

Unlocking
opportunity
through first
principles.



100 Million

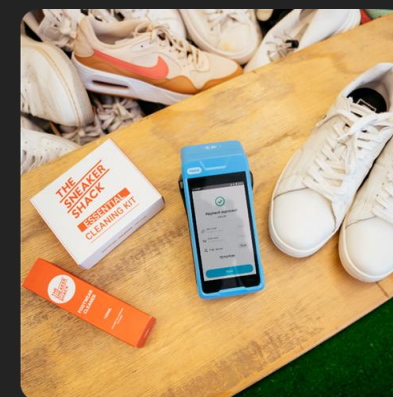
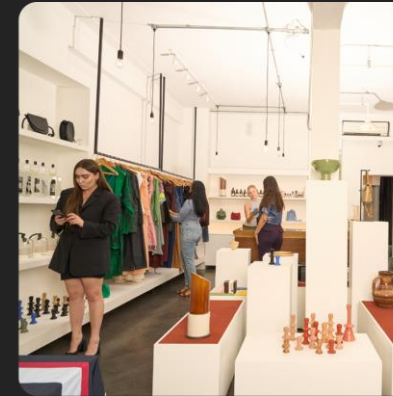
SMBs across Middle East & Africa

~50%

Average Contribution to GDP

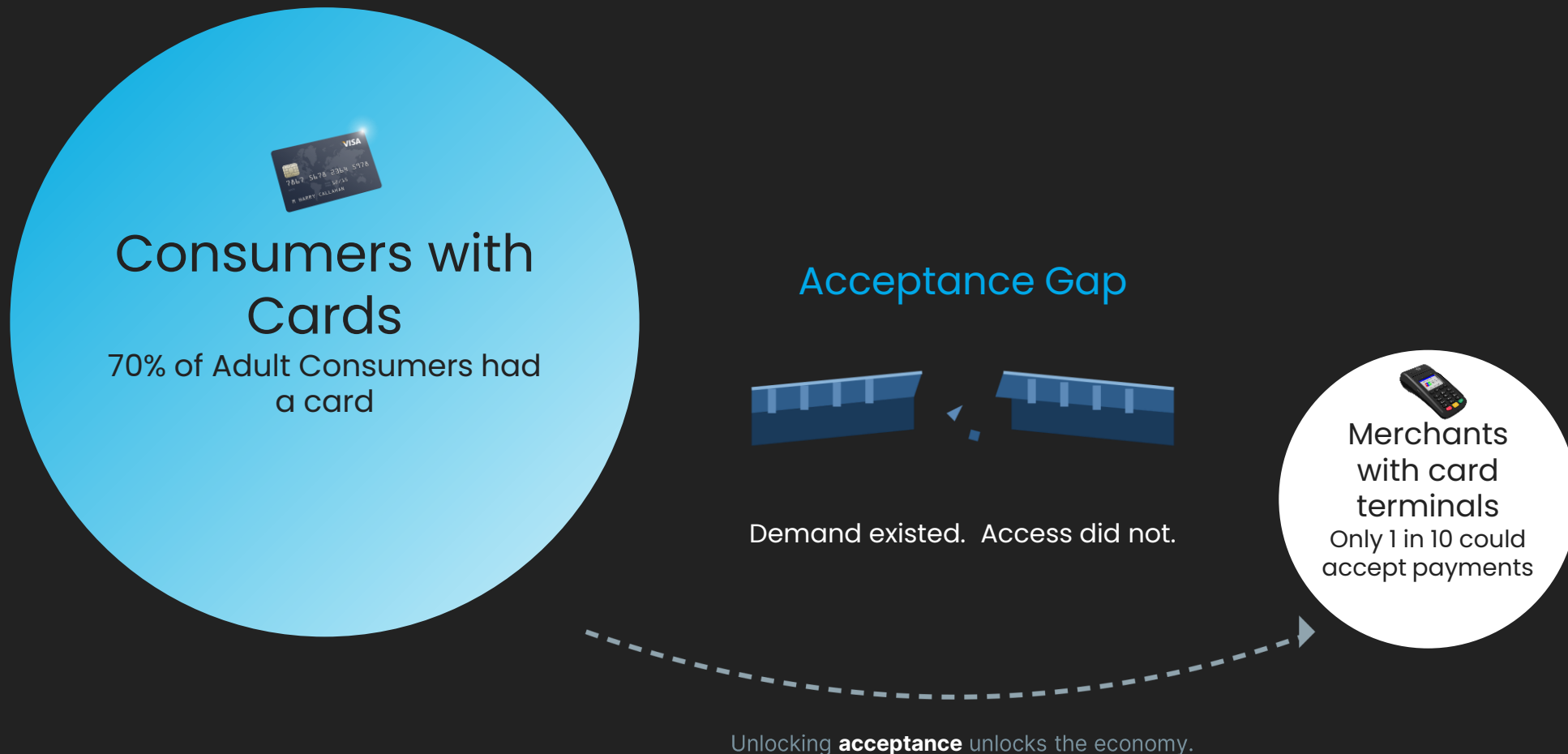
90%

Share of Total Employment

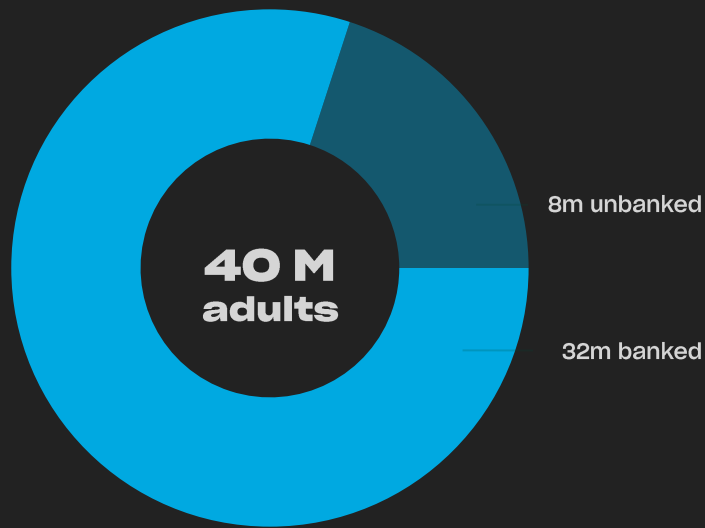


