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## AN INNOVATIVE WAY TO FINANCE START-UPS & ACQUISITIONS

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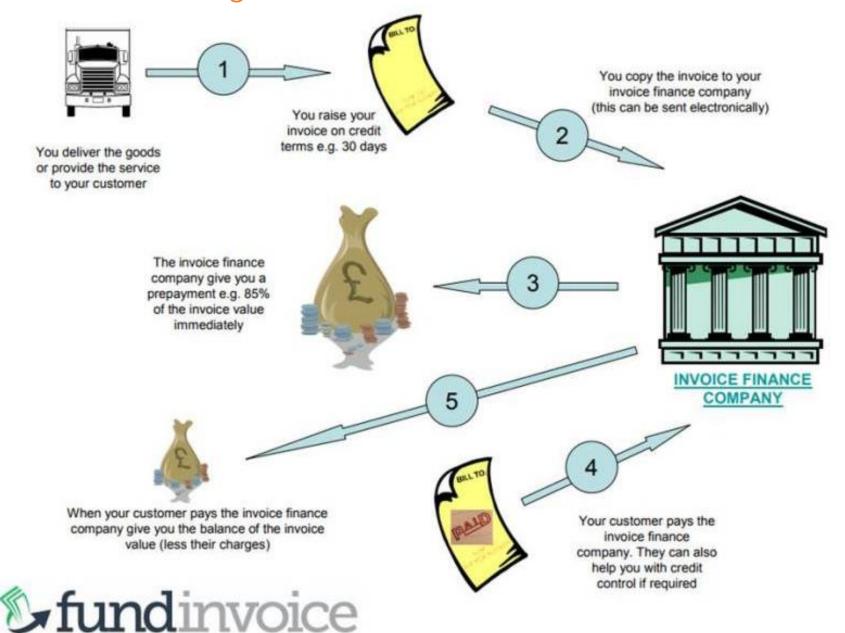
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- Managing Partner at <u>FundInvoice</u> LLP
- Involved in business financing since the late 80s
  - Barclays Bank
  - Several independent finance providers
- FundInvoice is a business finance brokerage specialising in invoice finance (aka receivables finance)

## Receivables Financing (Invoice Finance)

- Less than 1% of UK companies use it
- Releases funding against unpaid sales invoices
- Numerous add on services

#### Receivables Financing



#### In Practical Terms

- You release the prepayment percentage of your sales ledger as a revolving credit facility
  - For example, 85% against a £100,000 sales ledger
  - Could release £85,000

## Who Is Eligible?

- Any business that raises credit invoices
- Construction businesses that raise applications for payment
- Doesn't tend to take account of
  - Credit standing / financial track record
  - Size

# How Does This Relate To Start-ups & Acquisitions?

- Both can be funded by traditional forms of lending
  - Bank loans
  - Overdrafts
  - Own capital or investment
- The issue is often availability

# How Does This Relate To Start-ups & Acquisitions?

#### Start-ups

- Sometimes no assets
- Often no track record
- Normally no accounts

#### Acquisitions

- Can require large amounts of finance
- Often exceeding available facilities

## Start-ups

### Funding Start-ups With Invoice Finance

Available when other forms are not

Doesn't require track record

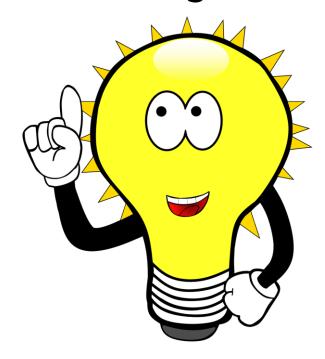
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- Available when other forms are not
- Doesn't require track record
- Predicated on the strength of your receivables
- Grows as turnover increases

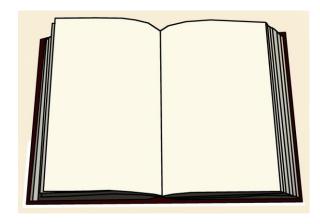
## Acquisitions

## Funding Acquisitions With Invoice Finance

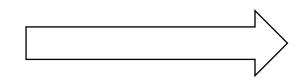
- Can leverage other companies you have
- You can leverage the target company's book debts



### Funding An Acquisition

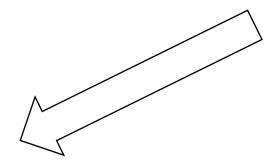


Target Company's Sales Ledger





Prepayment Of Say 85% From An Invoice Finance Company





Used To Help Pay The Purchase Price

## Any Questions?

- What does it typically cost?
  - This article explains how the costs work, with examples Pricing



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