



Collaborative Structures

Management Presentation

to

Venture Funders

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Corporate Objectives

- Become the supply chain communication standard in the global real estate and construction industry.
- Create a vertically integrated, highly scalable organization that benefits all members of the supply chain.



Collaborative Structures Company Overview

- Online application service provider (“ASP”) for business-to-business project communication in the architecture, engineering, and construction (“AEC”) industry
- ***FirstLine*** application allows secure, high-performance access for communicating and transacting business in a standard, easy-to-use database for the entire construction supply chain
- Focused for users around customer service, contract issues, and practical business concerns
- Founded by John D. Macomber, a leading authority on information technology strategy for design and construction supply chain communication



Industry Overview

- **Largest industry in the world and second largest industry in the U.S.**
 - \$3.2 trillion of construction put in place annually, worldwide
 - \$700 billion of construction put in place annually, in the U.S.
- **Highly fragmented market**
 - Largest US engineering/construction firm represents less than 1% of total US market
 - Top 400 US construction firms represent less than 20% of total US market
 - Owners are even more fragmented
- **Public and private non-residential building** currently represents greatest **growth opportunity** for the Company
 - Estimated value of \$1.5 trillion in the US over next five years



Market Opportunity

- **The AEC Supply Chain** is ripe for streamlining
 - Inefficient
 - Many players
 - Large risks
 - Communication intensive
- **A new central player is needed to develop the communication standard**
 - Hundreds of thousands of players - no leader
 - All in multiple supply chains simultaneously
 - All in short projects
 - All with many repeat transactions
 - All with millions of dollars at stake
 - So no ability for existing participants to develop a standard



