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# Management control terminology: An English German dictionary

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The paper aimed to develop a specialized English-German management control dictionary, addressing linguistic and conceptual differences in management control systems (MCS) to enhance understanding and communication in international business contexts. The research involved a systematic review of existing management control literature and dictionaries, followed by a detailed translation process. Key management control terms were identified from prominent English and German textbooks. The translations were collaboratively reviewed and refined by experts in the field to ensure accuracy and contextual relevance. The study presents a comprehensive dictionary containing 393 English-German management control terms. It revealed significant linguistic idiosyncrasies and challenges in direct translations, necessitating non-literal translations to capture the nuanced meanings accurately. The dictionary serves as a valuable resource for both academic and practical applications. It aids students in understanding case studies and management control concepts in their studies, particularly in international contexts. For practitioners, it enhances cross-country communication and the application of management control practices. The study also underscores the need for ongoing updates to the dictionary to reflect evolving management control terminology and practices.

**Key words:** Accounting education, management control systems, cost accounting, cross-cultural communication, linguistic challenges, international business.

#### INTRODUCTION

Management control systems are critical to the effective governance of organizations, ensuring that resources are allocated efficiently and strategic objectives are met (Atkinson et al., 2022; Datar and Rajan, 2020). However, the concepts and terminology associated with management control vary significantly across different

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cultural and linguistic contexts (Warburton, 2021). These variations are particularly pronounced between Germany and the anglophone world, including the United States and the United Kingdom (Bajnai, 2021). The need for a comprehensive English-German management control dictionary arises from these differences, facilitating clearer communication and understanding in increasingly globalized business environments (Aburous and Kamla, 2022; Feldermann and Hiebl, 2020; Moreno, 2024; Tietze and Piekkari, 2020).

In anglophone countries, management control is broadly understood as a set of practices and systems designed to align organizational activities with strategic goals (Becker et al., 2021; Endenich et al., 2021). This encompasses various techniques such as budgetary control, performance measurement, and strategic planning (Bajnai, 2021; Becker et al., 2021). Anthony (1965) pioneered the field by defining management control as the process by which managers ensure that resources are obtained and used effectively and efficiently in the accomplishment of the organization's objectives. The and structured approach emphasizes a systemic processes framework of planning and control predominantly focused on financial measures. Frigo et al. (2022) further extended the field of management control by linking it explicitly to strategy through their development of the balanced scorecard, which aligns performance measures with strategic objectives. Merchant and Van der Stede (2017) expanded on this by incorporating behavioral organizational dimensions. hiahliahtina importance of informal controls and cultural factors in shaping managerial behavior. Conversely, in Germany, the concept of *Controlling* is more nuanced and integrated into the broader framework of managerial decisionmaking. German management control emphasizes planning, rigorous monitoring, coordination of information systems to support executive decisions (Horváth et al., 2024; Küpper et al., 2024). Their approach is holistic, emphasizing the synergy between various control mechanisms and the strategic alignment of the entire organization. While the anglophone perspective focuses on the technical and procedural aspects of control and the role of the *management accountant*, the German view integrates a broader strategic and systemic understanding and the role of the controller, reflecting a comprehensive approach to organizational governance and effectiveness (Endenich et al., 2021). The historical development of management control systems also highlights these differences. In the anglophone world, the evolution from traditional costing methods to more advanced techniques such as activity-based costing marked significant progress in management control practices (Frigo et al., 2022; Gosselin and Journeault, 2022; Jourdaine et al., 2021; Pashkevich et al., 2023). In contrast, German approaches have been heavily influenced by pioneers like Eugen Schmalenbach, whose contributions laid the foundation for sophisticated costing systems (Schmalenbach, 1899, 1919).

Despite recent trends toward convergence management control practices, significant differences remain. The increasing internationalization of business underscores the importance of a unified management control vocabulary. As companies expand their operations globally, the ability to understand and apply management control concepts across different cultural and linguistic contexts becomes essential. A specialized dictionary that translates and explains key management control terms can bridge this gap, enhancing both academic research and practical application (Becker et al., 2021; Endenich et al., 2021). Moreover, precise terminology is fundamental to the acquisition and dissemination of knowledge in the field of management control. For scholars and practitioners alike, a clear understanding of specific terms and concepts is necessary to engage with relevant literature and to implement effective control systems within organizations. The absence of direct equivalents in translation further complicates this task, necessitating a resource that provides accurate and contextually appropriate translations (Aburous and Kamla, 2022; Feldermann and Hiebl, 2020; Moreno, 2024; Tietze and Piekkari, 2020). Therefore, it poses the following research question: What are relevant management control terms and how can these terms be translated?

