## Creating a Business

Lecture Title: Presenting your Business



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## Funding Methods (Last Lecture)

- Bootstrapping
- Equity Funding
  - Venture Captalist
  - Business Angels
  - Stock Market
- Debt funding
- Government funding
- Crowd Funding

Lenders' and Investors'

how to we tap them?



Lenders' expectations vs Investors' expectations







Lenders' expectations vs Investors' expectations





Lenders' expectations vs Investors' expectations

	Lenders	Investors
The Pitch	Want to see proof that the company has the means to repay the loan. Should include a detailed and realistic cash flow forecast, as well as accountant-reviewed financial statements or a tax assessment for the previous year.	Needs to be exciting with a focus on growth potential, hungry founders and an inspiring story.
Financial Projections	Projections should be broken down by month and go out one or two years. Should adjust for seasonality and scenarios.	Often stretch out to five years and are broken down by year.



Lenders' expectations

- track record
- ability to repay
- staying in power
- collateral





Investors' expectations

- competitive advantage
- huge market
- strong management team
- Huge returns
- exit strategy





#### Pitch

- Pitching for new business is a make-or-break moment
- not just what you are pitching, but who you are pitching to

### Tips

- 1. Be a master of the facts, but know that for an executive audience, your relevant experience matters most.
- 2. Avoid pitches where only one person speaks.
- 3. Be passionate about the problem, not just your product
- 4. Listen closely and respond carefully.



Pitch





Pitch





Your views on the pitch









Pitch



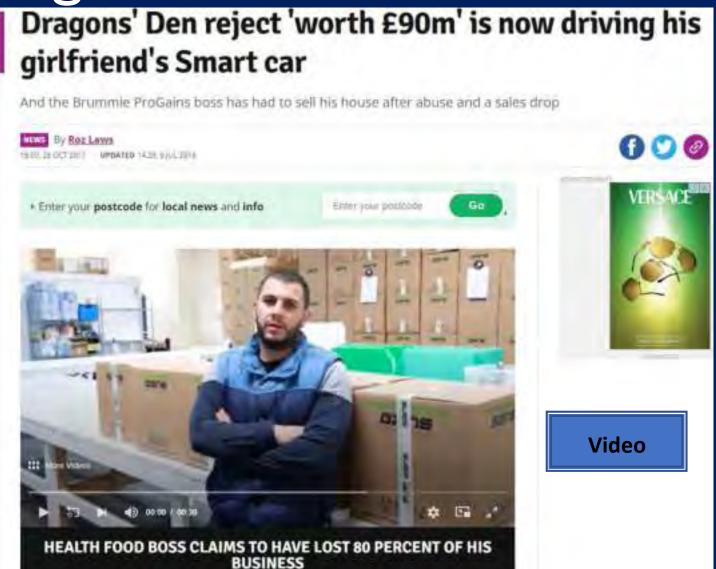


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#### It is a:

- Post feasibility study which documents
  - the operational and
  - financial objectives
  - detailed plans to achieve them



#### It is a:

- Plan to execute a new venture
- Shared vision
- Dynamic Document
- Snap shot
- Where the Company wants to go
- How is it getting there



#### **Overview of a Business Plan**

- cost of organising the business
- anticipated sources of revenue
- how the products and/or services are customer oriented
- anticipated profit margins



Business plans serve two main purposes.

- guide business owners use to streamline management and planning/organization of the business.
- show potential share holders, bankers, and other lenders a comprehensive plan to encourage them to invest in the business.