Business Relationships: The Real Estate and Construction Supply Chain

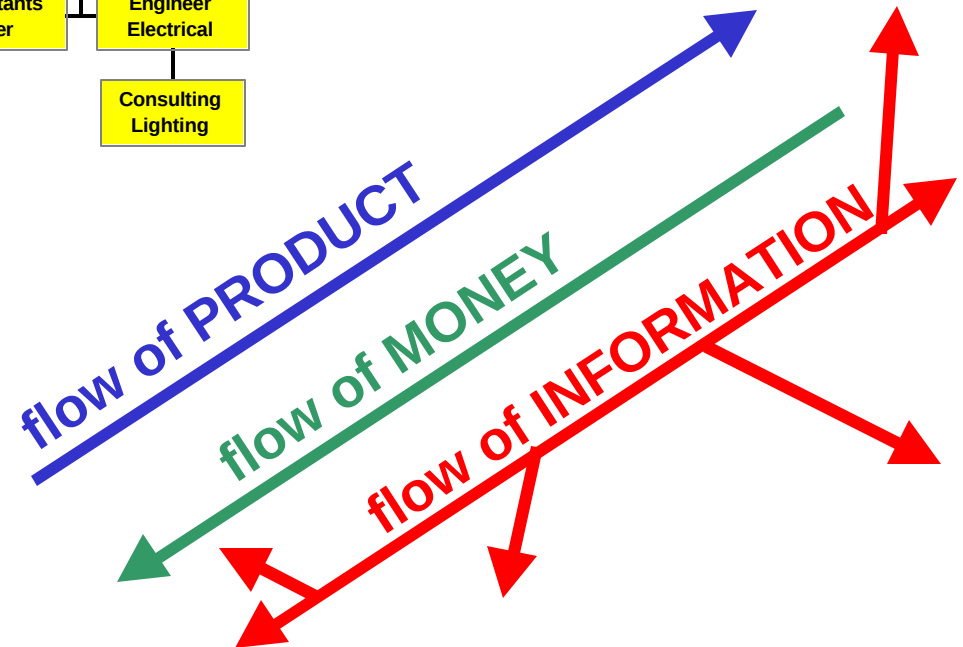
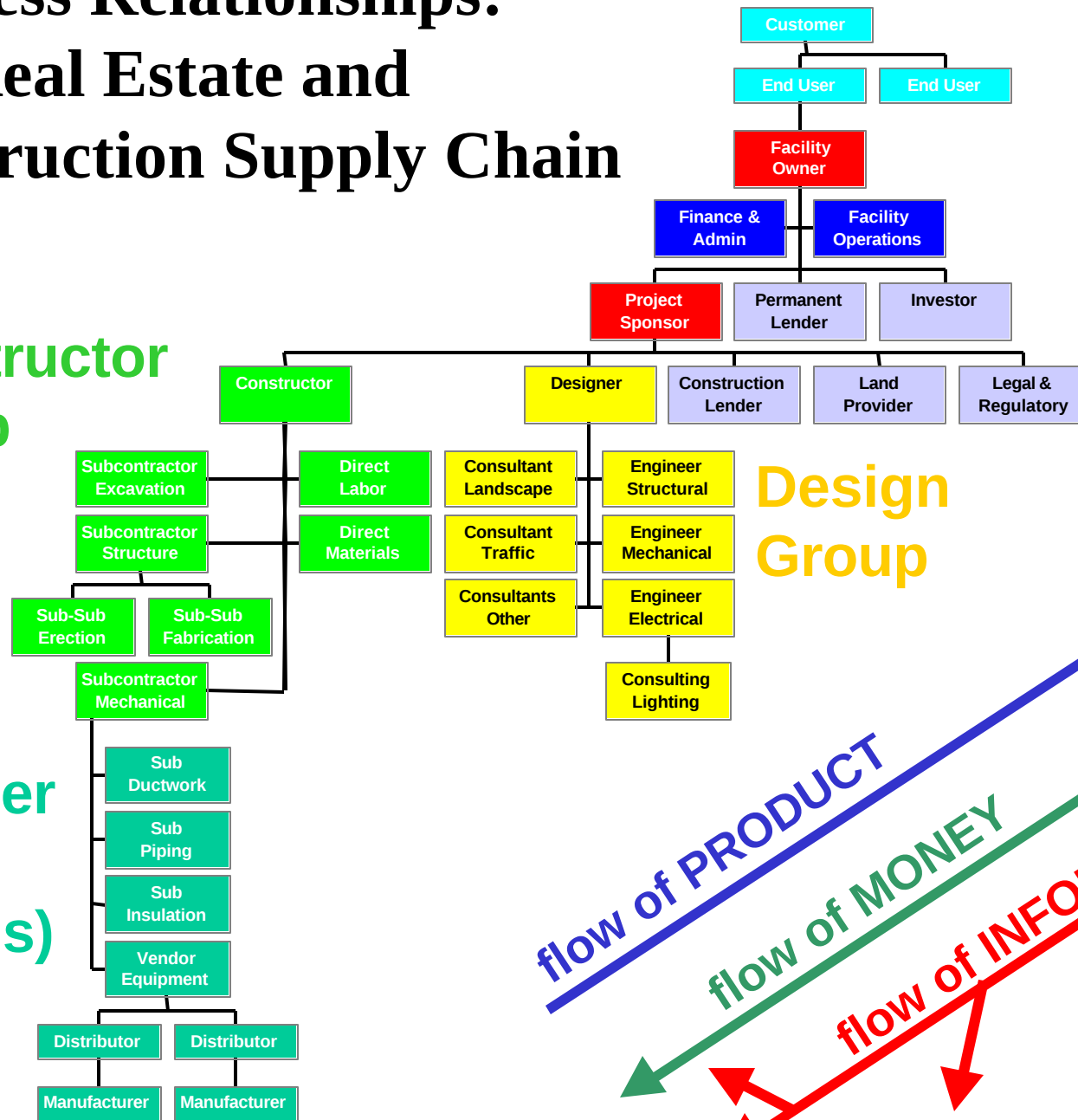
**Constructor
Group**

**Supplier
Group
(x 100's)**

**User
Group
Owner
Group**

**Finance
Group**

**Design
Group**



The FirstLine Solution: Multi-Firm Repeat Communication

- Foundation to unlocking the supply chain
- Opportunity to be the communication standard
- Opportunity to mine data from all users
- No intrusion on any present application or skill set
- Helps all parties perform better
- Company can work from communication base to partner with many other offerings
 - Procurement
 - Applications
 - Content
 - Risk Management



For Example: Corporate Buyer

- \$1 billion construction pipeline
- 5 states, 5 architects, 5 construction managers, 5 internal user groups
- Each project: \$100,000,000 risk
 - 50 major subcontractors
 - Average \$2,000,000 (range up to \$20,000,000)
 - Average 18 months on the project
 - 30 kinds of key documents from design requests to change orders, purchasing to insurance
 - 1,000 pieces of communication, each vendor
- Whole job:
 - 50,000 - 100,000 pieces of communication



