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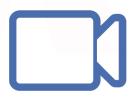
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# **DISCUSSION:**Approaching New Potential Prospects

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## THE APPROACH PROCESS

- 1. Call them on the phone?
- 2. Follow up with email and one-sheet attachment
- 3. Call them again, tell them you're planning a visit
- 4. Listen for level of interest
- 5. Plan your trip
- 6. Go and visit them!







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#### **DISCUSSION:**

Managing International Distribution Channels

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#### **DISCUSSION**

# MANAGING INTERNATIONAL (SALES) DISTRIBUTION CHANNELS

1. Identifying: Sources to find them

2. Selecting: Key attributes they should have

3. Setting up: Equipping them (if they fail...)

4. Supporting: Helping them succeed

5. Motivating: Who is your REAL competition?

6. Monitoring: Hitting the targets you set together







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## 10 INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS PRIORITIES

- 1. Define your customer... with a magnifying glass!
- 2. Know your value proposition with mathematical cost justification whenever possible (both products and services)
- 3. Tell a story that resonates with customers (especially services)
- 4. Develop relationships based on trust & respect
- 5. Use the Maple Leaf to your advantage

- 6. Tie benefits to the buying motivators you uncover during conversations
- 7. State prices with confidence, looking them straight in the eye
- 8. Ask lots of questions that lead toknowledge and empathy for their situation– listen 2/3 of the time
- 9. Follow up quickly and thoroughly
- 10. Be flexible make it easy for partners to do business with you!

And remember... people do business with their friends... So GO FULL THROTTLE and HAVE FUN with your business partners!



















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# How to Design + Implement an Effective Strategy Plan

And Evaluate Using KPIs + Control Mechanisms

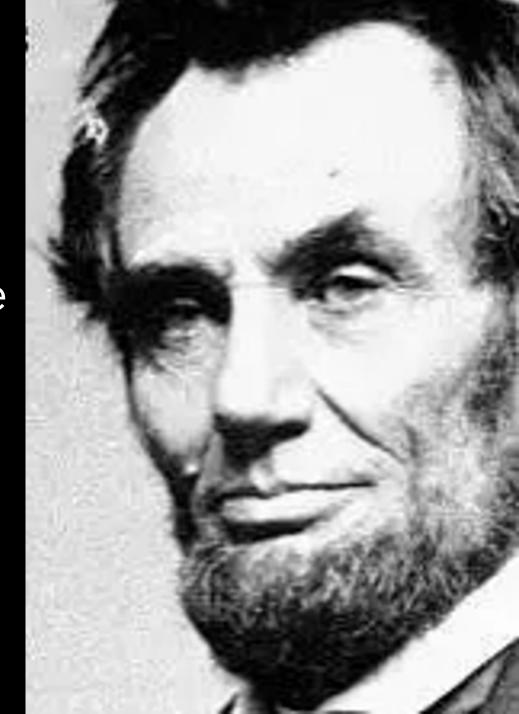


## In one word, describe the most important element to building strategy.



"Give me six hours to chop down a tree and I will spend the first four sharpening the axe"

- Abraham Lincoln -





#### Strategic Planning

Using a <u>template</u> allows you to think through the details thoroughly while also seeing how they impact each other.



Strategic Thinking	− <b>®</b> Botre	2
Where I stand with this account:	Great - Good - Bad - Worried	
Where my customer stands:	Trouble - Status Quo - Growth	
Customer Goal for Market Share:		
My Company's Share of Wallet:		
Strategy		
3 Year Plan:		
Measurable Outcome:		
Measurable Outcome:		
Current Year Plan:		
Measurable Outcome:		
Measurable Outcome:		
Resources I will leverage as I fill gap	5	
What	From Where	How
Competitors		
Who	Strength	Weakness
4.		
Opportunity:		
Customer	My Company	Market
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# Rank the elements of strategy building you were overlooking (1 being the most overlooked and 5 being regularly thought of)

