

### Creation of a successful business plan Financial programming

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# Why should I write a business plan?

- 1) Because it helps me to:
  - Clarify my business idea
  - Spot potential problems
  - Measure my progress
- 2) Secure investments
- 3) Secure a loan from a bank
- 4) Convince consumers, suppliers and potential employees to support my ideas





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6)

### Write a business plan

- **Executive summary** 1)
- **Owners Background** 2)
- Product and services 3)
- 4)



**Business** 

Competitors

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### 1) Executive summary

1) Business summary

Explain: 1) what you are going to sell, where and to whom

2) your business name and why you chose it

- 3) what type of business have you chosen to be and why
- 2) Business aims

List your goals: you should divide your objectives into short term, mid term and long term

3) Financial summary

1) describe the financial goals for the first year (the turnover you want to make and the amount of cash you hope you have left in the business at the end of your first year of trading)

- 2) state what money you need to start your business
- 3) explain where you will get the money from (the bank, family)



## 2) Owner's and business partners background

Explain: 1) why you want to start your own business

2) why you think you have the experience, ability and commitment to

make

your idea a success

3) what are your education, qualification, work experience and training

### 3) Product and services

What are you going to sell?

Describe: 1) the basic product service you are going to sell

2) the different type of product services you are going to be selling

3) when you are going to sell such product-services and why



### 4) Market Analysis – Costumers

1) explain whether your costumers are businesses or individuals

2) describe your typical costumer

(i.e. income and age for individuals, sector and size for businesses)

3) describe where your typical costumers are based

4) explain what prompt your costumers to buy your products/services (i.e. when costumers receive a big salary bonus)

5) describe factors that help your costumers choose which business to buy from

(i.e. experience, distance, fashion)

6) explain whether you have sold any product already

(i.e. how much sales and how much money you made)

7) explain how many costumers you have waiting to buy from you (i.e. costumers letter of intent)



### 4) Market Analysis – Market research

- 1) Desk research (uses information from the internet and books)
  a) how big the market is (how many sales take place in a year)
  b) trends in your market (sales trends, variation in costumers attitudes)
- 2) Field research (asking potential costumers their opinion of your business)
  - a) ask if people will buy from your business, at your price in your location
  - b) ask if people already buy from a similar business, which is the business, if they are wishing to switch to your business and why
  - c) explain how you choose the people to complete the questionnaire and

how

many people completed it

- 3) Test trading (practice your business)
  - a) how many product you tried to sell/you sold and at what price
  - b) the key thing you learned and the key thing you will change



### 4) Market Analysis – Market research

An example..... To explore the local market and verify if there is a demand for my special cheese products I made both a Test trading and a Field research. I obtained the following market scenarios:

THE MARKET (expe	ected demand fo	or the cheese p	roduced by my	own)			
	Minimum willingness to pay		Average willin	ngness to pay	Maximum willingness to pay		
	<u>Price (€/kg</u> )	Quantity (kg)	<u>Price (€/kg</u> )	) Quantity (kg)	<u>Price (€/kg</u> )	) Quantity (kg)	
Caciotta (cow)	6	10,800	8	7,200	10	3,600	
Ricotta (Cow)	2	3,240	2	2,160	3	1,620	
Caciotta (sheep)	8	4,800	13	3,200	16	1,600	
Ricotta (Sheep)	2	1,920	3	1,280	4	960	

Verifying if peoples are interested to by my products is not enough!!! I need to know if people already purchase similar products, where they use to buy such products, how much they pay for it.



### 4) Market Analysis – Marketing strategy

1) Word of mouth

2) Advertising (method used, period, frequencies and costs)

3) Leaflet and business cards (kind of material, quantity, way to distribute the material

to whom and where, costs)

3) Direct marketing (method used and way to find names and contact details of potential

costumers)

4) Social media (detect the social network preferred by your target market, get feedback

on product design)

5) Tradeshow and exhibitions (which event are you planning to attend, when, how much

it cost)

6) Web sites (building and maintenance costs, use of online shop)

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### 4) Market Analysis –Competitor analysis

A competitor is any business that offer a product service that is similar to yours

Focuses on those from which costumers are most likely to buy from instead of you, then explain:

- 2) Who they are where they are, what they sell, how much it cost, how much big the company is, what its strength and weaknesses are
- 3) SWOT analysis of your business against competitors

Table of compe	stitors					
Name, location and business size	Product/service	Price		Strengths	Weaknesses	
CIMOT analyzic	<b>`</b>					
Strengths (i.e. highlights the peculiarities of your product, location)			Weakn (i.e. lac	esses ck of experience, mo	ney)	
Opportunities (i.e. changes in the	law, market trends)		Threats (i.e. a la	s arge shopping mall o	pening up)	-