This study enhances accounting education and practice by providing a resource to address linguistic challenges in the field.

#### **MATERIALS AND METHODS**

#### Method of the scoping literature review

A scoping literature review was conducted. Scoping reviews are particularly well-suited to disciplines, where the aim is to map the existing literature, identify key concepts, and explore the breadth of research on a particular topic, rather than answer narrowly defined research questions typical of empirical studies (Bradbury-Jones et al., 2022; Chi, 2022; Peters et al., 2020b). This method is highly advantageous in fields like humanistic lexicography, where capturing the diversity and range of research is crucial for understanding the complexities and nuances of the subject matter (Booth et al., 2021). As Peters et al. (2020) argue, scoping reviews provide a comprehensive approach to synthesizing literature, making them particularly effective in fields like humanistic lexicography, where capturing the diversity and range of research is crucial for understanding the complexities and nuances of the field. Similarly, Bradbury-Jones et al. (2022) note that this approach is invaluable in exploring broad research questions and identifying gaps in the existing literature.

Moreover, lexicography often involves a combination of historical analysis, theoretical exploration, and qualitative synthesis (Chi, 2022). These components are more flexibly and comprehensively addressed through a scoping review, as it allows for an open-ended exploration of themes and concepts. This flexibility contrasts with the rigid structure of systematic literature reviews, which, while methodologically rigorous, may not fully accommodate the exploratory nature and broader scope required for research in this field (Booth et al., 2021). Peters et al. (2020) argue that scoping reviews are particularly effective in disciplines where theoretical

innovation and conceptual development are central, as they enable researchers to map complex phenomena without the constraints of predefined outcome measures. They highlight that the nature of scoping reviews supports ongoing refinement of research questions and frameworks, making them an ideal tool for studies that require a more adaptable and exploratory approach (Peters et al., 2020b).

# Findings of the scoping review: Dictionaries in international accounting research

The field of accounting has seen the development of various dictionaries in multiple languages, aimed at overcoming translation challenges and enhancing understanding. For instance, the Centre for Lexicography has been creating specialized Internet dictionaries since 2002, known as accounting dictionaries, available in languages like Danish and Spanish. These efforts are well-documented, detailing the development process, rationale, and technical aspects (Fuertes-Olivera, 2022, 2023, 2024; Fuertes-Olivera and Bergenholtz, 2019).

Trinh (2010) tackled the creation of a Vietnamese-English accounting dictionary, highlighting the difficulty of finding appropriate equivalents. In another effort to support the study of accounting terminology, Peters et al. (2014) evaluated an accounting term bank with translations into Chinese (Mandarin). Meanwhile, Lueg and Wobst (2021) and Wobst and Lueg (2022a,b) developed a specialized English-German dictionary focusing on financial accounting, costing, and corporate finance, demonstrating the value of subfield-specific dictionaries for differentiating concepts within various accounting disciplines. Despite these advancements, there remains a notable absence of a dedicated dictionary for basic English-German cost accounting terminology. The study filled the gap by developing a specialized dictionary, thereby enhancing the understanding and communication of cost accounting concepts across linguistic barriers (Aburous and Kamla, 2022; Feldermann and Hiebl, 2020; Moreno, 2024; Tietze and Piekkari, 2020).

#### Application of the scoping review: The translation process

The study identified relevant management control terms using the textbook by Merchant and Van der Stede (2017), one of the leading international resources for management control. Subsequently, the English terms were translated into German, referencing widely used textbooks in German higher education programs (Horváth et al., 2024; Küpper et al., 2024).

The process involved several steps. First, one author compiled an initial list of relevant English terms and their German translations. Second, the other author and an independent research assistant reviewed all dictionary entries and suggested adjustments. All participants brought substantial expertise in the field, with both authors regularly teaching management control courses in English and German. Third, the study resolved any ambiguous cases through joint discussions to finalize the dictionary. This comprehensive approach ensured that the translations were accurate and reflective of both linguistic and contextual nuances in management control.

