

## Growth and internationalization of fast growing firms\*

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*The purpose of this article is to identify the factors positively and negatively affecting the growth of companies in the foreign markets and internationalization. We examined and constructed in this paper a complex set of those factors which help and impede the growth on foreign markets of fast growing enterprises and their internationalization. Moreover, we contributed to the research of fast growing firms, adding more insight into the specificity of Polish enterprises. Due to the aim of the research, a qualitative multiple case study approach was applied based on the sample of 19 companies which were examined with semi-structured direct interviews. The findings should prove useful for academics, firms and governments.*

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