially in the growth markets.**
- ▶ **The benefits of down-sizing are greatly enhanced in conjunction with light-weighting.**
- ▶ **Which in turn is expected to result in development of alternate materials to offset NVH effects.**
- ▶ **Re-engineering for international adaptation is therefore likely to add significant costs on a per unit basis, if product development continues to be handled in traditional ways.**

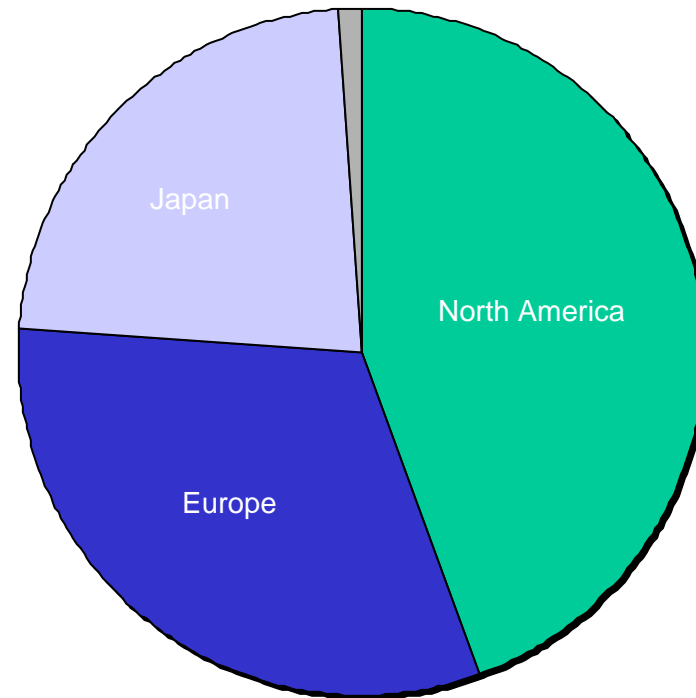
# Financial impact on R&D spends for meeting growth requirements

Auto R&D spend US \$ 75 to 100 Bn



**2007**

Auto R&D spend US \$ 93 to 112 Bn

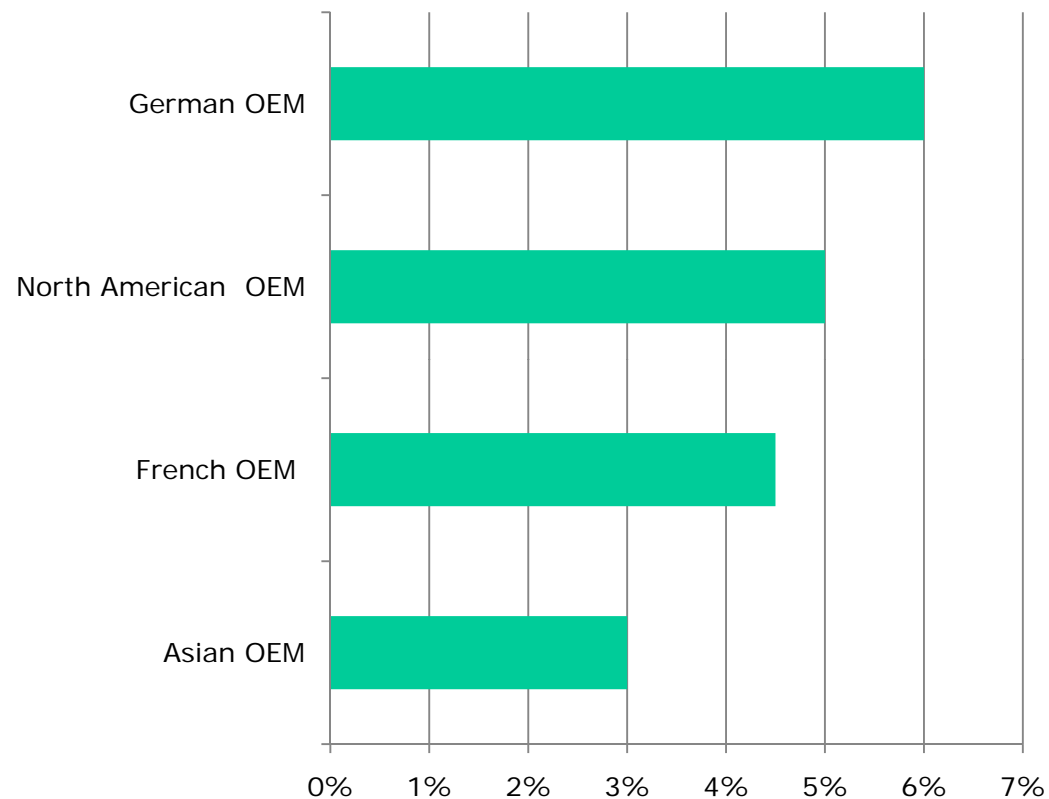


**2012**

Booz Allen Hamilton reports

## *Implications in a global scenario*

- ▶ **Asian OEMs and the tiered supply chain industry tend to be globally competitive by virtue of a lower R&D spend as a percentage of revenue.**

