INCREASE OF COMPETITIVENESS OF THE ENTERPRISE BY ELECTRONIC BUSINESS TECHNOLOGIES

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ABSTRACT

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competitiveness, electronic business (e-business), information and communications technologies, enterprise information system (EIS), enterprise management system, management of ebusiness, contractual work automation. The article deals with global trends in e-commerce, especially conducting e-commerce in Ukraine. The article also explores the positive and negative factors affecting the development of e-commerce enterprises in Ukraine. Particular attention is paid to the consideration of the stages of development of e-commerce in the enterprise, issues of enterprise management in terms of focusing on e-business in the modern conditions of informatization and globalization.

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Introduction. The scope of e-business is developing dynamically around the world. The instantaneous rate of transfer of information, the absence of geographical and time constraints for consumers, low costs, a wide range of unique marketing tools and other benefits determine the interest to e-business by enterprises, manufacturers of goods and services. E-commerce (e-commerce) is a form of business transactions in which the interaction of the parties is carried out electronically instead of physical exchange or direct physical contact and as a result of which the right of ownership or use of a product or service is transferred from one person to another. E-commerce (from eng. e-commerce) is a sector of the economy, which includes all financial and trade transactions carried out using computer networks, and business processes associated with conducting such transactions [15]. E-commerce includes: Electronic Information Interchange (Electronis Data Interchange, EDI), Electronic capital flow (Electronic Funds Transfer, EFS), Electronic commerce (e-trade), Electronic money (e-cash), E-marketing (e-marketing), Electronic banking (e-banking), Electronic insurance services (e-insurance).

Literature Review. Issues of the use of information systems and technologies in business and on the development of e-business have been considered by such scientists: A. Baranov, A. Bereza, V. Bykov, D. Eimor, B. Gates, A. Gerashchenko, M. Dell, M. Castells, N. Medzhibovskaya, G. Mins, S. Parinov, V. Pleskach, K. Peitel, A. Pushkar, D. Siegel and others.

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The **purpose** of the article is to study the development and priority areas of Internet commerce in Ukraine under the influence of global trends in e-commerce.

Research results. The global e-commerce market is one of the most dynamic and steadily growing markets. According to the report eMarketer [1], in 2017, the global retail Internet trade will reach 10.1% of retail sales in general, in 2021, this share will increase to 16,1%; the growth rate of e-commerce will outstrip the growth of retail sales in general (Fig. 1).

Technologically developed countries consider e-business a powerful mechanism for economic development and expansion of sales markets for goods and services. Therefore, the development of e-business is strongly supported and stimulated by government regulatory funds. The volume of modern global e-commerce is estimated at several trillions of dollars, but analysts predict its further growth to 10 trillion dollars in the coming years. The largest is the e-commerce market in the US and Europe (EU countries).

The European e-commerce market, which represents European countries - Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Portugal, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland and the United Kingdom - are projected experts will increase the rate of growth annually by 10-15% over the next 5 years.

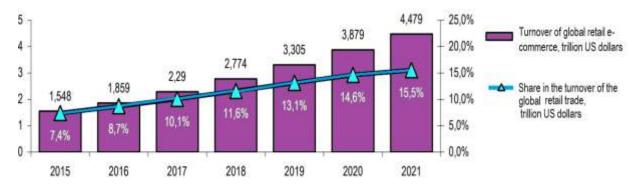


Fig. 1 - Dynamics of the volume of world e-commerce [2]

Worldwide e-commerce is represented in the following segments: direct sales of goods and services, information placement, corporate purchases. Moreover, the largest share belongs to the first segment and is about 80%. Most experts point out that the Ukrainian e-business and commerce market is quite promising.

The spread of e-business in Ukraine is promoted by the growing number of Internet users (about 50% of the population), the introduction of electronic payment systems for goods and services, the development of the national ICT market and other signs of informatization of society.

The analysis of the share of e-commerce in the volume of GDP of Ukraine and Western European countries for 2009-2017 is presented in Fig. 2.

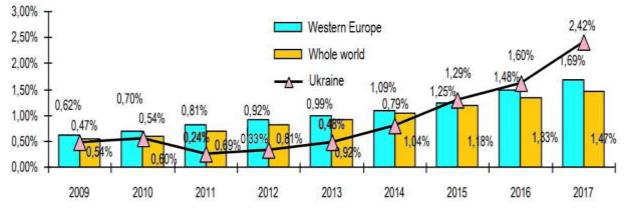


Fig. 2. Dynamics of the share of e-commerce in GDP of Ukraine, the world and Western Europe in 2009-2017. [2]

The development of e-commerce relies on attracting more and more users to the Internet (Fig.)

The dynamics of indicators of the development of electronic commerce in Ukraine, calculated by the authors, taking into account differences in the methods of evaluation and fluctuations in the hryvnia exchange rate to major world currencies, is given in Table. 1.

