



The Global Entrepreneur Programme

Through our global networks, we have a pipeline of innovation and investment opportunities available, waiting for you. Isn't the GEP something you'd like to be plugged into?

The Global Entrepreneur Programme (GEP) was set up in 2003 by UK Trade & Investment, a Government organisation that brings high quality investment to the UK's vibrant economy.



Our aim is to turn world-class, pioneering entrepreneurs into high growth sustainable global companies, and with every success comes excellent benefits for our investment partners.

To do this, the UK Government has recruited some of the UK's most experienced entrepreneurs, technologists and financiers to act as dealmakers, helping to discover and incubate technologies of exceptional potential. The GEP is unique in that it combines commercial flair and acumen with the ability to open doors that only a government department can offer.

Since we began operating, we have had significant success: we've helped over 100 entrepreneurs and early-stage technology companies to set up in the UK and we've brought in venture capital investment of over US\$200 million. Every year, our success rate continues to increase.

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Identifying opportunities

World-class entrepreneurs can come from anywhere, and it's our mission to find them.

GEP dealmakers have a keen eye for entrepreneurial talent and operate all around the world. Our deep local knowledge means we're the first to identify exceptional intellectual property and innovation, which can slip below the radar of venture capital firms.

We have access to exclusive technical, academic, business and financial networks, so we are well placed to spot early stage opportunities and find the right investment opportunities for you.

De-risking your investment

Having identified entrepreneurs who we think have what it takes to make it, we work closely with them while their businesses grow, offering strategic business advice at every step. That way we can be sure of creating not only successful businesses, but sustainable ones too.

When we 'greenlight' an investment opportunity, the business will continue to benefit from our extensive network of support to de-risk it and help ensure that it flourishes.

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Why the UK?

From the discovery of penicillin and DNA to Tim Berners-Lee's pioneering work with the world-wide-web, the UK has been directly involved in supporting the discovery and incubation of some of the world's most significant innovations.

The UK offers benefits such as a favourable tax regime, an educated workforce, well-developed intellectual property protection, easy access to financial markets and excellent international growth opportunities.



Commercially driven, Government backed

The UK's Global Entrepreneur Programme (GEP) creates high-growth sustainable, global businesses by working with the world's most exceptional ideas and talent.

For further information, please visit www.entrepreneurs.gov.uk

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