Investor and Entrepreneur Experiences with Accredited Investing Platforms

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• World’s largest trade group for angel investors
  o 220+ angel groups
  o 13,000 accredited investors
  o Voice of accredited individuals, portals, and family offices
• 50 US states + Canada
• Research/education partner

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OUR MODERATOR

- Chair of ACA Public Policy Advisory Counsel
- Special counsel on issues pertaining to Rule 506(C) under Regulation D
- Co-Author of “Expert Q&A on Accredited Crowdfunding”
- Has published editorial pieces in the WallStreet Journal, TechCrunch, and GeekWire
- Represents startups, their founders and investors in a range of industries such as FinTech, software development, and 3D printing
- Posts on implementation and aftermath of JOBS Act on wac6.com

Bill Carleton
Member

McNaul Ebel
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TOPICS WE’LL EXPLORE TODAY

- Experiences of Angels and Entrepreneurs Using Accredited Platforms
- Comparison of Accredited Platforms: Commonalities and Differences
- What to Expect AFTER the Investment is Made
- Risk Management for Angels and Entrepreneurs
- What’s Next - Emerging Trends

TODAY’S PANELISTS

Rany Raviv, Angel Investor
VP of Business Development and M&A
IBERDROLA Renewables, LLC

Sarit Rozycki, Angel Investor
SLR Associates Ltd

Jonathan Medved, Platform Executive
Founder and CEO
OurCrowd

Shai Magzimof, Entrepreneur
Co-Founder and CEO
Nextpeer
INVESTOR PERSPECTIVES

RANY RAVIV

- 10-year veteran of Ormat, a geothermal energy leader
- 3D vision: "Differentiate, Disrupt and Deliver"
- Invested in 48 companies
- Regularly invests with 4 accredited investor platforms

Rany Raviv
VP of Business Development and M&A
Portland, OR

Largest Renewable Energy company in the world
SARIT ROZYCKI

- Investor, developer and manager of residential real estate properties in NYC since 1985
- Since 2013, invested in 53 companies via 6 different accredited equity platforms.
- Additional experience with crowdfunding sites Kickstarter and Indiegogo.

BEST PRACTICES FOR INVESTORS

- Individual Investments
- Deal syndication
- Evaluation Criteria
- Direct Investment vs Special Purpose vehicles.
- Diligence: How much is enough? Too much? How should an angel do diligence in the accredited platform context?
INDUSTRY OVERVIEW

JONATHAN MEDVED


Co-founder, General Partner, Israel Seed Partners (1994-2006): Leading Israeli Venture Capital Fund with $262 Million under management, 60 investments, 20 exits

Co-founder, CEO, Vringo: (2006-2012) leader IP monetization and in mobile social video, IPO on NYSE, listed Nasdaq

New York Times: One of the top ten Americans who have impacted Israel (2008)

Washington Post: One of Israel’s leading high tech venture capitalists (2007)

Jerusalem Post: One of the 50 most influential Jews in the World (2015)

Crowdfunding Beat: Crowdfunding Person of the Year (2015)

Jonathan Medved
Founder and CEO
Jerusalem, Israel
CROWDFUNDING

**crowd-fund·ing**
noun \ˈkrau̇d-fən-ding\**

**Definition of CROWDFUNDING**
: the practice of soliciting financial contributions from a large number of people especially from the online community

- Donation
- Equity
- Debt
- Reward

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SIZING THE OPPORTUNITY

Crowdfunding has exploded to $10bn in 2014, nearly doubling every year; 78\% 8-yr CAGR

The World Bank estimates global crowdfunding to grow to $95B by 2025

**Aggregate Amount of Funding Through Crowdfunding ($bn)**

- 2011: $1.5
- 2012: $2.7
- 2013: $5.1
- 2014: $10.0

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Of the $4T opportunity created by the socialization of finance, Goldman Sachs estimates that Crowdfunding represents a $1.2T immediately addressable opportunity with $57bn opportunity in the VC/Angel space

**Addressable Opportunity for Crowdfunding:** $1.2T Trillion

BUT: THE ACQUISITION OF OCULUS RAISES QUESTIONS

Reward-based crowdfunding: Where is the Reward?