Setting aside ample time to regularly build strategy

Researching details around clients and competitors to help you determine tactics

Identifying questions, barriers and unknowns you need to have a plan for

Use SWOT and PEST to understand the context

Linking short + long term goals including tactics and metrics to evaluate



#### To reach your goal...

- Think of clear milestones
- Concrete actions you can take
- Plan for resources and conversations
- Reflect on whether you reach the milestone before you move on
- Make adjustments given new knowledge (e.g. you find out Customer X subscribed to \_\_\_\_ magazine so use an article as a resource in your next conversation)

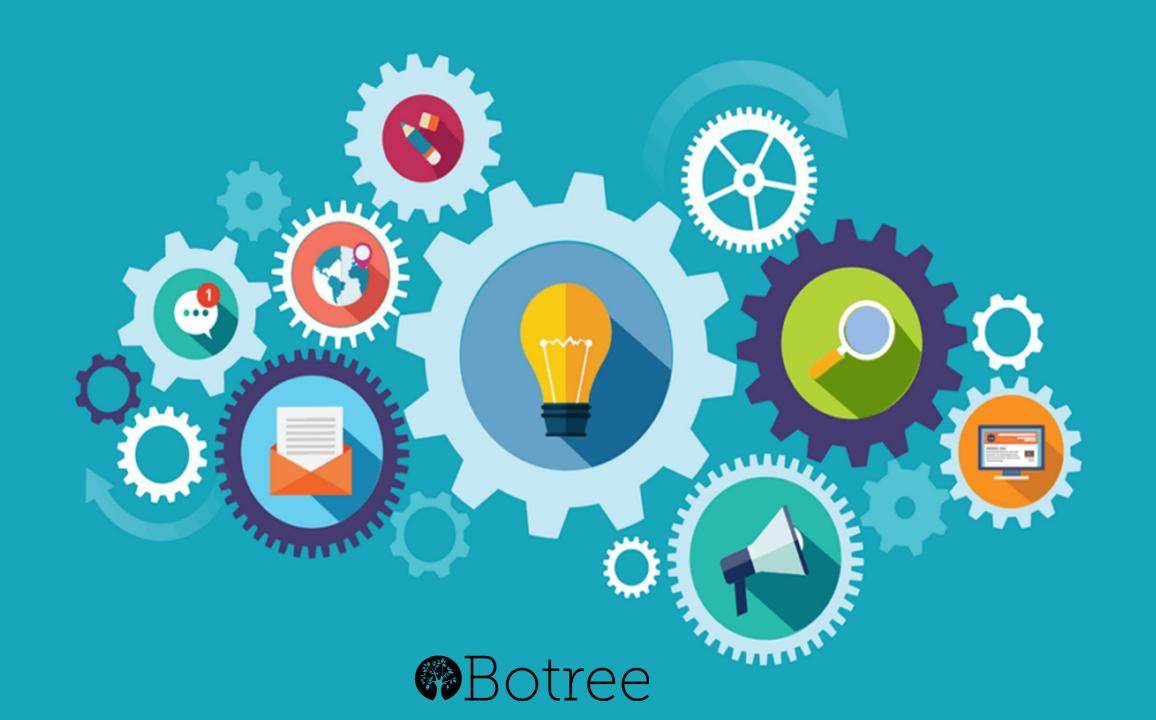
# Linking Goals





## What will you now put more focus on when building strategy in the future?





These are your roots, it's time to grow.







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#### THE HUDDLE - WHAT KEEPS YOU UP AT NIGHT?

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#### THE HUDDLE

1. Share your best business advice

2. What keeps you up at night?







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#### **EXPORT PLAN FOCUS**

# Action Planning, Executive Summary and the Final Plan

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#### **Next Steps**

- Resource Day November 8, 2021
- Your Final Export Plan is Due November 12, 2021
  - Submit via email to <u>Tap@halifaxchamber.com</u>
- Mentors will review plans between November 15-26, 2021
- 1:1 Mentor Meetings: November 30 & December 1
   via Zoom 9am 1pm
  - Your mentor meeting schedule will be sent to you shortly



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