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Business Conception Week 5: Resources

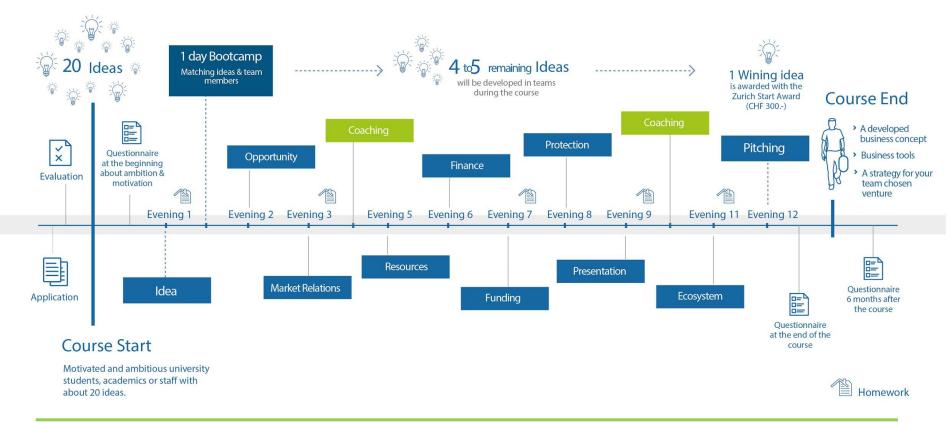
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# Module 2 - Business Concept

## CTI Entrepreneurship Training

**Business Concep** 

### **Course Schedule**



# STARTUP CAMPUS CONNECT Event

## In Week 11 – Ecosystem, there will be no regular evening course. Instead, you are invited to attend the STARTUP CAMPUS *CONNECT* event.

## Aims:

- 1. To meet **'real' people** and organisations that could help you make your business concepts come alive (e.g. incubators, investors, coaches, and legal advisors)
- 2. To give you the opportunity to exhibit a poster of your team's business concept
- 3. To meet fellow entrepreneurs from other Module 2 cohorts (past and present)

### **Event Details:**

- When: Wednesday, 10 May 2017, 5.30 9.00pm, for all classes
- Where: ETH Zurich, Main Building, Rämistrasse 101, 'Dozentenfoyer'

# Poster design

# We will provide you with a professional designer to develop your poster for the STARTUP CAMPUS *CONNECT* event

#### To-Dos for each group:

- Update the information about your venture on PODIO. <u>An e-mail will be sent to you with</u> <u>detailed instructions to guide you through creating your Poster.</u>
- If your name is not yet linked to a venture contact us at <u>info@startup-campus.ch</u>
- **Deadline: Thursday, 13th April** (the earlier you submit the better for the designer!)
- The designer will design an individual poster for your group and we will send it to you for feedback (you will only have one opportunity to give feedback)

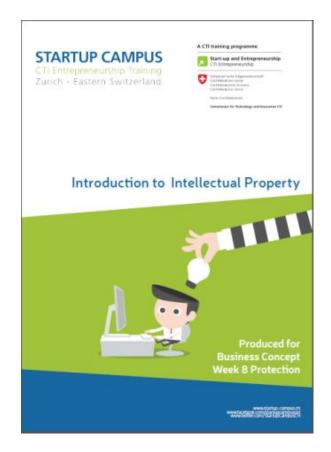
#### A few important hints:

- Check the sample posters attached to Week 11 Ecosystem on Podio
- A simple illustration explains a thousand words
- In the text, focus on the problem, your solution and the magic sauce (innovation)

Please note: the posters will be published after the event via other promotional channels

# Other homework coming-up

- Next week you will receive an IP Booklet containing an IP Canvas
- You will also need to complete it by Thursday, 13th April (the same deadline as for your poster)



## **Course Structure**

Week / Time	Hour 1	Hour 1 Hour 2			Hour 3			Hour 4			Deliverables	
1 Idea	Welcome, Introduction Entrepreneurial Acting and Thinking		Ge	Get to Know Each Other		Ele	Elevator Pitch Training, \		Vrap-Up	Elevator Pitch		
1 Bootcamp		1	ST	ARTU		PUS Bootcamp			1			Ideas & Teams Chosen
2 Opportunity	From Idea to Opportur	ity Wor Con	k on Business Value cept	Business Value Value Pro			Group Presenta Wrap-Up		ations,	Discussion,	Business Value Concept, Value Proposition	
3 Market Relations	Understanding your market	larket Po	psitioning	Value Chain Analysis & Mar Strategy			ket Entry Update Business Value Concept, Wrap-Up			Customer Segment, Positioning Map, Value Chain, Entry Strategy		
4 Coaching (I)	Individual Coaching Se	ssions in	Teams: Status Quo,	Q&A,	, Roadr	nap						Review of Progress
5 Resources	Managing Yourselves	an Resources and Skills Matrix Founding Your E			Founding Your Bus	siness Roadmap, Wrap-Up			p, Wra	Motivation & Expectation, Skill Matrix, Roadmap		
6 Finance	Financial Forecasting Sales and Costs Planning				Income Free Cash Flow / Statement Wrap-Up				Flow / Li	quidity	/ Break Even,	Definition of Key Financial Forecasts and Statements
7 Funding	Introduction to funding	and Sources of Fun o Secure Investment	•	ding and Funding Strategy and Funding Ba			attleplan, Wrap-Up		Up	Funding strategy and battleplan		
8 Protection	Introduction to IP Protection		Identifying IP Need	g IP Needs IP Strategy and Management			Checking Operating Freedom			Discussion and Wrap-Up	IP Canvas	
9 Presentation	Introduction & review of online training	U U				eloping a your final pitch, Wrap-Up		A Start-Up Pitch (presentation)				
10 Coaching (II)	Individual Coaching Sessions in Teams: Status Quo, Q&A, Roadmap Review of Progress											
11 Ecosystem	STARTUP CAMPUS CONNECT EVENT							Contacts to Ecosystem				
12 Pitching	Final Pitches & Jury Fe	edback								Course Closing	e Evaluation &	Jury Feedback and Certificates

# Week 5: Resources

WK	Торіс	Trainer
1	Ideas	Lead Trainer
2	Opportunity	Lead Trainer
3	Market Relations	Lead Trainer
4	Coaching I	Lead Trainer
5	Resources	Lead Trainer
6	Finance	Lead Trainer
7	Funding	Lead Trainer
8	Protection	IP Trainer
9	Presentation	Lead Trainer
10	Coaching II	Lead Trainer
11	Ecosystem	ТВС
12	Pitching	ТВС

### **Learning Goals**

The participants are able to:

- 1. Understand the basics of startup team collaboration
- 2. Create a draft skill map for their business
- 3. Understand the recruitment options for their business
- 4. Create a roadmap for their business

### **Deliverables**

- 1. Ownership structure
- 2. Team skill matrix and resourcing strategy
- 3. A roadmap

(Usual Start Time: 17:00)

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# Managing yourselves

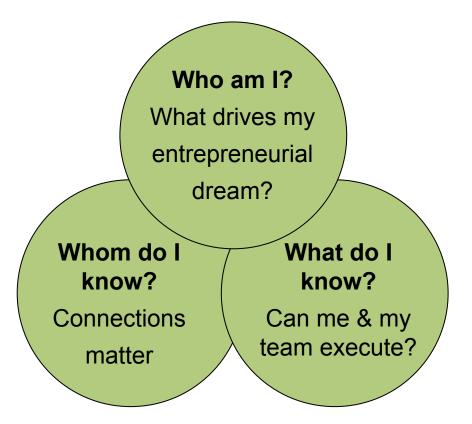
The success of a start-up is dependent on the effectiveness of the founding management team and it's ability to work collaboratively towards agreed goals

You need to:

- Understand one another's motivations
- Understand one another's expectations
- Communicate and resolve conflicts effectively
- Agree a structure for how the business will be owned and run

# Managing yourselves

*"Entrepreneurship is a very personal game." (John Mullins, 2010).* Each one of you needs to engage in a personal, reflective process.



