



Manufacturing Africa

Investor Engagement: Fostering Trust & Building Confidence



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Enabling investment and the creation of jobs



Program Goal

Attract **£1.9 billion** of foreign direct investment (FDI) and creation of **99,000 jobs**



Focus Sector

Manufacturing and manufacturing enablers



Implementing Consortium

McKinsey & Company, BDO, TechnoServe, Steward Redqueen and others



Funding

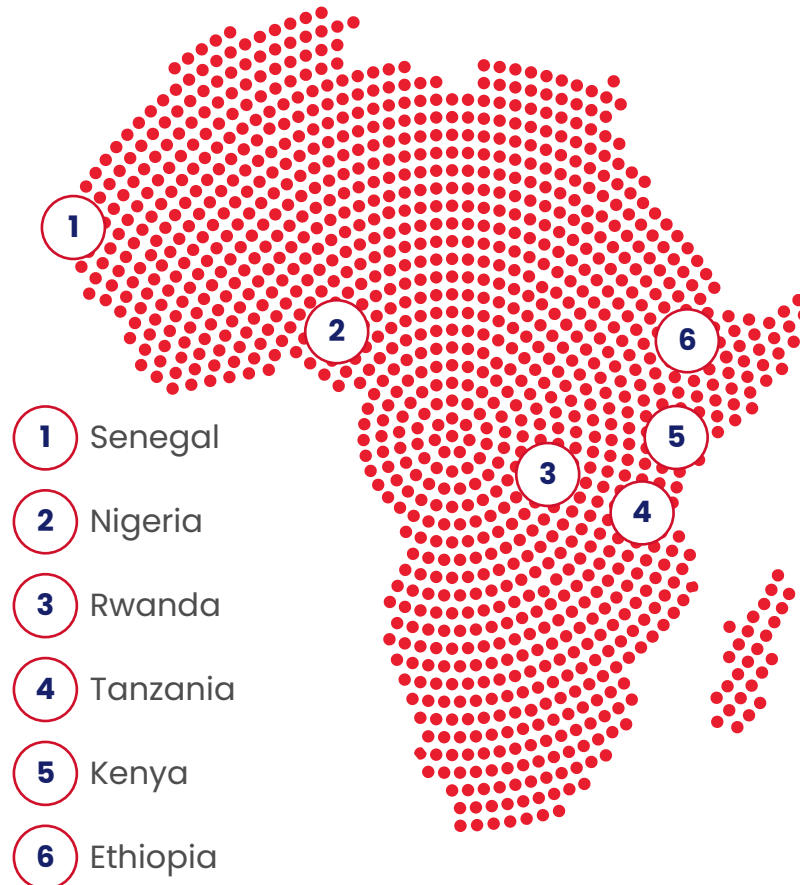
UK Government through the **Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO)**



Duration

7 Years (2019–2026)

Focus Countries



Addressing Two of Africa's Key Challenges

A Growing Labour Force

1B

Working population increase by 2050

2x

Urban population growth by 2050

18M

New jobs needed a year until 2035

An underdeveloped Manufacturing Sector



Low manufacturing productivity



Struggle to move into **high-value** services

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Delivering impact through targeted support

A. Deal support



Sellside investor readiness support across financial analysis, modeling, marketing materials, business planning and other transaction support



Buyside assistance including commercial diligence analysis covering gaps in data and strategic issues for investment



Development impact improvement including climate and environment, gender and social safeguarding

B. Sector support



Sector wide strategic transformation studies to help develop and transform selected manufacturing sectors with significant development impact



Public sector technical assistance to developing policy at manufacturing sector levels

Our results

£2 billion



FDI into Africa's manufacturing sector supported

230



Companies supported, including **50+** green deals

53



Deal closed for businesses with MA support

110,000+



Direct and indirect jobs committed

£820 million



Biggest deal supported

£40 million



Average size of transaction supported

20+



Multinational manufacturing companies supported

+30



Manufacturing companies with UK trade and / or linkages assisted

£23 billion



Combined value of pipeline identified

9m+ tCO₂



Emissions reduced

50+



Women owned / led manufacturing businesses supported

£37



FDI raised for every £1 ODA invested after one year

32



Policy changes influenced

60



Sector transformation studies published

A++



Latest rating at annual review

28



Partnership ongoing including with regional UK government related programmes

*Adjusted to reflect the minimum 12 months anticipated between programme support & financial close, Unadjusted number is 25.1x

