



Only about 2% of VCs earn 95% of VC profits. 98% are average or mediocre

VC 101 #47 Marc Penkala

~80% of VCs: I'm your mentor.

~10% of VCs: I'm your bank and your mentor, but i can't effectively be a mentor to the whole portfolio of hundreds of startups spread out over dozens of funds.

~7% of VCs: I'm your bank and your effective mentor as our funds are small and we don't play the high volume game.

~3% of VCs: We're your full service 'value-add' firm!

Just like everyone is going after accredited investors who make up ~3% of the population, most Founders are going after the full service 'value add' VCs who only make up~ 3% of the total VC population which is only about 4000 in total.

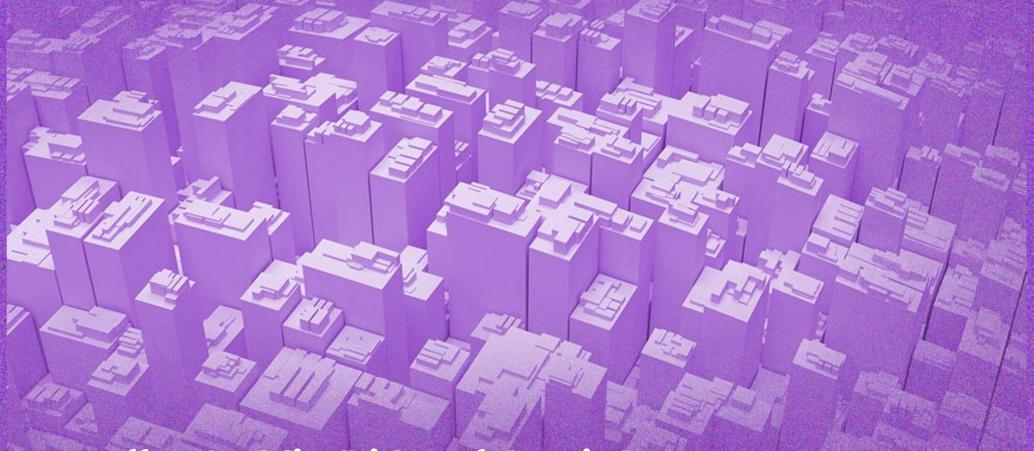
Needle in a haystack!

J McDermott

# Venture Capital as-is is broken



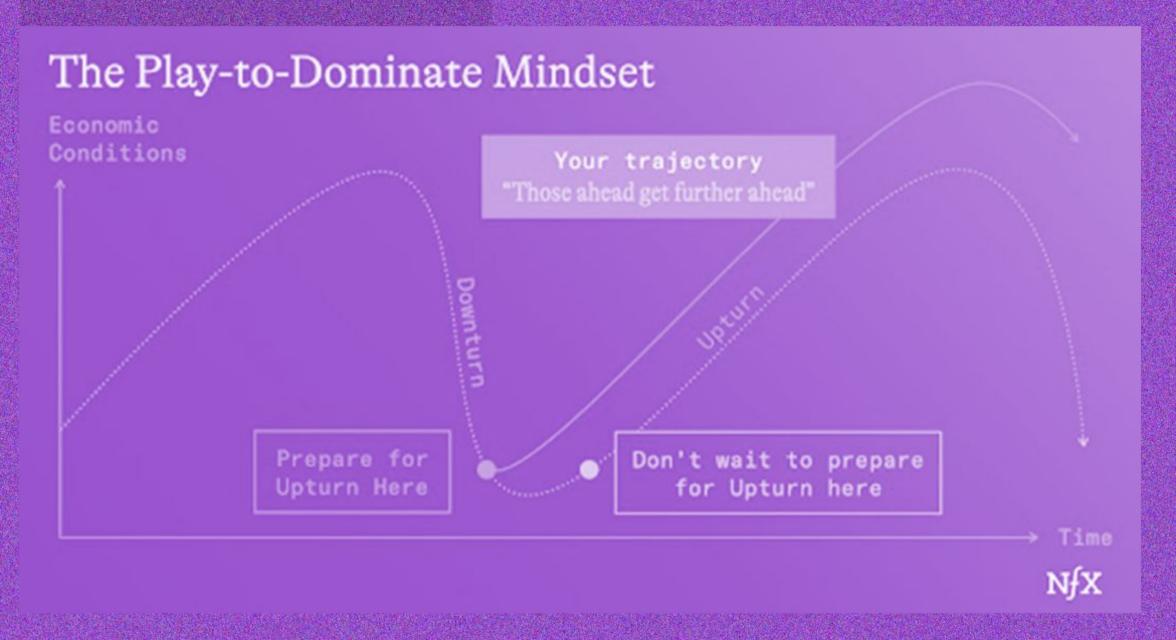
Entrepreneurs suffer the blindsides of the Worm's eye view