The Acceptance Gap

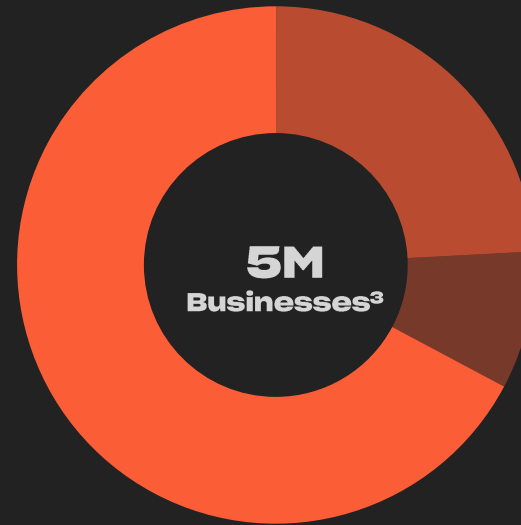
Millions ready to pay. [A few places to accept](#) in 2014.



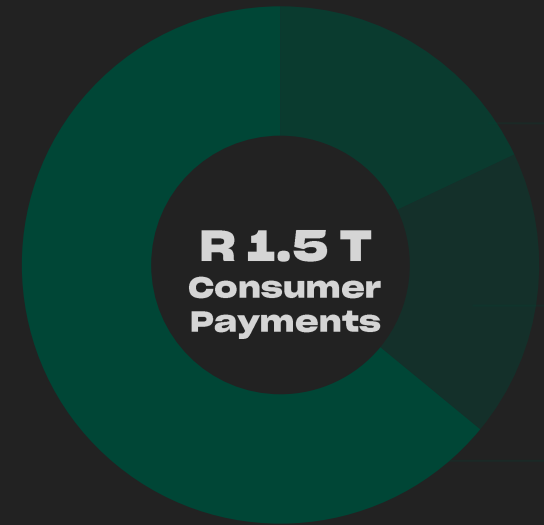
South Africa market opportunity in 2014



Highly banked
Population



Large untapped small
business population



Consumer Payments

Four friends envisioned a
future of
Open Commerce.



