

Field Recruiting Using the Partner Value Proposition

PRODUCT STRATEGY

REQUIRED INPUT

- ✓ Product ASP
- √ Target Markets
- ✓ Buying Behaviors
- ✓ Competition

CHANNEL STRATEGY

RTM

- ✓ Routes to Market Selection
- ✓ Partner Profile Development
- ✓ Value Proposition Development

Capacity

- ✓ Partner Productivity **Assumptions**
- ✓ Capacity **Planning**

PROGRAM DEVELOPMENT

Enable

- ✓ Sales & Technical Training
- ✓ Tools & IP Sharing
- ✓ Field Mentoring or teaming

Market

- ✓ Market to. through, with
- strategy
 - Demand generation tools
 - Comarketing funds & rules

Sell

- ✓ Pre- and postsale support
- Incentive structures
- ✓ Pricing and discount models
- Deal Registration

FIELD EXECUTION

Recruit

Manage

- ✓ Staffing model
- ✓ Onboarding activities
- Role of distribution

- ✓ Program metrics management
- Joint business planning
 - Rules of engagement

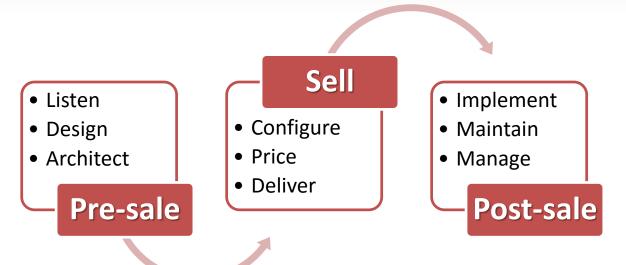


SUPPORTING INFRASTRUCTURE (PRM, 800#, SUPPORT LINE, PORTAL)

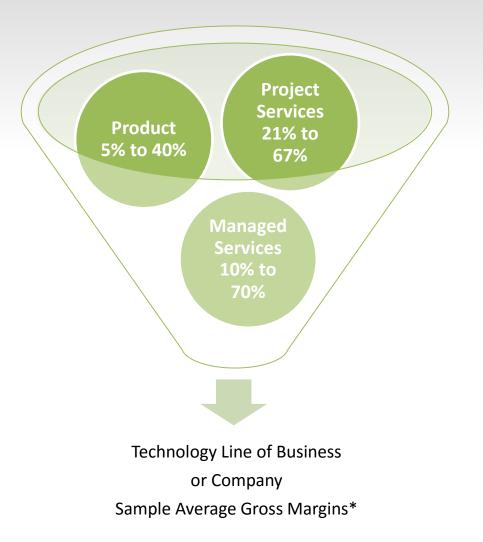


Do You Remember What They Do to Make Money?

The mix of what they do at the corresponding gross margin dictates profitability.



ROI typically < 12 months





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Product Resale

Project Services

Managed Services



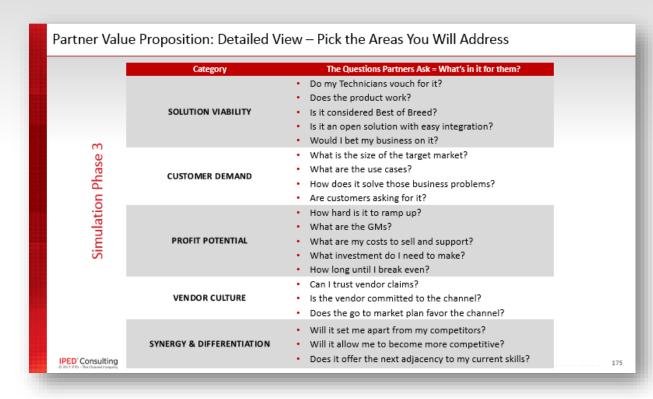


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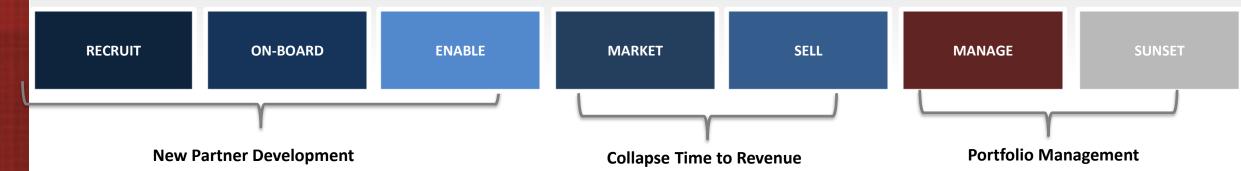
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Critical Knowledge for Phase 3