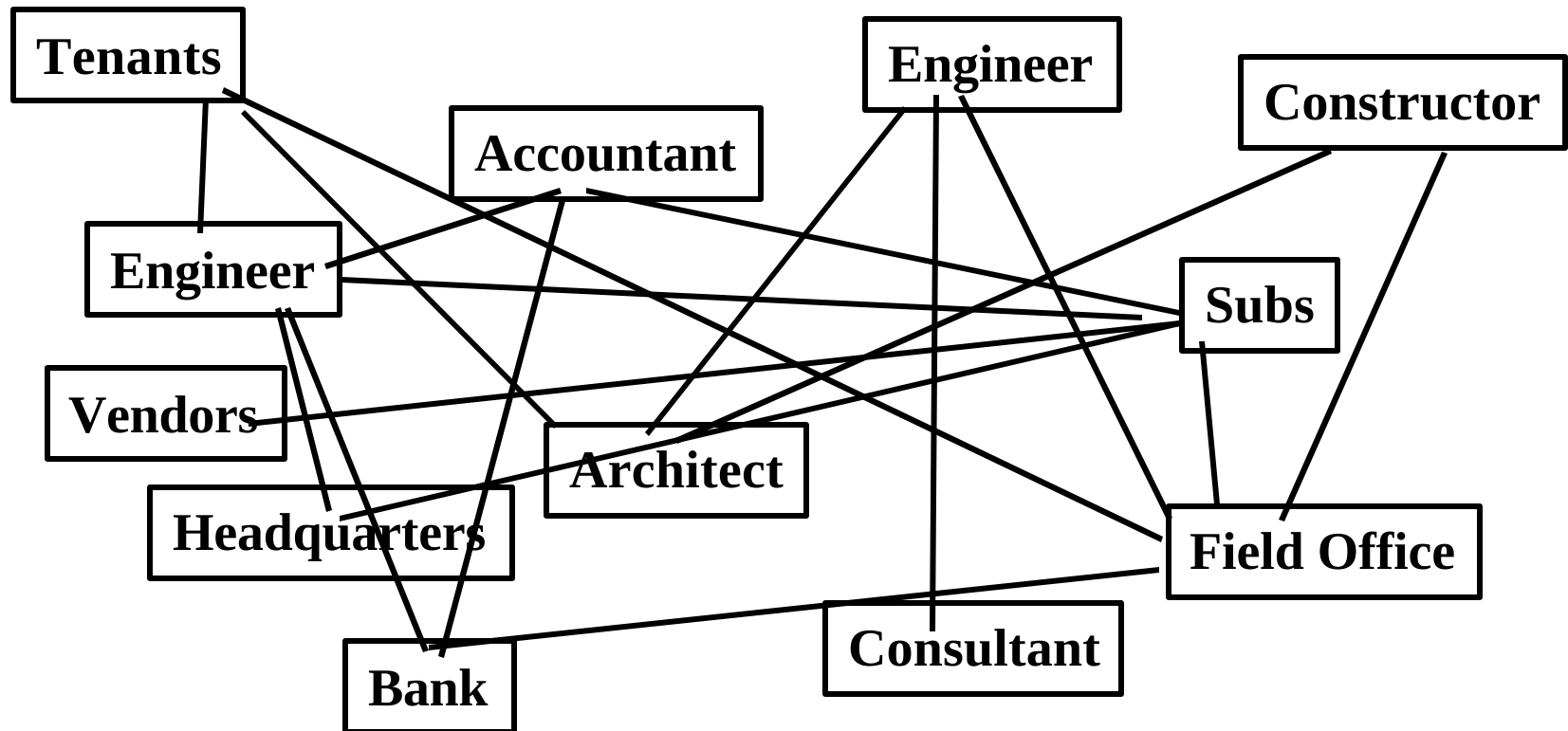
Potential Savings

<u>For Whom?</u>	<u>On What? For EACH firm:</u>	<u>Target for all?</u>
• Owner(s) • Designers x 10 • Prime Contractors x 1-5 • Subcontractors and Vendors x 20 - 100 • Over 12 - 36 months • Over dozens of projects	• Communication – Tens of thousands of documents – Send, receive, file, find, relate, track, meet • Applications – Network, office, accounting, scheduling, etc. • Procurement – Research, select, bid, negotiate, award, coordinate, furnish, install, instruct, pay • Risk Management – For ALL: W/C, G/L, P/C, E&O, PP&L, BR • Avoidance of – Rework – Claims	• 3 % • 1 % • 6 % • 5 % • <u>5%</u> • 20 %

Potential Savings per Project:



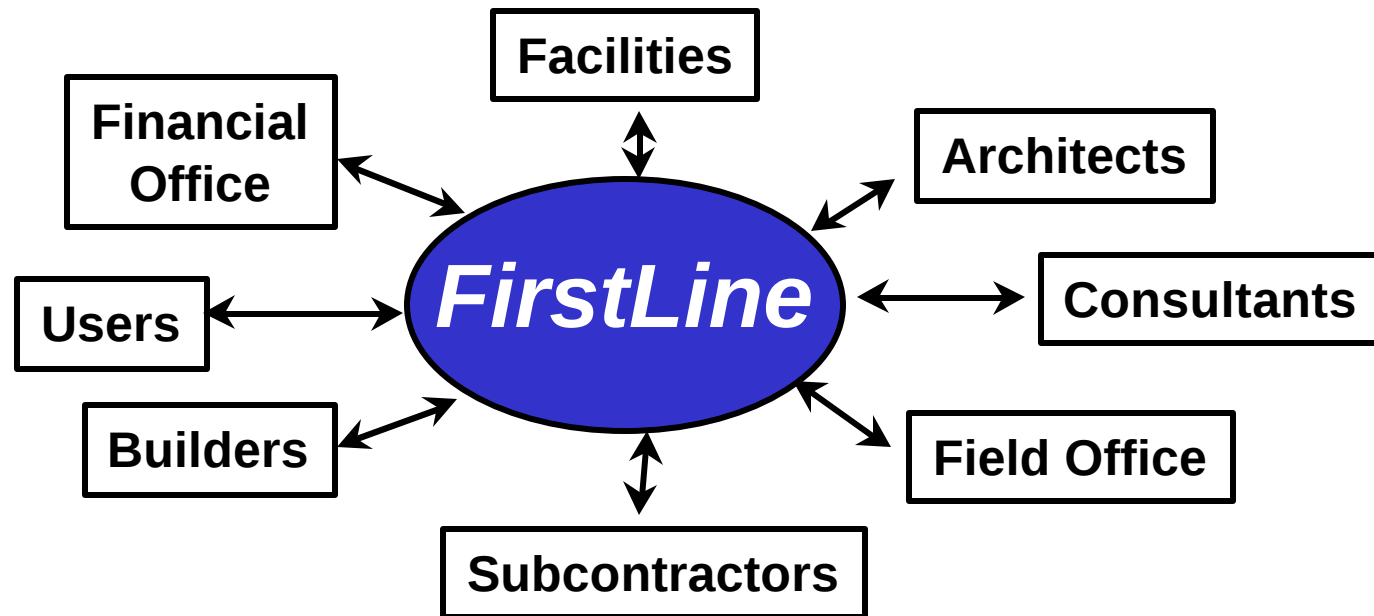
Before FirstLine: Many Participants, No Common Communication Place



Today: There is no common way to track, communicate, and organize information, view outstanding items, and provide accountability.



The FirstLine Benefit: One Shared Place for All



***FirstLine benefits: Access,
Organization, Accountability.***



Company History

- **1996 - Concept.** John Macomber and core team conceive of the business model for a scalable project communication standard in the AEC industry, develop a single project prototype.
- **1997 - Alpha.** Collaborative Structures (CSI) receives funding from Claflin Capital Management and other sources, runs three alpha tests: Stanford Business School, Beacon/Skanska Construction, and Nordblom Properties. Alpha tests are in Lotus Notes via telephone lines. Hires Robin Alston as VP Engineering.
- **1998 - Beta.** CSI receives funding from Pioneer Capital (now Ascent Venture Partners), rewrites application for 100% browser via 100% Internet, three beta test clients sign up: Stanford Housing, State Street Bank, and Boys and Girls Club of Boston (continuation of Beacon/Skanska)
- **Early 1999, Scaleup.** With beta results proven, company adds Dartmouth College, Leggat McCall, Vanderbilt University, hires Darlene Mangone as VP of Operations.
- **Late 1999, Momentum.** Increasing market acceptance of Internet project communication; Company adds Amgen, Duke, Phillips Academy, others. InformationWeek names CSI one of the most innovative ebusinesses in America. CSI passes \$500k in bookings. Hires Buz Schott as VP Sales.
- **Early 2000. Acceleration of interest.** Repeat selection by early users. Addition of MIT Media Lab, University of California, Queensway Galleria, City of Worcester. Company commences fundraising to scale up sales and marketing. CSI passes \$1mm in bookings.