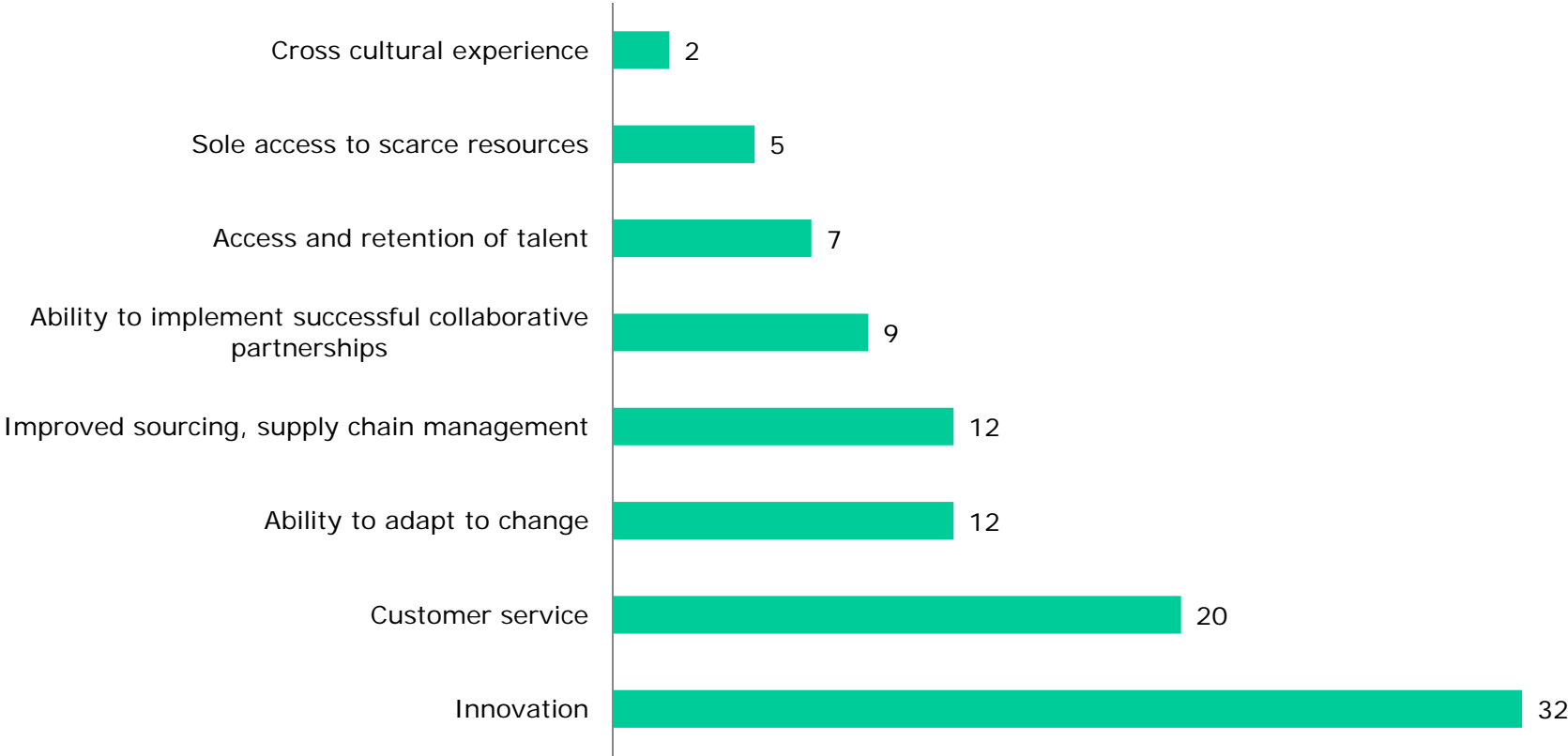


Typical R&D spends as a % of revenue.

# Gaining competitive advantage



*Innovation, improved customer service, coping with uncertainty & improved are on the agenda of most Auto company CEOs.*



Data from PWC Annual Global CEO survey

# ***Globalising the R&D is no more a tactical choice but a strategic necessity***

Options include:

- ▶ No change from the present practice. Sit still.

*OR*

- ▶ Setup captive centres at low cost locations in the proximity of manufacturing plants and markets. Pre-requisite is engineering talent availability and scale.
  - ▶ Managing innovation in a foreign culture is a challenge.
  - ▶ Most captives end up operating sub optimally, defeating the very purpose of their creation.

*OR*

- ▶ Setup captive centres at low cost locations and augment with resources from suppliers.
  - ▶ Resultant = disparate teams & conflict management rather than innovation & support.

## ***Early mover advantage***

- ▶ **OEMs & tiered suppliers are already moving into strategic relationships with engineering focused firms who provide the needed scale with a global delivery foot-print.**
- ▶ **Typical parameters considered in the selection of partners include:**
  - ▶ **Engineering focus, as demonstrated by revenue and staff.**
  - ▶ **Non alignment with any specific group within the auto industry.**
  - ▶ **Proven track record of delivering on complex requirements across the value chain of R&D activities.**
  - ▶ **Proven track record of establishing a dedicated global footprint for clients.**



# Thank You !

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