

## **Learning goals**



- Getting to know the concept of entrepreneurship
- Learn about the entrepreneurial mindset
- Reflect upon your own failure- and learning journey
- Reflecting upon your personal entrepreneurial skillset
- Exchange with and learn from your peers



## What is entrepreneurship?





Skill in starting new businesses, especially when this involves seeing new opportunities.

Cambridge Dictionary

## Types of entrepreneurship



Example 1
Start-up founder, Serial
Entrepreneur



**Steve Jobs**Apple, NeXT, Pixar

Example 2
Founder and Serial
Entrepreneur



Oprah Winfrey
Harpo Productions,
OWN, O Magazine

Example 3 **Social Entrepreneurs** 



Dr. Anja Bittner

"Was hab ich?"

Example 4

SME's, Hidden Champions

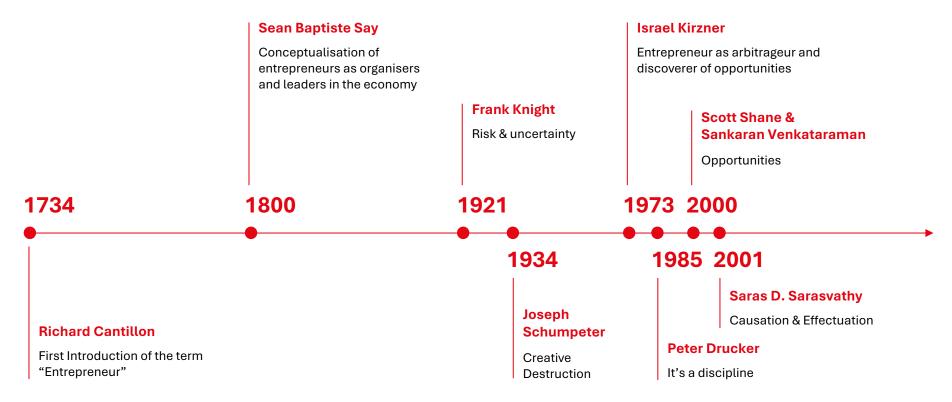
Mittelstand, Family Businesses



August, Franz, Theo & Bernhard Claas CLAAS

# History of entrepreneurship theory





### **Creative destruction**





"The function of entrepreneurs is to reform or revolutionize the pattern of production by exploiting an invention or, more generally, an untried technological possibility for producing a new commodity or producing an old one in a new way, by opening up a new source of supply of materials or a new outlet for products, by reorganizing an industry and so on."

**Joseph Schumpeter** 

## It's a discipline!





"It's not magic, it's not mysterious; and it has nothing to do with genes. It's a discipline and, like any other, it can be learned."

**Peter Drucker** 

## It's about opportunities!





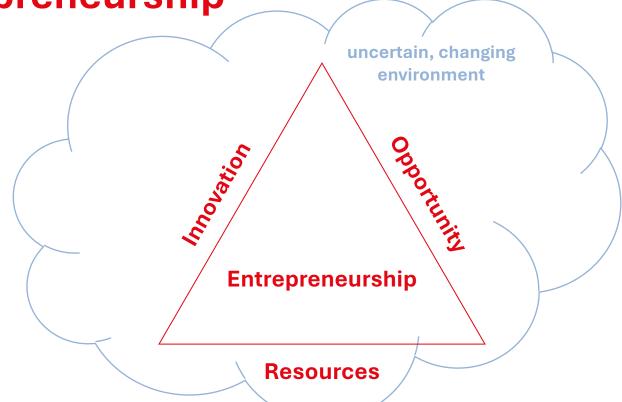
"... we define the field of entrepreneurship as the scholarly examination of how, by whom, and with what effects opportunities to create future goods and services are discovered, evaluated, and exploited."

Sankaran Venkataraman

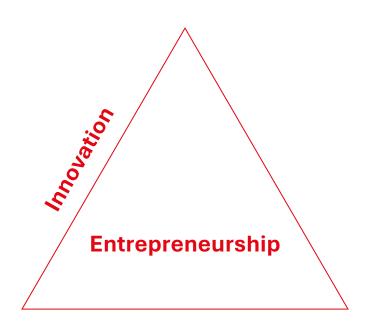












## **Innovation**



Many views on entrepreneurship incorporate the idea that entrepreneuring is about the **"creation of something new"** 







Invention

**Innovation** 

**Imitation** 

### **Innovation**



## Any thought, behavior or thing that is new because it is qualitatively different from existing forms

BARNETT, H. G. Innovation, 1953. The Basis of Cultural Change. New York: McGraw-Hill Book Company, p. 7

#### An idea, practice or object that is perceived as new

ROGERS, E. M. (1983). Diffusion of innovations. Third edition. New York. Free Press, p. 11