# Each team member will have different motivations

For example:

- They may want to change the world
- They may want an adventure
- They may like the product/business vision/culture
- They may be between jobs, studying or just completed studies
- They may think they'll get rich
- They may want independence and control
- Etc..

# Each team member will have different <u>expectations</u>

For example, regarding:

- The future potential of the business (scale, growth rate)
- Time commitment (hours per week)
- Contributions (what value does each person bring)
- How much each person will own and control
- What role and/or title each person will have
- Whether you will exit and if so how and when
- Returns

# Reaching agreement with so many differing expectations can be difficult



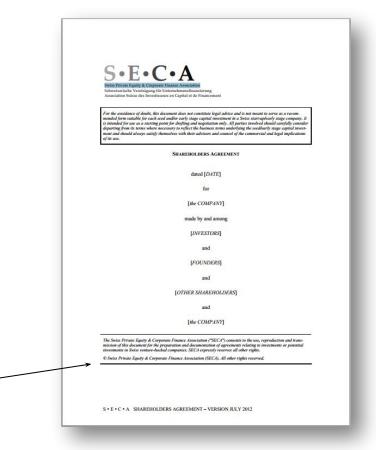
... but is essential

# Agreeing a structure at the time of foundation helps!

- A verbal agreement (risky!)
- A written agreement, e.g.:

## shareholders agreement

- Not required by law, but a good idea
- Usually a requirement for professional investors
- The Swiss Private Equity & Corporate Finance Association (SECA) provides model documentation (it is very detailed, but can be simplified)



Source: The Swiss Private Equity & Corporate Finance Association (SECA) www.seca.ch

# Focus areas for founders in a Shareholder Agreement

	Defines now much of the
Ownership structure and classes of shares	business each of you will own (e.g. equity stakes)
<ul> <li>Articles of Incorporation and Board Regulations</li> </ul>	
Composition, organisation and functioning of the Board     Control/important Shareholder and Board matters	Defines how (major) decisions will be made
<ul> <li>Control/important Shareholder and Board matters</li> <li>Information Rights (of shareholders)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Business Plan and Company Policies</li> </ul>	
Funding/Financial Matters	Defines dividend and voting rights and what
<ul> <li>Preference Share rights (regarding dividends, liquidation, subscription to subsequent funding rounds)</li> </ul>	happens if the company fails or receives subsequent investment
Conversion (of shares into another type of shares)	
Exit/Initial Public Offering (IPO)	Defines what rights
Transfer Restrictions (e.g. drag along rights, tag along rights, right of first refusal, purchase options)	shareholders have if the company receives subsequent investment
Share Register	

Source: The Swiss Private Equity & Corporate Finance Association (SECA) www.seca.ch

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# Shareholder Agreement Useful things for founders to understand

- Ownership is not necessarily the same as control
- Transfer Restrictions offer some protection against future changes to the ownership structure:
  - Drag along rights A right that enables a majority shareholder to force a minority shareholder to join in the sale of a company.
  - Tag along rights If a majority shareholder sells his or her stake, then the minority shareholder has the right to sell his or her stake on the same terms.
  - Right of First Refusal A right (but not an obligation) to purchase any newly issued shares
- Employee options ("vesting") should be considered key staff can be offered shares tied to their and/or the business's performance over time in order to improve their performance and reduce the company's salary burden

# Managing yourselves (45 mins)

## **Objective:**

 Take the first steps on the path to learning how to manage yourselves and your business

## Tasks:

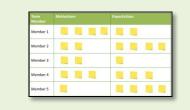
- Develop an understanding of your own and other team members' motivations and expectations
- 2. Consider the implications at an individual and team level
- 3. Map out an initial ownership structure

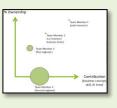
## Activity Guide

### **Guidelines:**

- 1. Use a flip chart and post it notes
- 2. First note down individual motivations and expectations
- 3. Look for alignment and differences between motivations and expectations
- 4. Consider the implications at an individual and business level
- Map out an ownership structure by considering the two key elements of ownership (% stake) and contribution (e.g. business concept, skill, IP, time)

### Tools:

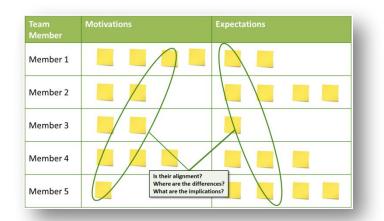




# Understanding each other's expectations and motivations

Team Member	Motivations	Expectations
Member 1		
Member 2		
Member 3		
Member 4		
Member 5	Is their alignment? Where are the differ What are the implica	

# What are the implications?





## For the individuals

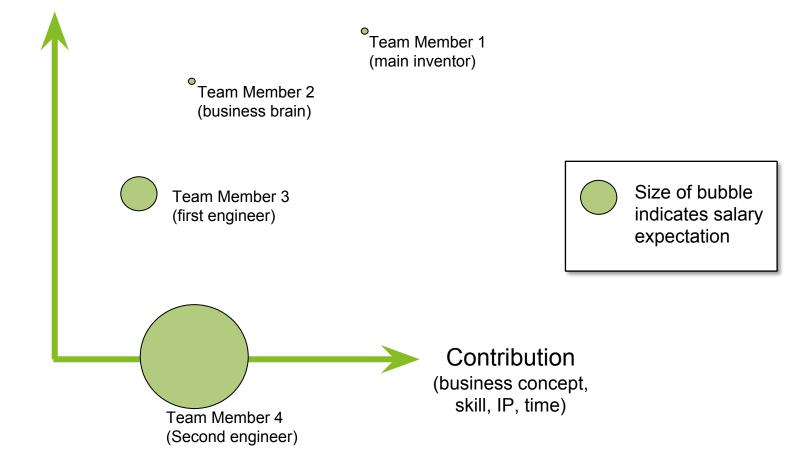
- Am I willing to take the risk?
- Does it fit with my life and career plan?
- Do I need an income?
- What is my contribution?
- What is my stake?
- What is my role?
- Etc...

## For the business

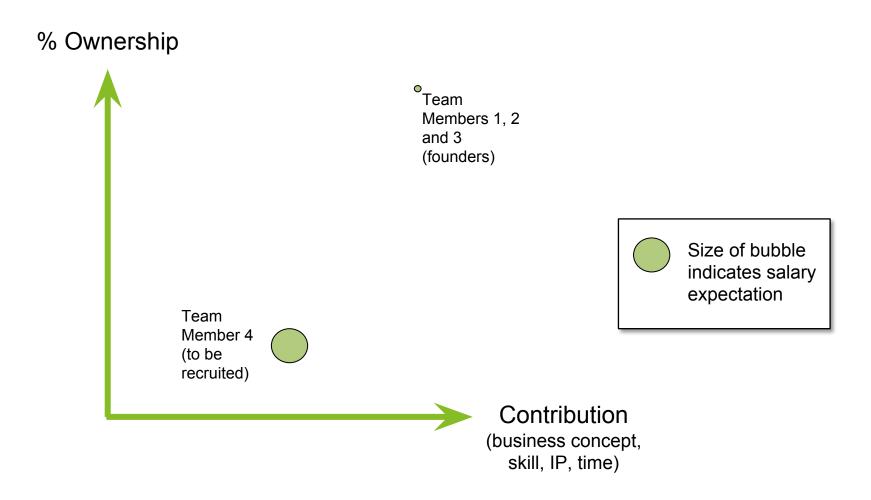
- Do we have enough operational commitment in the team?
- What type of a startup is it (hobby, investment etc)?
- What is the role of the board/management/advisors?
- What is the impact on the shareholder agreement?
- Etc...