#### Types

- One-pager
  - high level and easy to understand at a glance
- Startup
  - bigger focus on the financials as well as on other sections that determine viability of your business idea
- Internal
  - to keep your team on the same page and aligned toward the same goal

### Types

- Strategic
  - bigger picture, more-long-term look (built on normal business plan)
- Feasibility
  - pre-business plan many refer to it as simply a feasibility study
  - Business Model Canvas



### Sublevels of a business plan include:

- Marketing plan
- Financial plan
- Human resource plan
- Production plan



Types

Strategic	Feasability	Start Up	One Pager	Internal	Strategic
<b>Executive Summary</b>		<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>
Company Description	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>		✓	<b>✓</b>
Market Analysis	<b>✓</b>	in-depth	summarised	✓	comprehensive
Products and Services	<b>✓</b>	<b>~</b>	summarised	✓	for launch & expansion
Marketing Plan		<b>✓</b>	summarised	<b>✓</b>	comprehensive
Logistics & Operations	<b>✓</b>	<b>✓</b>	summarised	<b>✓</b>	comprehensive
Financials	<b>✓</b>	in-depth	summarised	<b>✓</b>	comprehensive



#### Elements of a business plan include:

- Cover letter
- Title page
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#### **Cover Letter**

- make a good first impression
- sell your business idea
- explain why your business is a good investment

#### OR

- explain why you are approaching the potential investor or lender
- what they can gain from investing



#### **Cover Letter**

- not long (half page)
- well-written and professional-looking (first impressions)
- tailor specifically for the recipient/s
- contact information should be included



Less formal when sent via email but still include the details above



#### Cover Letter

#### Letterhead

Barry Fenton, Owner/Operator BF Innovative Apps Ltd. 84 Softwood Road Naxxar, NXR 123

January 10, 2022

Mr John Smith Bank Manager ABC Bank 223 Main Street, Valletta, VLT 999

Dear Mr. Smith,

I am very pleased to enclose my business plan for BF Innovative Apps Ltd. Inside, you will find a wealth of information about my business, a thorough assessment of opportunities in the marketplace, and a detailed plan for seizing them. I look forward to the possibility of working with your bank to make BF Innovative Apps Ltd. a success in the coming months and years.

I am eager to hear your comments and answer any questions you may have. You can reach me at 9999-9999.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

Barry Fenton



Title Page

Simple, clean, and powerful

- Company name
- Company logo (corporate colours)
- Title & date
- Contact Information
- Confidentiality Statement



Title Page







**Table of Contents** 





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## Business Plan

#### **Table of Contents**

- major sections
- sub-categories
- logically with page numbers



Table of Figures



#### **Executive Summary**

- gives an overview of
  - business opportunity
  - entire business plan.
- explains the type of business
- summarises key facts and strategies
- provides the lender or investor a quick analysis





#### **Executive Summary**

keep it simple and succinct



#### IT SHOULD -

- grab the reader's attention
- convince them it is in their best interest to keep reading

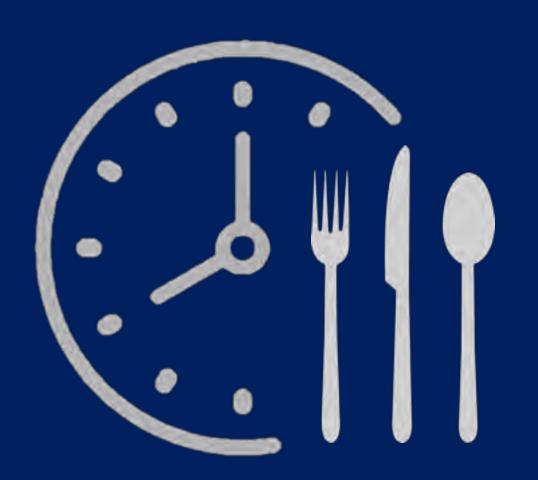


#### **Executive Summary**

- The problem statement or business
- Your business
- Company
- The target market or customer
- Competition
- Milestones
- Financial plan
- Management Team