VCs suffer the blindsides of the Bird's eye view

Like VCs, the startup scene has been caught up in a rut

## Is This The Right time?



Macro-economic indicators have been less than favourable globally, and in key emerging markets across Sub Saharan Africa

The business world continues to deal with varying forms of headwinds

The fundraising landscape has been rough, for startups & VCs

Like seasons, Bust & Boom cycles are natural

We cannot wish them away

Visionary investors who played the game well in the last bust cycle reaped benefits 2-4 years ago

The current bust cycle (downturn) is the best time to prepare ahead of the next boom cycle (upturn) which won't be too far away

## Our Vision

Achieve high-impact, market-shaping, multi-sector growth by enabling ambitious and resilient entrepreneurs



Long –term orientation

(Solving real problems with strong socio-economic benefits)





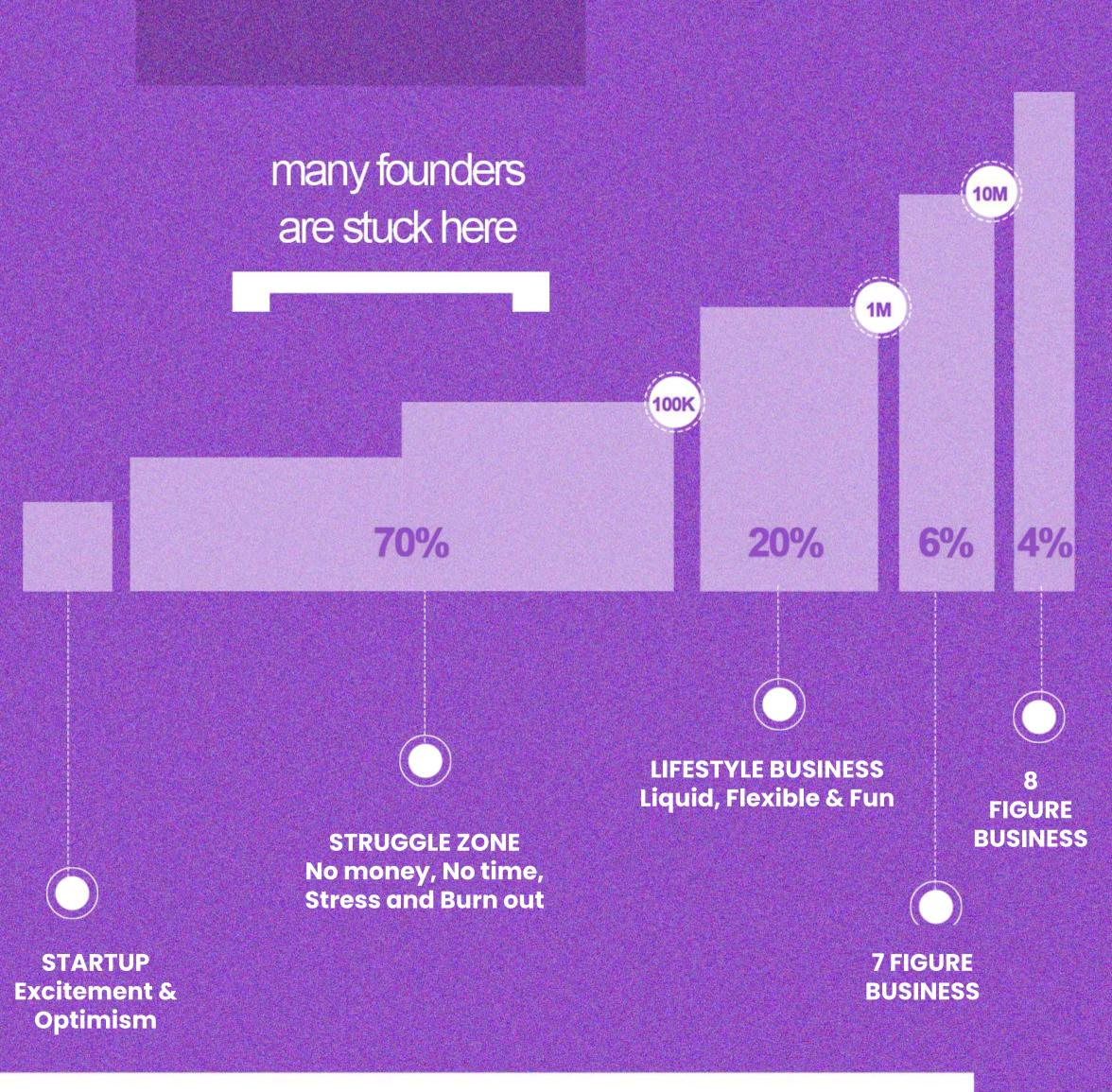
Community

(Power of efficient networks)

De-risking (active risk management without stifling Innovation and impact)



# We understand the founders' journey



### Mhy Startups Fail

#### TOP 10 REASONS

- Failure to adapt
- Burnout (founding team & key talent)
- Not investing in networking
- Legal troubles
- Lack of financing
- Lack of passion
- Ignoring cash burn
- Inability to resolve customer issues
- Poor leadership
- Reluctance to get feedback on prototype

We also see beyond the bird's eye view

## 

\$10 million

Early-phase fund

70% from LPs (Institutional & HNIs)

30% (individual LPs only)

Pre-seed & Seed focused

NGN Capital deployment

8 years (lifespan for initial fund) Era-resistant sectors (Specialist play)

Beyond Capital

Get in early, take the lead

\$250,000 (pre-seed)

\$1.2 mil (seed)