#### **RESULTS**

Appendix A presents 393 basic English-German management control terms. Drawing on Merchant and Van der Stede (2017), all entries describe commonly used cost accounting concepts. The study found that a variety of linguistic idiosyncrasies exist in both languages that affect the translation process. The study outlines several

examples firstly, not every term is translatable and thus requires non-literal translation. For example, translating (management) control to the German Kontrolle can be problematic. Kontrolle typically refers to ex-post oversight rather than ex-ante planning, or it is often perceived as the opposite of trust. It carries a negative connotation of micromanagement. In the context of (management) the study suggests the translation control, Unternehmenssteuerung, which focuses on using explicit, data-driven analyses and well-defined processes to enable rational and impartial decision-making. This is distinct from the similar and popular Unternehmensführung, which pertains more to leadership and relies heavily on implicit knowledge and personal judgment. Thus, Unternehmenssteuerung encapsulates the systematic and analytical aspect of (management) control, ensuring decisions are made based on objective data rather than solely on personal intuition or experience.

Secondly, in contrast to English, the German language distinguishes between three different genders (feminine, masculine, neuter). The German equivalent to the feminine (masculine) definite article the is die (der). The German language adds a further neuter form (das). For example, the term decentralization is translated into (die) Dezentralisierung (feminine). it indicates the appropriate gender in brackets for the respective entries in Appendix A

Thirdly, there are notable differences between German and English when it comes to compound words. German often uses a single compound word to express what English conveys with multiple words (Algaba et al., 2020). For instance, the English term cash flow statement is translated into the German word Kapitalflussrechnung. Overall, these differences highlight that grammatical and lexical structures between the two languages can limit direct word-for-word translations.

#### DISCUSSION

The research question aimed to identify and translate fundamental management control terminology. To address this, the study developed a management control dictionary. The study identified and translated 393 essential management control terms into German. Additionally, it explored various linguistic peculiarities, which are illustrated through specific examples.

The management control dictionary plays a crucial role in management education, enabling students to become acquainted with essential English terminology in this field. Previous research emphasizes the increasing use of case studies in accounting education as a means to foster realworld engagement and active learning (Becker et al., 2021; Lueg and Lueg, 2015). Consequently, this dictionary proves particularly beneficial in helping students comprehend case studies in management control (Lueg and Lueg, 2015). Additionally, existing literature indicates that using English as a medium of instruction can

exacerbate social inequalities, as students from lower socio-economic backgrounds often perceive greater learning barriers than their peers (Lueg and Lueg, 2015). Lueg and Lueg (2015) stress the importance of supporting students by minimizing these linguistic barriers. This dictionary serves as a valuable resource to help students from lower socio-economic backgrounds overcome learning obstacles. Furthermore, it can assist practitioners in multinational companies by enhancing cross-country communication. The adoption of a scoping literature review methodology has allowed the comprehensive mapping and synthesize the existing research in humanistic lexicography, providing a robust foundation for the development of the management control dictionary (Bradbury-Jones et al., 2022; Chi, 2022; Peters et al., 2020b).

The study's limitations open several paths for future research. Firstly, any dictionary is inherently limited by the developers' understanding and interpretation, particularly when no direct equivalent exists in the target language (Aburous and Kamla, 2022; Feldermann and Hiebl, 2020; Moreno, 2024; Tietze and Piekkari, 2020). To address the limitation, the study collaboratively reviewed all dictionary entries and their German equivalents to ensure a shared understanding of the concepts. Secondly, as highlighted by Fuertes-Olivera (2024), accounting concepts and terminology evolve. However, it is important to note that the scoping review methodology itself has inherent limitations. While it offers flexibility and breadth, it may not capture the same level of depth as a systematic literature review, particularly in terms of critical appraisal of the included studies (Peters et al., 2020) (Peters, Marnie et al., 2020b). Future research could complement this approach with more focused reviews or empirical studies to address specific gaps identified in this scoping review (Chi, 2022). Lastly, there is potential for future research to develop similar specialized dictionaries for other subfields within the discipline.

#### Conclusion

Creating a specialized dictionary for management control is a complex and demanding endeavor, requiring significant effort to identify terms, clarify their meanings, and find appropriate equivalents (Bajnai, 2021; Endenich et al., 2021). Additionally, the field of accounting is dynamic, with new concepts continuously emerging, necessitating regular updates to dictionaries (Fuertes-Olivera, 2022, 2023, 2024; Fuertes-Olivera and Bergenholtz, 2019). To maintain the dictionary's relevance and accuracy, the researchers welcome suggestions for improvements or additional terms to include.