# Mapping out an ownership structure Example 1





# Mapping out an ownership structure Example 2

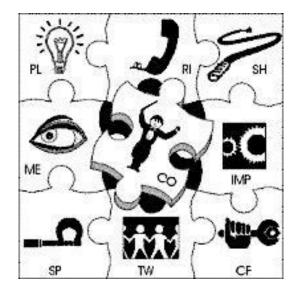


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# Human Capital in New Ventures

"A team is not a bunch of people with job titles, but a congregation of individuals, each of whom has a role which is understood by other members. Members of a team seek out certain roles and they perform most effectively in the ones that are most natural to them." – Dr. Belbin



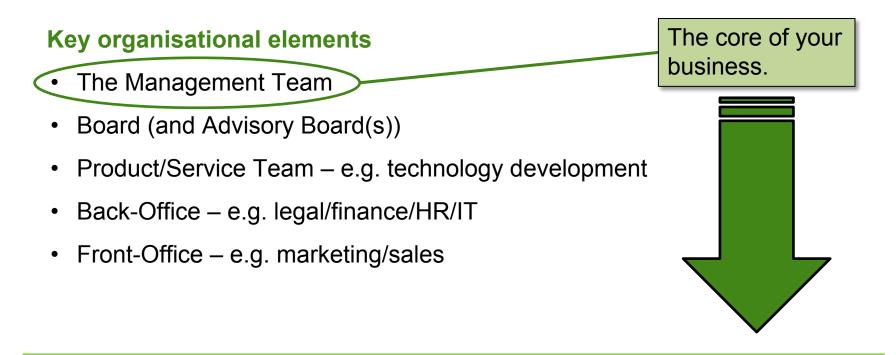
# **Belbin's Team Roles**

Action - Oriented Roles	People - Oriented Roles	Thought - Oriented Roles
Shapers (SH)	Coordinator (CO)	Plant (PL)
Challenges the team to	Acts as a chairperson	Presents new ideas and
improve performance		approaches
Implementers (IMP)	Team Worker (TW)	Monitor-Evaluator (ME)
Puts ideas into action	Encourages cooperation	Analyzes the options
Completer-Finisher (CF)	Resource Investigator (RI)	Specialist (SP)
Ensures thorough, timely	Explores outside	Provides specialized skills
completion	opportunities	

# **Organisational Structure**

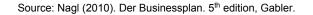
## Key considerations

- What is the appropriate organisational structure?
- Will you need advisors/additional Board members?



# Building the core

- The potential of the management team is seen as one of the most critical success factors for (financing) ventures.
- Some skills are particularly important:
  - Professional know how and entrepreneurial experience
  - Social skills and ability to work in a team
  - Communication and management skills
  - Industry knowhow
  - Networking (skills), motivation and visioning
  - Potential to handle failure and frustration
- A balanced portfolio of skills in the whole management team is key.





## Determination of needs through Skill Profiles Example: for New Venture Fitness Drinks

	Executive Leadership	Store Operations	Supply Chain Management	Marketing and Sales	HR/Recruiting	Accounting and Finance	Community Relations	Information Systems	Franchise Operations
Jack Petty	x								
Peggy Wells		x				x			
Jill Petersen				x					
Cameron lvey			x						
Gap 1					0				
Gap 2							0		
Gap 3									0

- → Analyzing in-house skills
- $\rightarrow$  Determining gaps

Consider both hard skills (e.g. technology or marketing expertise) and soft skills (e.g. interpersonal, leadership and social skills)

X = position filled

O = position vacant

# Start-ups are fortunate when it comes to human resourcing

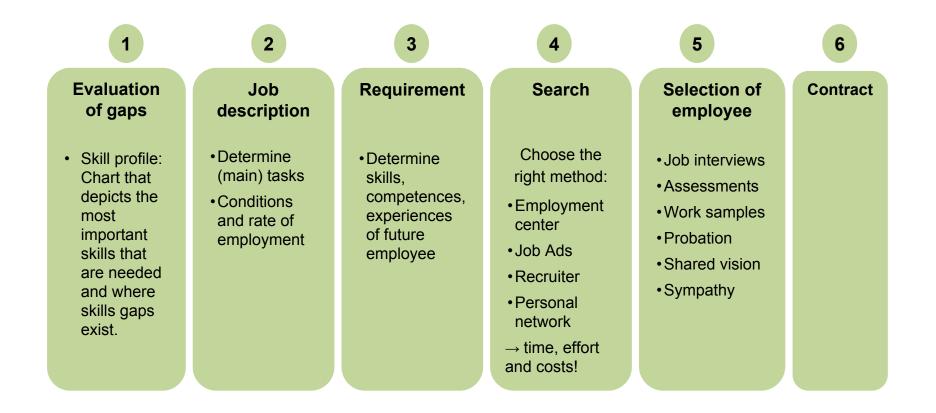
- Remember: people want to be involved with a start-up for a variety of reasons
- This creates OPPORTUNITIES:
  - You do not always have to pay large sums to get good people
  - You may not even have to pay cash (i.e. a salary) at all
  - You can (and should) maintain a flexible organisational structure

# Instead of hiring, consider other options

- 1. Work harder!
- 2. Outsource (find a supplier)
- 3. Hire a temporary staff member
- 4. Bring in interns
- 5. Ask friends/family for help (call in a favour)
- 6. Utilise your network
- 7. Ask board members/advisors for help
- 8. Offer equity/options as well as / instead of salary

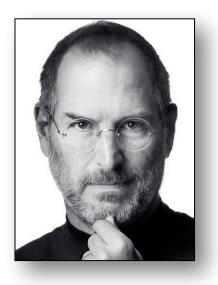
(but, be warned, these options also come with downsides, risks and challenges)

# If you do decide to recruit then you must invest (time, energy, CHF) in the process!



Source: Referring to Winistörfer (2011) | Barringer & Ireland (2010). Entrepreneurship, p. 316ff.

# But, don't get lost in the process





"We hire people who want to make the best things in the world."

Steve Jobs

"If you hire only those people you understand, the company will never get people better than you are. Always remember that you often find outstanding people among those you don't particularly like."