Rocket Internet

Actuarial Society

Delta Partners

Rocket Internet

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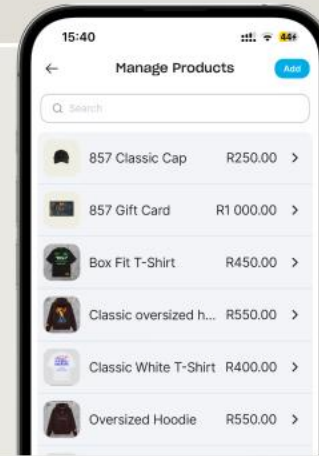
POS

The Yoco POS, for selling your products or services.



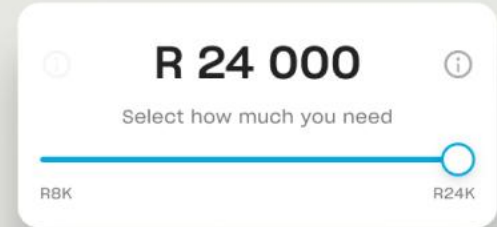
App

Track payments, monitor sales, send invoices and more.



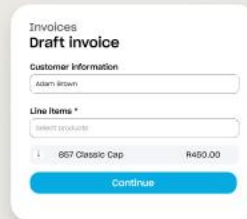
Capital

Yoco Capital is a fast, flexible cash advance for Yoco customers.



Invoices

Create and send professional, click-to-pay invoices to your customers.



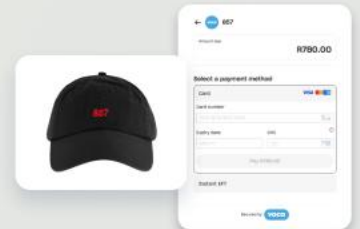
Card Machines

SA's favourite card machines



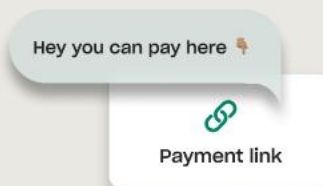
Gateway

Accept card payments on your website.



Link

With Yoco Link, you can accept card payments in any chat.



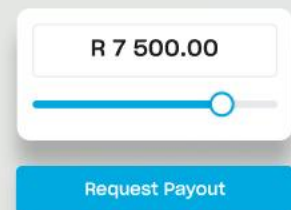
Portal

Stay on top of business performance.