#### **CONFLICT OF INTERESTS**

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Appendix A: English-German Management Control Dictionary<sup>1</sup>.

English	German
Absorption costing	Vollkostenrechnung [f]
Accountability	Verantwortlichkeit [f]
accounting standards	Rechnungslegungsstandards [f]
Action control	Maßnahmenkontrolle [f]
Activity	Aktivität / Beschäftigung [f]
Activity costs	Aktivitätskosten [p]
Activity-based budgeting (ABB)	Tätigkeitsbezogene Budgetierung [f] / Activity-Based Budgeting [n]
Activity-based costing (ABC)	Prozesskostenrechnung [f]
Activity-based management (ABM)	Tätigkeitsbezogenes Management / Activity-based Management [n]
Actual level of employment	Istbeschäftigung [f]
Actual price (AP)	Istpreis [m]
Actual quantity (AQ)	Istmenge [f]
Additional performance	Zusatzleistung [f]
Agency costs	Agenturkosten [p]
Allocation base	Verteilungsschlüssel [m]
Allowable cost (per unit)	See target cost per unit
Annual bonus	Jahresbonus [m]
Audits	Audits / Prüfungen [p]
Autonomy	Autonomie [f]
Average waiting price	Durchschnittliche Wartezeit [f]
Balanced Scorecard (BSC)	Balanced Scorecard [f]
Base salary	Grundgehalt [n]
Belief systems	Wertesystem [n]
Benchmark price	Richtpreis [m]
Benchmarking	Vergleichsanalyse [f]
Bid price	Angebotspreis [m]
Bonus bank	Bonusbank [f]
Bonus plan	Bonusplan [m]
Bonus pool	Bonustopf [m]
Bottleneck	Engpass [m]
Bottom-up budgeting	Bottom-up-Budgetierung [f]
Boundary systems	Abgrenzungssysteme / Verhaltenssysteme [p] / Verhaltenskodex [m]
Break-even analysis	Break-even-Analyse [f]
Budget	Finanzplan [m] / Budget [n]
Budgetary control	Budgetkontrolle [f]
Budgetary slack	Spielraum [m] / Polster [n] im Budget
Budgeted performance	Planbetrag [m] / Planergebnisse [p]
Budgeting	Budgetierung / Finanzplanung [f]
Business environment	Geschäftsumfeld [n]
Business model	Geschäftsmodell [n]
Cash bonus	Barbonus [m]
Cash budget	Liquiditätsplan [m] / Liquiditätsbudget [n]
Cash Value Added	Cash Value Added [m]
Cash value Added Cause-and-effect diagram	Ursache-Wirkungsdiagramm [n]
Cause-and-enect diagram Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	Vorstandsvorsitzende (r) [masculine /feminine]
Chief financial officer (CFO)	Finanzvorstand [m]
Choice criterion	Auswahlkriterium [n]
Collusive pricing	Preisabsprachen [p]

 $<sup>^{1}[</sup>m]$  = masculine, [f] = feminine, [n] = neuter, [p] = plural .

Commission Provision [f]

Vergütungsanalyse [f] Compensation analysis Compensation benchmarking Vergütungsvergleich [n] Compensation Committee Vergütungsausschuss [m] Compensation equity Vergütungsgerechtigkeit [f] Compensation package Vergütungspaket [n] Compensation Philosophy Vergütungsphilosophie [f] Compensation strategy Vergütungsstrategie [f] Compensation systems Vergütungssysteme [p]

Competency Kompetenz [f]

Wettbewerbsvorteil [m] Competitive advantage Complementor Komplementor [m] Continuous budget See rolling budget Contribution margin Deckungsbeitrag [m]

Control

Corporate control (Unternehmens-)Steuerung [f]

Management control

Control chart Qualitätsregelkarte [f] Controllability Koordination [f]

Controller /in [Verantwortliche für das Rechnungswesen/ Controller

Finanzbuchhaltung] [f] [m]

Cost accounting Kostenrechnung [f] Cost advantage Kostenvorteil [m] Kostenverrechnung [f] Cost allocation Cost center Kostenstelle [f] Cost driver Kostenfaktor [m] Kostenführerschaft [f] Cost leadership Cost management Kostenmanagement [n] Cost object Kostenobjekt [n] Cost of conformance (COC) Konformitätskosten [p]

Cost pool Kostenstelle [f]