### 4) Market Analysis – Competitor analysis

An example..... To consolidate the information obtained from costumers I need to know who are my local competitors, how much they are popular, what the peculiarities of their products, how the sell the product, to whom, what are their competitive strategies:

#### THE MARKET (Competitors of my martket)

	Quantity of cheese sold (kg/Year)	Relative market share(%)	<u>Average price</u> <u>(€/kg)</u>	Estimated production costs (€/kg)	<u>Markup (%)</u>
Competitor 1	207,600	0.74	10	6	0.67
Comptetitor 2	10,380	0.04	14	10	0.40
Comptetitor 3	20,760	0.07	12	8	0.50
Comptetitor 4	41,520	0.15	12	8	0.50



### 5) Operation and Logistics

1) Production (how long will it take to make your product? Do you have to pay upfront?)

- 2) Delivery to costumers (how long will it take to deliver your product to costumers?)
- 3) Payment (when will you get paid and how?)
- 4) Suppliers (when will you pay them?)
- 5) Premises (where will you run your business from?)

6) Equipment (what equipment do you need? How much it will cost? Do you own it already?)

- 7) Transports (How will you get about to pick up stocks/meet costumers?)
- 8) Legal requirements (Do you need a trading licence?)
- 9) Insurance (What type of insurance do you need? How much is it costs?)
- 10) Management and stuff (peoples involved in your business and duties)



### 5) Operations and Logistic

An example..... EQUIPMENT: I need to make an investment to run my business. I could choose among alternatives plants with different production capacities and costs:

CAPITALS required for a mini-dairy

	Product proce			
	72000	96000	144000	
EQUIPMENT LIST		COST (€)		TIME HORIZON (years)
Basic components				
Boiler group + heating unit (from 300 to 600 lt)	12000	22000	22000	5
Various tools (backets, shovels, blades, molds, etc.)	500	750	1000	5
Cool room with shelves (10 m2)	5000	7500	10000	5
Other Basic components	500	1000	1500	5
Total basic components	21000	29500	38000	
Additional components				
Sale desk	2800	4650	6500	5
Other additional components	3000	3000	3000	5
Total additional components	7500	10750	14000	
Building renovation (130 mc)	39000	39000	39000	20
Total investment costs	67500	79250	91000	



### 5) Operations and Logistic

An example..... EQUIPMENT: What the size of my business? Assuming that I want to maximize my income and that, except for investments, costs are proportional to the quantity of milk processed.

CHOICE OF THE BUSINESS SIZE €/year	E (expected re	evenues - fixed	d costs)		
Expected quatinty of milk to be	Production Capacity (It/year)				
processed (lt/year)	72000	96000	144000		
122,182	50913	70034	91107		
81,455	83119	93457	91107		
40,727	57725	55375	53025		

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### 6) Financial Forecasts

How much money will I make? In need to answer the following questions:

- **1. Feasibility** Is it worth to begin my business?
- 2. Sustainability How much money should I need to run my business?

To answer this question you need to plan resources in advance:

- 1. Good/Services (purchased and sold)
- 2. Financial resources (cash in / cash out)



### 6) Financial Forecasts

### **Resources flows**



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### 6) Financial Statements

Financial Statements reflect business activities, revenues and expenses for each accounting period. The three main financial statements are:

- 1. The Balance Sheet illustrates a company's book Value
- 2. Income Statement shows how assets and liabilities are used
- 3. Cash Flow Statement shows the company cash activities

Fundamentals Financial Statemetns

Additional instruments:

- 1. Break Even Point illustrates the minimum quantity that must be produced to recover costs
- 2. NPV illustrates the present value of the investment

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- Cash Flow Statement 3.
- based on an accrual basis (due or
- based on the actual receipt and payment of cash

**Fundamentals Financial Statements** 

Additional instruments:

NPV – illustrates the present value of the investment 1.

6) Income Statement

Costs and Revenues are the basic elements of the Income Statement:

- **Costs** money spent to purchase services and goods
- Revenues Money earned by selling good and services produced

### **Revenues – Costs = Income**

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### 7) Income Statement

Costs can be classified in:

- 1. Capital costs Costs incurred prior to run the business
  - infrastructures,
  - machinery,
  - tools, etc.;
- 2. Operational costs Costs incurred while running the business
  - 1. Fixed costs costs not varying with the production
    - rents,
    - maintenance,
    - debts, etc.;
  - 2. Variable costs costs varying with the production
    - ingredients,
    - energy,
    - salaries, etc.