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### **Company Overview**

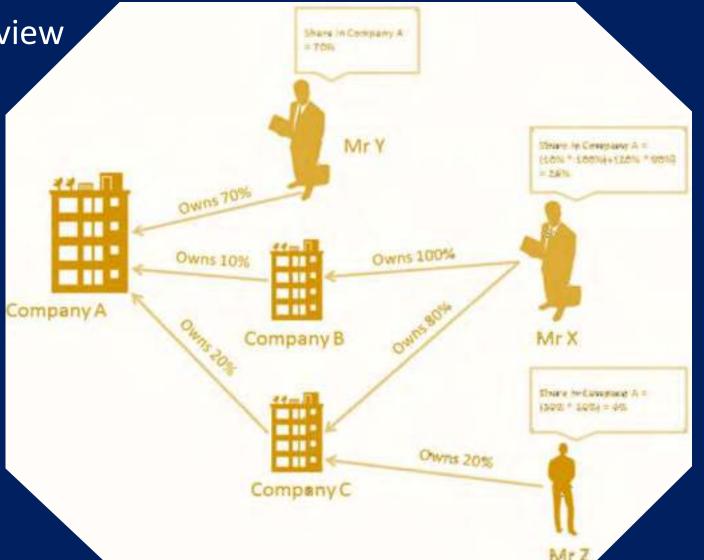
- Mission Statement
- Management and international organisation

- History
- Management team
- Legal structure and ownership
- Locations and facilities
- Mission, Vision & Values



**Company Overview** 

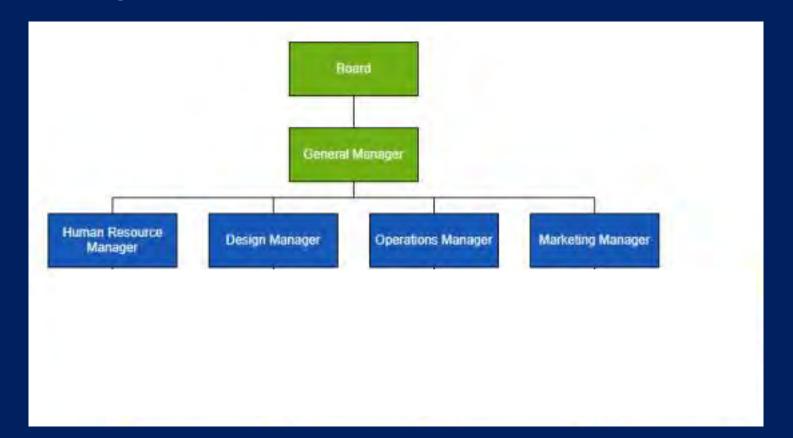
Ownership





**Company Overview** 

Management Team





**Company Overview - Mission Statement** 

- Comes after SWOT
- Describes the Company

- Mission (present)
- Vision (future)
- Values (belief)

Different styles



Mission, Vision & Values Statements

"Our business is your future"

"to offer excellent face to face and online academic courses with the aim of providing students with a learning experience comprising of quality, of teaching, learning facilities, and a positive education experience"



Mission, Vision & Values Statements

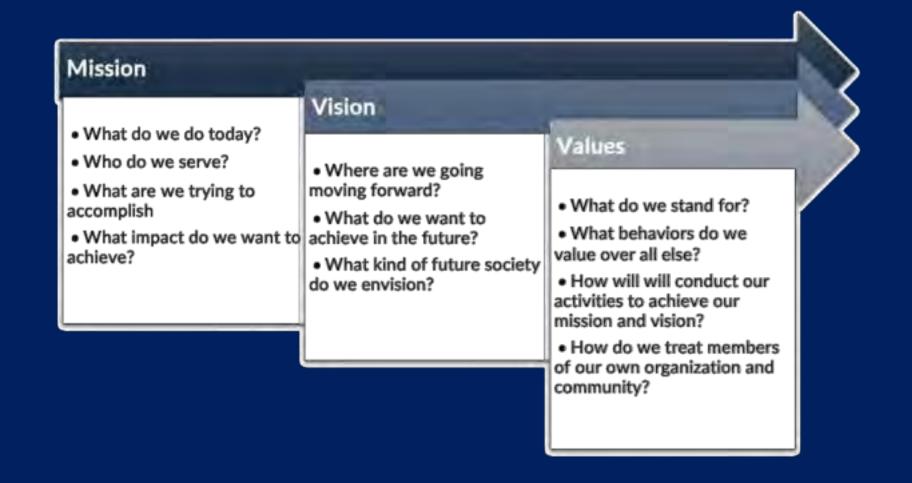


Strategy is also about competing for TOMORROW





Mission, Vision & Values Statements





Mission, Vision & Values Statements

"to bring the best user experience to its customers through its innovative hardware, software, and services"

Which company?