Kosten-Nutzen-Ansatz [m] / Kosten-Nutzen-Abwägungen [p] Cost-benefit approach

Cost-oriented management control system Kostenorientiertes Steuerungssystem [n]

Costs of goods sold (COGS) Herstellungskosten [p] Cost-type accounting Kostenartenrechnung [f]

Cumulative average-price learning model Durchschnittsarbeitszeit-Lernmodell [n]

Customer life-cycle costs Kundenlebenszykluskosten [p]

Customer lifecycle value (CLV) Kundenwert [m]

Customer relationship management (CRM) Kundenbeziehungsmanagement [n]

Customer service Kundenservice [m] Customer value Kundenwert [m]

Customer-cost hierarchy Kundenkostenhierarchie [f] Customer-profitability analysis Kundenprofitabilitätsanalyse [f]

Customer-response price Kundenreaktionszeit [f] Decentralization Dezentralisierung [f] Decision model Entscheidungsmodell [n] Decision table Entscheidungstabelle [f]

Defender Unternehmen welche ihren Marktanteil verteidigen [p]

Divestment

Deferred bonus Aufgeschobener Bonus [m]
Deferred compensation AufgeschobeneVergütung [f]
Demand (to) Nachfrage (nachfragen) [f]

Design of products and processes Konzeption von Produkten und Prozessen [f]

Design quality Designqualität [f]

Diagnostic control systems Diagnostic control systems / diagnostische Steuerungssysteme [p]

Differentiation strategy Differenzierungsstrategie [f]
Direct costing Einzelkostenrechnung [f]

Discounted cash flow method Discounted-Cashflow-Verfahren [n]

Discretionary bonusErmessensbonus [m]DistributionVertrieb [m]DiversificationDiversifikation [f]

Downsizing [Verkleinerung als Methode zu Effizienzsteigerung] [n]

Desinvestition [f]

Downward demand spiral Abwärtsspriale der Nachfrage [f]

Dual pricing

Duale Preisbildung [f]

Dumping

Dumping [n]

Dysfunctional decision making

See suboptimal decision-making

Economic order quantity (EOQ)

Modell der optimalen Bestellmenge [n]

Economic Value Added (EVA®) (Residualgewinnkonzept) [m]

Economies of scale Skaleneffekte [p]
Effectiveness Effektivität [f]
Efficiency Effizienz [f]

Efficiency variance Effizienzabweichung / Verbrauchsabweichung [f]

Employee benefits Arbeitnehmerleistungen [p]
Employee motivation Mitarbeitermotivation [f]
Employee stock ownership plan (ESOP) Mitarbeiterbeteiligungsplan [m]

Enterprise resource planning (ERP) system [n] Enterprise resource planning (ERP) System [n]

Equity compensation Aktienvergütung [f] **Executive bonus** Führungskräftebonus [m] Vorstandsvergütung [f] **Executive compensation** Expected monetary value See expected value Expected value Erwartungswert [m] Expense management Ausgabenmanagement [n] Experience curve Erfahrungskurve [f] ExplizitesWissen [n] Explicit knowledge External Reporting Externes Berichtswesen [n] Extrinsic motivation Extrinsische Motivation [f] Extrinsic reward Extrinsische Belohnung [f] Favorable variance Vorteilhafte Abweichung [f]

Finance director See chief financial officer (CFO) [m]
Financial budget Finanzplan [m] / Finanzbudget [n]

Financial planning models

Financial reporting

Fixed cost digression

Fixeble budget

Planungsmodelle [p]

Finanzberichterstattung [f]

Fixkostendegression [f]

Flexibles Budget [p]

Flexible-budget variance Flexible Budgetabweichung / Soll-Ist-Abweichung [f]

Floor price Preisuntergrenze [f]
Fluctuating Variabel; schwankend [f]
Fringe benefits Nebenleistungen [p]

Goal (financial) Wertziel [n]
Goal (operational) Sachziel [n]

Goal congruenceZielkongruenz [f]Goal settingZielsetzung [f]Growth analysisWachstumsanalyse [f]

Growth component Wachstumskomponente [f]

Growth strategies (vertical, horizontal, diagonal

/conglomerate)

Wachstumsstrategie (vertikal, horizontal, diagonal /konglomerat) [f]

Human capitalHumankapital [n]Idle capacityLeerkapazität [f]Idle priceLeerlaufzeit [f]

Immaterial assets Immaterielle Vermögenswerte [p]

Incentive Anreiz [m]