### 6) Income Statement

	INCOME STATEMENT			
	REVENUES	€/year		Sales revenues includes
	Sales revenues	109,307 —	-	credits VS costumers
	Total revenues	109,307		financial year!!!
	EXPENSES			Operational costs includes
Varving with the	Costs of good sold (ingredients, energy, etc.)	46,122	•	debit VS costumers accrued during the
production	Marketing	1,000		financial year!!!
	Labour	31,279		
NOT Varying with	Interest expenses	3,170		
	Overheads	4,612		This items is excluded
L	Machinery depreciation	15.850	-	from the cash flow statement because it is a
	Total expenses	102,033		non cash item
	NET INCOME (after taxes)	5,819		

6) The Balance Sheet

Assets, Liabilities and Owner's Equity are the basic elements of the Balance Sheet Statement:

- **Assets** The capital invested in the business
- Liabilities The financial resources borrowed
- Owner's Equity The owned financial resources

### Assets = Liabilities + Equity



### 6) The Balance Sheet

		BALANCE SHEET		
		ASSETS	€/year	
	>↑	Current assets	24,819	
Assets are listed	idit	Credits VS costumers	1,000	
in order of	iqu	Inventories	5,000	
liquidity		Investments	63,400	
		Other assets	0	
		Total assets (A)	94,219	
		LIABILITIES		
	iť	Current liabilities	5,000	
Liabilities are	Itur	Debit VS Suppliers	0	
maturity	Ma	Long term liabilities	63,400	
	>	Social Capital	15,000	
Equity are listed	idit	Stocks	5,000	
in order of	iqu	Net Income (NI)	5,800	
Παιταιτγ		Total liabilities	94.219	
		ROI (NI / A)	0.06 -	Particularly relevant to
				get bank loans



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etc.)		~	Current liabilities	5,000	
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Assets, Liabilities and Owner's Equity are the basic elements of the Balance Sheet Statement:

- **Operating** Ordinary expenses and sales
- **Investing** Capital purchases
- Financing Financial resources invested in the activity (owned, external)

### **Net Cash Flow = Cash inflow – Cash Expenditure**

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6) Cash Flow Analysis

### Why do I need it?

To prevent from any cash deficit and to identify corrective actions, as:

- Delaying payments and/or reducing credits lag to costumers
- Asking for a loan

Detecting:

- The amount of the loan
- When to ask for a loans
- When payback the loan



Let's assume that our Cheese Dairy generate108.000 €/year of cash inflow and 103.000 €/year of cash expenditure (including your own salary or 'survival budget'):

Apparently there are no problems...... BUT....

We might suffer a financial trouble as cash inflow and cash outflow appear in different periods of the year!!!



#### CASH FLOW STATEMENT

	F	IRST Q	SECOND Q	THIRD (	FOURTH Q
CASH INFLOW					
Beginning cash balance					
Sale of dairy products	16,396		38,257	37,257	16,396
Government Payments					
Total inflow	16,396		38,257	37,257	16,396
CASH EXPENDITURE					
Costs of good sold	11,531		11,531	11,531	11,531
Marketing	1,000				
Capital purchases					
Interest	793		793	793	793
Debt payments	3,963		3,963	3,963	3,963
Taxes (VAT)	364		364	364	364
Other expenses	8,973		8,973	8,973	8,973
Total expenditure	26,622		25,622	25,622	25,622
	$\frown$				
Quarterly net cash flow	-10,226		12,635	11,635	-9,226
Cumulative net cash flow	-10,226		2,410	14,045	4,819
	$\checkmark$				



Let's assumes that it is not possible to shift the timing of payments to purchase production factors or to sell your products

I need to ask for a loan....

....how much money should I ask for? ....when do I need to ask for a loan? ....when should I payback the loan?



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CASH EXPENDITURE				
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Marketing	1,000			
Capital purchases				
Interest	793	1,946	793	793
Debt payments	3,963	14,963	3,963	3,963
Taxes (VAT)	364	364	364	364
Other expenses	8,973	8,973	8,973	8,973
Total expenditure	26,622	26,775	25,622	25,622
Quarterly net cash flow	774	11,482	11,635	-9,226
Cumulative net cash flow	774	12,256	23,892	14,666



### Now, let's assume that it is possible to shift payments

What can I do?



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Debt payments		7,925	3,963	3,963
Taxes (VAT)				1,455
Other expenses		8,973	17,945	8,973
Total expenditure	12,531	28,428	33,438	29,090
Quarterly net cash flow	3,865	9,829	3,819	-12,694
Cumulative net cash flow	3,865	13,695	17,514	4,819



Now, let's assume that it is possible to get payments in advance or to reduce the duration of credits to some costumers

What can I do?