Fund Incorporation





We recognize change is constant, we would keep a laser focus on our mission

# The FbX Edge Open Secret Sauces

Resilient until we cross the chasm

Confidently see a portfolio company through to Series A

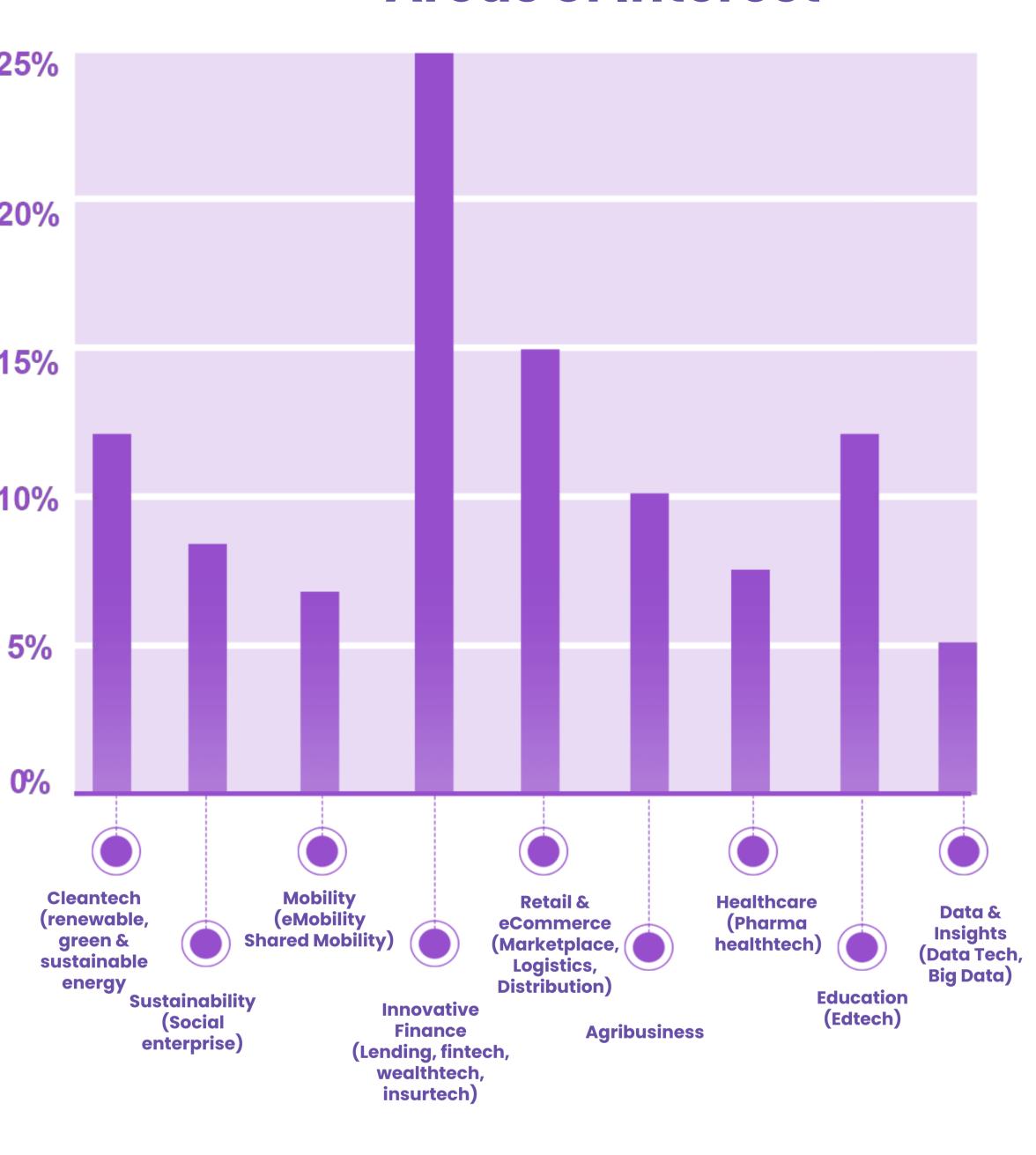
Not fixated on safe bets, no herd mentality