Incentive alignment
Incentive compensation
Incentive plan
Incentive program
Incentive program
Incentive stock option

Anreizabstimmung [f]
Anreizvergütung [f]
Anreizplan [m]
Anreizprogramm [n]
Anreiz-Aktienoption [f]

Incongruent decision making
Incremental unit-price learning model
Insourcing

See suboptimal decision making
Grenzarbeitszeit-Lernmodell [n]
Insourcing [n] / Eigenfertigung [f]

Interactive control systems Interactive Planungs- und Steuerungssysteme [p]

Innerbetriebliche Leistungen [p]

Internal control Interne Kontrolle [f]

Internal settlement Innerbetriebliche Abrechnung [f]
Intrinsic motivation Intrinsische Motivation [f]

Inventory management [n] / Bestandsführung [f]
Investment center Investitionsstelle [f] / Investment Center [n]

Job enrichment
Arbeitsplatzbereicherung [f]
Job satisfaction
Arbeitszufriedenheit [f]
Just-in-price (JIT) production
Just-in-price (JIT) purchasing
Just-in-price Einkauf [m]
Kaizen budgeting

Kaizen budgeting Kaizenplanung [f]
Key performance indicator (KPI) Leistungskennzahl [f]
Key success factors Erfolgsfaktoren [p]
Leadership Unternehmensführung [f]

Leading and lagging indicators

Führende und nachhinkende Indikatoren [p]

Lean accounting / schlankes Rechnungswesen [n]

Lean production See just-in-price (JIT) production

Learning Lernprozess [m] Learning curve Lernkurve [f]

Life-cycle budgeting Lebenszyklusbudgetierung [f]
Line management Linienmanagement [n]

Liquidity Liquidität [f]

Long-term incentive Langfristiger Anreiz [m]
Long-term incentive plan (LTIP) Langfristiger Anreizplan [m]

Loss Verlust [m]

Make-or-buy decisionsMake-or-Buy-Entscheidungen [p]Management AccountingInternes Rechnungswesen [n]Management by exceptionFührung nach Ausnahmeprinzip [f]

Management control Controlling [n]

Management control system Planungs- und Steuerungssysteme [p]

Manufacturing cells Fertigungszellen [p]

Manufacturing cycle efficiency (MCE)

Manufacturing cycle price

Manufacturing lead price

Manufacturing lead price

Fertigungsdurchlaufzeit [f]

Manufacturing-sector companies Unternehmen des produzierenden Gewerbes [p]

Marginal costsGrenzkosten [p]Market expansionMarkterweiterung [f]Market intensificationMarktdurchdringung [f]

Marketing [n]

Market-share variance Marktanteilsabweichung [f]
Market-size variance Marktgrößenabweichung [f]
Mark-to-market accounting Marktbasierte Rechnungslegung [f]

Master budget Gesamtbudget [n]
Master-budget capacity utilization Planbeschäftigung [f]
Materials requirements planning (MRP) Materialbedarfsplanung [f]

Merchandising-sector companies Handelsunternehmen [p] / Unternehmen des Handelssektors [p]

Merit pay

Leistungsbezogene Bezahlung [f]

Mission Mission [f]

Monetary incentives Monetare Incentivierung [f]

Monitoring Überwachung [f]
Moral hazard Überwachung [f]
Moralisches Risiko [n]

Motivation [f]

Motivational theory Motivationstheorie [f]
Motivational tool Motivationsinstrument [n]

Niche Nische [f]

Non-monetary incentive Nicht-monetärer Anreiz [m]
Non-monetary incentives Nicht-monetäre Incentivierung [f]
Normal capacity utilization Normalbeschäftigung [f]

Objective function Zielfunktion [f]
On-price performance Lieferpünktlichkeit [f]

Operating budget Betriebsbudget [n] / Betriebsplan [m]

Operating income Betriebsgewinn [m]

Operating-income volume variance Volumenabweichung des Betriebsgewinnes [f]

Operational control Operative Kontrolle [f]
Opportunity costs Opportunitätskosten [f]
Organization structure Organisationsstruktur [f]
Organizational commitment Organisationsbindung [f]
Outcomes Outcome [n] / Ergebnisse [p]
Outsourcing Auslagerung / Fremdbeschaffung [f]

Overhead costs

Overprice

Pareto diagram

Partial productivity

Pay equity

Pay structure

Gemeinkosten [p]

Überstunden [p]

Pareto-Diagramm [n]

Partielle Produktivität [f]