Soichiro Honda

# Team skills matrix and resourcing (45 mins)

## **Objective:**

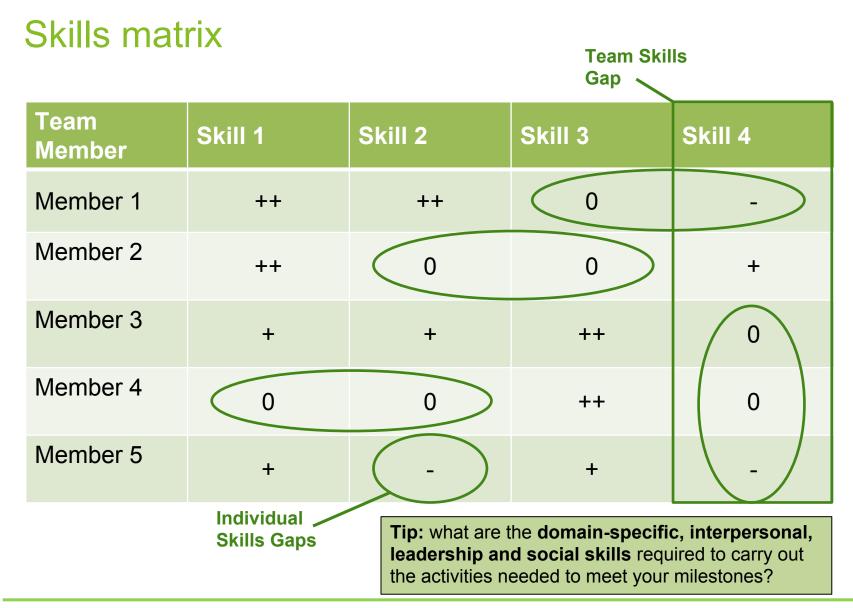
 Build a skills matrix for the key team members of your business (needed to get to market entry)

## Tasks:

- 1. Builds a skills matrix
- 2. Identify any gaps in your team's skills
- Consider how you could fill these gaps (e.g. recruitment, other means)

### Activity Guide Guidelines:

- List the key skills needed to implement your plan over the next 3-5 years (to market entry)
- Consider both hard skills, i.e. domain-specific skills (e.g. technology or marketing expertise) and soft skills (e.g. interpersonal, leadership and social skills)
- 3. Identify the skills of each team member and match them to the skills
- 4. Identify gaps in your matrix
- 5. Consider options for filling any gaps



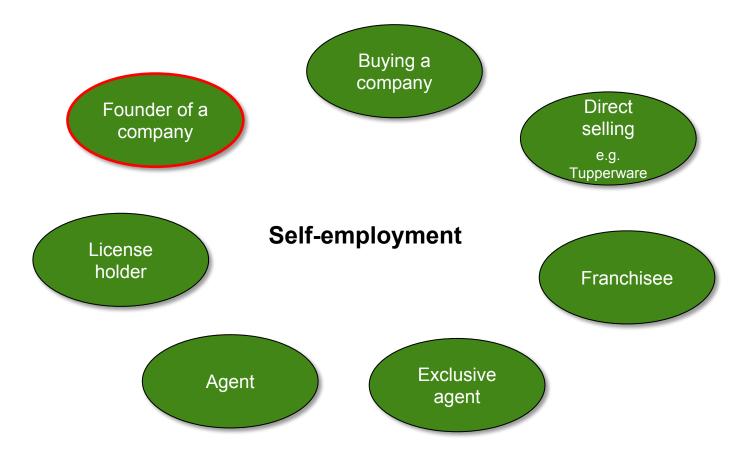
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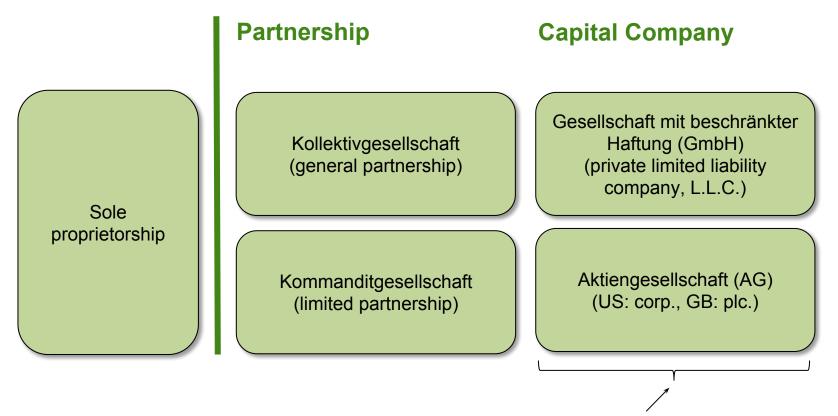
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# Types of self-employment



Source: Referring to Winistörfer (2011). Ich mache mich selbständig, Beobachter, p. 45ff.

# Main legal forms in Switzerland



- Most high growth businesses will be either GmBH or AG
- You will need an AG to attract professional investors
- You can change legal form at a later date (e.g. from GmBH to AG)

Source: Referring to Winistörfer (2011). Ich mache mich selbständig, Beobachter, p. 160 | Gründen 2.0 (2009).

## Relevance of legal forms in Switzerland

Year	Sole proprietorship	Kommandit- gesellschaft (limited partnership)	Kollektiv- gesellschaft (general partnership)	Gesellschaft mit beschränkter Haftung (GmbH) (private limited liability company, L.L.C.)	Aktien- gesellschaft (AG) (US: corp., GB: plc.)
1992	117'000	16'000	16'000	3'000	170'000
2010	155'600	13′400	13′400	118'100	187'000
Difference	+ 38'600	-2'600	-2'600	+115'100	+17'000

Source: Handelsregister Schweiz (rounded).

## Legal structures in Switzerland

### www.gruenden.ch

	Sole	Proprietorship*	Kollektivgesellschaft* (general partnership)	Kommanditgesellschaft* (limited partnership)			Aktiengesellschaft (AG) (roughly equivalent to: corporation or plc)
Legislative basis	Not regulated separately in the Swiss CO		CO 552-593	CO 594-619	CO 772-827		CO 620-763
Main use	Small firms, activities carried out by individuals (e.g. artists)		Small, permanent businesses centering on specific individuals	Special cases, e.g. small businesses that carry out activities which are strongly individual-centered, with involvement of external investors		isinesses	Suitable for virtually all types of commercia companies
Legal status	Sole property of the firm's owner		Partnership	Partnership	Legal entity, incorporated b		Legal entity, incorporated body
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Formation through business carried out in a commercial manner See comment 1, page 20	Self-e mean	fined in the articles into capital shares of value of at least CH	capital, the level is de- of association, divided each with a nominal F 100	Obligatory capital, the level of which is defined in the articles of association, divided into shares each with a nominal value of at least CHF 0.01			Public act of signing when the company is founded, adoption of articles of incorpo- ration/association, appointment of a boan of directors (BD) and (provided such are not dispensed with pursuant to CO 727a II the auditors. Registration in CR. CO 629–635 a, 640, 643
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# Criteria for selecting the legal form of your company



Source: Fueglistaller, Müller & Volery (2008). Entrepreneurship, p. 121.

# Reasons to Set up a Company in Switzerland

- Favourable tax climate
- Political stability
- (Liberal) labour market
- Social peace
- Multilingual population
- Outstanding educational and research institutions
- Excellent (transportation) infrastructure

Source: Adopted from Slides of Peter Vogel



More information in Appendices

- Appendix A: Useful Resources for the launch of a new venture
- Appendix B: The Swiss Startup Ecosystem

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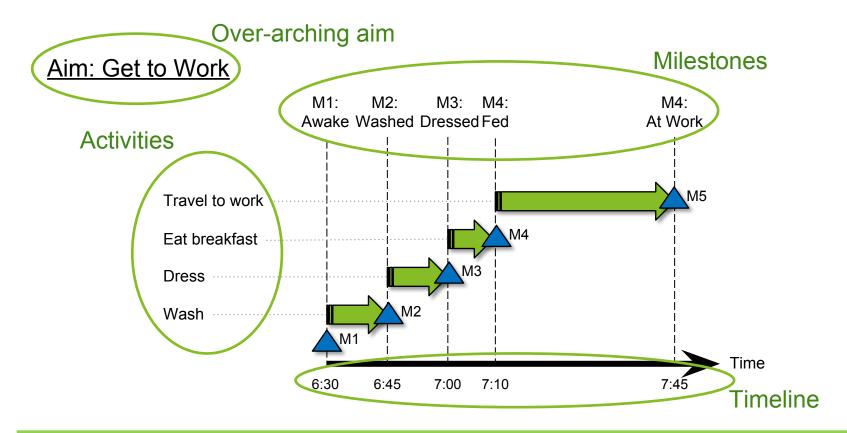
## Why do we need Roadmaps?