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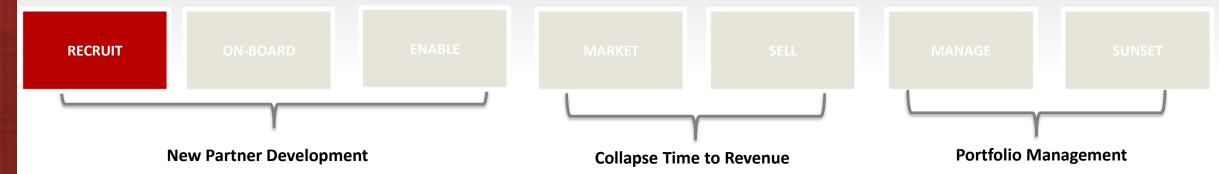


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- How much revenue expected?
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Demonstrate Your Value



MAKE CHOICES EVERY DAY

Recruiting Starts with the Ideal Partner Profile: in this case VAR/MSP

Where to find partners...

Who Meet Your Profile

Beyond your Profile; you want Well Run Businesses

- Competitors' best partners?
- Existing technology sales practice is majority of their business?
- Biggest solution providers?
- Partners who are willing to be exclusive?
- Anyone who will say YES?

- Partners who can execute their business models and are accountable for results
- Partners who have mature / effective services practices
- Partners who target specific high-priority vertical segments
- Partners who have effective marketing / demand generation abilities



Delivering the Value Proposition VAR-MSP View

A Partner's Assessment of Your Product & Program versus Other Choices

Solution Viability:
Would I bet my
business on it?

Customer Demand: Pull vs. Push?

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The goal is not to convince a partner to sell your product, but to recognize a mutually-beneficial business opportunity...
then commit to building the business together.
This is NOT a sales conversation, it's a **business investment conversation**. Your role is to help them see the opportunity and the beneficial synergies it brings to their business objectives.

MacroSoft CloudOne

Partner Value Proposition

- Describe the Solution
- Customer Value Proposition
- Show the Profit Potential
- Highlight the Vendor Culture
- Point to Synergy & Differentiation

You will create a PowerPoint presentation to Recruit a Partner

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Simulation Phase 3

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Description:

- An ideal entry level service to run Oracle DB
- An affordable fully managed DB with enterprise options & Exadata

Feature/Function:

• Oracle DB 12c Release 2

Benefits:

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Use Cases:

- Production databases
- Development
- Test and evaluation environments

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MSP Consumes

- May use to host services
- May place onpremise with a customer, but charge an MRR for the hardware

Reseller Sells

- Accommodates a customer's need for on-premise equipment
- May resell as part of a solution that is not delivered as MRR



DOWNLOAD COMPANY PROFILE

"We have an appliance solution called Wolf Pack. 13% of our revenues are HW but we place these on premise as part of our managed networking solution for our customers. We then try not to sell one time charge, typically we bundle hardware and software into the Monthly Recurring Revenue." (MRR).





Partner Value Proposition vs. Customer Value Proposition

What's the Difference	Partner Value Proposition	Customer Value Proposition
Audience	Partner: assess relevance, odds of success and ability to make money.	 Partner: during recruitment visualizes which Customers have the solution/product need. Customer: assesses need when the Partner sells solution
Answers the Questions	 What is the solution? Customer Value Proposition? What is the customer demand and market size? What must I do to invest? What is my likely return? By when? Will I differentiate myself from my competitors? Do I trust you/your company? 	 What is the solution? Capabilities? What business problem does it solve? What is the demand? What are the use cases? Who are the references?

What is a Customer Value Proposition?



- The **Customer Value Proposition** is required, though not always made clear in communications
 - Vendors often stop at Feature, Function, Benefit
- The Partner Value Proposition is not complete without a Customer Value Proposition
- Product Marketing is typically the source for Customer Value Propositions
- If you do not provide it; CAMs will make it up!!!