Objectives



Better Understanding
of Investors' Mindset



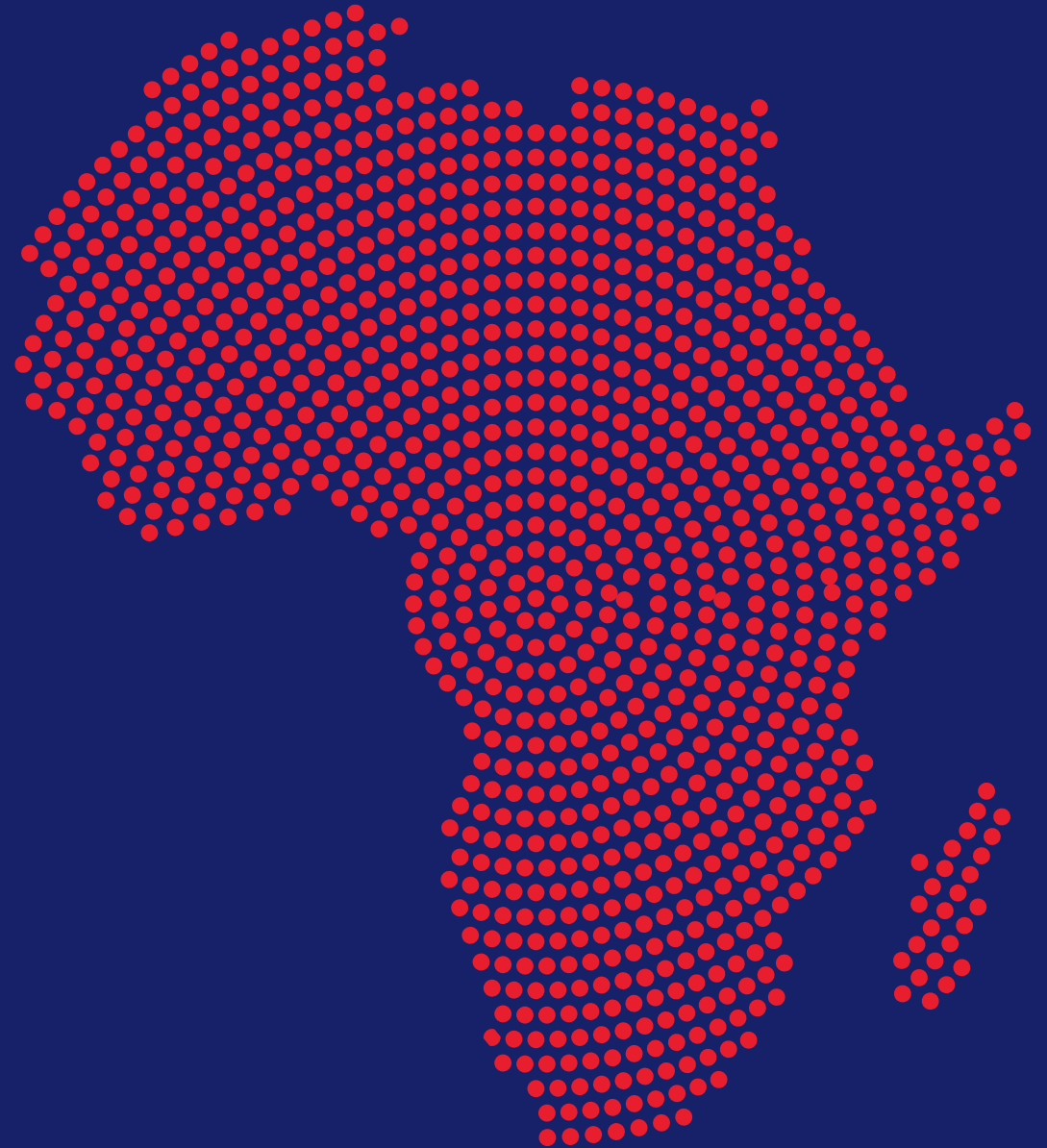
Understand the
Investment Engagement
Process



Identify Common Mistakes
in the Investor Process

01.

The Investors' Mindset



The investors' mindset

Investors unlock returns by exploring governance, operational and financial levers



What investors want



Governance: The opportunity to improve decision-making, structure, systems and controls



Financial discipline: Making right decisions on projects and prudent management of funds



Growth in operations: Operations that can be scaled to reach higher revenues and net income



Partnership: The case for alignment between the investor and the founder(s) ensures that both parties are working towards the same objectives



Risk-adjusted returns: The path to exit or redeem the investment at a price/rate that matches the perceived risk.