Management Overview

- **John D. Macomber, Founder & CEO**
 - Provides strategic direction for the Company
 - Macomber family has been a leader in real estate and construction industry for almost 100 years
 - Former CEO of George B.H. Macomber Company, a \$200 million contractor, CEO of Hamilton Construction Equipment Corp., and Partner of a commercial real estate management company
 - Nationally recognized expert on information technology strategy for design and construction firms
 - Teaches graduate course at MIT entitled “Strategic Management in the Design and Construction Value System”
 - MBA from Harvard Business School and BA from Dartmouth College



Today: Winning the Users who Pay

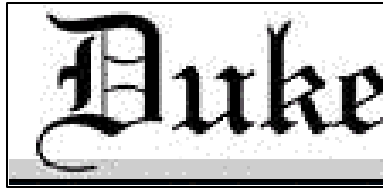
- **FirstLine** Application: **Document Store** (with access for multiple firms, extensive accountability)
- Service: **Trusted Host** for the information that teams will share today
- Direct Sales Model: **To Owners**
 - The ultimate attraction for all the rest
 - Have the standing to mandate (or incent) usage
 - Receive the ultimate benefit
 - Owners pay for whole supply chain, as a function of project cost
- Positioning: **Realistic, Trusted B2B** sales
 - Not consumer brand marketing
 - About business benefits, not about technology



Customers



- Corporations: (Time to market, multiple project teams)
 - *Amgen, State Street, Beacon Capital REIT, Saunders Hotel Group, Queensway Galleria, Breakaway.com*



- Research universities: (Process, multiple participants)
 - *Stanford, Vanderbilt, Dartmouth, MIT Media Lab, Cal Poly, U of California, Duke, Northeastern*



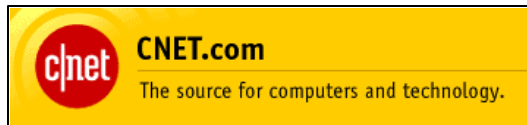
- Professional Service Providers: (Top line, bottom line; multiple Owners and multiple projects with each)
 - *Leggat McCall, Beacon/Skanska, CE Ward, Willis*



Recognition



- **InformationWeek, Dec 1999:** One of the most innovative eBusinesses in America



- **C|Net, Jan 2000:** One of the leaders in the field as investors discover business to business on the Internet



- Quoted in the **Christian Science Monitor, Feb 2000** - "Information Technology Reduces Risk"



Tomorrow: Solving the Supply Chain

- Build from our foundation as the standard for multi party repeat communication
- Fix the first level of waste and inefficiency:
 - Communication, Procurement, Applications
- Fix the next level of waste and inefficiency:
 - Collaborative vs. Adversarial Insurance and Contracts
 - Aggregate the Buyers



The Foundation: Communication on Complex Contracts for e-Commerce

- Procurement and execution are difficult: low bid alone doesn't win. COMMUNICATION is required:
 - Design
 - Furnish
 - Deliver
 - Coordinate
 - Install
 - Warrant
- Many other relationships influence successful contracts
 - e.g. steel, drywall, paint, windows are related to each other
 - Long delivery cycle with extensive communication needs among firms with a wide variety of skills



Partners (in Negotiation Stage)

- Collaborative Structures has been approached by many top firms
 - **FirstLine** viewed as an emerging communications standard
 - Neutral party that can enable multiple procurement engines and processes
 - Highly knowledgeable and cooperative partner

AEC Procurement

- eBricks
- BuildPoint
- PrimeContract
- ProcureZone
- Rentmaker
- Folio

Processing

- i2 Technologies
(logistics)
- Revit
(CAD)

Channels

- Willis
- AON
- Leggat McCall
- Parsons
Brinckerhoff
- Sordoni/
Skanska
- Hill International



Strategic Advantages

- The Company's market position will be defended by:
 - Economies of scale
 - Significant barriers to entry:
 - Partner relationships
 - High switching costs for users relative to service price
 - Brand identity
 - Data mining capabilities across multiple projects
 - Major competitive advantage for adoption as a standard
 - Communications glue that enables complementary solutions
 - Procurement services
 - Hosting of other applications
 - Cross selling of related products and services
 - Aggregating users as coordinated buyers