Give LPs the option of an early but equally rewarding exit via

Founders and LPs deserve early exits

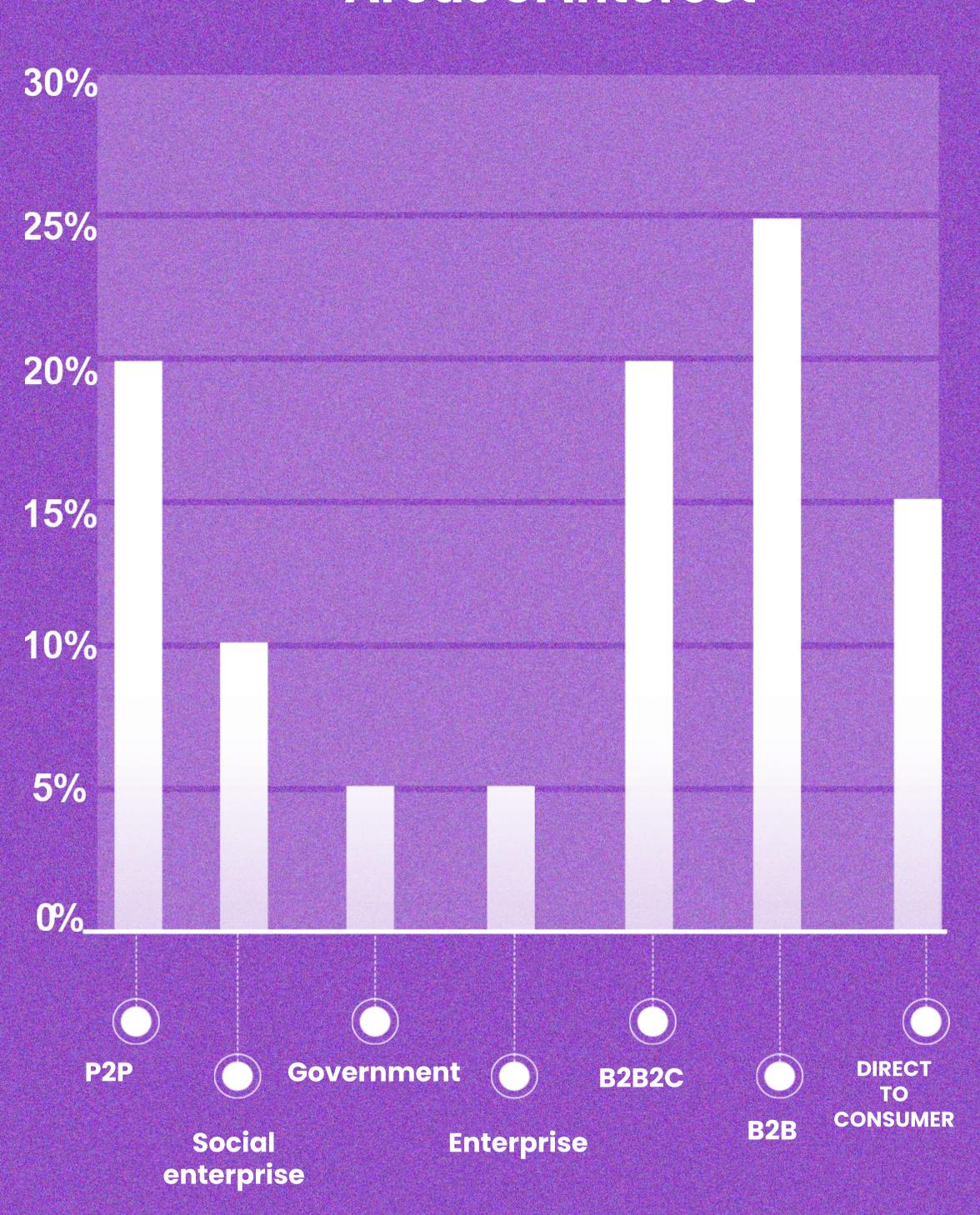
Offer
high-quality
fractional
Support via
The FbX Council