The investors' mindset

During the investment process, investors are assessing the business and the founder(s) on a few key areas



What investors look for



Character: Investors reach out to credible people in their network to know more about the Founder's character and credibility



Proven & Scalable Operations: Proven business and revenue model that can be repeated and scaled to a bigger operation



Risk & Market Awareness: Investors do extensive research on market structure in areas of desired interest. Founders without adequate market information lose credibility



Evidence of Resilience: Investors are interested in how founders have addressed challenges. The response and the attitude of the entire management team (teamwork) during periods of headwinds come under intense scrutiny



Openness to Learn: Investors assess the attitude and the response of the Founder(s) to criticism

The investors' mindset

Investors seek safe destinations for funding and partnerships



What investors look at



Clear Documentation of Financial Transactions: Well prepared management accounts and audited financials



Good Engagement With Customers & Suppliers: This validates the scalability of the operations and offers some credibility to the Company's operations



Team Synergy: How the team work together and is the communication consistent with team members



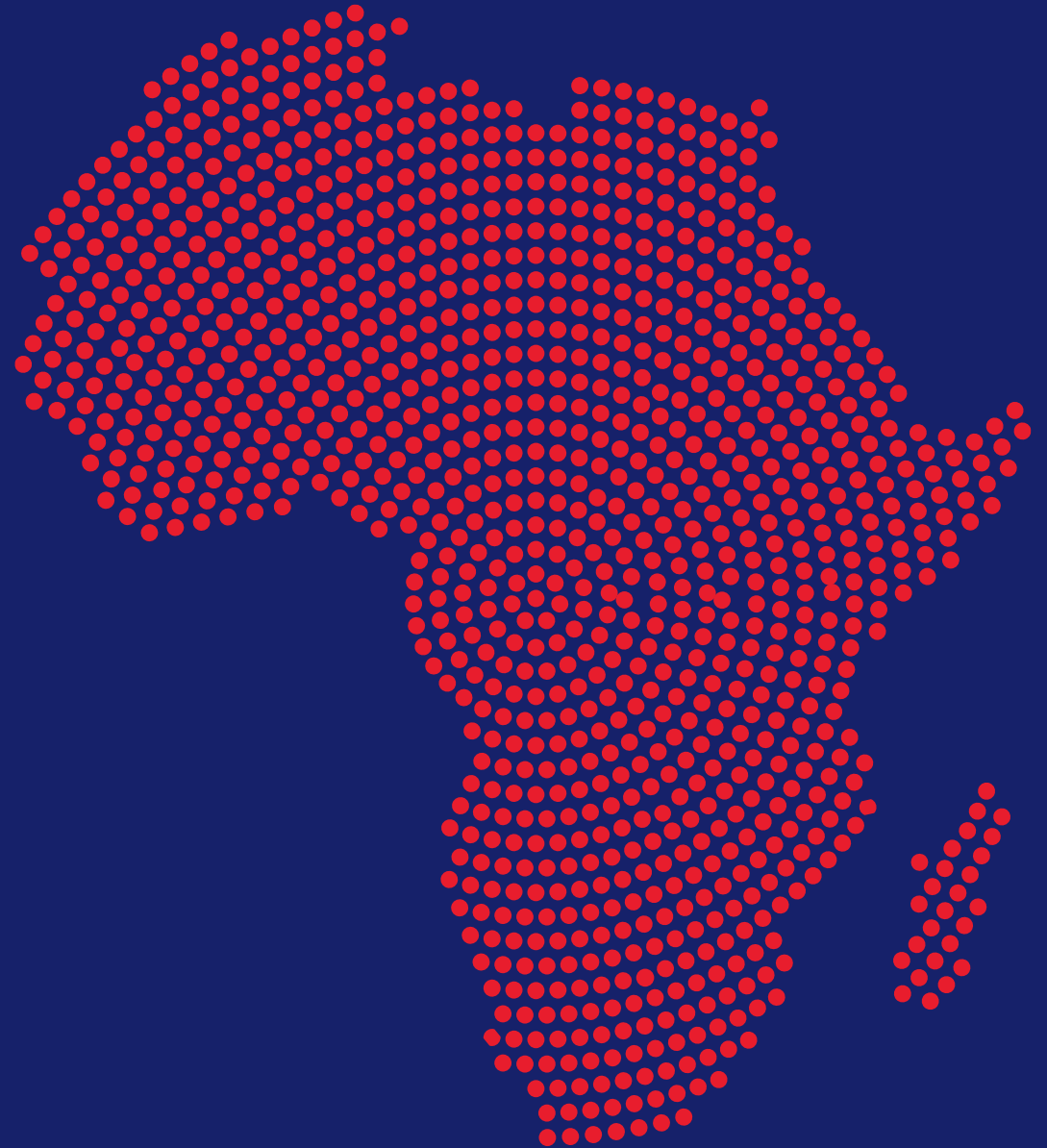
Founders' Commitment: How committed (time & other resources) is the Founder to the business



