









Tech Community Initiatives

see www.hitechbe.com

- Telus New Ventures BC Competition (#1 in 2001 was an SFU Student Co.)
- Vancouver Enterprise Forum
- Angel Network (Vantec)
- Western Universities Tech Innovation Fund
- The "EDG": Executive Development Group



What about Scale?

The \$100 million deal?

or

The Lifestyle Business? (or both??)

YOUR DECISION.

Then sell your story to the right audience!



Early Stage vs Startup?

- Early stage:
 - Team
 - Products
 - Business Plan
 - Customers
 - VCs maybe
- Start Up:
 - one or two people ideas
 - and/or IP VCs – forget it!



[See www.garage.com]

The Alternatives

- Golden Gov't funding
- Love Money
- Angels & Angel Funds
- Private Investors
- Hedge Funds
- · Venture Capitalists
- Public Markets
- Strategic Partners
- Customers
- Debt, VISA, sharks, etc

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Go to www.vef.org for

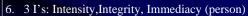
Why Angels?

- Been there, done that
- Long-term horizons
- Gut feel
- Mentor/advisor
- Not greedy.... Hey, it's just a hobby!



What Angels Want

- 1. Fun
- 2. Interesting Opportunity
- 3. A willing protégé
- 4. To use one's resources
- 5. Attractive Return: 10X to >>100X



7. 3 G's: Goodness, Greatness, Greed (company)

Angel Woes



- Lousy (or zero) returns
- Uncoachable Teams
- Cram downs
- No respect from VCs
- Valuation Anxiety
- Complex Terms Sheets



What Kind of Angel are YOU?

Rifle Shooter?

requires intense involvement high risk, high return

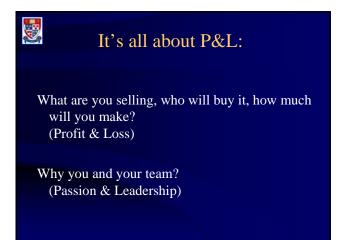
Shotgun Shooter?

great if you've got little time

lower risk, lower return

Why not both?

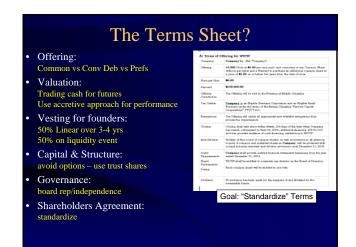
Co-invest with a fund you've invested in

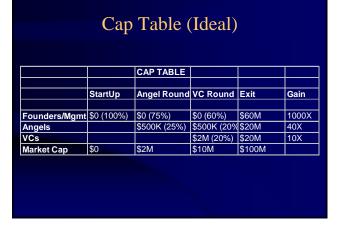


The Numbers Game 10 investments of \$100K each = \$1M 1 big payout in 10 years, $50 \times 100K = 100K$ ROI: ~25% 10 investments of \$5M each = \$50M2 big payouts in 5 years, $10 \times 2 \times \$5M = \$100M$ ROI: ~15%

Angels:

VCs:





Cap Table (more likely)

		CAP TABLE			
	StartUp	Angel Round	VC Round	Exit	Gain
Founders/Mgmt	\$0 (100%)	\$0 (75%)	\$0 (37%)	\$11.25M	1000X
Angels		\$250K (25%)	\$250K (12%)	\$3.75M	15X
VCs			\$3M (50%)	\$15M	5X
Market Cap	\$0	\$1M	\$6M	\$30M	

Conclusion: Start-Up Valuations = \$1 million +/-

The Angel Network (VANTEC)

Under auspices of the VEF... (started Apr'99) (check: www.vef.org for details)

How it Works:

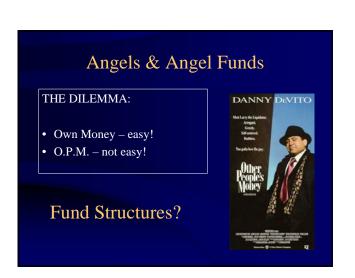
- -it *is* a network (no formal organization!)
- -monthly meetings: 3 short presentations
- -no hard and fast rules (no application process)
- -dovetails nicely with VCs, Incubators, etc...

How to Run an Angel Net?

- Start with 4-5 "known" angels
- Avoid too many non-angels at meetings
- Use the "sponsorship" model angels must coach & screen presenting companies
- Informal, simple, & fun
- Website for entrepreneurs and for angels (confidential) demo

Making it work

- Sharing information (due diligence)
- Co-investing & syndication spread the risk
- Know-how & lessons learned –
 The Terms Sheet, Valuations, Deal
 Structure (see wutif.ca for some samples)
 Reporting and Governance





Angel's BS Bingo: Low Burn Rate Domain Expertise ProActive Management Unique Proposition Best of Breed Platform Technology Enabling Technology Empowered Team **Ground Floor** First To Market PROFITS World Class Products Competitive Advantage Renowned Board Revolutionary Business Model Liquidity Event (Exit Strategy) Favorable Valuation NASDAQ IPO Defensible Strategy Visionary

So why do deals get funded?

Because the people behind them are:

- credible (domain knowledge, esp. market)
- realistic (show how they can achieve goals)
- aware of what they don't know (use experts)
- not alone (had a team)
- in control (leadership, contingencies)

But mainly because:

• they are liked! (it's really a courtship!)