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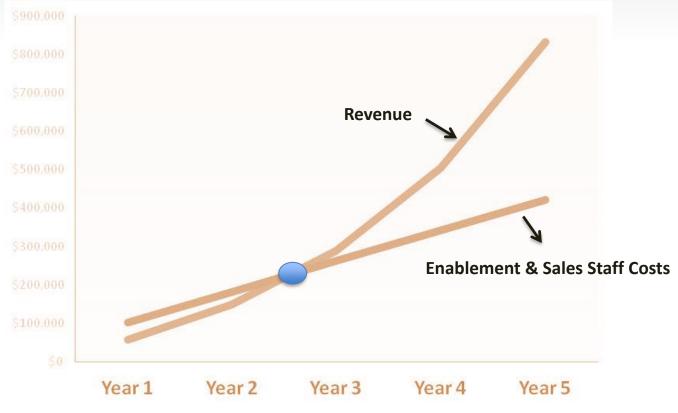


In a Perfect World, Break Even Would Accompany the Partner Value Proposition

Sample Break Even Analysis



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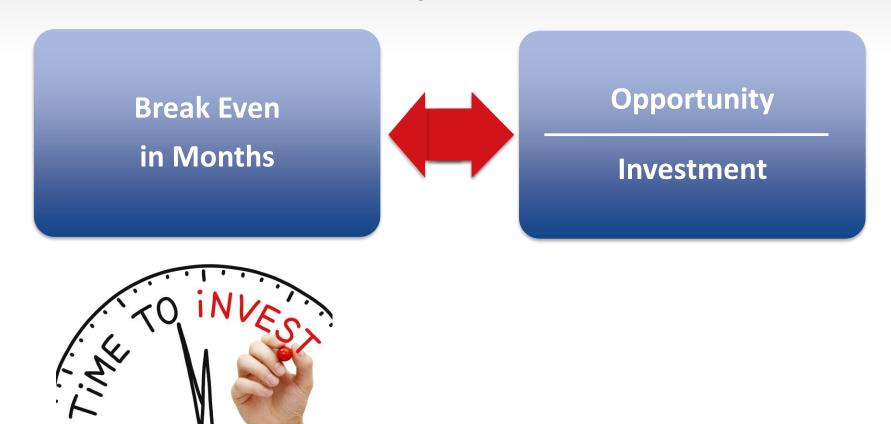


The data contained in this chart is illustrative



Time to Break Even Calculation...It's Simply Math

"I want you to invest..."



"I want you to invest...here's what's in it for you."

Opportunity

Investment

Qualitative:

- Innovative and reliable technology
- Brand strength & market presence
- Ability to differentiate in their markets
- Relationship with you, the Vendor

Quantitative:

- Revenue and profits over a period of time projected by month
- Incentives
- Program support & cost off-sets (sales, marketing, technical, service program benefits (GETS)



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Opportunity

Investment

- Program fees
- Sales Training
- Technical Training tuition & travel
- Technical Training opportunity cost (technical time lost billing @ maybe \$200/hr.)
- Certification & testing expense
- Marketing
- Demo Sets, etc.
- Incremental staff to be hired



Service Attach Rates for CloudOne from the Navigator Handbook



 Average Sales Price of the Solution

 Partner Services assumptions

Your Services Opportunity	CloudOne on Premise	CloudOne as a Service
Pre-sales consulting, billed as a one time charge:	\$7,500	\$4,500
Implementation services, billed as a one time charge:	\$12,500	\$9,000
Additional Managed Services:	~ \$550 Per month / per system	~ \$550 Per month / per system

4	Product Resale Available at 25% Discount	CloudOne on Premise	CloudOne as a Service
	CloudOne List Price	\$50,000	\$1,000/month



Profit Potential - Gross Margin Math: CloudOne

Gross Margins for Spreadsheet



Monthly or OTC	Monthly Revenue	OTC Revenue	GM	Monthly Profit	OTC Profit
na	0	0			\$0
MRR	\$1,000	0	25%	\$250	
OTC	0	\$3,600	32%	\ \ /	\$1,152
MRR	\$550		42%	\$210	
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Assume 30 Day Lag from Sale to Revenue: use these or make your own assumptions!