Clear Ownership Structure: Who (which entity) owns the key assets – intellectual property, capital assets, etc.

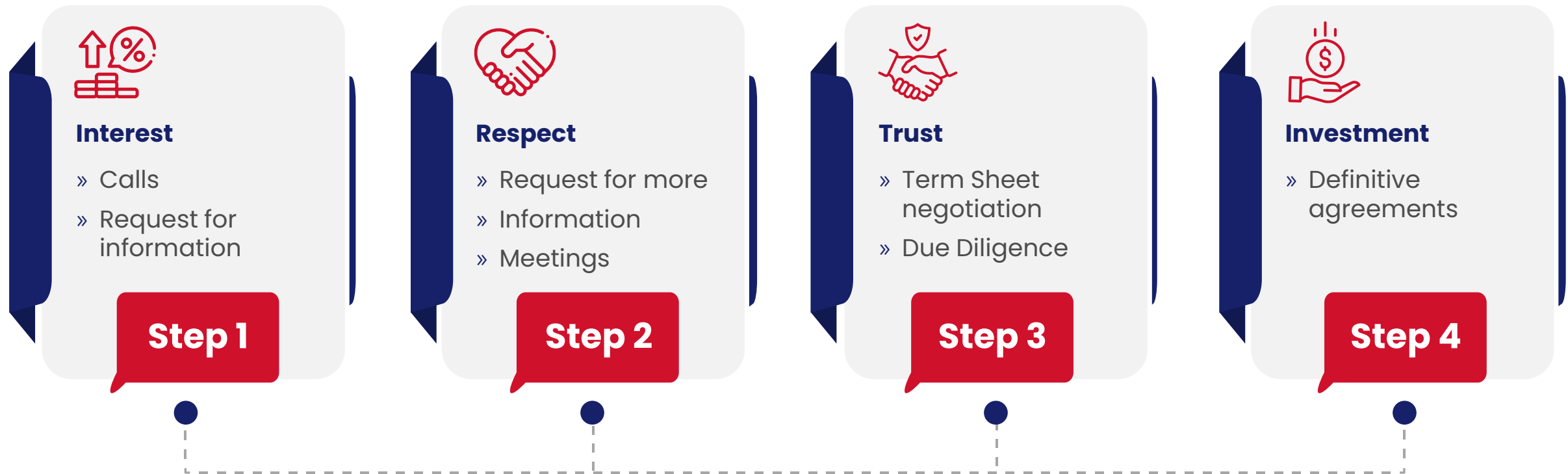
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Effective Investor Engagement



The investment engagement lifecycle

Investors are not in a hurry to commit funds. A good understanding of the process would aid successful engagements



Earn respect through competence and professionalism

Founders should make it a habit that earning respect is the bare minimum for all business engagements



Adequate Preparation Before Meetings: Know your numbers before calls/meeting. Treat these engagements as an interview (without anxiety).



Punctuality at Meetings: Being punctual and speaking in a professional manner is required.



Be Upfront With Bad News: Do not try to hide unpleasant news or events!



Structured Processes: Good record keeping and well-articulated processes and systems in the organization

Win trust through transparency and consistency

Broken trust could be expensive for all parties, especially in a closely knitted investors' cycle in frontier and emerging markets



Communication should be consistent through different phases:

It is very important that the stories are consistent through the engagement process (You are creating a picture).



The numbers should match the communication:

The numbers would go through scrutiny and should align with the story being communicated to investors.



