

# Business Opportunity Profile

- Entrepreneurship is a mindset.
- Think as a leader
- Think as a problem solver
- “The only way to predict the future is to built it”
- “Money is not the goal, is a measure of your achievement”

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## TECHNICAL BACKGROUND

- Summary of the expertise, technologies or research projects that you visualize have the most **commercial potential?**
- List the possible commercial applications from your expertise, technology or research project.
- What products/services could result from your research?

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For each of the commercial applications you want to consider, expand on the following:

## PRODUCT / SERVICE CONCEPT

- **The Product / Service Proposed**
- **Customer and Market Segment**
- **Competitive Scenario**
- **Execution / Strategy**
- **Team / Resources**

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## Customer and Market Segment

[http://factfinder.census.gov/servlet/SAFFacts?\\_event=Search&geo\\_id=&\\_geoContext=&\\_street=&\\_county=00680&\\_cityTown=00680&\\_state=04000US72&\\_zip=00680&\\_lang=en&\\_sse=on&pctxt=fph&pgsl=010&show\\_2003\\_tab=&redirect=Y](http://factfinder.census.gov/servlet/SAFFacts?_event=Search&geo_id=&_geoContext=&_street=&_county=00680&_cityTown=00680&_state=04000US72&_zip=00680&_lang=en&_sse=on&pctxt=fph&pgsl=010&show_2003_tab=&redirect=Y)

### – Segmentation Variables (Customer's Descriptors and Grouping): wants, needs, perception, believes and responses

- Demographic: Age, Gender, Marital Status, Family Size, Education, Geographic location, Socio-economic Level, Occupation: Acquisition or Buying Power
- Psychological: purchase behavior, patterns or trends, Beliefs,

## Example: Cellular Phones

<http://www.jitterbug.com/jitterbug-phone-demo.htm>

[http://www.imatephonestore.com/product.asp?itemMDL=IMATE\\_8150](http://www.imatephonestore.com/product.asp?itemMDL=IMATE_8150)

- Who is your customer?
  - Point of view
- How big is the potential market?
- In which segment of the market do you understand is best to launch?
  - Why is it the best segment for launching?

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- **The Product / Service Proposed: Briefly describe your product or services based on...Value Proposition.**
- “Is a description of the customer problem, the solution that addresses the problem, and the value of this solution from the customer’s perspective”.

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- (What *problem/need/pain* is being addressed?)
- Currently how is this “*problem/need/pain*” being addressed and why is your alternative:
  - Better
  - Cheaper
  - Effective
  - Unique: point of differentiation
  - Safer
  - Different, etc.?

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- **Competitive Scenario**

- Who are your current competitors (entities and/or technologies)?

- Direct and Indirect

- Who could be your future competitors (entities and/or technologies)?

- Direct and Indirect

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- **Execution / Strategy**

- Where are you now? Where do you want to be?

- How do you plan to get there?

- Next steps?



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- **Team / Resources**

- What are **your** strengths and weaknesses (skills and limitations)?
- What are the strengths and weaknesses (skills and limitations) of your **team**?
- What **other persons (skills)** do you need assistance from?
- What resources do **you** have available (Technological, Equipment, Funds, etc.)?
- What resources are available to your **team**?
- What **additional** resources, if any, do you need?

# Describe your Customer?

What pain/problem vs. solution this customer needs?

- Demo:
  - Socio:
  - Psico:
  - Geo:
  - Econ:
- Core Features
  - Supplemental Features:
    - 1
    - 2
    - 3
    - 4
    - 5
    - 6