## EXAMINING THE RISK AND BENEFIT OF INTERNATIONAL JOINT VENTURE

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## Abstract

International joint venture as a form of business organization has become quite important in the post-liberalization period. Although an international joint venture has an independent legal status, it is organized for the joint benefit of the foreign and local firm. An international joint venture, defined as an agreement about revenue and cost-sharing rules, can be designed to enhance the level of foreign direct investment under the presence of economic risk. For example, foreign direct investment in economies in transition and emerging markets may be discouraged by fluctuations in the value of local currency or market risk when the entire revenue is generated through local sales. We argue that a properly designed joint venture scheme between an international firm (source country) and a local partner (host country) may resolve such an economic incentive problem. this paper adopts a quantitative research methodology and in order to have a sizeable number for this study, a random sampling techniques method was used to select samples of one hundred and eighty (180) questionnaire were administered ;findings in this work shows that The major motivation for both the international (NA) and the local companies to enter into an ICJV is basically improve competitive positions, enter new markets, and share risks and (or) profits, investigation shows that benefits gained by both partners in an ICJV are majority learning of new cultures, increase in profits and risk sharing. It's also revealed that, the major risk factors that influence the success of the IJV is projects delay and is rank first; suggestion were made at the end for further studies.

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their experience together.

Functional skills and resources The functional skills and resources of the potential partner, as they relate to the objectives of the joint venture, must complement those of the party seeking the partner. If the potential partner adds value to the underlying purposes of the joint venture, that fact should be more important than a potential partner's areas of weakness that may not otherwise be relevant to the objectives and requirements of the joint venture.

 $\checkmark$ Managerial resources The potential partner should have the managerial resources required to provide all needed assistance to the joint venture, specifically in those areas in which the partner will have primary functional responsibilities.

 $\checkmark$ Facilities and administrative support The potential partner may need to provide facilities and administrative support for a portion of the joint venture's activities, such as office space, clerical and administrative assistance, particularly, when the joint venture is based in the potential foreign partner's home country.

 $\checkmark$ Governmental relations If the joint venture requires in-country assistance, coordination, official approvals, and licenses, the foreign partner's ability to assist with and facilitate governmental relations can be extremely important.

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Reputation in the market  $\checkmark$ The potential parties should have a solid reputation in the market in which the joint venture will operate. The reputation of the foreign party will facilitate the success of the venture. This factor is particularly important if the venture's success relies, in part, on the foreign partner having or building a customer base to promote the venture's products in the foreign partner's country. Once a prospective list of potential partners is identified, information on all of the above factors, as well as the specific skills and resources to be contributed by the prospective partner to the joint venture, should be gathered during the formal due diligence investigation. During this period, the company should focus on the overall strategic objectives of the prospective partner in entering into the joint venture, with particular attention being paid to the possibility that the prospective partner may indusandaydminis at ur tant o the ecourse of the joint venture to compete against its joint venture partner.

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Enter new markets	129(72%)	29(16%)	13(7%)	9(5%)	180(100%)
Share risks and (or) profits	137(76%)	25(14%)	19(11%)	9(5%)	180(100%)
Access Technology	97(54%)	67937%)	10(6%)	6(3%)	180(100%)
Total	499(69%)	153(21%)	49(7%)	29(4%)	720(100%)

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Increase market share.	119	39	12	10	180(100%)
Learning new culture	137	19	14	10	180(100%)
Total	478(66%)	175(24%)	42(6%)	25(3%)	720(100%)

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Cash flow problems of	101(56%)	57(32%)	22(12%)		180(100%)
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Industrial disputes	111(62%)	33(18%)	17(9%)	19(11%)	180(100%)
Total	463(64%)	135(19%)	81(11%)	41(6%)	720(100%)
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