



Opportunity knocks at InvestmentProposals.com

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InvestmentProposals.com is a newly launched website that brings new ventures in need of funds together with potential investors.

PR9.NET July 06, 2005 - Today, more than 18000 UK investors back 3500 growth enterprise opportunities to the tune of £500 million annually. The risks can be great, and so can the rewards. Around 20 percent of private investors or "business angels" enjoy returns of 50 percent or higher.

Business angels play an essential role in bridging the gap between debt finance and the venture capital for entrepreneurs, new ventures and growth enterprises still in formative stages of development. Typically business angels invest from £10000 to £250000. However, companies in search of such seed investment should be aware that almost 90 percent of applications to business angels are rejected in the early stages of the decision-making process.

Companies seeking private investment should keep in mind that business angels are more likely to invest in a local enterprise than one hundreds of miles away. Individual business angels and syndicates also tend to favour sector-specific investment opportunities, such as biotech or telecommunications. Something like 30 percent of all UK private investment currently goes to technology-based enterprises. Of course, investment hunters must also be able to present a well researched, clear and compelling business plan. They must be prepared to justify facts, figures, the identified market opportunity and any financial projections. Business angels will also want to see a degree of financial commitment from a venture's founders.

Along with the opportunity of becoming a key stakeholder in a growth business, UK business angels receive generous tax breaks. As with all things tax related, the rules governing these tax benefits, such as the Enterprise Investment Scheme, can be quite complex and confusing. For those wanting to know more we suggest you visit www.businesslink.gov.uk. Details and conditions of the scheme are to be found in the HM Revenue & Customs booklet IR137.

Before making any sort of investment decision, you should take time and care to do as much homework as possible. Don't be railroaded, pressured or unduly influenced by any company or individual looking to fund a new business. InvestmentProposals.com strongly recommends that you always take professional financial advice.

InvestmentProposals.com is a site with just one purpose: to allow new business ventures in need of private investment to post their business plans to an audience of prospective investors. Visitors to the site are reminded that we do not provide investment advice, and are not authorised to do so. Visit the Financial Services Authority website for more information at www.fsa.gov.uk. To view our current investment proposals come and visit us at www.investmentproposals.com.

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