#### **Areas of Interest**



### Target Sectors

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## Target Entre Dreneurs

**African roots** 

Open to early yet rewarding exits

Resilient and committed to succeed

Building viable, market-shaping solutions for Nigeria, SSA, others

Teachable
Nimble & Open-minded
Laser-focused, yet
dynamic

Ability to build cash-rich ventures

**Global Residents** 

Operating any of the 2-pronged Inspiration

Problem-Solution
Vision-Opportunity

**Committed to UN SDGs** 

# Our Limited Partners

Bullish on Africa, still

**Market Shapers** 

Savvy Investors, wired for the long-haul

Institutional Investors

High-Net-worth Investors, Family Offices

Accelerators
Venture Builders
VCs

Social impact Investors, UN SDGs Proponents

Corporate
Venture
Capital funds

Tired of VC-aswe-know-it

Open to an early yet rewarding exit

# Our Community LPS

**Diaspora Africans** 

**Bullish on Africa, still** 

Successful Economic Migrants

**Industry Leaders & Change Makers** 

**Passionate about New Ventures** 

**UN SDGs Advocates** 

**Digital Ecosystem Proponents** 

**Experienced Angels/Syndicates** 

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### Our Investment Process

#### **PROSPECTING**



Direct & Indirect sourcing

#### **SYNERGY**



Convincing selected startups to accept investment and commitment terms

#### **EVALUATION**



Objectively evaluating a startup's risk/return profile versus the return possibilities, expectations, strategic objectives of the FbX thesis and the overall motivation for the Jamma by FbX fund

#### **BEYOND CAPITAL**







Scaled, high-quality fractional access to game changing resources that early-phase startups cannot otherwise afford

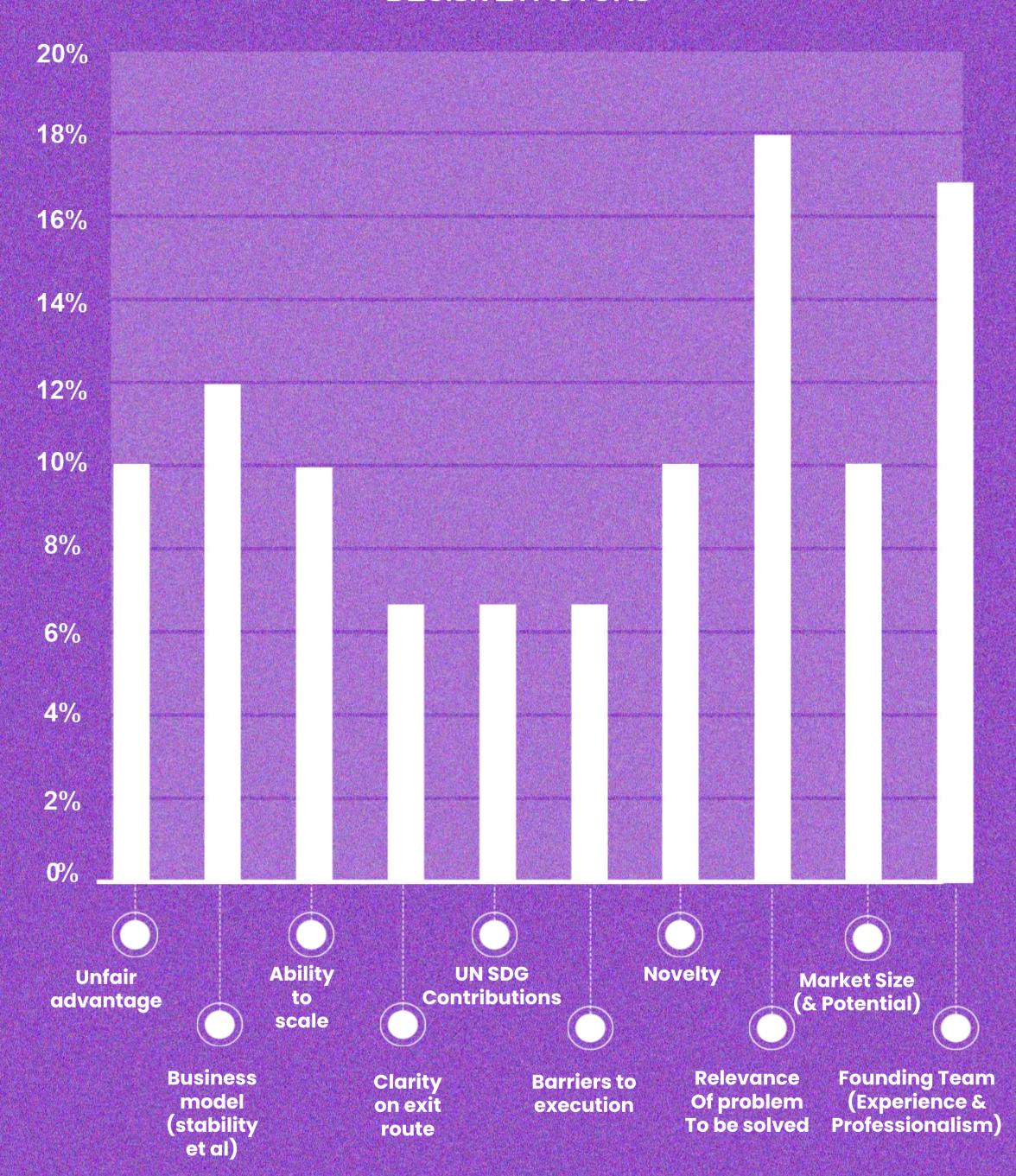
### Applying the luck razor - larger luck surface area