Month	Activity	Revenue by Month
January	Staff, Target Accounts	none
February	Train & Sell	none
March	Close SMB service	none
April	Close SMB service	SMB service
May	Close Mid-market service	SMB service
June	Close Departmental Enterprise on prem	Mid-market service
July	Close Mid-market service	Enterprise on premise
August	Close Mid-market on prem	Mid-market service
September	Departmental Ent. on premise	Mid-market on prem
October	Close Mid-market on premise	Enterprise on prem
November	Close Mid-market on premise	Mid-market on prem
December	Close SMB service	Mid-market on prem
January	none	SMB service

Is this a Reasonable Scenario?

2 months -Hire, Train, Sell

Then close one/month for 10 months

2 Enterprise On Prem

4 SMB as a Service

1 Mid-market as a Service

3 Mid-market on Prem

Investments:	Use existing reps
No Sales Rep	\$125,000 fully loaded full time \$10,417/mo
Tech Education Opp Cost	\$4,800 \$1600/day @ 3 days
Marketing	\$5,000 MDF, two increments available, matched \$ set aside in case asked to match

Waive if ROI is too long



Profit Potential: MacroSoft CloudOne ROI



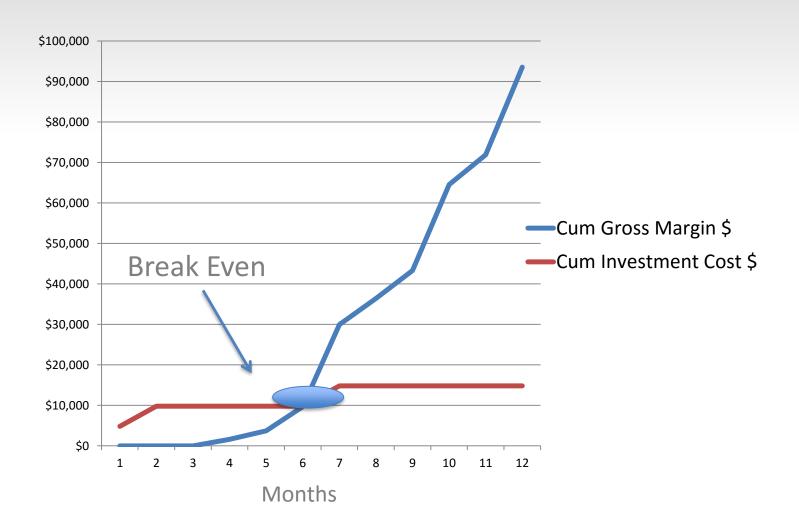
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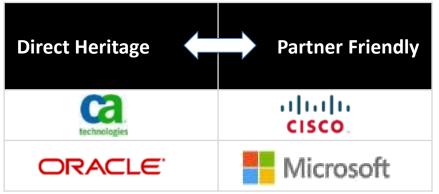
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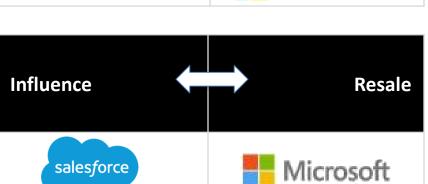


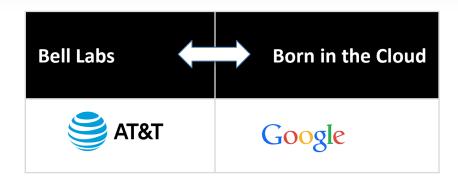


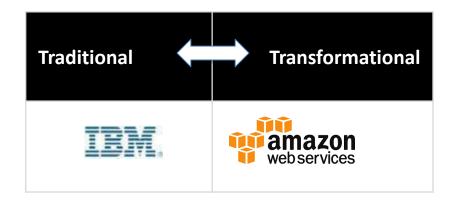
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In which programs
do your targets
participate?

