

# Bermuda's Entrepreneurial Ecosystem

A Quick Guide of the organizations, programs, & resources available to entrepreneurs & innovators in Bermuda's startup community.

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This visual diagram represents the various organizations, programs, and resources available to entrepreneurs and innovators in Bermuda's local startup community.

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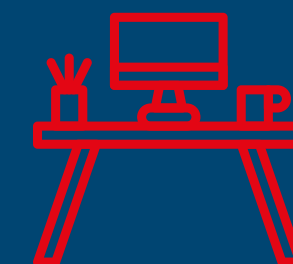
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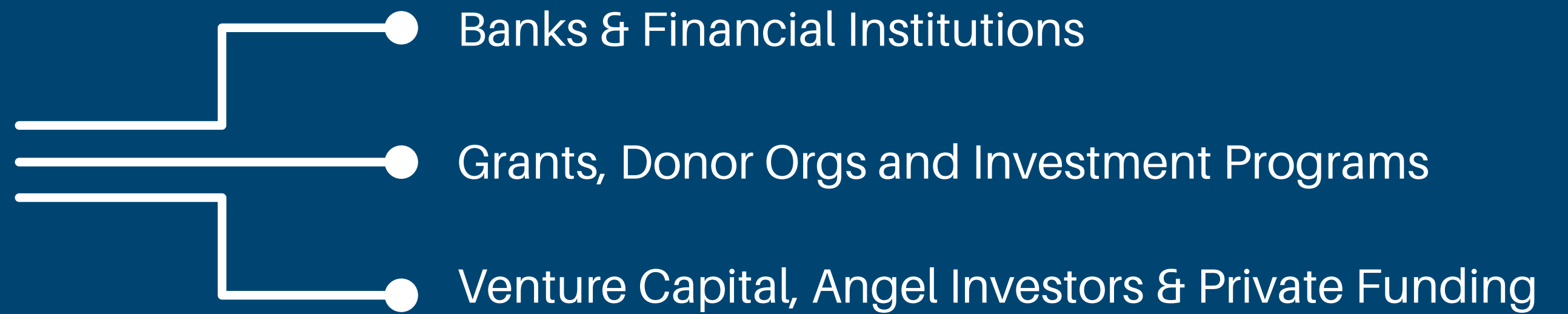
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### **Bermuda Tourism Authority**

#### **Tourism Experience Investment Programme**

Local entrepreneurs with actionable tourism concepts can apply for Experience Investment Programme tourism funding to help get their ideas off the ground or find assistance with expanding existing operations.

### **HSBC**

#### **Banks & Financial Institutions**

Financial Services provider including retail and corporate banking, loans and investment.

### **Bank of Butterfield**

#### **Banks & Financial Institutions**

Financial Services provider including retail and corporate banking, loans and investment.

### **Bermuda Economic Development Corporation**

#### **Micro Loan Programme**

Provides small loans up to \$20,000 to facilitate access to often time-sensitive and secured financing needed to purchase goods and capital items; offer guarantees on the loans to qualified applicants.

### **Bermuda Credit Union**

#### **Banks & Financial Institutions**

Co-operative credit union providing a variety of financial services including savings and loans.

### **Clarien**

#### **Banks & Financial Institutions**

Financial Services provider including retail and corporate banking, loans and investment.

### **Bermuda Commercial Bank**

#### **Banks & Financial Institutions**

Financial Services provider including personal and commercial banking, loans and specialized services.



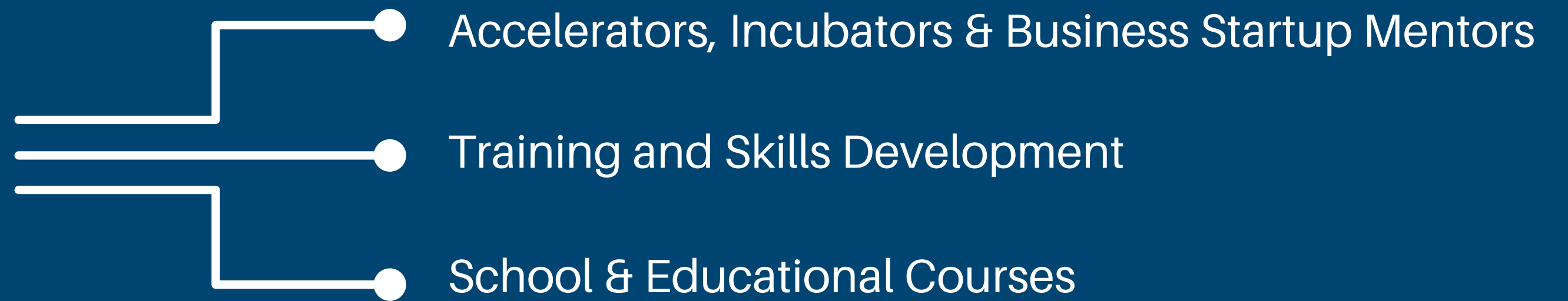


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### **Bermuda Economic Development Corporation** Enterprise Bermuda Incubator

A 12-month incubation programme to help local entrepreneurs bring their business to fruition. Includes access to educational courses, office space, assigned business development officer, mentoring, and subsidized marketing, accounting, legal support, web development and more.