Sourcing

Identifying opportunities

#### **DECISIVE FACTORS**



# Our Evaluation Criteria (Early Due Diligence)

### Commitment to Entrepreneurs

Involved enough to understand your business

The endorsement that comes from our track records

Credible operational & Investment experience

Benefitting from our strong individual and collective networks

Right financial and control terms (sentiments and bias -free)

Incorporating the humane side to entrepreneurship by enabling ...

Creative Use (A healthy mind)

**Empathetic Treatment** (A healthy heart)

Principled Service (A healthy spirit)

Fairness (A healthy body)

## Commitment to Investors

Intelligently de-risked Ventures

Optimized risk/return profiles

Objective selection process

Efficient Governance Pathway to shared prosperity

Shared ownership

Optimized network

Early yet rewarding exit

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#### Individual LPs

120 Individual LPs (syndicates allowed)

**\$25,000**Minimum LP
commitment

18 months
Deployment
Period (for
Pre-seed)

10 Startups (total portfolio size)

24-36 months
deployment period
(for Seed)

#### **Institutional LPs**

Syndicates allowed

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#### The Team

#### Deji

I have 15 years experience in structured finance, corporate trusteeship, custody banking operations, macro market analysis, driving client service delivery and stakeholder management for issuers of debt, deal arrangers and institutional investors across emerging markets.

In recent years I have been responsible for successfully managing off-balance sheet SPVs and debt issuances for Sovereign wealth funds, Investment banks, pension funds and alternative asset managers funds with aggregate outstanding notional of over \$1billion.

Key experiences I bring to FbX include macro market awareness & strategy, operational risk management, deal structuring, value investing, client services and investor relations.

Enjoys Organising financial, literacy workshops, Mentoring

#### **Akinwal**

ever the last 17 years, I have led successful enterprises in the digital and strategic mmunication sectors across Nigeria, Ghana and South Africa.

I have spent the past 5 years advising C-Level executives, heads of government at the sub-national and MDAs in Nigeria on brand positioning, communication planning, stakeholders management, policy design and execution.

The unique advantages I bring into executing the FbX mandate are my knowledge of Africa's consumers, especially from the standpoint of non-consumption; government and the role of storytelling in brand building.

Enjoys Solo walking, Teaching, Family time.



#### Adetayo

I have invested significant time understanding the imbalance that subsists between private markets investors (Venture Capital, Corporate VC, Accelerators & Syndicates, Family Offices) and Founding teams (of digital start-ups).

Backed by 16+ years of rich and complementary generalist competencies, I am inspired (& inclined) to positively influence this imbalance to deliver win-win outcomes for both sides of the divide.

Using the unique advantage of the Knowledge economy, I have all it takes to unlock rewarding opportunity areas (medium-long-term) to successfully execute the FbX thesis and Innovation mandates for the broader digital ecosystem

Wanderlust, Huge Chelsea fc head, Dad to 2 divas



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## Thank You