Now investors are asking why do I only get a t-shirt?

Andreesen, Spark, Matrix Partners back Oculus Rift with $75M Series B...

THIS IS THE WHOLE STORY: IF YOU WANT TECH “ALPHA” YOU’VE GOT TO FIND IT IN PRIVATE COMPANIES

Almost all the returns are now private

Old world tech giants returned plenty in public markets – new ones have not
MANY CHOICES

• Explosion of platforms – OurCrowd, Angel List, FundersClub, CircleUp, and more
• Models for equity crowdfunding

TWO PRIMARY MODELS OF EQUITY CROWDFUNDING

• “Jr. IPO” Model
  o Favoured by regulators and exchanges (SEC, SGX)
  o Investors offered shares in companies
  o Often opened up to non-accredited investors
  o Let anyone list as long as they meet criteria
  o Focus on fundraising, Platforms paid placement fees
  o Platforms do not manage investments, nor help companies, no directors, few follow-on investments

• “VC-like” Model
  o Favoured by Venture Capitalists, professional angel investors
  o Investors are aggregated in special purpose partnerships
  o Limited to accredited investors, works under current Regs (506)
  o Deals are often tightly curated, as are investors
  o Should Focus on building companies, Platforms paid management fees and carried interest
  o Take Board seats, make introductions for companies, help with follow-on investments
JOBS ACT TITLE III: CROWDFUNDING GOES TO THE MASSES

SEC committed to implement by May 16

Intended to open certain private stock issuances to the general public

Title III is the “big” deal in the JOBS Act. When the SEC posted draft regulations in October 2013, the framework was disparaged due to onerous rules set forth to fulfill SEC’s duty of protecting retail investors.

- SPV structures prohibited
- Must sell shares directly – each investor appears on cap table
- No foreign issuers
- $1M max raise w/ limitations on how future funding can happen
- Non accredited limited to 5% of annual income
- Audited financials w/ SEC approval of registration prior to solicitation
- Ongoing FINRA regulations re: reporting that add huge overhead

THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

Equity Crowdfunding offers the professionalism of VC and the flexibility and low entry price/freedom of Angel investing

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CROWDFUNDING LANDSCAPE
A PROLIFERATION OF PLATFORMS

Diligence

Investment Management

Entrepreneur Experiences
SHAI MAGZIMOF

- Y-Combinator graduate in 2010.
- Entrepreneur and programmer.
- Co-Founder and CEO, NextPeer (acquired by Viber in 2015)
- Raised capital for NextPeer using accredited equity platform OurCrowd.

Shai Magzimof
Head of Games
Tel Aviv, Israel

ADDITIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

AFTER THE INVESTMENT
- Working with Portfolio Companies
  - What difference does distance make?
- Reporting
  - What do the companies get?
  - What does the investor get?

RISK MANAGEMENT
- Legal risks
- Avoiding Fraud
- Risk particular to angels
- Risks particular to entrepreneurs
DEVELOPING PATTERNS

- Networking with super-angels: Fabrice Grinda, Jason Calacanis
- Deal Flow: Utilizing various platforms to allow better selection
- Pre-Closing: Information, due diligence, access to founders
- Closing Process
- Post-Closing: Follow up and reports, Chief-exit-officer, supporting the companies in good- and bad-times
- The Power of the Crowd: Networking with Angels, Networking with locals, using local networks for global connections
- Repeat Business: How companies go back to the platforms for 2nd rounds
- Diversification: Invest Local, Invest Global – make an impact
UPCOMING WEBINARS

January 27, 2016: DEMO of Seraf - tool for angel investors
February 10, 2016: Members Only Update
February 23, 2016: Conduct Due Diligence Like the Pros

Webinar programs archived at:
www.angelcapitalassociation.org/events/webinars/

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UPCOMING ACA EVENTS

- February 25, 2016: West Coast Syndication Meeting, Irvine, CA
- March 9 – 10, 2016: NW Regional Meeting, Seattle, WA
- May 9 – 11, 2016: ACA Summit, Philadelphia, PA
- http://www.angelcapitalassociation.org/events/