Let's define a high-level plan (and call it a roadmap)!

# What is a Roadmap?

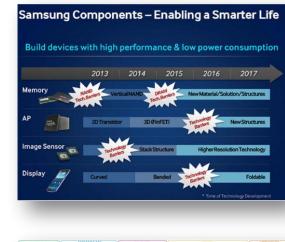
A high-level plan that describes to a group of stakeholders the activities and related milestones that must be achieved over time in order to accomplish an over-arching aim that creates value for the business.



# A good roadmap increases (everyone's) confidence in your ability to execute

A simple visual representation of your roadmap is vital to provide the "Big Picture"

A roadmap can be very detailed, but will then need to be accompanied by a lot of supporting information (and may then become obsolete very quickly)





Technology Roadmap for Samsung Components Source: http://sammyhu b.com/2013/11/ 06/samsung-be ndable-flexibledisplay/

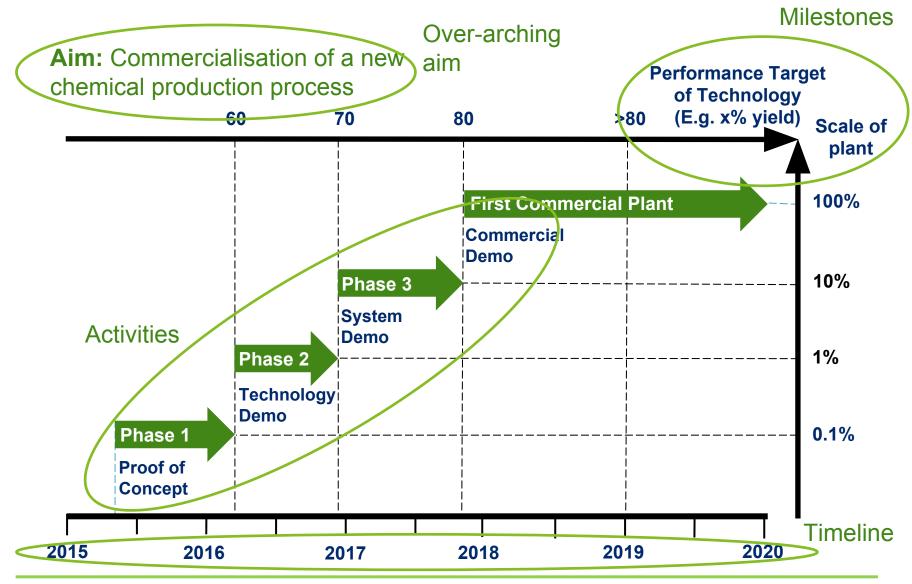
Technology Roadmap for Applying Nanotechnolog y to Water Treatment Source: http://en.rusnano .com/investment /roadmaps/clear water

# Roadmap Design

## No right or wrong design, but you should consider some key questions:

- 1. Which aim(s) does your roadmap describe?
  - a. Business Development d. Market Development
  - b. Technology Development e. Corporate Development (legal, etc)
  - c. Product Release f. Financing, etc...
- 2. Why do you need the roadmap? How does it represent a change from the status quo?
- 3. Who are the audience and what do they need to know?
- 4. **When** do the key milestones take place and are they SMART (Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Time-bound)?
- 5. What activities do you need to describe?
- 6. **How** accurate is your information? Is the level of detail appropriate? Is uncertainty accurately represented?

## Technology Development Roadmap Example



## Develop a Roadmap/Roadmaps (45 mins)

## **Objective:**

 To develop roadmaps for your business concept

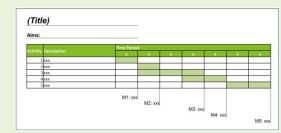
## Tasks:

- 1. Analyse the market status quo
- Identify the main aims that your business must achieve to create value
- Develop appropriate roadmaps for the main aims (e.g. a technology development or user growth roadmap)

## Activity Guide

### Instructions:

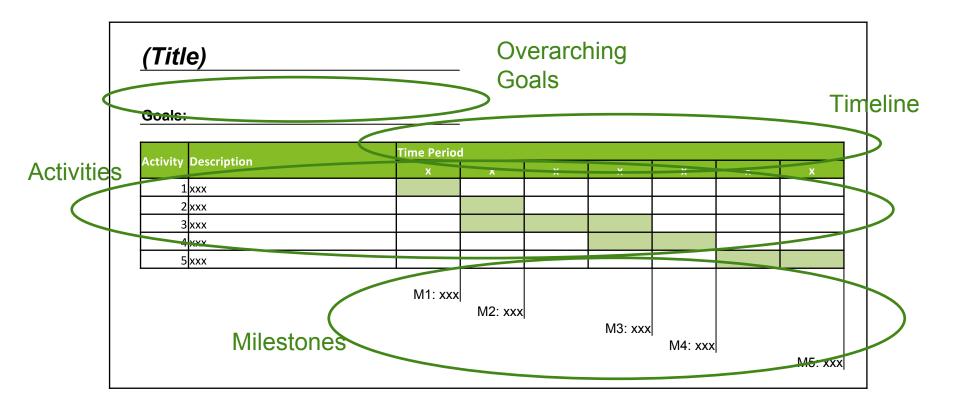
1. Use the template provided



### Questions to consider:

- 1. Which aim does your roadmap describe?
- 2. Why do you need the roadmap(s)?
- 3. Who are the audience?
- When do key milestones take place & are they SMART?
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## Roadmap Template (modify as needed)



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## Wrap-Up (5 mins)

## Objective:

 Summarise key outcomes from this week and look ahead to the next week

## Tasks:

- Group discussion of the key outcomes and deliverables of the week
- 2. Group discussion of any key considerations for next week

## Week 5: Resources Summary

## **Learning Goals**

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- 1. Understand the basics of startup team collaboration
- 2. Create a draft skill map for their business
- 3. Understand the recruitment options for their business
- Create a roadmap for their business

## **Deliverables**

- 1. Ownership structure
- 2. Team skill matrix and resourcing strategy
- 3. A roadmap

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Key Take Aways

## Week 6: Finance Outlook

### **Preparation:**

- 1. What are you revenue streams?
- What is the cost structure? 2.



## Learning Goals

The participants are able to:

- 1. describe the most important elements of a financial plan.
- 2. assess the performance of a startup based on financial key figures.
- evaluate the financing needs in a first version.