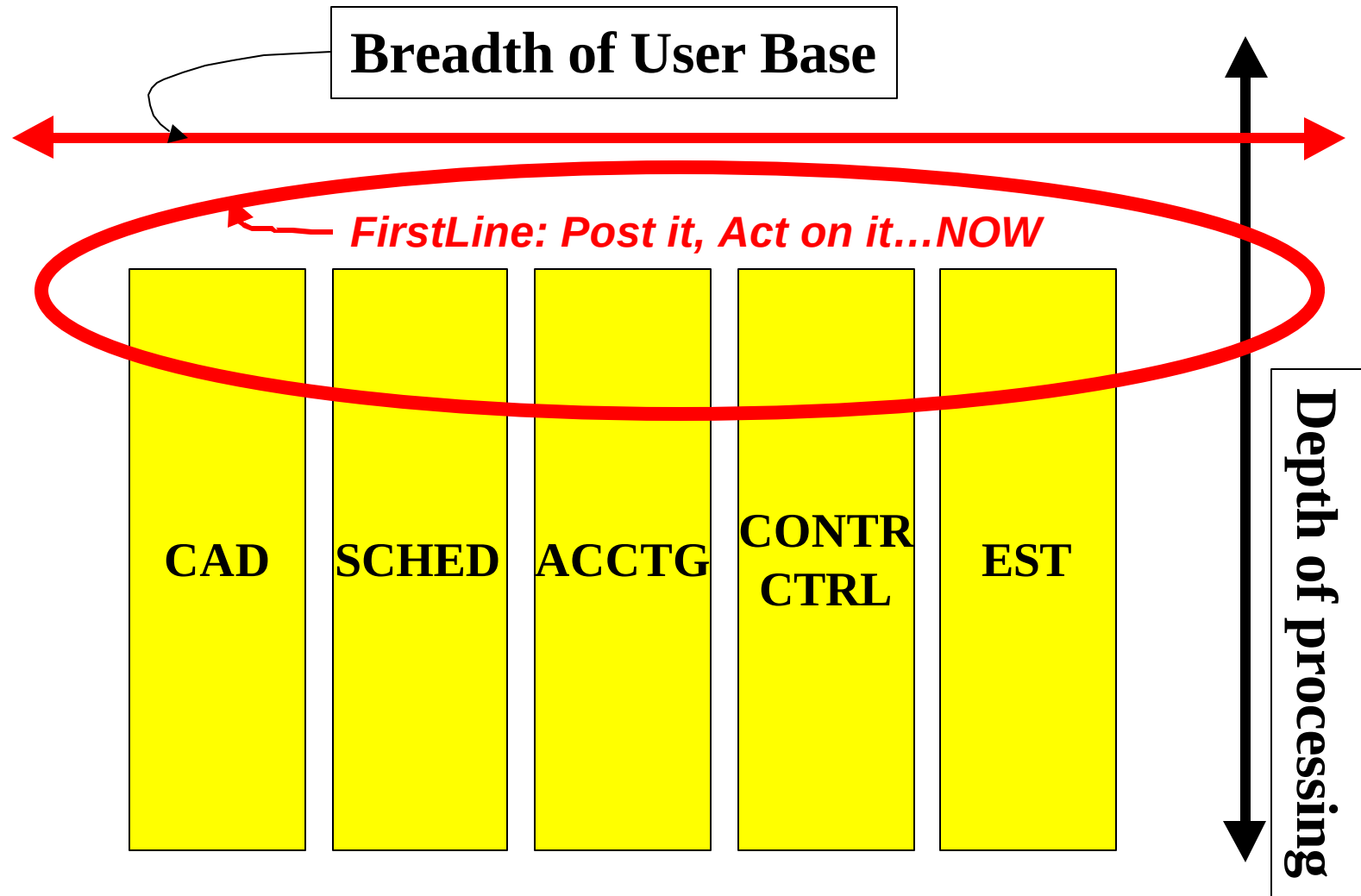


Differentiation

- How is Collaborative Structures different?
 - **Deep domain expertise**
 - **Supply chain focus** from inception (informs all actions)
 - Designed to accommodate the **whole chain**, all phases
 - **Ubiquitous applicability**
 - Not designed around a technology (**any platform**)
 - Not designed around single firms (**unbiased business hub**)
 - Committed to **real world support** of project teams, people, and business relationships (service component, data mining)
 - Doing one link well, **partnering with others** (business solutions)



The Right Tradeoffs: Broad vs. Deep



Growth: Proposed Uses of Funds

- Senior Staff:
 - Marketing, Business Development, Finance
- Other Staff:
 - Direct Sales, Engineering
- Promotion
 - Press
 - Speaking Engagements
 - Advertising
 - Trade Shows
- Alliances
 - Don't originate technology, adapt it
 - Don't sell to all the players, sell through channels





Collaborative Structures

**Connecting People,
Leveraging Technology**