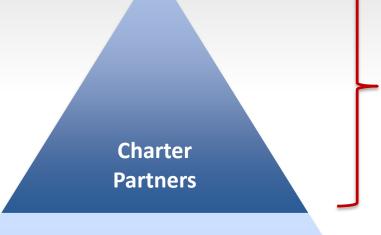
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Blue indicates Recurring Revenue
Blue in Stack heading indicates IT Capabilities
Red in Stack heading indicates OT Capabilities

"How am I different than every other Cisco Gold?"



The First Program is One Without Tiers nor Tracks. You Are, however, Recruiting "Managed" Partners at this Early Stage.



- Managed Partners
- Top group to start
- Designated CAMs
- May write business plans
- Tend to have high value contact with MacroSoft

VAR, MSP OR HYBRID

How do these Partners differ from the balance who will join the program over the next several years?



Team Workshop Phase 3 Recruit a Partner to the Program

Team Workshop Phase 3 – Reading the Navigator Handbook

Navigator (Simulation) Overview

• Pages 4-6

The Business Environment

- Pages 7-14
- The Product: "MacroSoft's CloudOne Appliance"
- Traditional Resell Offering: ASP \$50,000
- Managed Services Offering: ASP \$1,000 per mo./per appliance
- Target market: SMB, upper mid market, departmental usage in enterprise customers
- Competitive Landscape: limited to one major appliance vendor, but many larger HW & SW vendors claim capabilities via alliance or OEM relationships
- Single tier channel of highly productive HW & SW VARs with solution and managed services capabilities. Annual revenues of \$3M+ and growing

Phase 3: Recruit the Right Partner

✓ Present your Value Proposition to the partner company owner: Page 23

TEAM WORKSHOP PHASE 3

■ RECRUIT THE RIGHT PARTNER

Assignmen

As a team your assignment is to complete the following activities:

- Review the presentation template
- · Discuss the partner value proposition components outlined in the lecture based on the case study material
- Develop a 10-minute recruitment pitch designed to get the prospective partner to say "yes" to partner with you on the new product offering described in the case study
- Select spokespeople and practice your delivery (leave at least 15 minutes at the end of your working session to make sure you know what you are going to say). Remember this is essentially a "partner recruitment sales call" so the verbal communications will be as important as the charts.
- . The solution provider panel will grade each team and the scores will be added to the scores from Phases 1 and 2

Time allocation

Team Presentation: 10 Minutes

Information for your assignment

- The solution provider panel will consist of REAL partners that are in role-play mode. They have been briefed in advance. This is a safe learning environment and they realize you and your team are here to learn.
- . There will be 3 5 panelists, but all will be playing the same role of company owner.
- Use the information provided in the lecture material combined with the investments decisions you made in
 Phases 1 and 2
- During your presentation, the solution provider panel will grade your team on the following criteria:
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 from my competitors?

Final Deliverable

4-6 slide Powerpoint presentation emailed to Lisa Sabourin before you leave the work session

After this session, we will tally the final scores and present the winning team with their prize!

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Partner Value Proposition: Detailed View - Pick the Areas You Will Address



This page matters, it is your content!!!

Likely Partner Value Proposition Presentation Components (Order)

In the real world, a competitive program is necessary as partners have alternatives.

Selling that program is critical.

Your time is limited; determine how best to present these in a face to face scenario.

Then present it!

Hint: Introduce yourselves & why you're there!!!

MacroSoft CloudOne Appliance

Define the solution, customer value prop including: customer use cases, key customer benefits The Market

Describe the customer target market, competition and market opportunity

Partner Opportunity

Outline the Partner Value Prop product, services and managed offering assumptions and opportunities to profit. Given more time calculate Break Even Chart (do the math).

Our Investments

Propose a business relationship; outline what the partner is expected to invest and what you will provide as a vendor

Propose your Program Give to Gets **Getting Started** *Outline next steps*



How Will Partners Score Your Presentation?

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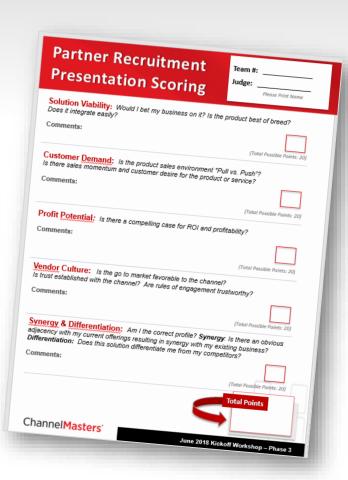
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Differentiation: Does this solution differentiate me from my competitors?