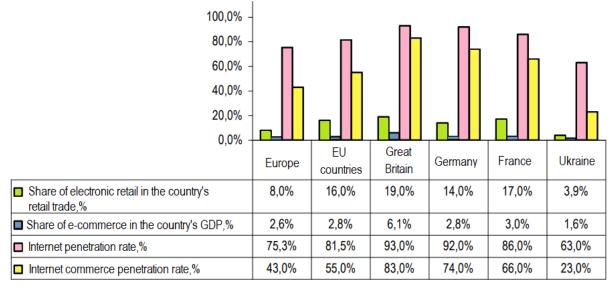


Fig. 3. The share of e-commerce in retailing and GDP in 2018 compared to Internet penetration rates

Table. 1. Dynamics of indicators of development of electronic commerce of Ukraine							
Indicator	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018 (forecast)	
Volume of retail trade in Ukraine, bln. UAH	888,5	901	1031,7	1159,3	1228,8	1327,3	
Volume of retail trade in Ukraine, bln.USD	111,2	76,0	47,1	45,1	43,5	41,7	
Volume of retail trade in Ukraine, billion euro	83,7	57,4	42.6	41,0	42,3	42,5	
Volume of Internet commerce in Ukraine, bln. UAH	7,4	12,3	25,5	38,3	48	47	
Volume of Internet commerce in Ukraine, bln. USD	0,88	1,04	1,17	1,50	1,70	1,63	
Volume of Internet commerce in Ukraine, bln. euro	0,66	0,76	1,06	1,43	1,65	1,64	
annual growth index of retail trade in hryvnia equivalents	9,4%	1,5%	14,4%	12,7%	6,0%	8,0%	
Annual index of growth of retail trade in dollar equivalent	11,5%	-31,1%	-36,3%	-4,3%	-4,1%	-4,2%	
annual growth rate of retail trade in euro equivalent	5,7%	31,2%	-36,2%	100,4%	3,2%	3,5%	
annual growth rate of Internet commerce in hryvnia equivalents	53,7%	72,5%	72,5%	12,4%	25,0%	22%	
annual growth rate of Internet commerce in dollar equivalent	52,9%	18,3%	18,3%	13,2%	13,01%	11,4%	
annual growth rate of Internet commerce in euro equivalent	48,0%	18,8%	18,1%	34,9%	22,3%	24,5%	
e-commerce penetration in Ukraine	0,9%	1,5%	1,4%	2,5%	3,9	3,8%	

However, the successful implementation of business on the Internet implies a transitional stage of its implementation, associated with the use of new electronic tools at enterprises, new methods and principles of work, improvement of the organizational structure and management system, optimization of business processes of the enterprise, with constant updating of knowledge and skills of

its employees the like. Effective enterprise management becomes a key factor in increasing its competitiveness and requires the use of modern methods and tools adapted to work in the information society. The most significant factor in the management and development of a modern enterprise is recognized as dynamic changes in the external environment, whose influence on management efficiency is determined by expanding the boundaries of the enterprise's activities, complicating relations with customers and partners, and increasing the available information. As a result, the company grows the number of management decisions and shortens the time of their adoption, which causes the need to revise the methods, principles, tools of enterprise management in the direction of increasing the degree of its informatization. One of the advantages of developing e-business in an enterprise is the possibility of its transition to a new dual technology of value formation, which, unlike that developed by Michael Porter, consists of analyzing and controlling costs both in the traditional sense and depending on the extent of the information space covered by the enterprise and its use of information technology and systems in various parts of the value chain.

On the basis of generalization of foreign and domestic experience in electronic activity, its evolution identified stages of transition to electronic business of domestic enterprises (Table 2).

Stages of e-business development	Characteristics of the stage	Key actions		
General informatization	Formation of a strategic plan for e-business, search for potential partners and information about the infrastructure of the Internet environment.	 formation of IT infrastructure; informatization of activity; introduction of electronic document flow 		
Representation on the Internet	Update of the company's website, marketing experiments on the Internet	 stimulating the use of the Internet, integration of internal information resources of the enterprise 		
Creating e-business platform	Implementation of specialized information and computer technologies, payment and other systems; organization of personnel training; information security system providing	 creation of centers of data exchange and networks of the enterprise; development of general IT infrastructure; introduction of international regulations 		
Introduction of e-commerce Internet providing service to customers		 stimulation of interaction between enterprises, partners and clients; providing efficient electronic services 		
Network partnership Creation of corporate portals, establishment of profitable partnerships with clients, Internet partners		 Integration of business and electronic services; increase in the volume of electronic services engagement and synergy. 		

Table 2. Characteristics of the stages of development of e-business in the enterprise

The introduction of e-business involves the structuring and systematization of relevant processes in the enterprise, the success of which is ensured by the timely adaptation of management activities in a dynamic information environment enhancing the active management of the enterprise and the transformation of the management system, its constituent elements and relations between them, are undergoing transformations on an ongoing basis (Table 3).

Elements Management System	Transformation			
Methodology of management (laws, principles, methods, functions, management technology)	 combination of the principles of strategic management and network management (by K. Kelly) expansion and differentiation of management functions in connection with the diversification, virtualization and globalization of production; reorientation of strategic priorities with an emphasis on flexibility, strengthening of program-targeted management, reorganization of divisions and their interaction, strengthening integration. 			
Process of management (communication system, development and implementation of managerial decisions, information provision)	 automation of management processes (planning, organization and control) for pre-allocated centers of responsibility; provision of organizational, informational, financial-economic, social and communication management mechanism; focusing on the management of intangible assets. 			
Management structure (functional structures, information flows, behavioral system, personnel training)	 the transition to a flexible, horizontal organizational structure through a network of labor organization; reorganization of divisions, creation of strategic management departments and development of e-business; formation of an effective system of motivation and training of the personnel. 			
Technology and management technology (communication networks, document management systems, communication systems)	 creation of a common information space for enterprise management based on an integrated integrated information system, with internal and external communications and connections of the enterprise. 			

Table 3. Transformation of the components of the enterprise management system in e-business

Conclusions. Thus, the transformation of the management system at the enterprise leads to a new higher level of development related to meeting the needs of consumers that arise in the information environment and which the enterprise must comply with (flexibility, prompt delivery of information, 24-hour on-line presence on the Internet, etc.). The article states that the intensive development of e-business technologies requires an appropriate timely transformation of the services and departments of the enterprise to e-business. Under such conditions, the integrative role of management in the formation of an innovative way of enterprise development increases.

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