Foreign experience of formation and development of family business

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ABSTRACT

The article describes foreign experience in the formation and development of family businesses using Germany, Holland, Italy, Finland, USA, France and India as an example, as well as its grouped existing types of family business management in different countries of the world. This article also provides scientific recommendations on effective organization and management of the activities of the family business. The development of family business in Uzbekistan, the research of foreign experience in this field and the consideration of their accessibility are of great priority.

Key words: Family business, stockholder, member of family business, company, corporation, enterprise.

INTRODUCTION

Historically, the experience of the family business for many years has been an important type of business. Professor William H. Uhara, director of the Smithsonian College's Family Business Institute in Rhode Island, Roddall, USA, wrote in his book "Century of Successes": "Family business existed before the creation of transnational corporations. It arose before the Greek and Roman empires ... ". "The Family Business" magazine listed several hundred family businesses with over 200 years of service life (Gizitdinova, 2010a).

At the same time, family business is a relatively common form of business. According to the data, family business in the world accounts for about 70% of all companies, up to 80% in the United States, and 94% in Finland (www.voxpopuli.kz). In a research, it was found that 68% of Western small businesses are family businesses. At present, the role of family business in the economy of the world is increasing. Numerous studies have focused on the types of international decisions of family firms, and almost exclusively on the two classic decisions of internationalization: commitment and market selection (Casillas and Moreno-Menéndez, 2017). In general, in many foreign countries, the role and value of family business is enormous. For example, today's world-renowned family business is an example of Rotshilds - Bankers' family (France), Opel - Automotive (Germany), Sharl Tisso - Tissot watches, Oral-B, Siemens, Adidias, Samsung Electronics and others (http://www.bishelp.ru/svoe_deло/variant).

It is important to consider the role of family entrepreneurship in the economies of the developed countries. For example, family business is one of the most important components of American business. US $ 24 m 62% of all workers are employed in family businesses, and their share in GDP is 64% (Gizitdinova, 2010b). In Germany, more than 90% of the business is concentrated in the hands of family businesses. The majority of them are family owned companies, which are managed by several generations. Such firms have permanent customers who have been formed over the years. Recent research shows that small firms are able to shape their markets through narrow specializations and to judge their own. Closure of leading family companies can lead to stagnation of the entire market.

In Germany, there are about 3.4 million small and medium-sized enterprises, providing 20 million jobs. Family businesses are the backbone of the German economy. It accounts for 85% of all industrial enterprises in the country and in turn, will provide 3 million jobs (finance.rol.ru).

Germany is characterized by small cities as compared with many other countries in Europe. When the country
provides inadequate jobs, this creates difficulties for the
government, but small businesses can help in this situation
and tend to succeed. Family business plays a "significant
role in the local economy." Moreover, according to
statistical research, family business in Germany is based on
the "human factor". Traditions in this country are highly
esteemed, as firms that have been in the market for more
than a hundred years are treated with great respect than

In the Netherlands, small and medium-sized enterprises
cover 98.5% of all private enterprises, of which 90% are
small businesses. Small and medium enterprises employ
more than half of those employed in the private sector. The
Netherlands occupies a leading position among the EU
countries in terms of employment in the service sector. In
the Netherlands, family businesses are mainly grown in the
agricultural sector. For example, on the farm of William
Dexter, an average of two and a half people work - husband,
wife and employee. 120 cows on the farm provide an
average of 1 million liters of milk. William's brother Elohim
Dexter owns a cheese factory where William delivers the
milk. The cheese factory also employed two persons, that is,
his brother and his assistant. They produce 100 tons of
cheese per year.

More than 90% of companies in Italy are owned by one
family. In Italy, the number of enterprises employed by up
to 50 people, accounts for about 90% of the total
production. In Finland, 90% of the total business is family
owned microfirms with less than 10 employees. India is
called the country of family business, as 95% of all
registered companies are family entrepreneurs
(Gizitdinova, 2010c). According to some analysts, 80% of all
small and medium enterprises in certain sectors of the
Russian economy (eg agriculture, food industry, textile
industry, IT-technologies and trade) are family businesses.

Since the development of family business in Uzbekistan
has been selected as one of the key areas, it is desirable to
take into account the practical experience accumulated
over the years in the world. Especially, it is important to
determine the composition of the family business, that is,
the strict approach to employment. A great deal of attention
is paid to the issue of family business in developed
countries. Despite the fact that business partners or those
who want to work there are mostly members of their
families, they are very careful and responsive on their
choice. It is noteworthy that some foreign family firms
require that family members work for 10-15years in other
companies before joining a family business
(http://www.bishelp.ru/rich/Uspeh/).

Usually, there is a personal trust relationship, known as
the fiduciary family business. For example, the transfer of
property to trust management depends on the existence of
personal trust between the parties" (http://www.granders.ru/college/pravovedenie/). From a
legal point of view, fiduciary operations are more reliable
and progressive than contractual obligations. In such
relations, there is no need to sign, promise, and collect
information about a partner. The mutual influence of the
parties is based on trust and close kinship relationships,
and not on risk; for example, the obligation between the
founder and the trustee executive manager
(http://www.bishelp.ru/svoe_delo/). In the development of
family business in Uzbekistan, mutual trust between family
members should become an important source for solving
many business problems. It is crucial to study the stability
of family business. As reported in a research, some
scientists and experts concluded that family businesses
often end their activities very quickly. This is not a straight
forward comment, and William A. O'Hara quoted, on the
question "What is the most robust and long-lasting
business?" answers "family business" (Gizitdinova, 2010d).

