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Strengthening the Connectivity and Business Synergies in the SEE

Session Five:

Enhancing Connectivity Between Turkish and SEE's Entrepreneurship Ecosystems



Sarajevo, July 21, 2015

About me...

- Founder Viveka Incubation Center
- Viveka is the first private incubation center in Turkey
- Founded in 2010
- Working with Tepav Garaj since 2013
- Startup Weekend Facilitator







BUILDING A STARTUP ECOSYSTEM

STARTUP LIFECYCLE

Inspiration

- A solid team.
- A viable business idea.
- Resources to start working

Prototyping

- Resources to build the prototype
- A place to work
- Training on running business
- Technical expertise within the team
- Seed Funding



expertise

Angel Investment

TALENT



CURRENT SITUATION

Highly skilled an certified workforce

HERZEGOVINA

- Technical expertise
- Low prices
- No language barriers

DENSITY / COMMUNITY





BUILD NETWORKS & MENTORS

CURRENT SITUATION

- Number of incubators and accelerators are increasing
- Startup Weekend's and other entrepreneurship events taking place around the region

HERZEGOVINA

MONTENEGRO KOSOVO

FYR

MACEDON

CULTURE

UNDERSTANDING OF JOB





FailureInstitute



ACCEPT FAILURE

CURRENT SITUATION

- Number of successful startups is raising
- Young talent still prefers government jobs or moving away for jobs in Europe



MARKET



CURRENT SITUATION

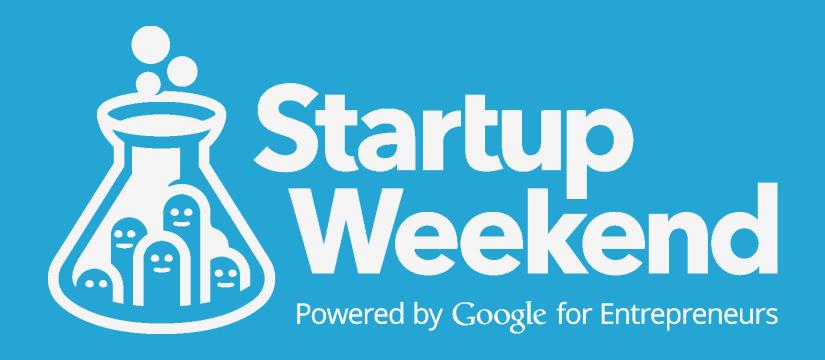
- None of the countries is big enough to be a market on its own
- Proximity to Europe and no language barrier is an advantage to consider Europe as the market

CAPITAL



REGULATORY ENVIRONMENT







Startup Weekend is a **54-hour event** where **developers, designers, marketers, product managers and startup enthusiasts** come together to share ideas, form teams, build products, and launch startups!

SW'S CORE PURPOSE

Startup Weekend is fundamentally disrupting the way the world is approaching entrepreneurial education.

Startup Weekend is a democratizer of entrepreneurship, making it accessible to as many people as possible-regardless of religion, race, gender, or sociopolitical differences.









BENEFITS OF SW TO THE LOCAL COMMUNITY

















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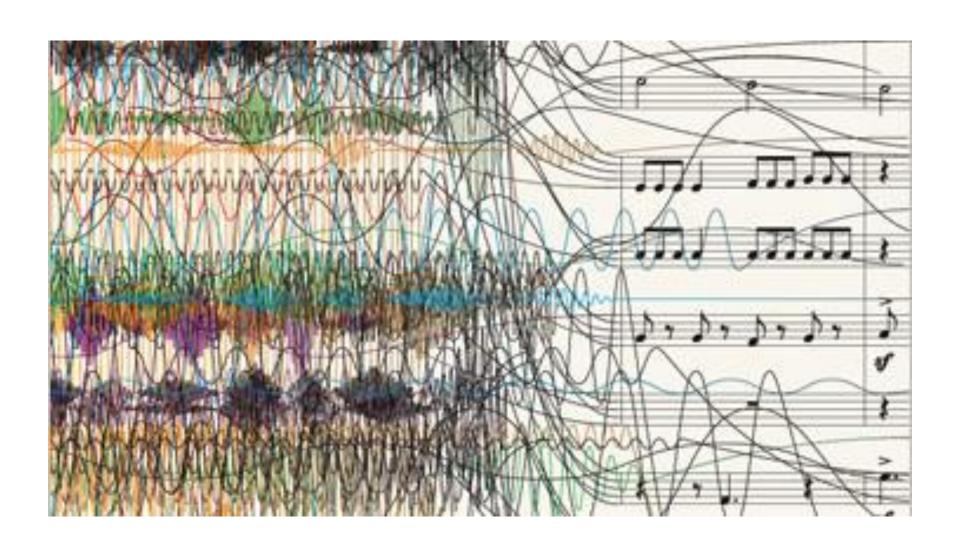


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INSPIRATION STAGE

This stage is for fostering networking, communication and inspiration.

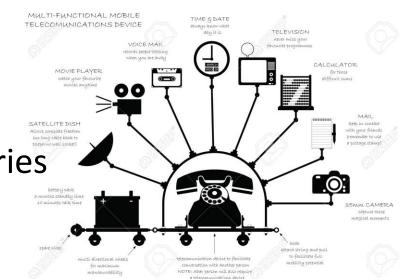
- Startup Weekend
 - Entrepreneur delegation from Turkey to Balkans
 - Entrepreneurship event/Startup Weekend covering all SEE-6 countries an Turkey
 - Inspiring speakers and entrepreneurs roundtable
 - Connecting entrepreneurs
- Mentoring program
 - Mentoring training

PROTOTYPING STAGE

Incubation partner programs

Building a startup ecosystem - training of trainers

- Angel investment
 - Delegation to Balkan countries
 - Angel investment training



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Thanks... Any Questions?



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