## **Groupwork Guidelines**

## **Halfway Report**

Students are expected to deliver a report of their social enterprise, focusing on the PROBLEM ANALYSIS and IMPACT GAP CANVAS (this work will be later used for the final report – GW II). It is expected to have:

- A deep dive analysis of the chosen problem of the social enterprise, summarized with a complete layered problem tree;
- A **deep analysis of existing players** be broad and don't only look after players within the chosen geography and industry;
- A complete summary of the analysis conducted through the use of an **Impact Gap Canvas**;
- Three (or more) exploratory interviews with stakeholders, evidencing the INE aspect of the problem. This will help a lot in understanding the field, as well as with the final version of the report, to be delivered at the end of the semester.

Other technicalities (if you are struggling with format/style decisions, we leave you some optional instructions): Submit a PDF document; Preferred reference style is APA; 5 pages max, excluding cover page, references, and annexes; Times New Roman 12; 1,5 spacing.

## **Final Report**

The group work will consist of create a solid **business case** of a **pilot solution** for a social/ environmental problem based on the course main topics and frameworks.

The group work should have:

- A brief and catchy Executive Summary;
- The contents of the half-way report (it will not be graded again)
- A good Theory of Change (the final one you have chosen).
- We would expect to see a great (social) **value proposition** clarity on how you would create such value and how you would be better than others already addressing this issue?
- We expect a complete description of the **Business Model** and **Impact model**; Use the frameworks to help you out (any of those we teach in class, like the SBMC, or even adapt it to your own needs - if you can justify it!);

- Make sure your **social enterprise is financially viable**. Where is the money to fund your work come from? Where will you spend it? Think of revenue streams and high-level costs. Think of sources of funding from the social finance class, if applicable. A very basic P&L statement is expected.
- How could you scale your operations and ensure revenue streams and growth? - What assumptions would have to be guaranteed? Are there risks? Where might you fail?
- How would you assess your impact (quantitatively and qualitatively)?
- Have a well thought out **End Game** be prepared to lose your job if you are successful enough!
- Whenever you can do it, **test your assumptions** in the field do you need the cooperation of certain stakeholders? We encourage you to go and talk to them! whenever useful get testimonials, interviews... Entrepreneurs permanently look for "temporary workable certainties".

Other Technicalities (if you are struggling with format/style decisions, we leave you some instructions): Submit PDF document; Preferred reference style is APA; 10 pages max, excluding cover page, references, and annexes; Times New Roman 12; 1,5 spacing; larger pictures/diagrams/maps should be annexed.

**Note:** the information provided in the halfway report won't be judged (or graded) in the final/full report – changes are allowed but only encouraged if they become more adequate to the new context, if applicable.

## General guidelines:

- Reports should always include:
  - Table of contents / Index
  - o Introduction and conclusion (excluded from the page-limit)
  - References/Bibliography.
- Don't forget to show evidence of your work appendices are key!
  - They must be referenced in the main text, or they won't be considered. (<u>https://rasmussen.libanswers.com/faq/33090</u>)

The use of AI is allowed (and encouraged) — ensure it is mentioned on the report and that the information is fact-checked.