

# 2. PESTEL





# Purpose, participants and application

#### Purpose

• To analyze macroeconomic factors that may influence the company.

#### Participants

The management team.

#### Application

- Can be carried out as preparation for the first day of mapping:
  - Which areas in society are relevant to the company?
  - What drives societal changes?
  - How will the changes affect the company?





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### PESTEL

| Theme                    | Description  |
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| Political conditions     | Local and national political interference, regulation, and political stability. Scope of public investments.   |
| Economic conditions      | Financial policy conditions such as tax policy, inflation, interest rates, etc.  |
| Social conditions        | Demographics, culture, and the need for social relationships. Sustainability agenda. Changes in social structures and demographics can impact the demand for a company's products and services.        |
| Technological conditions | The speed of innovation, development of technical standards. New technologies create new products and processes. Technology can lead to cost reductions, improved quality, and innovation.             |
| Environmental conditions | Natural resources, natural disasters, waste disposal, recycling, weather and climate changes. Changes in, for example, temperature can affect industries such as agriculture, tourism, and insurances. |
| Legislative matters      | Legislation and regulation, contracts, compliance, and accountability that affect the behavior of companies and individuals (e.g. competition laws, labor conditions).                                 |



# **Application**

- One can use PESTEL analysis to reflect upon which factors are most likely to undergo changes. How does this affect the company?
- This can be done by ranking the various factors what are the risks/opportunities associated with each of them, and what is their likelihood?
- PESTEL can be applied at the business unit level if a company has very different business areas.
- Additionally, PESTEL can be applied across different levels of global setups (from local to national to global).

