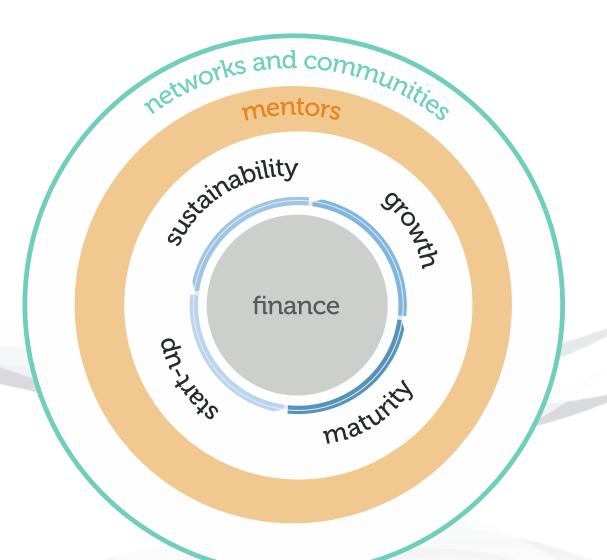
## International best practices in young entrepreneurship ecosystem development

UK: comprehensive support programmes - experience in applying the Outset and GetSet models in different UK regions and agencies

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# Areas of operation









- Start-up and Growth support programmes in UK
  - Includes West Midlands (3 million); East London (1.3 million); Cornwall (EU Transition Area) (500 000); Bournemouth (250 000)
- Free to participants, but 'tough' enrolment and dismissal
- Start up:
  - Mainstream, but high 'minorities' young, older, women...
- Growth:
  - Mainstream, but still seeking high 'minority' engagement
- Urban, rural, coastal towns and cities
- Objective: create jobs, increase skills, add GVA
- Also, specialised University 'Enterprise Fellows' for sci/tech post graduates –
  8 universities
- Plus Outset Finance for start up/scale up funding support (All UK)







- Over 25 000 people/enterprises engaged
- 13 402 individuals/enterprises assisted
- 6 130 full time jobs created
- 111 jobs safeguarded in existing enterprises
- Over € 30 million funding raised
  - loans, grants, investments, etc
  - €700 000 in personal loans (pre-start)
  - €3 700 000 to previously rejected applicants (enterprises)
- 4 562 new enterprises created
  - 75% survival after 3 years (UK rate 61% = 25% better)



### Who have we helped?

- Wide range of clients from unemployed to University professors
- Now running at over 50% female start-ups compared to 19% UK rate
  - 2009 first programme attained 40% women
  - 2016 now 60% women engagements
- Main sectors: Professional and business services; media and creative; sports and recreation; hospitality



#### Young enterprise

- YTKO Outset for young entrepreneurs:
  - <u>All</u> young Outset start up clients would recommend Outset to a friend
  - 92% considered they were better informed of entrepreneurship and self-employment
  - 85% much more motivated
  - 85% more self-aware of their strengths and weaknesses
  - 80% felt better able to make decisions, were positive for the future, were capable, and more confident
  - 90% were ready to progress to start a business, or be more proactive in seeking employment, or return to education





#### What have we learned?

- Value failure and create routes back into business
  - Try and try again!
- Get beyond the tech/trendy industries
  - Mainstream enterprises are just as important
- Be there for those further downstream
  - post-start and scale-up support essential to survival
- Stimulate demand not just supply
  - sales and survival are success factors, not number of start-ups
- Enlist the power of the internet and informal support
  - Provide 24/7 online resources, do research, provide mentors





#### What makes 'best practice'?

- Core courses, advice, resources and online
- Plus tailored extra help, mentoring, resources
  - Can take one month or six –self-paced
- Focus on individual not just 'entrepreneurs'!
  - increase personal confidence, understanding, skills, performance...
- Supported by robust business planning
  - markets and finance research, discuss, test, execute
- Supportive environment
  - peers, online, mentors, advisors with 'can-do' approach
- Follow on support –start-up and stay to scale-up!
- YTKO SME Growth programme adds to enterprise culture
  - Mentors, supply chain, angel network, graduate employment



### Thank you! Teşekkür ederim!

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