### **Bermuda Economic Development Corporation** Educational Courses

Multi-week educational seminars and entrepreneurial workshops on starting and operating a business, free to the public on an ongoing basis. See events calendar for upcoming sessions.

### **Ignite Bermuda** Accelerator Programme

A 5-month accelerator programme featuring an intensive entrepreneurial bootcamp, access to mentors & one-to-one support, field experts and coworking hub space designed to support and challenge entrepreneurs on their start-up journey.

### **VEI Virtual Enterprises International Program** (Berkeley and Cedarbridge)

High school-based business course providing a real-life simulation for students interested in creating a business from start-up through operation. Currently at Berkeley Institute and Cedarbridge.

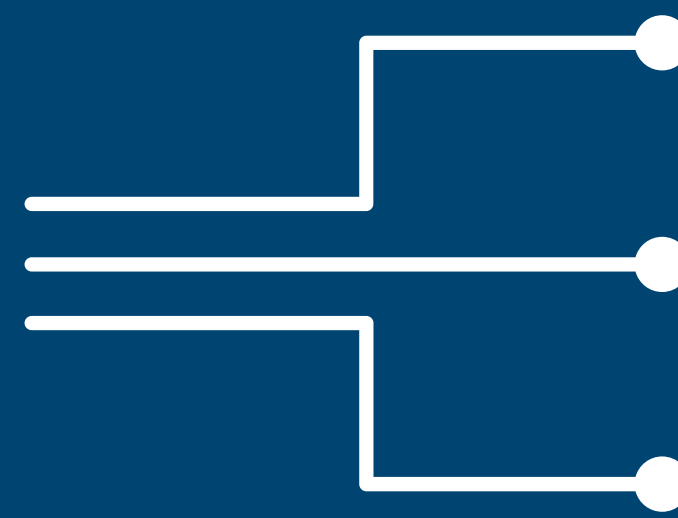
### **InnoFund** Tech Innovation Incubator

Incubator for technology-based startups; provides access to services required to assist international tech entrepreneurs seeking to establish a Bermuda presence for their businesses.

### **Bermuda Economic Development Corporation** Accelerator Programme

Powered by Interise's award-winning StreetWise 'MBA'™ curriculum, this hands-on program provides the know-how business owners need to create and manage a customized, three-year strategic growth plan.

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### **Bermuda Economic Development Corporation** Summer Student Entrepreneurship Programme

An 8-week programme designed to develop young Bermudians into the next wave of entrepreneurs. Participants ages 16-25 learn practical business skills like earning revenue, creating a business plan, conducting SWOT analysis, and more.

### **Ignite Bermuda** Young Adult Entrepreneurial Internship

Offer local young adults (18-25 years old) first-hand experience with some of Bermuda's top startups. Successful interns work with local entrepreneurial leaders, attend information sessions, and work on independent projects in the Ignite Hub with the support of mentors and programme facilitators.

### **Bermuda College** Entrepreneurship Certificate

Online course including entrepreneurship boot camp, business planning and marketing sessions. At the end of the certificate, you will be able to identify the abilities required of successful entrepreneurs, develop a plan and goals, and take home techniques to manage your business.

### **Youth Entrepreneurship Initiative** Accelerator Programme

Non-profit organisation focused on youth entrepreneurship; works with the Government of Bermuda Department of ITC Policy and Innovation to provide BizCamps and workshop sessions for young people aged 13-17 to assist with business planning, skills development and mentorship.



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### **Ignite Bermuda Hub**

Entrepreneurial Hub and Creative Space

Entrepreneurial hub and creative space providing a variety of start-up support programs through innovation bootcamps, business accelerators, education, coaching & mentoring, and coworking space.

### **Suite Solutions**

Coworking Space

Comprehensive serviced office space, offers flexible office solutions to small and medium businesses, start-ups, entrepreneurs and businesses in transition.

### **Bermuda Economic Development Corporation**

Government & Support Agencies

Provides existing and potential small business owners with a broad range of business advice, entrepreneurial tools, startup support and financial assistance.

### **Connectech**

Coworking Space

Offers a variety of business support, coworking space and skills programs.