Sample Value Proposition

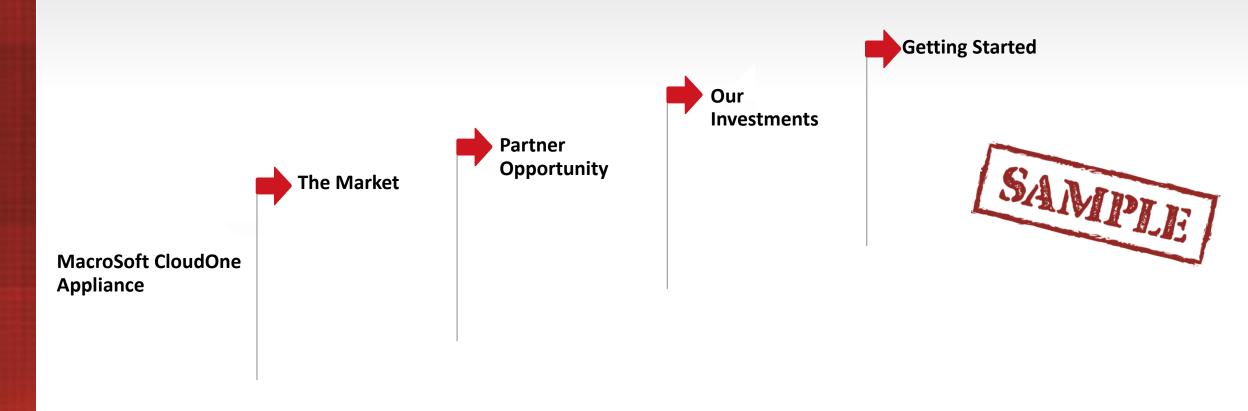
Cloud One Appliance



MacroSoft

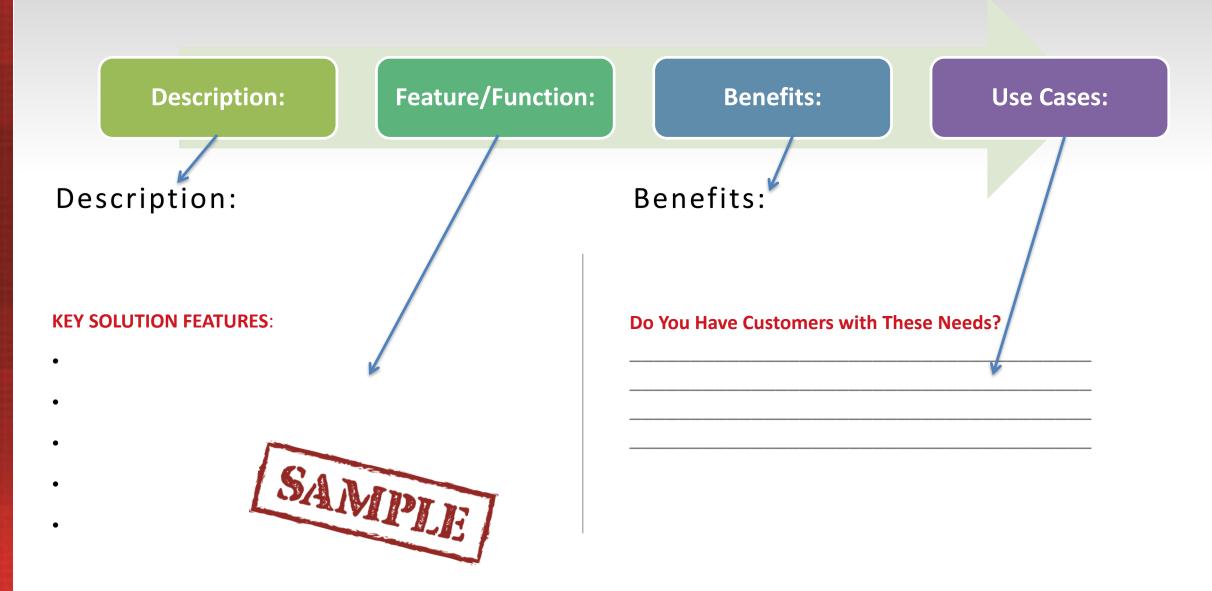


Today's Discussion





Describe the Solution





Describe the Market

Ind	icate:
	Market size
	Growth rates
Des	scribe:
	Target buyers
	Competition
	competition
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	MacroSoft go to market plans





The Opportunity

For partners who meet the Ideal Partner Profile, lay out the opportunity.