Nevertheless, in some cases, statistics show instability in
family business activities. In particular, according to the
experience of developed countries, despite the fact that the
history of several family companies covers several hundred
years, only 5% of such companies remain to the third
generation. The major problem for such companies is the
second generation of owners. Because in many cases, heirs
who are adopted are less likely to be enterprising and
motivated than the founders of the business, but they try to
convince them that they will manage their business. When
it comes to the third generation, there is a conflict between
the individual members of the family and the common seed
of the clan. There are many examples, Cargill in the United
States, Samsung in South Korea, BMW in Germany, Clarks
Shoesin England, and LVMH companies in France
(www.voxpopuli.kz).

From this, it can be concluded that in the family business,
usually many companies and families are destroyed for the
heritage. Therefore, the need to develop and legalize certain
inheritance rules is of importance in world practice. For
example, the beer brewing company Bavaria has its own
rules of transferring management to a new generation.
According to them, if the manager turns 62, he will have to
retire and leave the company. After that, he can no longer
participate in the company's activities. Because at the age of
40 to 50 years, there is a risk that the company's
management will be at the age of 70 years and older. It's a
little late to hold a position in 40-50 years

Similar rules apply to the world-famous Wal-Mart trading
network, the Bertelsmann international publishing
polygraph, the Canadian train and plane company
Bombardier (www.voxpopuli.kz). According to Grant
Gordon, Co-founder and CEO of Institute for Family
Business, the author of Family Wars, one of the major
difficulties in bringing the business to the next generation is
the disagreement among the generations. This is a frequent
problem facing family business owners. The essence of the
conflict between generations is usually manifested by the
impatience of young people who face the conservatism of
older generation. Gordon thinks that in spite of all the
negative consequences of the disagreements, they can lead to positive news, new thinking (www.voxpopuli.kz).

Michael Sullivan, head of the UK’s Credit Suisse Private Banking, explains: "Our research confirms the importance of family business in supporting the UK economy. Despite the fact that this sector is largely ignored by the British government, the role of family companies in other countries' economies can be seen as a good opportunity for regional and enterprise developments. The global financial crisis has highlighted the importance of a long-term economic development strategy, which includes the priority development of regional economics and family business".

Business performance may be affected by the family nature of a company, especially by its ownership structure and corporate strategies. In this sense, governance and resources of family firms are key determinants of outcomes such as the continuation of family involvement and firm survival (Pérez-Lopez et al., 2018).

It can be seen that in Uzbekistan, through the development of family entrepreneurship, it is possible to effectively address the issues of ensuring the socio-economic development of different regions of the country. In many countries of the world, family businesses can be grouped into two, depending on the structure and location of capital, as well as the management of the organization and the size of the enterprise. The first group is a family business, that is, a family and close relatives. As a rule, this small enterprise employs up to 10 employees. At the sametime, it is possible to single out individual subgroups in the form of a family (that is, only close relatives - husbands, wives, children). Such firms are family companies in Canada, the USA and Russian Federation. Firstly, these are different types of individual entrepreneurship. In such companies, the duties on positions, subordinate and hierarchical stages are not defined. Leadership refers to only the head of the family, while others perform their work with their own understanding. Typically, the small shops, consulting companies and printing houses are operating on this principle. There is no job description. Operational replacement of functional positions operates.

Another subgroup is the business of families with several relatives. This is usually a family business that has a well-organized and governed structure, and family relationships have become a business relationship, some of the family members become managers, and some others employees. The second group of family businesses includes companies that are inherited from generation to generation, all of whom are family pedigrees. This group includes large and larger companies, usually in the form of international corporations, which include many branches. In this case, the family controls the company only through a package of family shares. Each family must have a share in the family with a different percentage of shares in order to have the right to manage the family business.

For example, more than 50% of shares in Finland, and about 25% of shares in the United States and Germany are enough to have in the hands of the family. At the same time, these shares should be distributed among the major shareholders of this company, and the remaining shares are distributed among small shareholders. In many countries, family firms are a leading form of business organization. Family businesses have a high level of crisis tolerance, due to the following factors: poor understanding of losses, not just immediate benefits, but understanding of the development prospects and capabilities of each participant in the company.

As it is known, the family businesses constitute the basis of almost all the economies of the world. However, many studies have shown that family companies work better than non-family companies.

In some countries, these businesses are 158% more productive than ordinary companies. These data were obtained during 10 years of research in the United States. Today, there are two features for the global family business. First of all, it is important to save a large number of small and medium-sized enterprises, which are created by family members. For example, in the United States, such small family businesses have increased to 15 million. These types of family businesses are primarily aimed to save money on employee salaries. In Europe and America, the value of hired labor is sometimes beyond the capability of newly established firms.

The second feature is the existence of large family corporations and holdings with a world-renowned and centuries-old history, which pass from generation to generation on the heritage of 3-6 times. In England, almost 16% of all family firms are experiencing more than four generations. Sweden has the largest share of family owned businesses, with more than 60% of all employed population being occupied in this area. In Italy, 1.5 million people with a large percentage of family owned companies have more than a euro turnover (Zahra, 2003).

Conclusion

The world experience shows that family businesses are successful both in trade and in industrial industry, which in many cases, reach the highest levels in the world and rank among the world’s top companies. Based on the above-stated opinion, it is possible to use the following foreign experiences in the development of family business:

1. Creating academic research areas and schools dedicated to family business.
2. Organization of conferences and seminars on this theme.
3. Expand the list of training programs and have the opportunity to legally enforce the business succession through the activation of the Higher Education Institutions on the introduction of special subjects in family business management.
4. New mechanisms for financial support for innovation - use of innovative vouchers, checks, certificates. These tools are provided by the state for the purpose of paying for scientific research or consulting services by outside organizations (which ensures the proper use of state funds).

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