Creating an Idea Others Will Invest In!

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Agenda

 I: Charting Your Path to Intellectual Leadership



II: Creating an Idea Others Will Invest In

The weeks ahead!

- III: Building a Collaborative Team
- IV: Developing a Funding Strategy

Questions we'll try to answer ...

What others do you have?

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- I: Where is my career taking me? when is the right time to go after grant funding?
- II: What kinds of projects need grant support and what kind of projects get funded?
- III: How can I build a track record of success with a team that will make funders confident in our ability to be good stewards of resources?
- IV: How can I attract sustained support for my work without selling out my goals and values?

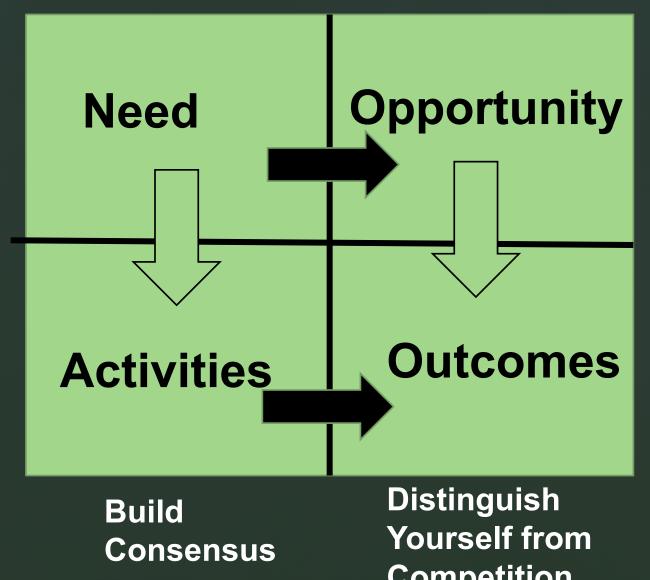
II. Creating an idea others can *invest* in...

- Transform an interest of yours into something others can invest in...
- This idea becomes the seed for a number of specific projects...
- And is one half of a successful proposal

Invest?!?!

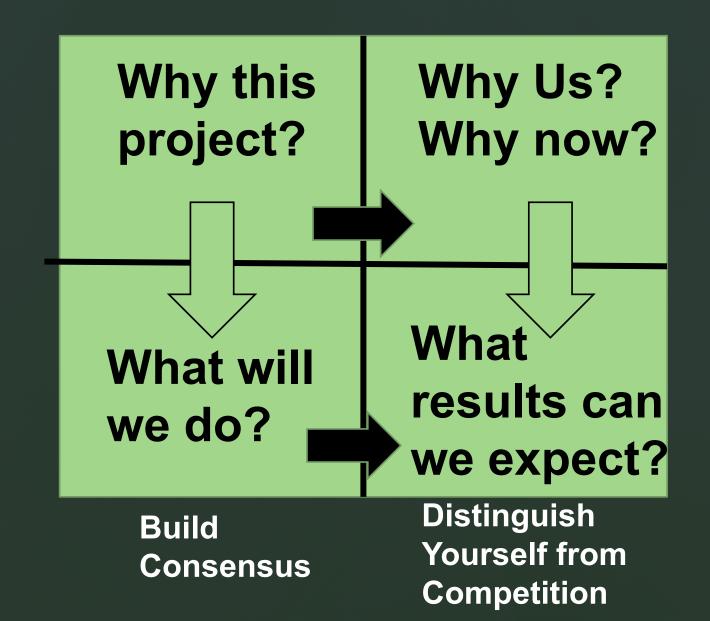


Investable Ideas – A Heuristic



Competition

Investable Ideas – key questions



Map to *Proposing* Logic...

Need

Opportunity

Build Consensus

- Problem
- Questions
- Significance

- Approach
- **Team**
- **Situation**
- Access
- Experience

- Methods
- Program(s)
- (budget)

- Tangibles
 - Intangibles
 - **Evaluation Plan**

Activities

Outcomes

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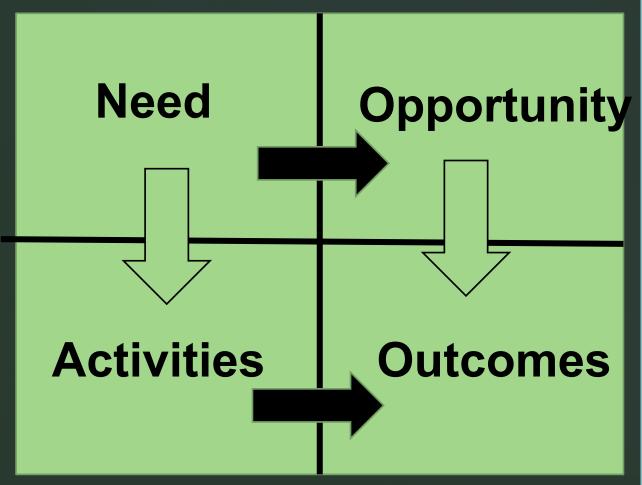
Practice: Building Consensus

Need: Why This

Project?

Activities: What

Will You Do?



Practice: Distinguishing from Competition

Opportunity: Why here, now?

Why this team?

Outcomes: What can we expect?

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