CloudOne product revenue and gross margins for both On-premise and As a Service model

Pre- and post-sales project based services, and/or additional managed services when CloudOne is sold as a service

Describe <u>how</u> the box can be placed onpremise via resale/managed service or how it may be consumed by the partner for a managed service.

Answer how adding offerings that leverage this appliance might differentiate this partner from others who don't offer this appliance or solution? (optional)

Please use your skills to title appropriately



Our Program Investment

Partner requirements	(What we Get)

e.g. Requirements: what you must invest

Partner benefits (What we Give)

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e.g. Benefits: what I, the vendor, will provide

Single-tier channel ready solution: that offers the partner the opportunity to: _____

Capture new customers or grow MRR or build a managed offering or ??

Please use your skills to title appropriately



Financial Summary of Investment & Return to the Partner

Pull in your ROI spreadsheet and financial assumptions around how many deals they can close in 12, 18 or 24 months.

Calculate a Break Even analysis if you have time.



Please use your skills to title appropriately

Getting Off to a Fast Start





Keep These in Mind...

- ✓ You are meeting with the Company President/Owner
- ✓ You have 10 minutes to get him or her to "YES"
- Prioritize on relevant information and get to the point quickly
- ✓ These are real partners, BUT this is a "safe learning environment".





Partner Panel Debrief

- ✓ What do they want?
- ✓ What is the value for the customer?
- ✓ How do they assess vendors?



Applying The Workshop Principles to Your Business Problems



But Wait!!

There's More!!

Partner Program Development Topics We Don't Have Time to Address

- Affinity Alliances
- Two Tier Distribution
- The role of Service Providers in Two Tier Distribution
- Trends in Routes to Market usage
- Real Life Examples of Role based Programs, Converged Infrastructure, Cloud Programs, Services IP for Partners to Fuel Services Capabilities, Born in the Cloud Program
- Tiers and Levels: Three versus Four
- Graduation to higher tier levels
- Consolidation resulting in Broad Product Lines offering Cross Sell opportunities

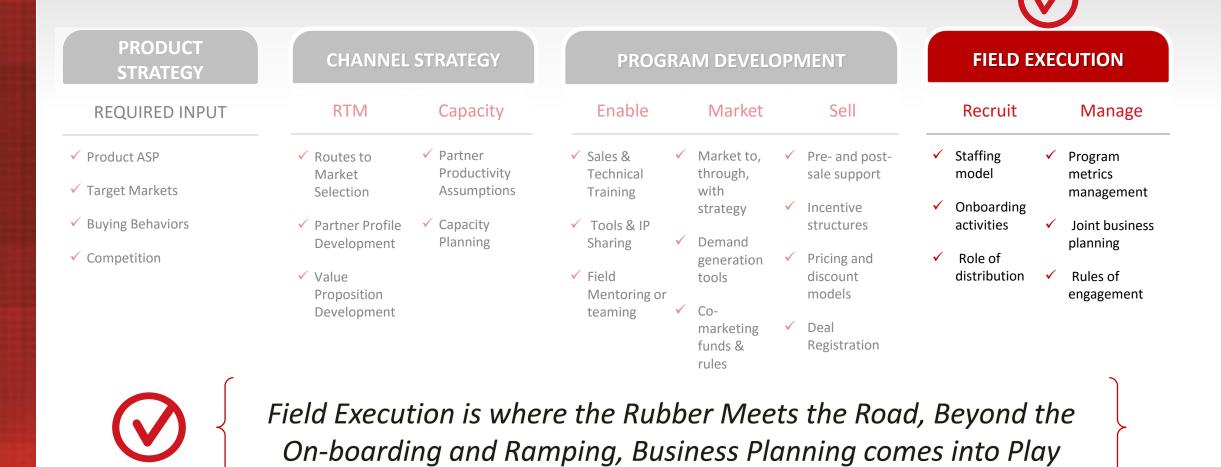
- Ease of Use in Single sign-on, single brand with multiple tracks by business model or role
- Tiered vs Role based discounts
- > Incentives
- > Global considerations
- Feedback loops: CAM, Advisory Councils, Road Shows, Roundtables
- Program transformation history: Revenue, Points, Specialization/Certification, Role
- > PRM
- Forecasting and access to POS through Distribution



For Folks Back Home...