"We believe that we are on the face of the earth to make great products and that's not changing."



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## **Business Plan**

#### Mission, Vision & Values Statements

"We believe in the simple, not the complex.

We believe that we need to own and control the primary technologies behind the products we make.

We participate only in markets where we can make a significant contribution.

We believe in saying no to thousands of projects so that we can really focus on the few that are truly important and meaningful to us.

We believe in deep collaboration and cross-pollination of our groups, which allow us to innovate in a way that others cannot.

We don't settle for anything less than excellence in every group in the company, and we have the self-honesty to admit when we're wrong and the courage to change.."









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# Create a Mission Statement



00:00

#### Mission

- What do we do today?
- Who do we serve?
- What are we trying to accomplish
- What impact do we want to achieve?



# Create a Mission Statement





# Makeup Studio

"Empowering elegance for unforgettable moments. Enhancing natural beauty for brides and special occasions."



# Football Academy

"Empowering young talent. Building champions on and off the field."



# Garment Shop

"Bringing Asian fashion to Malta, celebrating diversity in style."



# Create a Vision Statement



00:00

# Where are we going moving forward? What do we want to achieve in the future? What kind of future society do we envision?



# Create a Vision Statement





# Makeup Studio

To be the premier destination where clients discover their unique radiance, creating an enduring legacy of beauty and confidence that transcends the moment, inspiring timeless grace and self-assurance.



# Football Academy

To be the leading force in shaping the future of football by nurturing a generation of skilled and resilient athletes. Through our commitment to excellence, comprehensive training, and fostering a culture of sportsmanship, we aim to produce not only professional football players but also individuals of character and integrity, leaving a lasting impact on the world of sports and beyond.

# Garment Shop

To become the primary destination for the fusion of Asian fashion and global trends, fostering a vibrant and inclusive community of style enthusiasts. By embracing cultural diversity and offering a captivating shopping experience, we aspire to be the bridge that connects fashion enthusiasts in Malta with the richness and elegance of Asian garments, inspiring a sense of cultural celebration and unity through apparel

# Create a Values Statement



00:00

#### Values

- . What do we stand for?
- What behaviors do we value over all else?
- How will will conduct our activities to achieve our mission and vision?
- How do we treat members of our own organization and community?



# Create a Values Statement





# Makeup Studio

Creativity: Fostering innovation and creativity in makeup artistry, crafting unique and personalized looks for every client.

Empathy: Understanding and empathizing with the needs and desires of every individual, creating a supportive and comfortable environment for all clients.

Excellence: Striving for excellence in every detail, ensuring the highest quality service and products for a flawless and enduring experience.

Integrity: Upholding integrity and honesty in all interactions, building trust and lasting relationships with clients, partners, and the community.

Empowerment: Empowering clients to embrace their natural beauty, fostering confidence and self-esteem through the transformative power of makeup.

Passion: Demonstrating a genuine passion for the art of makeup and the celebration of special moments, infusing every service with enthusiasm and dedication.

Adaptability: Adapting to the evolving needs of clients and the industry, staying at the forefront of trends and techniques while maintaining a timeless and classic approach.



# Football Academy

Excellence: Striving for excellence in every aspect of coaching and training, fostering a culture of continuous improvement and personal growth for every aspiring athlete.

Team Spirit: Fostering a sense of teamwork, camaraderie, and mutual respect, instilling the values of collaboration and unity both on and off the field.

Resilience: Cultivating resilience and perseverance in the face of challenges, nurturing a mentality that embraces setbacks as opportunities for growth and learning.

Integrity: Upholding the highest standards of integrity and sportsmanship, emphasizing fair play, respect, and ethical conduct in all interactions, both within the academy and in competitive environments.

Community Engagement: Engaging with the local community through outreach programs, events, and partnerships, fostering a sense of responsibility and giving back to the society that supports the development of young athletes.

# Garment Shop

Cultural Appreciation: Celebrating and embracing the rich cultural diversity of Asia through our curated collections and fostering cross-cultural understanding and appreciation.