#### Invention + exploitation

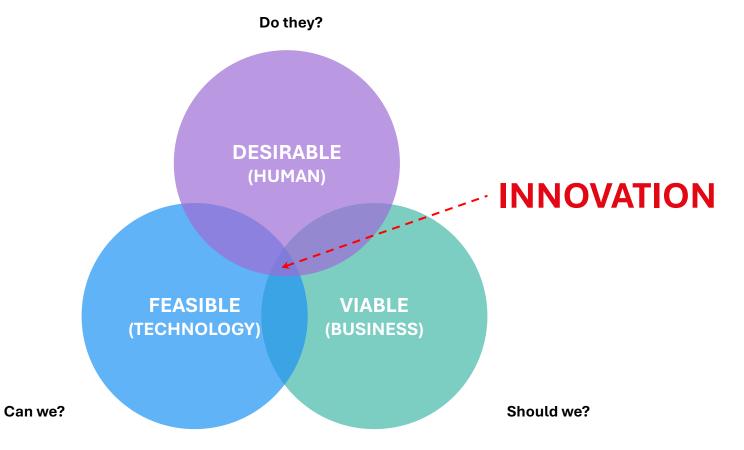
E.B. ROBERTS. (1988). "Managing invention and innovation," Research-technology management, Jan-Feb, p. 13

# The synthesis of a market need with the means to achieve and produce a product to meet that need

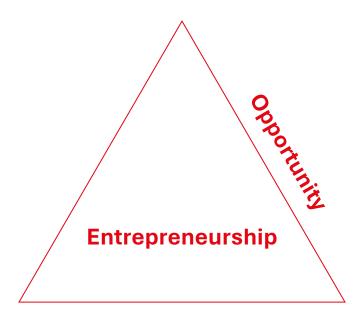
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### **Innovation**









## **Opportunity**



People can become entrepreneurially active for **completely different reasons**.

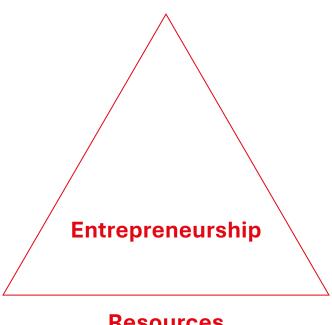


**Opportunity-based activity** 



**Necessity-based activity** 





Resources

## Resources





Founder/Team







**Network** 







## **Desire**



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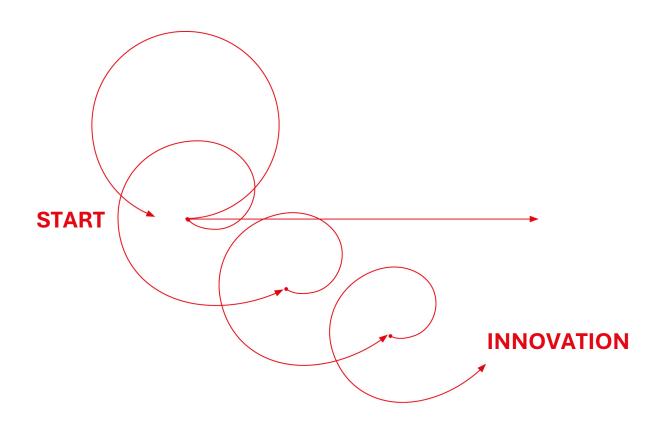
## Reality





## **Iteration**





## Failure as part of the process...



#### In reality, failure is the normal case!

- the vast majority of startups fail
- Study results vary between 60% and 90%

## Reasons for failure





42% No market need



29% Ran out of cash



23% Not the right team

# The journey of Milena Glimbovski

2012

Founded original unverpackt in Berlin

2018

Selected as entrepreneur of the year in Berlin 2023

Continues her journey as speaker and activist on climate topics

2015

After a burnout founded 'Ein guter Plan'

2022

Filed for insolvency for original unverpackt



# Fail early and often... in a supportive context





Guarantees psychological safety



Rewards risks and trying new things



Doesn't punish mistakes



Creates a culture without blame

## **Self-Reflection**



### How it works ...







**Self-Reflection** 



10 min

#### Think of one example:

- A situation in which I felt like I failed ...
- I learned from it ...
- That's why I am no longer afraid of ... in the future.

**10 min** time for yourself

# **Learning Slam**



## How it works ...











20 min

#### One after another:

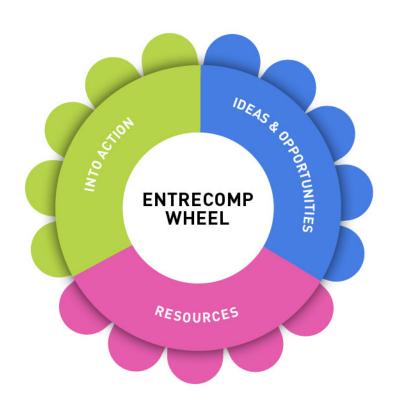
- Share your failure and learning with the group in one sentence
- Let's celebrate each others' failures and learnings as loud as possible!