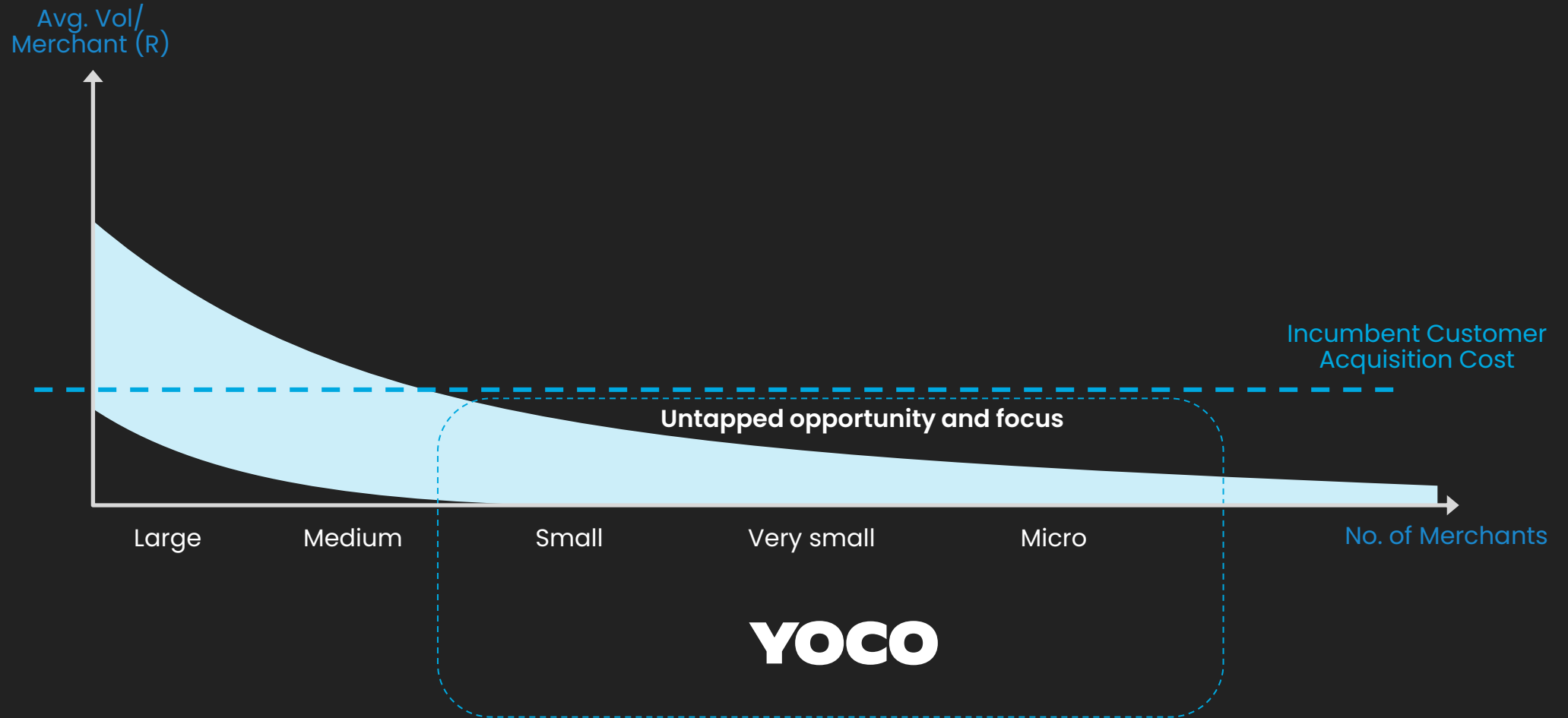


Instant Payout

Take control of your cash flow and get your money in minutes.



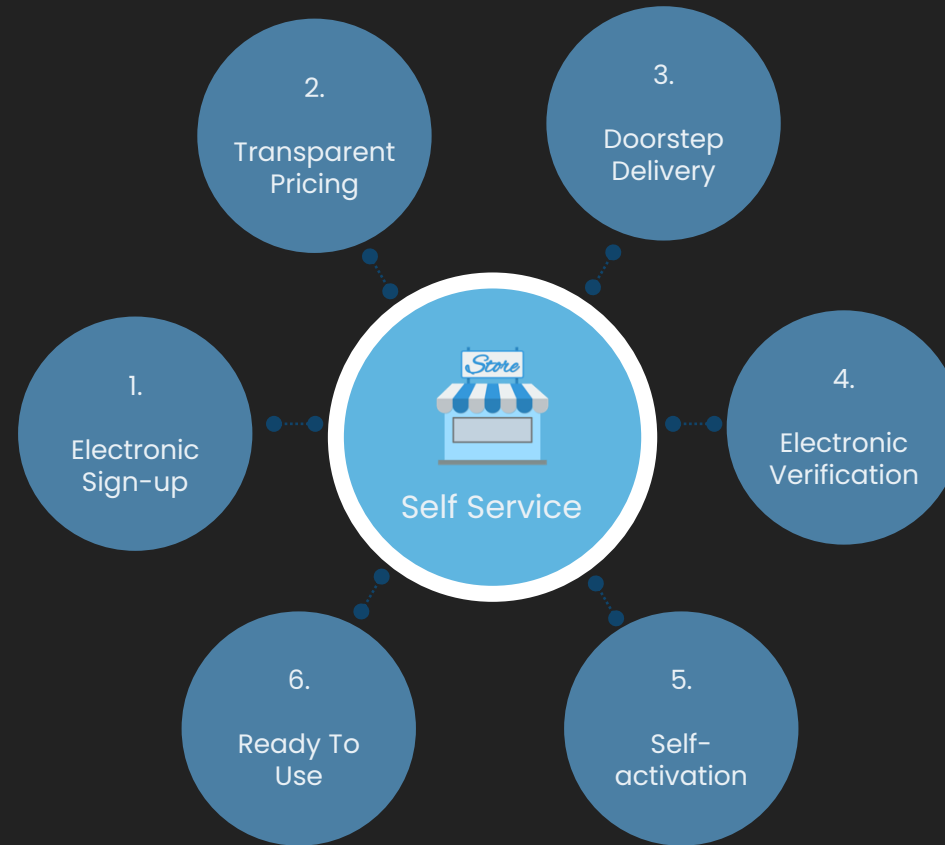
The economics of reaching SMBs were not supported by traditional people-heavy distribution models.