### **Deliverables:**

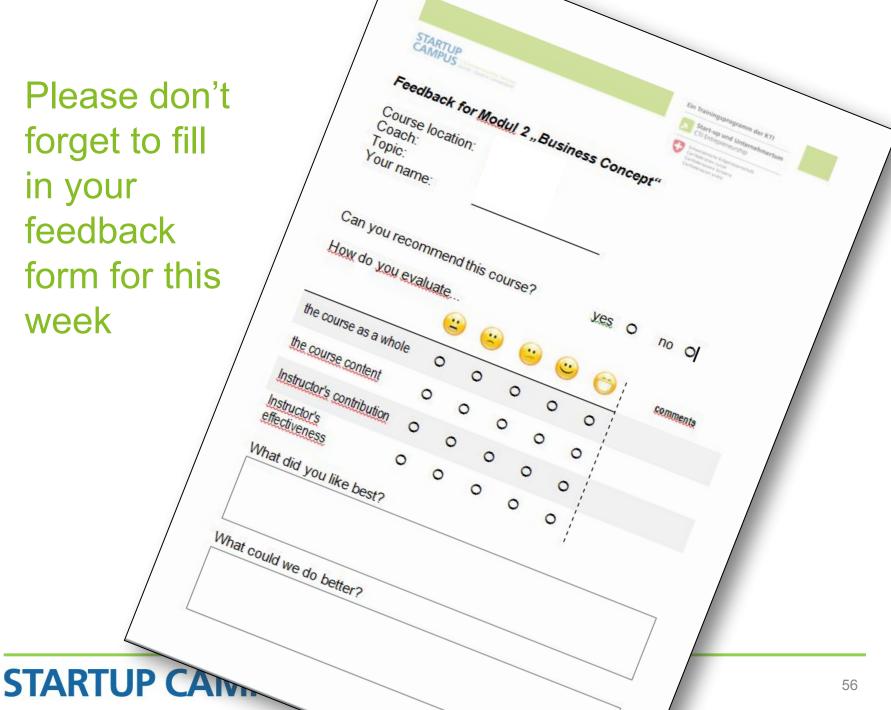
Definition of the most important 1. key figures of the startup. (first version)

Note: bring your laptop

so you can make use of

our spreadsheet tool

Please don't forget to fill in your feedback form for this week



### A CTI training programme



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## CTI Entrepreneurship Business Conception Week 5: Resources

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# Appendix

- Appendix A: Useful Resources for the launch of a new venture
- Appendix B: The Swiss Startup Ecosystem

# Appendix A: Company formation procedure

Steps	Partnership	Capital Company
1	Register your business in the commercial register if obliged to	Notarize the incorporation documents
2	Register your business at the municipality/district office of your firm's domicile	Register your business at the Commercial Register of the Canton
3	Register at the social insurance of the canton	Register your business at the municipality/district office of your firm's domicile
4	Register VAT at the Swiss Federal Tax Administration.	Register at the social insurance of the canton
5		Register VAT at the Swiss Federal Tax Administration.



 $\rightarrow$  Other procedures in other Countries!

More information here: www.gruenden.ch

Sources: Fueglistaller, Müller & Volery (2008). Entrepreneurship, p. 121 | www.gruenden.ch | www.kmuadmin.ch, June 2011.



# Appendix A: Finding an appropriate name...

Check the availability of your chosen name online at the Federal Commercial Registry Office (FCRO): www.zefix.admin.ch

- Sole proprietorships require the inclusion of your surname in the name
- GmbH (L.L.C.) and AG (corp./plc.) require the Inclusion of the legal form (AG/GmbH) in the name
- Be careful not to infringe 3<sup>rd</sup> party rights, e.g. Trademarks (see Week 7 – Protection)



www.zefix.admin.ch

Source: www.gruenden.ch | June 2011.

# Appendix A: Setting up a business in Switzerland

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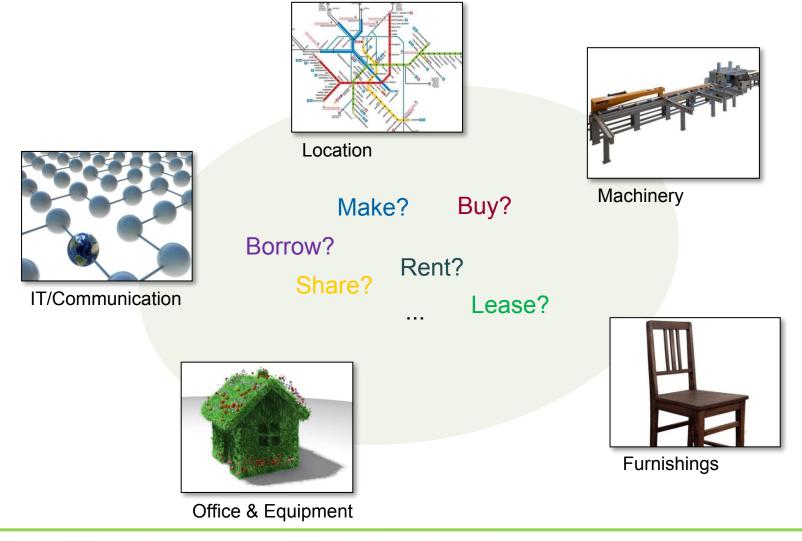
Reasons to set up a company or move the domicile to Switzerland:

- Favourable tax climate
- Political stability
- Liberal labour market
- Social peace
- Multilingual population
- Outstanding educational and research institutions
- Excellent (transportation) infrastructure



More information here: www.osec.ch

# Appendix A: Planning your infrastructure



# Appendix A: Make use of infrastructure that is targeted at start-ups





## A list of technoparks is provided by <u>www.gruenden.ch</u>



# Appendix A: Other important considerations

Tax



- Taxes are a major cost
- There are different types (federal, cantonal, municipal)
- For each tax you must understand what is taxed, how and by which authority

## Accounting



- Accounting is a legal requirement
- It is also essential for managing the business and understanding its financial health
- Many excellent tools exist
- Consult an external accountant early on

## Insurance



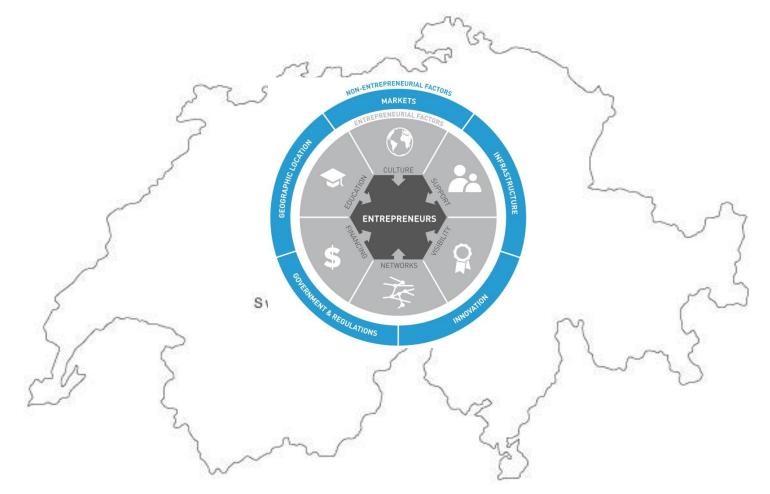
- Insurance is necessary to protect you, your business and your employees from risks
- Types of insurance include
  - Personal
  - Business liability
  - Professional liability
  - Property



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# **Appendix A: Further Resources**





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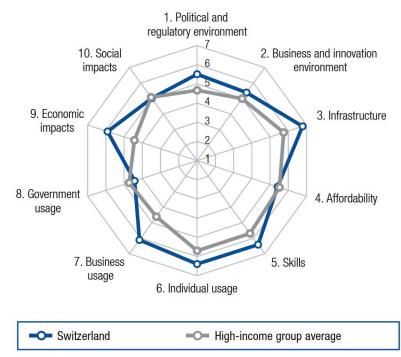
## **Swiss Innovation Ranking**