Lohngerechtigkeit [f]

Pay-for-performance Leistungsabhängige Vergütung [f]
Peak-load pricing Spitzenauslastungspreisgestaltung [f]
Perfectly competitive market Vollkommener Wettbewerb [m]

Performance Leistung [f]

Performance appraisal Leistungsbeurteilung [f]
Performance benchmarking Leistungsvergleich [m]
Performance bonus Leistungsbonus [m]

Performance evaluation

Performance management

Performance management system

Leistungsmanagement [n]

Leistungssteuerungssystem [n]

Performance measurement Leistungsbewertung [f]
Performance review Leistungsbewertung [f]

Performance share units (PSUs) Aktienbasierte Vergütung (Performance-gebunden) [f]

Performance standards Leistungsstandards [p]

Performance-based compensation LeistungsorientierteVergütung [f]

Planning Planung [f]

Planning and control cycle Planungs- und Kontrollzyklus [m]

Practical capacity Praktische Kapazität / praktisch realisierbare Kapazität [f]

Predatory pricing Verdrängungswettbewerb [m]

Price discount Preisnachlass [m]
Price discrimination Preisdiskriminierung [f]
Price variance Preisabweichung [f]
Price wage Zeitlöhne [p]

Price-recovery component Preisänderungskomponente [f]

Pricing Preisgestaltung [f]

Process Cycle Efficiency (PCE)
Prozesswirkungsgrad [m]
Process quality
Process simulation
Prozessimulation [f]
Product differentiation
Product enlargement
Product life cycle
Product life cycle
Produktlebenszyklus [m]

Production-volume variance Beschäftigungsabweichung [f]

Productivity Produktivität [f]

Product-mix decisions Produktmixentscheidungen [p]

Profit Gewinn [m]

Profit center Ergebnisstelle [f] / Profit Center [n]

Profit margin Gewinnzuschlag [m]
Profit sharing Gewinnbeteiligung [f]
Profit-to-sales ratio See Return on Sales [m]

Prospector Unternehmen mit wachsendem Marktanteil [n]

Purchase-order lead price Auftragsbearbeitungszeit [f]
Qualitative factors Qualitative Faktoren [p]

Quality Qualität [f]

Quantitative factors Quantitative Faktoren [p]
Rate variance See price variance

Recognition and rewards

Anerkennung und Belohnungen [p]
Recognition program

Anerkennungsprogramm [n]

Reengineering Umstrukturierung [f]
Reorder point Bestellbestand [n]

Research and development (R&D) Forschung und Entwicklung [f]
Residual income Residualeinkommen [n]

Resource-based (strategy/view) Ressourcenbasierte Strategie [f]

Responsibility accounting

Kostenrechnung nach Verantwortungsbereichen [f] / Responsibility

accounting [n]

Responsibility center Verantwortungsbereich [m]

Retention bonus Bleibebonus [m]
Retention strategy Haltestrategie [f]

Retrenchment strategies Strategien zur Einsparung von Kosten / Ressourcen [f]

Return on investment (ROI) Kapitalrendite [f]

Return on Sales (RoS)

Umsatzrendite (kann sehr unterschiedlich definiert sein, meistens

Reingewinn einer Unternehmenseinheit geteilt durch ihren Umsatz) [f]

Revenue center Erlösstelle [f] / Revenue Center [n]

Revenue driver Erlöstreiber [m]
Revenue object Erlösobjekt [n]

Reward management Belohnungsmanagement [n]
Reward system Belohnungssystem [n]
Rightsizing See downsizing
Risk aversion Risikoaversion [f]
Risk management Risikomanagement [n]

Rolling budget Rollierendes Budget [n] / gleitender Haushalt [m]

Rolling forecast See rolling budget
Safety stock Sicherheitsbestand [m]

Salary Gehalt [n]

Salary range Gehaltsspanne [f]
Sales incentive plan Verkaufsanreizplan [m]
Sales-mix variance Absatzmixabweichung [f]
Sales-quantity variance Absatzmengenabweichung [f]
Sales-volume variance Absatzvolumenabweichung [f]

Scenario analysis
Szenarioanalyse [f]
Selling-price variance
Absatzpreisvarianz [f]
Senior executives pay
Vorstandvergütung [f]
Sensitivity analysis
Sensitivitätsanalyse [f]

Service-sector companies Unternehmen des Dienstleistungssektors [p]