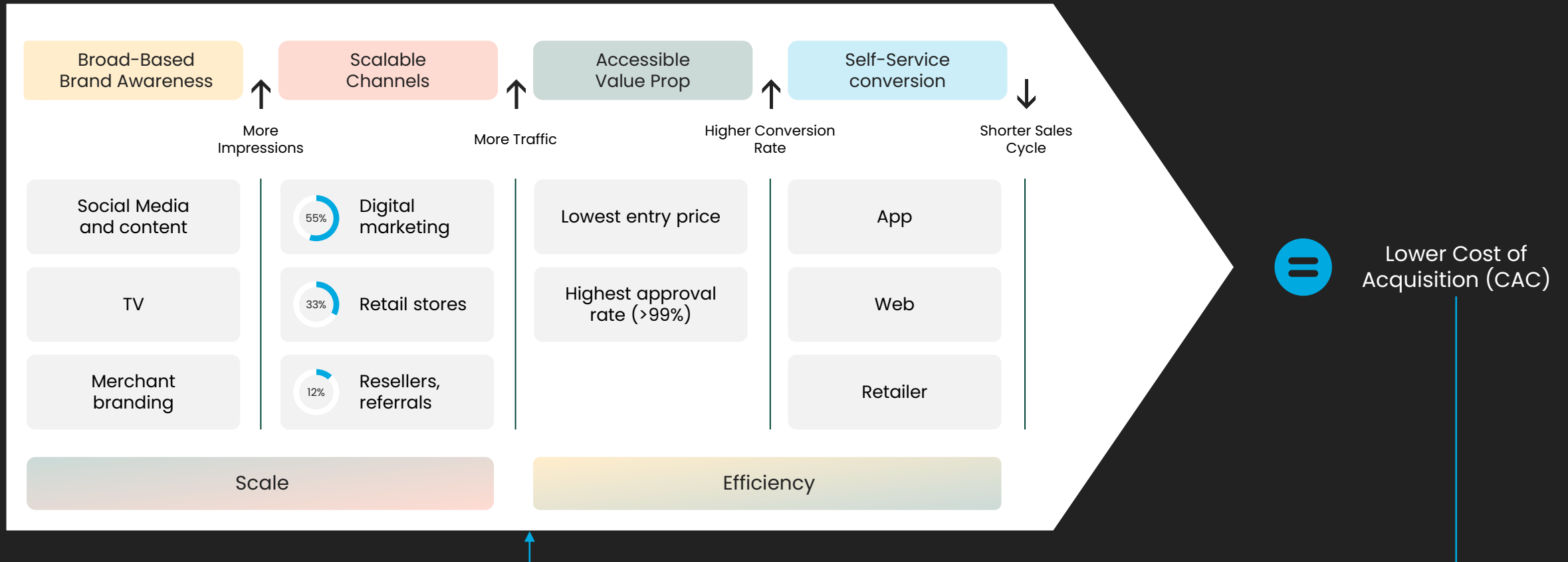
Core Insight

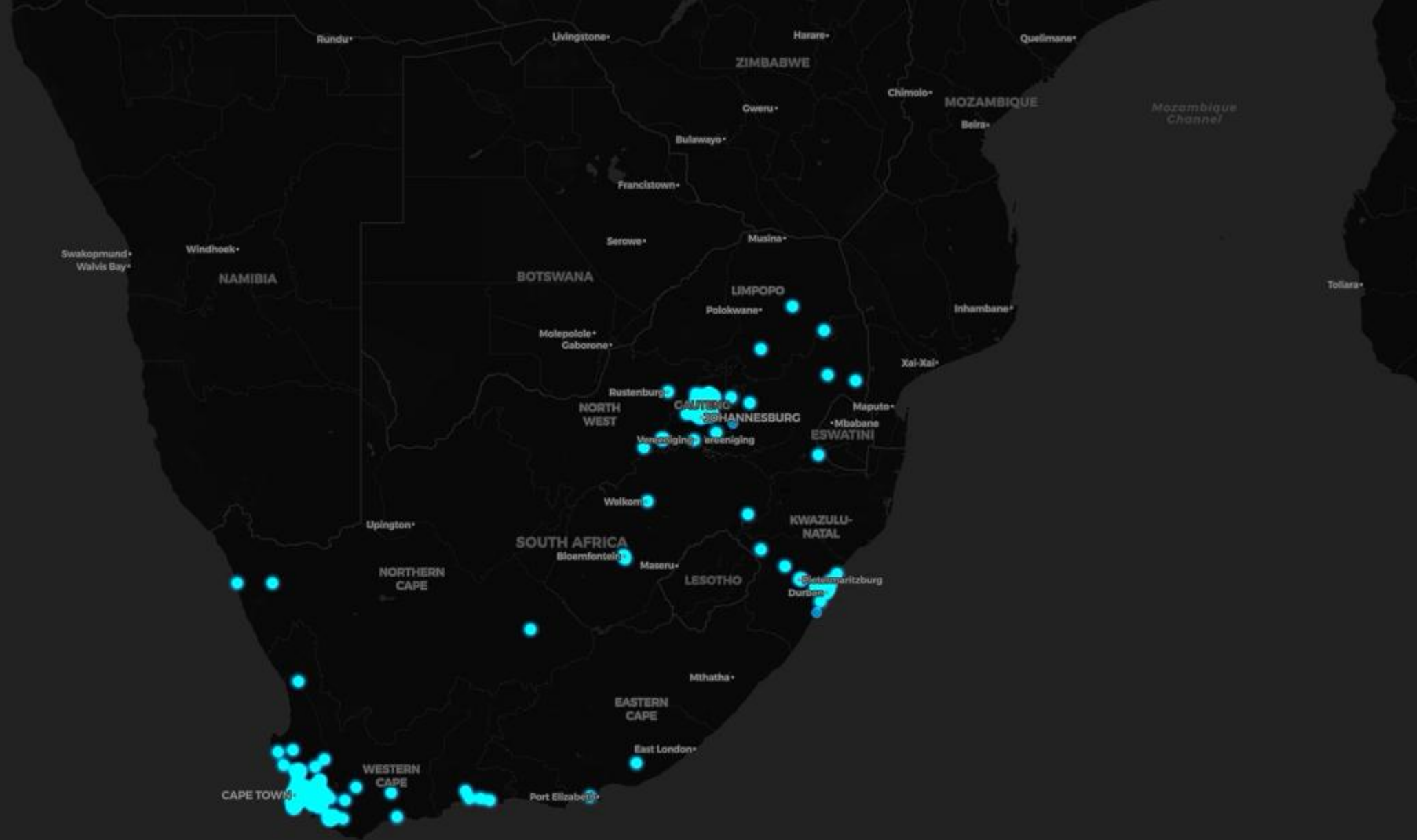


If you can use a smartphone, you can use a card machine. Self-service was the unlock in distribution.

