

SYNERGIES AND CLUSTERING BETWEEN MARITIME PROJECTS

NEW IDEAS FOR A SUSTAINABLE BLUE ECONOMY

Introduction to post-grant business planning

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Synergies and clustering

- **►** Impact of EMFF/EMFAF grants
- Success factors

- Foster mutual learning
- Increase visibility of EMFF projects



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Figure 48 - Revenue and funding sources

Source: Blue Forward Fund 318)



 Those who finish their business plans are about twice as likely to successfully grow their business, get investment, or land a loan than those who don't

 Those who complete a business plan are 6 times more likely to persist in putting together their business that those without a plan



«Life is really simple, but we insist on making it complicated»

- Confucius -



Set a goal that goes beyond the grant



3 - Sentence Business Plan

Product/service

Marketing

Finances



Product

- What is the product or service?
- What benefit does it provide and to whom?
- What form will it take?



Marketing

 Identify a few of the most effective marketing strategies to promote your business



Finances

- What are the major sources of revenue?
- How will this happen profitably?
- When will you achieve financial sustainability?
- Do you need to rise money for this? How much?



Different viewpoints

- The market
- The investors
- The producer



«The best way to predict the future is to create it»

- Peter Drucker -





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