Innovation and Entrepreneurship

It is difficult to decrypt innovation without considering the contribution of entrepreneurs, as the boldest ideas cannot be materialised otherwise than based on the actions of the latter.

On the other hand, a successful business implies an optimum configuration of activities (distinctly from a common approach), this involving: the satisfaction of customer's needs, a lower production cost and, sometimes, decreased price levels, a revolutionary design for products, based on novelty elements etc.

Therefore, innovation and entrepreneurship are two continuously adapting, organically connected "realities".

It is an illusion to perceive a business as being immortal. We have to adjust all the time to the arising contexts. A moment of apathy is enough to make a business vanish, as in the demand-supply relationship only the ones anticipating the market needs and being able to educate the market will survive.

The use of market research specific instruments in order to understand the perception of potential consumers about a given idea is not a guaranty of success. There are situations where experiments are recommended, a small scale business revealing the real reactions of the market. Process observation allows detecting the chances for a successful transposition of an idea into business.

Start-ups have an important role in the materialisation of innovations, as they are flexible and, although not benefitting from a significant volume of resources, are ready to make radical decisions.

Financing an idea is the greatest challenge of an entrepreneur, providing the same with the opportunity of demonstrating some skills, such as bargaining power or capacity of defining a coherent and consistent system.

Hence, a credible business plan, the identification of the market real needs and of the product viability are prerequisites.

The personality of the innovator reveals certain features: capacity of processing information, creativity, curiosity, and availability for using last generation technologies, among others.

Therefore, an entrepreneur should discover the proper ways to identify the best ideas and to transpose them into practice, finding the funders ready to support such implementation.