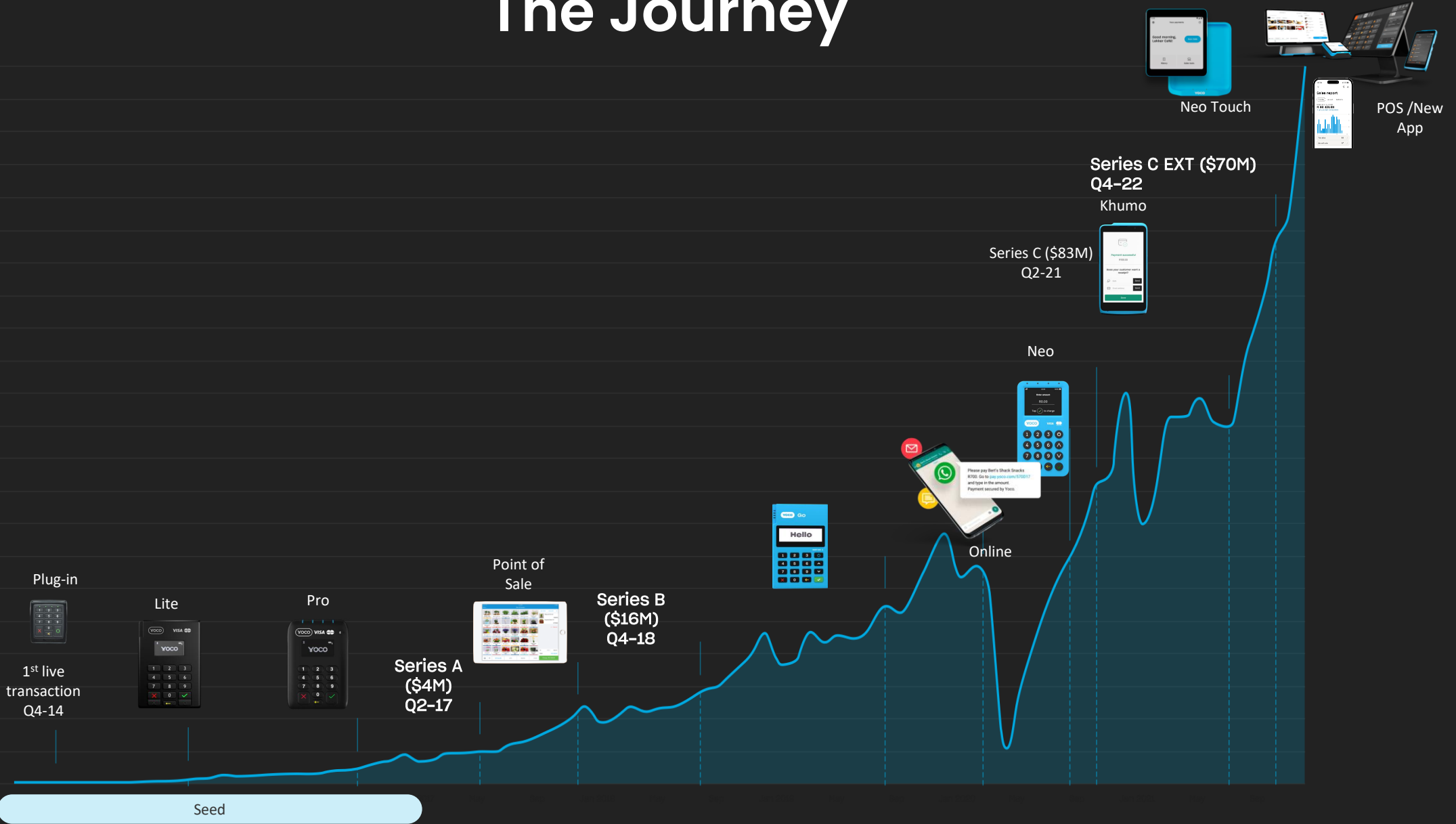


Self-service allowed us to tap into new, and multiple channels to drive reach, lower CAC