	1 <sup>st</sup> place	2 <sup>nd</sup> place	3 <sup>rd</sup> place	4 <sup>th</sup> place
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Global Innovation Index 2012				*
WEF World Competitiveness Index 2010 – 2011			C:	
European Innovation Scoreboard 2010				

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## Appendix B: The Swiss Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Drivers of Swiss Innovation

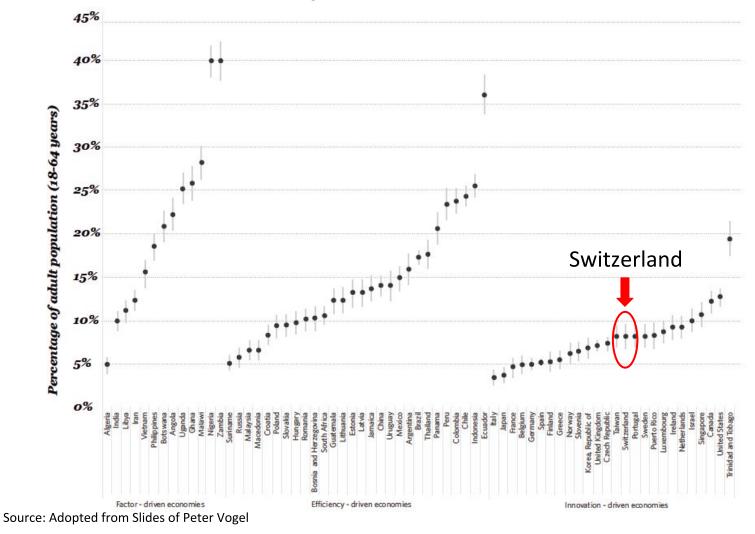
- Robust industry
- Culture of Innovation
- Highly skilled workforce
- Macroeconomic stability
- Good public infrastructure
- Excellent education system
- Favorable regulatory environment
- Highly attractive location for talents
- Internationally recognized research hubs



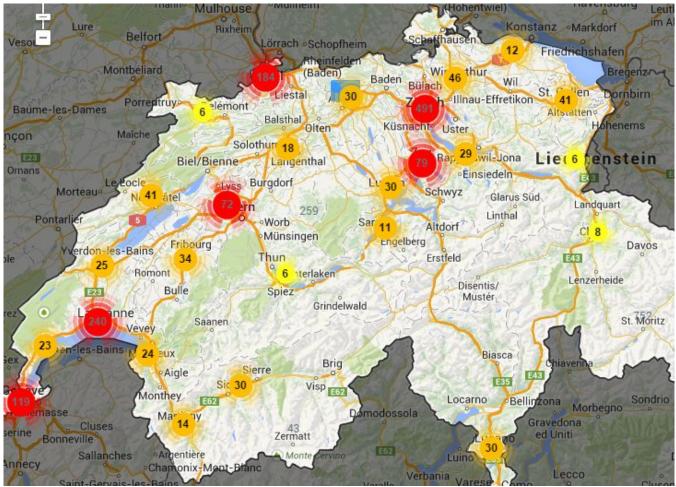
Source: Global Competitiveness Report 2015

Source: SECA Yearbook, 2009: "Switzerland Scores High" Source: Adopted from Slides of Peter Vogel

## **Total Entrepreneurial Activity in Switzerland**



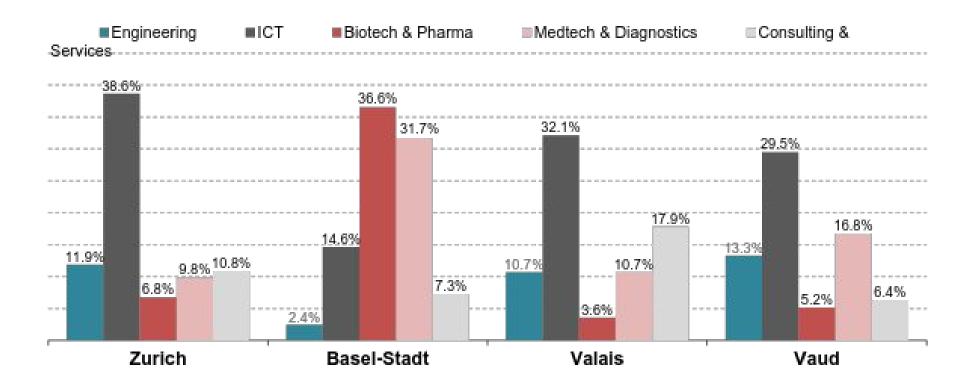
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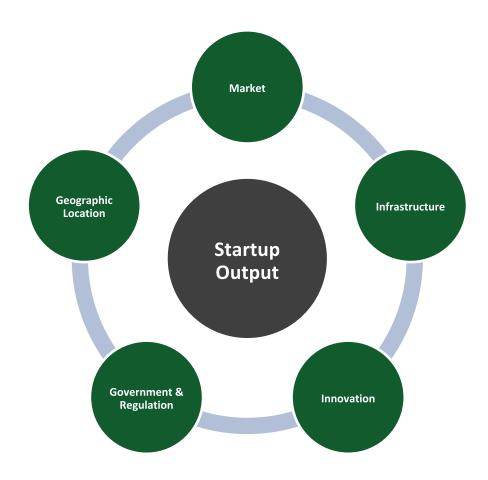
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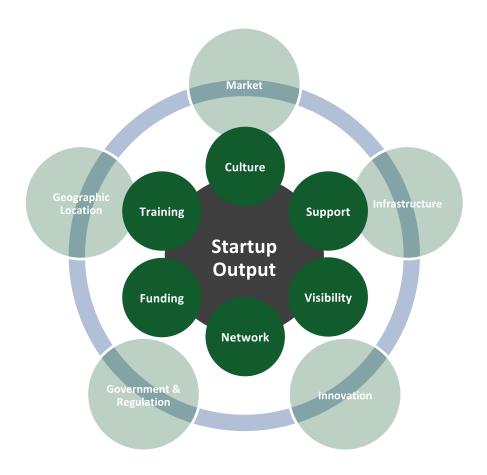
## **External Factors of the Ecosystem**



- Market size & attractiveness: 4.6 / 7
- Infrastructure: 6.2 / 7
- Innovation: 5.7 / 7
- Government & Regulation: 5.6 / 7
- Geographic location:
  - High attractiveness
  - ➤ Great livability
  - > Expensive
  - Little raw materials
  - Strong financial power

Source: Vogel, 2013: TEDx Lausanne talk

## **Entrepreneurial Factors of the Ecosystem**



Source: Vogel, 2013: TEDx Lausanne talk

- Lots of entrepreneurial support
- Many awards & local visibility
- Networking: local / national
- Funding is available but not targeted
  - Lots in seed stage
  - Little in growth phase
  - Many growth startups leave country
- Training is readily available
  - > University entrepreneurship centers
  - Government offers (CTI, etc)
  - Private initiatives (venturelab, etc)
- Culture
  - ➤ Great fear of failure
  - Risk aversion
  - Opportunity costs lead to regular career

## **Support for Founders**

## Cantons help with:

- Help in developing business plans
- Tax exemption
- Allowances for R&D
- Contributions for investments and technological training
- Setting-up of financial and business partnerships
- Work and residence permits
- Search for premises, terrains and technological parks
- Contacts with financial and VC institutions
- Access to networks
- Searches for housing, schools, services etc.
- Help for negotiations with the state
- Support in export activities