# It's coffee o' clock!



## Skillset: EntreComp Wheel

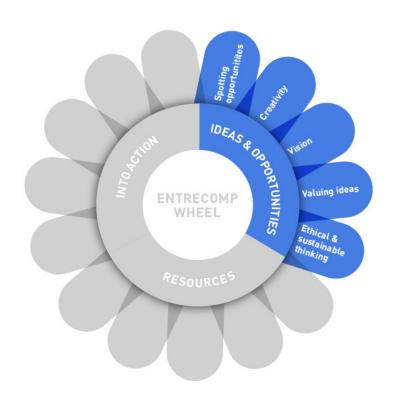




- Tool to reflect on your personal development of entrepreneurial skills
- Developed by the Joint Research Centre (JRC) of the European Commission
- Made up of three competence areas:
   Ideas & Opportunities, Resources, Into Action
- Each area includes 5 competences

## **Ideas & Opportunities**





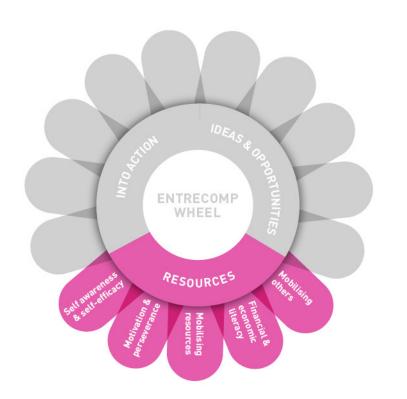
## Which ideas & opportunities can you see and develop?

Competence	Hint
Spotting Opportunities	use your imagination and abilities to identify opportunities for creating value
Creativity	develop creative and purposeful ideas
Vision	work towards your vision of the future
Valuing ideas	make the most of ideas and opportunities
Ethical & sustainable thinking	assess the consequences and impact of ideas, opportunities and actions

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### Resources





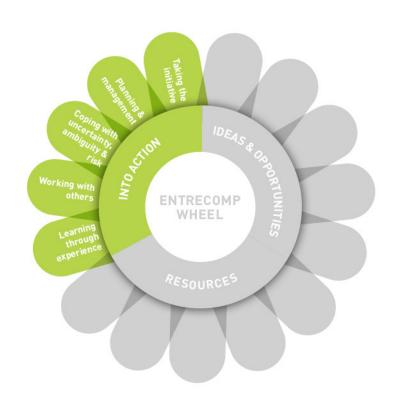
## Which resources do you have to transform your ideas into action?

Competence	Hint
Self awareness & self-efficacy	believe in yourself and keep developing
Motivation & perseverance	stay focused and don't give up
Mobilising resources	gather and manage the resources you need
Financial & economic literacy	develop financial and economic know-how
Mobilising others	inspire, enthuse and get other on board

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## **Into Action**





Which competences do you bring with you to become active?

Competence	Hint
Taking the initiative	go for it
Planning & management	prioritise, organise and follow up
Coping with uncertainty, ambiguity & risk	make decisions dealing with uncertainty, ambiguity and risk
Working with others	team up, collaborate and network
Learning through experience	learn by doing

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## The wheel can also help you to...



- map your own entrepreneurial competencies
- assess and develop your entrepreneurial skills
- identify individual strengths and weaknesses
- build your entrepreneurial team

# What do our alumni say:



# David Dung (Founder Midel Photonics)



# These skills support me on my startup journey

- Spotting Opportunities
  - Ex.: Exist Forschungstransfer as a great opportunity
- Taking the initative
  - Ex.: asking for feedback from potential customers in order to apply for Exist Forschungstransfer
- Self-awareness & self-efficacy
  - Ex.: having courage to ask for feedback and make decisions under uncertainty

# This skill I am especially learning during my startup process

Coping with uncertainty, ambiguity and risk
making decisions on a basis of uncertainty and a lack of
completeness in data; challenging as a scientist to put
less focus on the details

# This skill is brought in by one of my team colleagues

Financial and economic literacy
 bringing in the perspective of how to earn money with
 the idea even if it is still a prototype; Ex.: Instead of
 spending tremendous workload to achieve a success
 rate of 100% in production accept a certain failure rate
 and just include it to your price model.

## **Self-Reflection**



### How it works ...





Solo work



Self-Reflection with Entrecomp Wheel



30 min

Work through the 3 categories and complete the sentences for each competence:

- I do it in the following situations/ under these circumstances ...
- This I want to practise more by ...

## **Template: Preview**



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## **Discuss in teams**



### How it works ...









**Share with the group** 

15 min

## Find two other people and discuss, based on your self-reflection:

- If you were to start your own entrepreneurial journey tomorrow, what would be your first step to develop your entrepreneurial skill set?
- Write your first steps on post-its.

# Sharing: The wall of first steps



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