### **Bermuda Business Development Agency**

Government & Support Agencies

Business development organisation connecting industry professionals, regulatory officials, and key contacts in Bermuda to promote economic growth.

### **Consultancy House**

Coworking Space

Business consultancy providing temporary and boardroom office space.

### **Nineteen**

Coworking Space

Collaborative workspace for independent professionals and entrepreneurs in the City of Hamilton.



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### **Department of Social Insurance** Government & Support Agencies

Takes care of the day-to-day administration of the Government of Bermuda's Contributory Pensions Fund

### **Office of the Tax Commissioner** Government & Support Agencies

Administers the collection of the taxes and duties in accordance with legislative responsibilities.

### **Bermuda Employers Council** Government & Support Agencies

National employers organization representing union and non-union members.

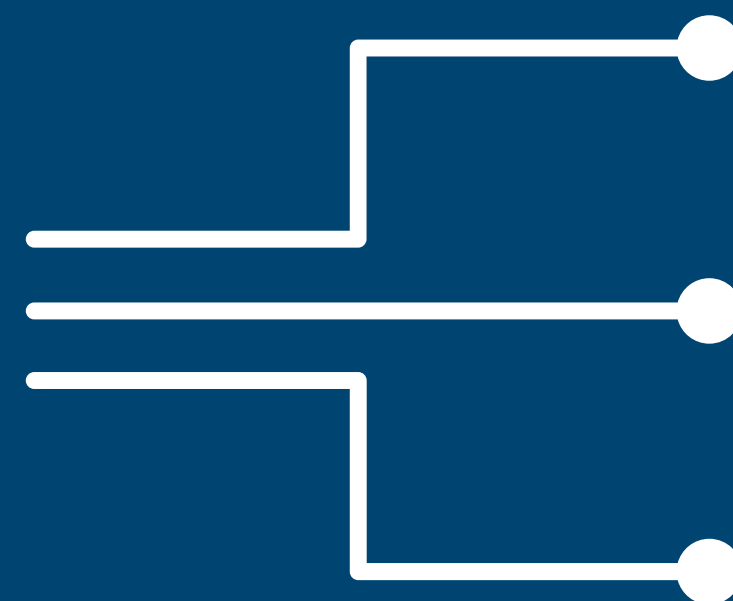
### **Registrar of Companies** Government & Support Agencies

The Registrar of Companies is responsible for tracking, processing, and administering all limited liability companies





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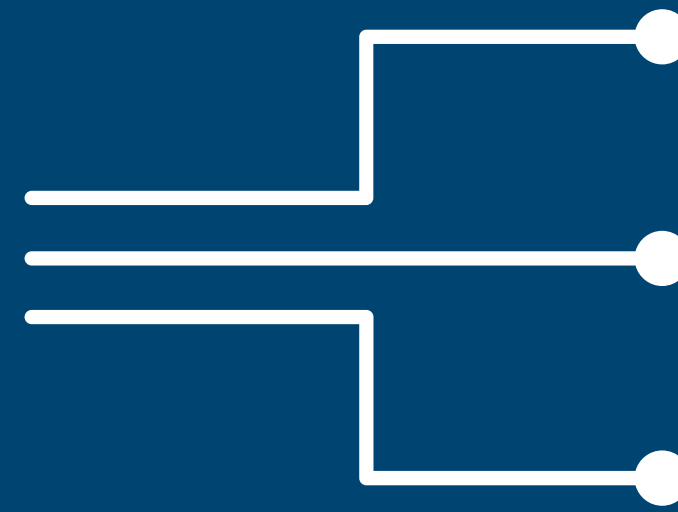
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### **E2E Bermuda Networks**

A network of entrepreneurs, strives to connect local business owners; provides support, education and collaborative forums to motivate, reduce the stress and maximize profitability for business owners.

### **Global Entrepreneurship Week Business Summit, Conferences & Events**

An annual week long series of celebratory and networking events to inspire, mentor and engage the public around all things entrepreneurial.

### **Bermuda Economic Development Corporation Vendor Market Programme**

Provides an opportunity for budding entrepreneurs and small roadside vendors to gather and sell their wares in a semi-permanent location.

### **Bermuda Virtual Tech Summit Business Summit, Conferences & Events**

Annual conference featuring leading technology thought leaders, reimagining what the future's digital landscape will look like, providing insights and wisdom on the latest trends.

### **Chamber of Commerce Industry Association**

Bermuda's oldest and largest trade organization, focuses on advocacy, networking, communication and lobbying for the business community.

### **LaMaison Networks**

Dining Club and  
networking group for  
women entrepreneurs in  
Bermuda.

### **Women who Own and Manage Businesses (W.O.M.B.) Networks**

Community for women entrepreneurs, provides  
networking sessions to allow women to meet,  
mix and mingle and promote their businesses.



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