Inclusivity: Creating an inclusive and welcoming environment that caters to the unique fashion preferences of third-country nationals, fostering a sense of belonging and community.

Quality and Craftsmanship: Ensuring the highest standards of quality and craftsmanship in every garment offered, reflecting the rich heritage and intricate artistry of Asian fashion.

Customer-Centric Approach: Prioritizing customer satisfaction by providing personalized and attentive service, catering to individual preferences and needs, and building lasting relationships with our diverse clientele.

Fashion Innovation: Staying at the forefront of global fashion trends while maintaining a deer rooted connection to traditional Asian styles, offering a diverse range of contemporary and culturally inspired clothing options.





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#### Products &/or Services

- What need are you fulfilling or what problem are you solving?
- Emphasize how and why you are competitive.
- How do you stand out, and why does this business have such a terrific chance at succeeding
- Try to answer why a client would want it.
- How will your offering make your customers' lives better or more profitable?



Products &/or Services

- Description
  - what is your product and/or service
  - how does it work?
  - how does it benefit customers?
  - how do you make it or how will you get it made?



Products &/or Services

- Comparison
  - what makes it unique or better?
  - why would someone choose to buy it or do business with you over someone else?



Products &/or Services

- Accreditations/Intellectual Property
  - have you had the it tested or certified?
  - approvals from industry experts?
  - trademark, copyright, or patent?



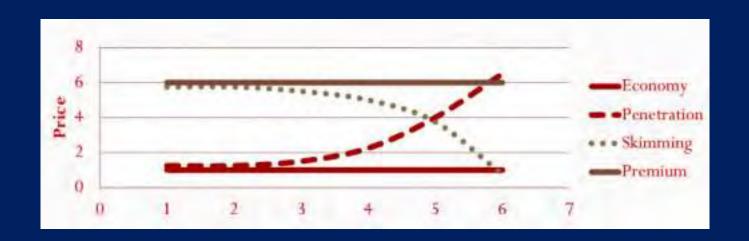
Research & Development



- Lifecycle
  - where are you currently with it?
    - idea stage or do you have a prototype?
    - produced some and are looking to expand?
    - started offering this service already or are you still in the planning stages?



- Pricing
  - how much will you charge for it?
  - where does this fit in with what is currently available?





- Sales and Distribution Strategy
  - How will you sell it?
    - online or in retail stores?
  - Have you lined up any vendors?
  - How will you distribute it or deliver it?



- Fulfilment
  - Will you need any special equipment or technology to provide your product or service?



- Requirements
- How will you fill orders or deliver it?
- Will you manufacture items yourself or outsource to someone else?
- Who will handle distribution, and how?



- Expansion
  - Do you envision future products or services as an extension of the business once it's successfully launched?



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- Photographs/Brochures
  - Refer and append



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Conclusions

**Executive Summary vs Conclusions** 



Convince to Keep Reading vs Convince to Invest

Conclusions have to have a Sales Pitch



#### Conclusions

Shoutout Entertainment is a business establishment that always wants to make it in the audio system service. Our business can compete well with other similar business as well. Moreover, Shoutout Entertainment has made lots of efforts during the survey for the establishment of business and in terms of its financial projections. In connection with that, we are aiming to provide our service according to our customers' wants, desire and needs. We are very confident and believe that our business venture will create and establish a very satisfactory investment return every year.

Our business will continuously make concentrate in the business strategies, especially in terms of marketing to ensure that the business is well known to the customers. We hope that we will be able to build a good loyal customer base in every year.



#### Appendices

- Resumes of management team
- Past three years of tax returns
- Current bank statements
- Copies of existing loans or notes
- Interim income statement and balance sheet
- Personal financial statement
- Copies of legal documents
- Copies of potential contracts
- Letters of reference
- Brochures



- Unrealistic Financial Projections
- Not Defining the Target Audience
- Over-Hype
- Bad Research
- No Focus on your Competition
- Hiding Your Weaknesses
- Not Knowing your Distribution Channels
- Including Too Much Information
- Being Inconsistent
- One Writer, One Reader







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