

What is Equity Crowdfunding?

- Think Dragons' Den online
- Or HBAN with more investors
- Connect Investors with High Growth Companies
- Democratising investment opportunities
 - Anyone can raise money, anyone can invest.



Equity Based

On-line Dragons' Den

Funding for shares

 Market-place for investors and companies seeking investment









Roadmap – How does ECF work?

- Apply to the platform
- Create campaign (+ Premium service)
- Launch to the world
- Promote as widely as possible
- Close
- Legal work
- Release of funds



Democratises Investment

- Not limited to large angel syndicates or VCs
- Friends, family or general contacts can invest without the expense of professional fees
- Anyone can invest on the ground-floor of ownership of the next hot start-up



Funding Gap

• Fills void between microfinance and professional/institutional investors (capable of providing larger amounts of capital to start-ups and SMEs).



Success factors – Spark Crowdfunding

- Strong founding team
- IP rich
- Scalable
- Exit plan
- (In-revenue)
- Good network
- "Investible"



Campaign sizes

B2B

Company Name	Amt raised	EI / LEO status
Wellola	€181k	HPSU
Trifol	€526k	-
Accucolour	£221k	ПОСП
Motarme	€117k	HPSU
гтециенсу	£3/1K	TIFOU
HaloSOS	€159k	HPSU
Digitally	C200k	11750
Akkure Genomics	€1.2m	HPSU

B2C

Company Name	Amt raised	EI / LEO status
Fleet	€385k	HPSU
Campsited	€284k	HPSU
FireBuilder	€211k	HPSU
BusterBox	€166k	HPSU
HorsePay	€120k	LEO
Moby	€795k	HPSU
HotFoot	€150k	LEO

Case Study – Moby bikes

- Target = €300k (reached in 4 days)
- Raised = €795k
- Overfunded = 265%
- Investors = 277
- Max. investment = €75k
- Ave. investment = €2,870
- Pre-money valuation = €5.5m



Regulation

Common set of rules across EU

- CSPs able to passport across boarders into other EU member states
 - Export opportunities Import threats

Extra overhead to meet the regulation requirements



Why CrowdFunding?

<u>Investee</u>

- Simple
- Quick
- Low-Cost
- Extensive free media exposure
- Build a loyal 'tribe' of supporters

Investor

- Simple & Quick
- Zero cost
- EIIS (40% tax relief)
- No up-side cap
- Support young Irish businesses



Questions

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