Know your business:

Investors will review every aspect of the business and may ask questions. Be prepared to effectively engage on all aspects on the business



Know the market:

The investor always seeks to know how a business is placed in the market. Your knowledge of the market aids the engagement process with the market and offers credibility to founders

Seal the business through openness

Patience is key to closing the investment



Openness to Learn
(Have a growth mindset)



Engage through
the lens of
partnership



Keep emotions in
check



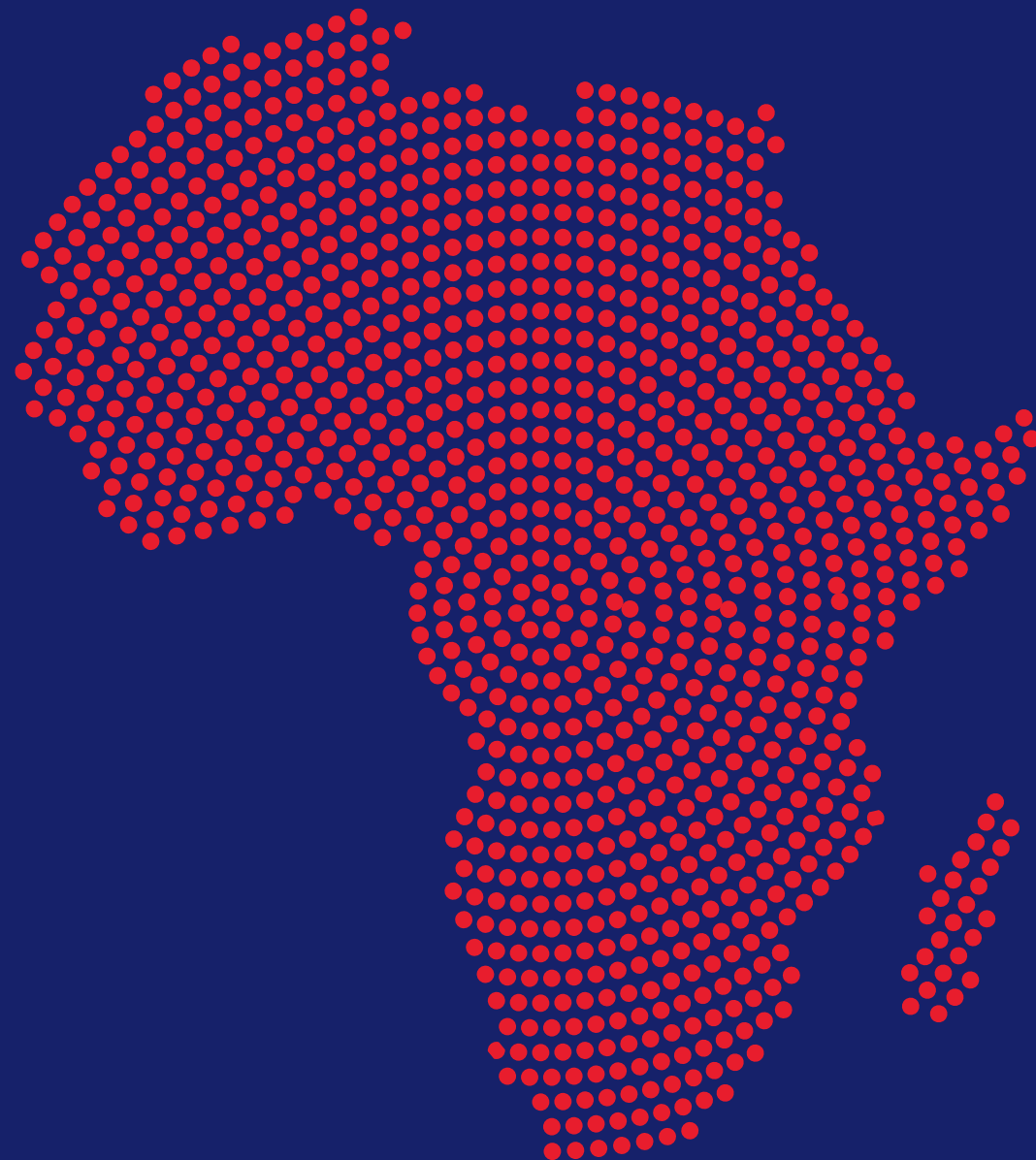
Select good
advisers



Use your advisers
wisely

03.

Common Founders' Mistakes



Common founders' mistakes

Some mistakes are avoidable during the investment process



Inflated projections



Poor book-keeping



Mixing personal & business funds



Weak governance



Overvaluing too early



Inconsistency in communication



Misalignment between communication and numbers



Underplaying challenges