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Marketing Capital purchases	Marketing	Current liabilities Debit VS Suppliers
Interest Debt payments	Labour Interest expenses	Long term liabilities
Taxes (VAT)	Overheads	OWNERS EQUITY
Total expenditure	Machinery depreciation	Stocks
Quarterly net cash flow	Total expenses	Net Income (NI) Total liabilities
Cumulative net cash flow	NET INCOME (after taxes)	ROI (NI / A)



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Interest	Labour	Long term liabilities
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Taxes (VAT)	Overheads	OWNERS EQUITY
Other expenses		Social Capital
Total expenditure	Machinery depreciation	Stocks
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Cumulative net cash flow

INCOME STATEMENT

REVENUES

Sales revenues

Total revenues

EXPENSES Costs of good sold (ingredients, energy, etc.) Marketing Labour Interest expenses Overheads Machinery depreciation Total expenses

NET INCOME (after taxes)

BALANCE SHEET ASSETS Current assets Credits VS costumers Inventories Investments Other assets Total assets (A)

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ROI (NI / A)



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Quarterly net cash flow Cumulative net cash flow INCOME STATEMENT

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EXPENSES Costs of good sold (ingredients, energy, etc.) Marketing Labour Interest expenses Overheads

Total expenses

NET INCOME (after taxes)

BALANCE SHEET ASSETS Current assets Credits VS costumers Inventories Investments Other assets Total assets (A)

LIABILITIES Current liabilities Debit VS Suppliers Long term liabilities

OWNERS EQUITY Social Capital Stocks Net Income (NI) Total liabilities

ROI (NI / A)

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6) My back up plan

The 'what if' scenario

What if doesn't work out as you imagined? ....

- Changes that you might be able to make in the short term (i.e. work with a cheaper supplier, negotiate shorter payment terms, boost sales, etc.)
- Changes that you might be able to make in the long term (i.e. support that might be available from the bank or the Government,

train your staff, etc.)





Value (€)



Is it worth to run my business?

If yes....

- What is my rate of return on investment?
- How much time do I need to payback the investment?



In general, an investment project generates negative net cash flows in the initial stage of the project and positive net cash flows in the succeeding stages.

We must take into account when cash flows are generated If we want compare cash flows in different periods of the project life.



### Thus we need to account for TIME

How do TIME affect the value of money?

Ex. A Bank is offering us a loan of .90 € with the promise to payback 1 € at the end of the month (value of the loan + the interest).

If we payback 1 € after 1 year, that amount will be valued + o – by the Bank?

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Strategic Planning

The example of the Bank can be translated in: it is worth of to have an egg today rather than an egg tomorrow? The answer is obvious.

But...

## How can I evaluate if it is better an egg today rather than a hen tomorrow?

I need to know how to calculate the present value of the cash flows foreseen to be generated in the near future Or in other words.... How and how much the TIME condition the value of money?



Net Present Value of the cash flows foreseen to be generated during the life time of a project

$$NPV = \sum_{t=0}^{T} \frac{F_t}{(1+r)^t}$$

r discount rate or opportunity ost of the capital (it reflects the value of the best available investment alternative)

- t time
- T project time horizon
- F<sub>t</sub> net cash flow (Revenues Costs)



r (discount rate) or opportunity cost of the capital. This is the key item to calculate the present value of future cash flows. The value of r depends on:

- 1) How the time affect the value of money. It is worth to obtain money soon, rather than waiting. As soon I have the opportunity to use money, as soon I will have the opportunity to use it to improve my wealth.
- 2) The rate of return of the best investment alternative. If there are no alternatives I need to consider as a benchmark the rate of return of saving my money in the bank.
- 3) The risk of failure. I need to include and additional leverage to the rate of return to cover any risk of failure. Thus the return on investment must compensate any risk of failure.



STRATEGIC PLANNING					
Time horizon	9 years			Pay back	
Interest rate	7%			period	
	YEARS			¥	
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
Cash Inflow					
Cheese sold		114,307	114,307	114,307	114,307
Total inflow	-	114,307	114,307	114,307	114,307
Cash Expenditures					
Operational costs		83,013	83,013	83,013	83,013
Capital purchases	79,250				
Total expendutures	79,250	83,013	83,013	83,013	83,013
Yearly net present value	-79,250	27,333	25,545	23,874	22,312
Cumulative net present value	-79,250	-51,917	-26,372	-2,498	19,814



STRATEGIC PLANNING					
Time horizon	9 years				
Interest rate	14%	)	Internal of retu	rate rn	
	YEARS				
	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
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Yearly net present value	-79,250	23,947	20,948	18,325	16,030
Cumulative net present value	-79,250	-55,303	-34,355	-16,030	