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Part III Moving from an Idea to an Entrepreneurial Firm

## Lecture 10 Getting Financing or Funding

### CROWDFUNDING

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## Agenda

- 1. The Importance of Getting Financing or Funding**
- 2. Sources of Personal Financing**
- 3. Preparing to Raise Debt and Equity Financing**
  - 3.1 Sources of Equity Funding**
  - 3.2 Sources of Debt Financing**
- 4. Creative Source of Financing and Funding**



## 4 Creative Sources of Financing and Funding

### Crowdfunding

Getting financing and funding from a (large) number of contributors

Through crowdfunding platforms

First mover: ArtistShare in 2000

The screenshot shows a web browser window with the following details:

- Address bar: research.crowdsourcing.org/2013cf-crowdfunding-industry-report
- Search bar: g crowd funding
- Toolbar icons: back, forward, search, etc.
- Page content:
  - Logo: massolution® Crowd Powered Business
  - Title: 2013CF CROWDFUNDING INDUSTRY REPORTS
  - Image: A world map with a halftone dot pattern.

Crowdfunding platforms raised **\$2.7 billion** and successfully funded more than 1 million campaigns in 2012.  
Massolution forecasts an **81% increase** in global crowdfunding volumes in 2013, to **\$5.1 billion**. [View an Excerpt](#)



## 4 Creative Sources of Financing and Funding

### Crowdfunding

**Two models:**

Donation-based funding: funding in return for product

Investment funding: equity for ownership rights



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**Pebble: E-Paper Watch for iPhone and Android**  
by Pebble Technology

Home    Updates 52    Backers 68,929    Comments 15,607      Palo Alto, CA      Product Design

Funded! This project was successfully funded on May 19, 2012.



**68,929**  
backers

**\$10,266,845**  
pledged of \$100,000 goal

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## 4 Creative Sources of Financing and Funding

### Crowdfunding

Important platforms:

1. [Kickstarter](#): for creative projects; donation-based
2. [Indiegogo](#): for anything; donation-based
3. [Crowdfunder](#): for anything; investment-based; for formal seed financing



## 4 Creative Sources of Financing a Startup

### Crowdfunding

Switzerland:

<https://wemakeit.com/projects/levin-n>

Über wemakeit

wemakeit ist die grösste Schweizer Crowdfunding-Plattform für kreative Projekte.

Unterstütze Projekte, die dir gefallen, und erhalte dafür von den Künstlern individuelle Belohnungen – Einladungen, signierte Bücher, limitierte Editionen von Bildern und Photographien und andere exklusive Belohnungen, die sich die Künstler für dich ausgedacht haben.

The screenshot shows a web browser window with several tabs open. The active tab is titled "crowdfundingnow". The main content area features a large banner with the text "Crowdfundingnow" and "Crowdfunding-Plattform für die Finanzierung von Projekten". Below the banner, there is a sidebar with a navigation menu and a main content area with text and a small gear icon.

- ÜBER CROWD FUNDING
- AKTUELLES
- IHR PROJEKT VERWIRKLICHEN
- AGB CROWD FUNDING
- SONSTIGES
- KONTAKT / FRAGEN
- NEWSLETTER ABOONNIEREN
- SITEMAP

Spenden und profitieren – ein Projekt mit Crowdfunding vorfinanzieren

Crowdfunding – Ihr Projekt finanzieren – über diese Plattform

Möchten Sie ein Projekt finanzieren? Gewinnen Sie viele Unterstützer, die in der Summe einen grösseren Betrag ermöglichen. Bieten Sie verschiedene Möglichkeiten mit unterschiedlichen Beträgen an, damit jeder mit seinem Budget teilnehmen kann, der das Projekt **mitfinanzieren** möchte.



## 4 Creative Sources of Financing and Funding

### Crowdfunding

Switzerland:

The screenshot shows a crowdfunding project titled "Flug zur Optimist-WM 2014 in Argentinien". The page features a video thumbnail of a person sailing, a progress bar showing 113% of a goal of 2500 CHF reached at 2830 CHF, and a call-to-action button "Starte dein Projekt".

<http://www.ibelieveinyou.ch/ibiy/#projectdetail/2150/?title=flug-zur-optimist-wm-2014-in-argentinien>

The screenshot shows a news article from "handwerksblatt.de" titled "Neu: Crowdfunding für Handwerksbetriebe". The article discusses how crowdfunding is becoming a common financing source for small businesses, particularly in the handicraft sector.



## Do you know the answer ?



Why do most entrepreneurial ventures need  
to raise money in their early life ?



What are the different sources of financing and funding ?



How do entrepreneurs prepare to raise funding ?

...test yourself.



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## Outlook