Shares Wertpapiere [p] / Beteiligung [f]
Short-term incentive plan (STIP) Kurzfristiger Anreizplan [m]
Skill-based pay Fähigkeitsbasierte Vergütung [f]
Specification analysis Spezifikationsanalyse [f]

Spot bonus Sofortbonus [m]
Staff management Stabmanagement [n]

Stakeholder Stakeholder / Interessenvertreter [m]

Standard costing Standardkostenrechnung [f]
Standard level of employment Planbeschäftigung [f]
Standard quantity (SQ) Sollmenge / Planmenge [f]

Static budget Starres Budget [n]

Static-budget variance Starre Budgetabweichung / budgetbezogende Plan-Ist-Abweichung [f]

Stock Appreciation Rights (SARS)

Aktienwertsteigerungsrechte [p]

Stock option Aktienoption [f]
Stock purchase plan Aktienkaufplan [m]

Strategic Business Unit (SBU)
Strategic cost management
Strategic cost management
Strategic management control
Strategic management control
Strategic management control
Strategic management control
Strategic management [f]

Strategic Performance Measurement Systems

(SPMS)

Systeme zur strategischen Leistungsmessung von Unternehmen [p]

Strategic planning Strategische Planung [f]

Strategy Strategie [f]

Strategy map Strategy Map / Strategie-Karte [f]

Suboptimal decision making Suboptimale (inkongruente) Entscheidungsfindung [f]

Substitute Substitut [n]

Supply Angebot, anbieten [n]

Sustainability Nachhaltigkeit / Zukunsfähigkeit [f]

Sustainability Balanced Scorecard (SBSC) Sustainability Balanced Scorecard (SBSC) [f]

SWOT-analysis SWOT-Analyse (Analyse von Stärken, Schwächen, Chancen, Risiken) [f]

Tacit knowledgeImplizites Wissen [n]Talent retentionTalentbindung [f]Target cost per unitZielkosten pro Stück [f]Target operating income per unitGeplanter Stückgewinn [m]

Target price Zielpreis [m]

Target rate of return on investment Angestrebte Kapitalrendite [f]

Target-actual comparison Soll-Ist-Vergleich [m]
Team-based compensation Teambasierte Vergütung [f]

Theoretical capacity Theoretische Kapazität / Maximalkapazität [f]

Top-down budgeting Top-down-Budgetierung [f]
Total Compensation Gesamtvergütung [f]

Total compensation statement Gesamtvergütungsübersicht [f]
Total cost of ownership (TCO) Gesamtkostenbesitz [m]

Total quality management (TQM)

Total-Quality Management / umfassendes Qualitätsmanagement [n]

Total rewards Gesamtbelohnungen [p]

Total-overhead variance Herstellgemeinkostenabweichung [f]

Transfer price Verrechnungspreis [m] Uncertainty Unsicherheit [f]

Unfavorable variance
Unvorteilhafte Abweichung [f]
Unused capacity
Ungenutzte Kapazität [f]
Upper price limit
Usage variance
See efficiency variance

Value-Based Management (VBM) Wertorientiertes Management / Value-Based Management [n]

Value chain Innerbetriebliche Wertschöpfungskette [f]

Value drivers Werttreiber [p]
Value engineering Wertanalyse [f]

Value for money ratioPreis-Leistungs-Verhältnis [n]Value streamsWertströme / Wertflüsse [p]Variable compensationVariable Vergütung [f]Variable incentiveVariabler Anreiz [m]

Variable overhead efficiency variance Effizienzabweichung der variablen Gemeinkosten [f]
Variable overhead flexible-budget variance Soll-Ist-Abweichung der variablen Gemeinkosten [f]

Variable overhead spending variance

Ausgabenabweichung der variablen Herstellgemeinkosten [f]

Variable pay Variable Vergütung [f]
Variance Abweichung / Varianz [f]
Variance analysis Abweichungsanalyse [f]

Vision Vision [f]

Wage Lohn [m]
Bonus wage Prämienlohn
Indirect labor (wage) Hilfslohn
Piece wage/piece rate system Akkordlohn

Whale curve / Wal-Kurve / kumulative Kundenbeitragskurve [f]

Workforce incentive Mitarbeiteranreiz [m]

Workforce motivation	Mitarbeitermotivation [f]
Work-life balance	Vereinbarkeit von Beruf und Privatleben [f]
Zero-based budgeting (ZBB)	Nullbasierte Budgetierung [f]