What We Don't Do at Channel Masters





Channel Account Manager Training: The Business Plan



The Partner Business Plan

A jointly developed plan resulting in an understanding of your partner's revenue mix, investment with competitors, enablement plans, marketing plans and organization.

Share of wallet and clear revenue commitments are two critical.

Revenue & Opportunity Planning

Optional: A jointly developed opportunity worksheet identifying the top opportunities for immediate engagement to close.

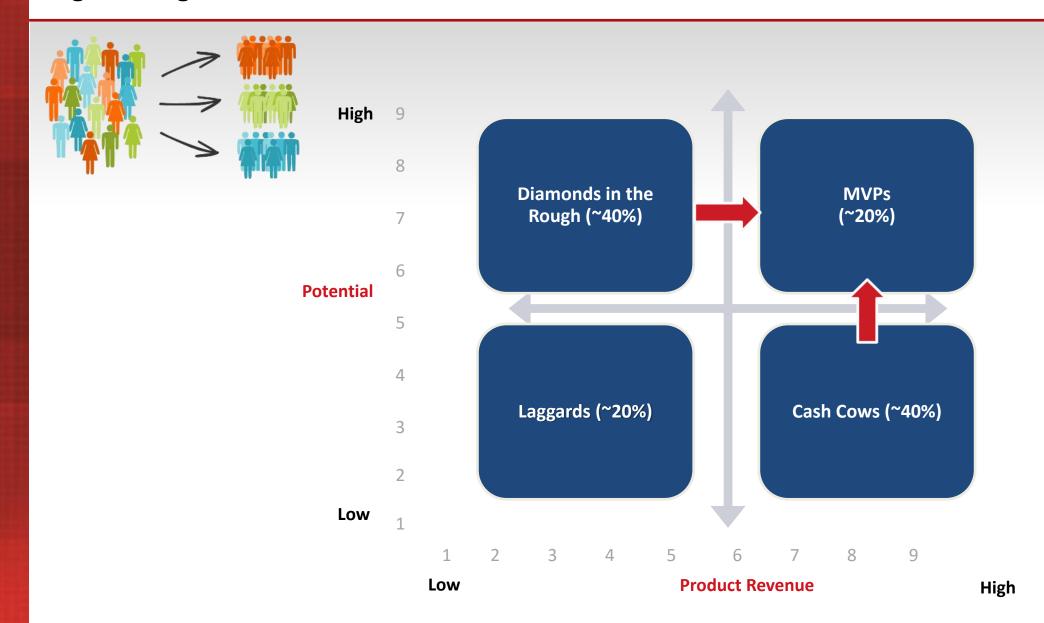
The Quarterly Business Review (QBR)

A structured, quarterly meeting to review progress against quarterly goals set out during the annual Business Plan.

The Call Plan

A structured Partner call preparation template (may be reduced to a checklist) to maximize the effectiveness of your partner call. Clearly prepare your stated goals, anticipate objections, prepare objection handling tactics.

Segmenting Partners Indicates Which to Prioritize for Business Plans





Capacity Planning Templates Help Identify How Many Partners are Required for Recruitment

INFO REQUIRED	
Product Average Selling Price (ASP) @ Net Revenue	
Number of Deals Average Partner Can Sell / Year	
My Annual Quota	
Recruitment Failure Rate: (Historically what % of partners recruited do not achieve AT LEAST 80% of the # of deals the Average Partner sells per year?)	

Average Partner Productivity = % of partners recruited historically that didn't make revenue expectations Number of Partners Required = quota / average partner productivity / year (round up) Number of Partners Likely to Fail = failure rate * number of partners required (round up) Final Number of Partners to Recruit = number of partners required + number of partners likely to fail (round up)