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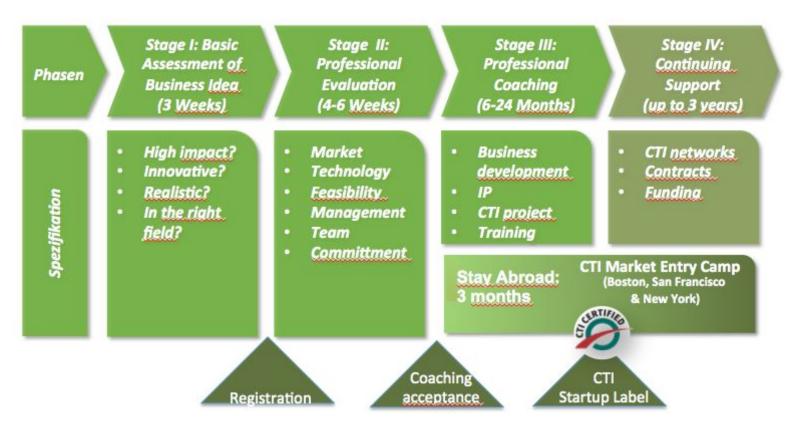
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- Commission for Technology and Innovation
- Mandate: Improve the innovative strength of Switzerland
  - market-oriented R&D projects
  - foundation and development of start-ups
  - knowledge and technology transfer



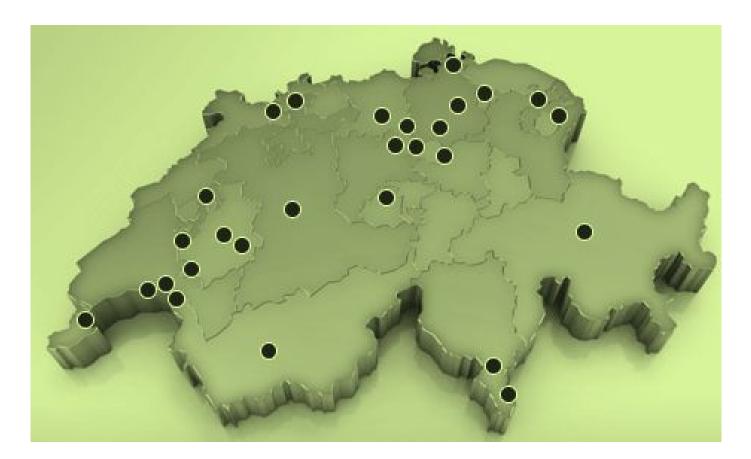
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Support for Founders – Tech Transfer



University	Tech Transfer Office	Website
EPFL	EPFL TTO	www.sri.epfl.ch
ETHZ	ETH Transfer	www.transfer.ethz.ch
Uni Lugano	Ticinotransfer	www.ticinotransfer.ch
Uni Basel	Unitectra	www.unitectra.ch
Uni Bern	Unitectra	www.unitectra.ch
Uni Fribourg	TT Fribourg	www.tt-fr.ch
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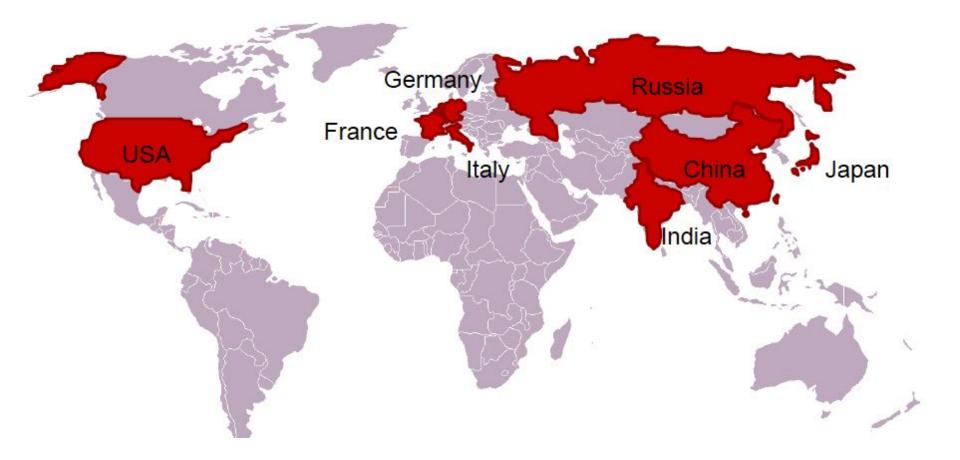
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 Goal: Promote the attractiveness of the Swiss business location with foreign decision makers.

- Private company with headquarter in Zurich
- Over 70 years of experience in helping Swiss SMEs to export
- Funded mainly by public money
- As of 2008, S-GE also has investment promotion activities on a federal level



## Appendix B: The Swiss Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Support for Founders – S-GE Locations



## Appendix B: The Swiss Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Support for Founders - Swissnex



Support for Founders – Product Development Support



## Appendix B: The Swiss Entrepreneurial Ecosystem Support for Founders – Visibility & Awards

Aargauer Unternehmerpreis Academic Enterprise Awards (ACES) Ars Electronica Axa Innovation Award be.project Best of Swiss Gastro Award Best of Swiss Web Award Best Paper Award Bilan Blickpunkt:KMU Burgdorfer Innopreis Businessplan Wettbewerb Liechtenstein Cash CCE - Prix du jeune entrepreneur CH Open Source Awards Concours InnoKick CTI Medtech Award De Vigier Debiopharm Awards Dimitris N. Chorafas Award DuPont des Matériaux Award Eclosion Prize Electrosuisse Prix Innovation ITG ENTERPRIZE EPFL "Ville de Lausanne" award EPFL Asea Brown Boveri Award EPFL Award Zeno Karl Schindler EPFL doctorate awards EPFL IBM Research Award EPFL Innogrant Ernst & Young Entrepreneur of the Year ESPRIX Swiss Award for Excellence

ETH Doctorate Awards European Biotechnica Award European Solar Prize Eurowards Fondation pour l'Innovation Technologique Fondation Sandoz Future Impact Prize Handelszeitung Hasler Stiftung Heuberger Winterthur Jungunternehmerpreis HSG Gründer des Jahres HUB Zurich kickSTART IBK-PREIS IHK Prize Thurgau IMD Startup Competition InnoPrix SoBa Innovationspreis der Schweizer Assekuranz Innovationspreis der Zentralschweizer Handelskammer Internet WORLD Business-Idee ISPO Award ISPO BrandNew Award James Dyson Award Jungunternehmerpreis Nordwestschweiz Junior Achievement - YE Europe Enterprise Challenge Jura Agenda KMU Life KMU-Forum St. Gallen KMU-Magazin KPMG Tomorrow's Market Award L'Agéfi Land der Erfinder - Das Schweizer Magazin für Innovationen Startup Ticker Latsis International Award

Life Science Prize Lista-Innovationspreis Luce Grivat Award Micron d'Or Microsoft Schweiz Partner of the Year Award Microsoft Schweiz Technology Innovation Award Motivationspreis Thurgauer Apfel Organisator.ch Patrick Denantes Memorial PME Magazine Prix "Coup de pouce" Prix à l'innovation Fribourg Prix BCN Innovation Prix Créateurs BCVS Prix du développement durable Prix Evenir Prix Jura Prix Strategis HEC Lausanne Prix Veuve Clicquot Prix VITTOZ "Cap International" Prodex Award Red Herring 100 Europe Rolex Awards for Enterprise SAM/SPG Sustainability Leadership Award Schweighofer Prize SEF-Swiss Award SemTech Start-Up Competition Social Entrepreneur of the Year Solothurner Unternehmenspreis Spark Award

StartUp Weekend Lausanne

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