

Investor Readiness Checklist 2025

Prepare Your Business Foundation

Clarify ownership structure and legal registrations

Organize financial records: income statements, cash flow, debt

Develop a clear business plan and a one-page executive summary

Identify Funding Options

Friends & family contributions

Angel investors or venture capital

Crowdfunding, grants, accelerators/incubators

Small business loans

Build Your Investor Pitch

Define use of funds (why money is needed, where it will go)

Show traction: metrics, growth, customer success

Competitive analysis: show what sets you apart

Risk mitigation plan: how you handle potential setbacks

Legal & Financial Readiness

Ensure tax compliance, licenses, legal standing are all up to date

Proper corporate structure for accepting investment

Contracts, equity share agreements, founder agreements

Networking & Relationship Building

Identify and reach out to potential investors aligned with your sector

Attend events, join platforms or pitch programs

Get introductions, follow up, maintain credibility