The Journey



HEDOSOPHIA



Velocity Capital
Fintech Ventures

GREYHOUND
CAPITAL



Orange
Ventures



breyercapital

// Raba



We have
partnered with
some of the best
capital
allocators in the
world

Yoco Today

\$ Billions

Total Processing Volume

> 200 000

12-month active merchants

350 people

Cape Town • Johannesburg •
Amsterdam

> \$ 200 million

Capital Disbursed

More than numbers

8 out of 10

New to Card

60%

Sole-Proprietors

1/3

Rural

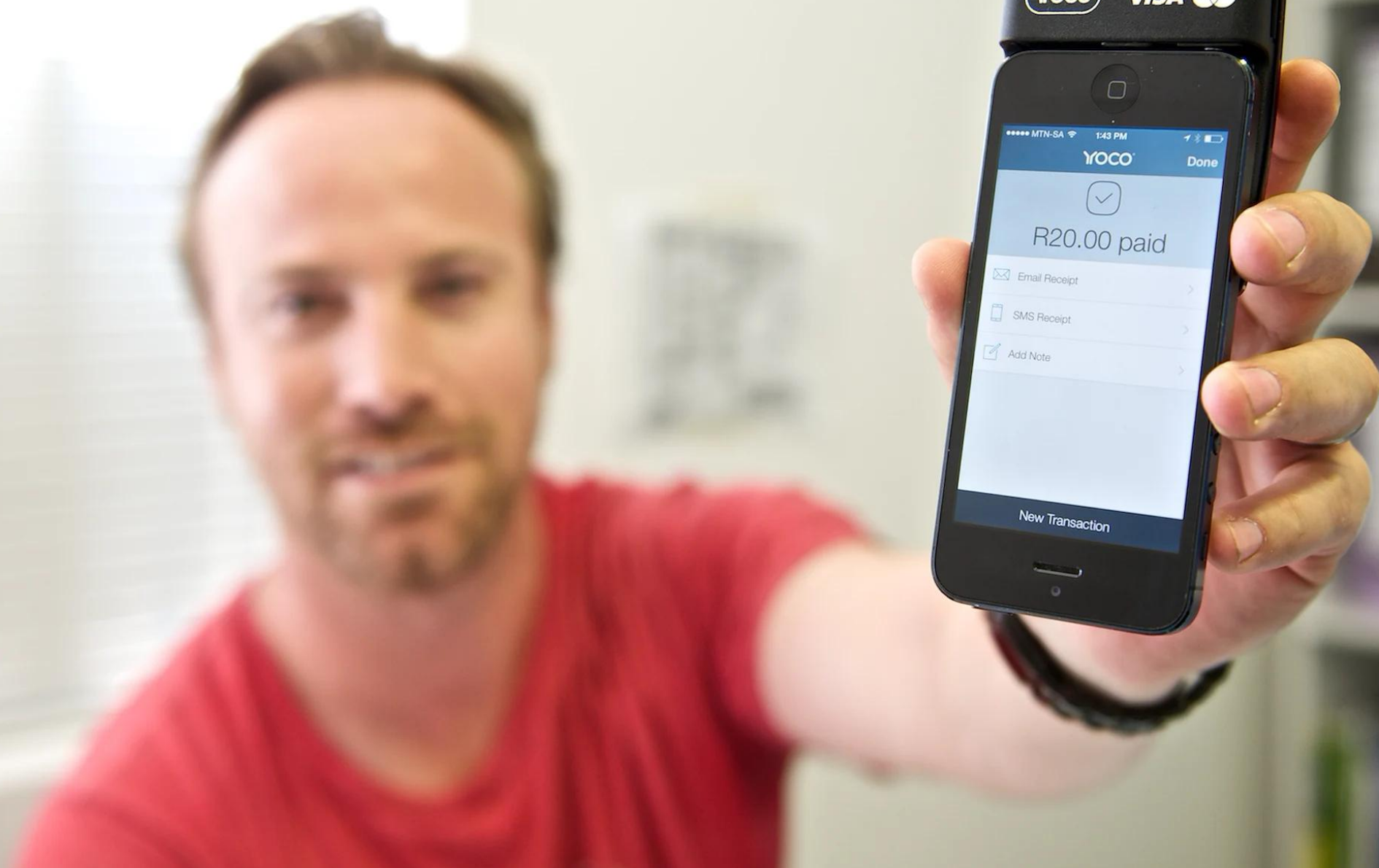
49%

Female Entrepreneurs

The story behind the story

MDD/MD + TAC Values
- other config settings
2. Certification process
- p1es3mp + i-configuratio
3. SA-specific issues (VISA)
- feedback
PAY-ON
1. Immediate issue
2. Impact next week
3. APN's















Innovation at Yoco

**“Solving customer problems using a
myriad of tools and methods,
unconstrained by conventional wisdom.”**

Core values – the Yoco formula

Our unique approach



Staying Connected



Keep it simple



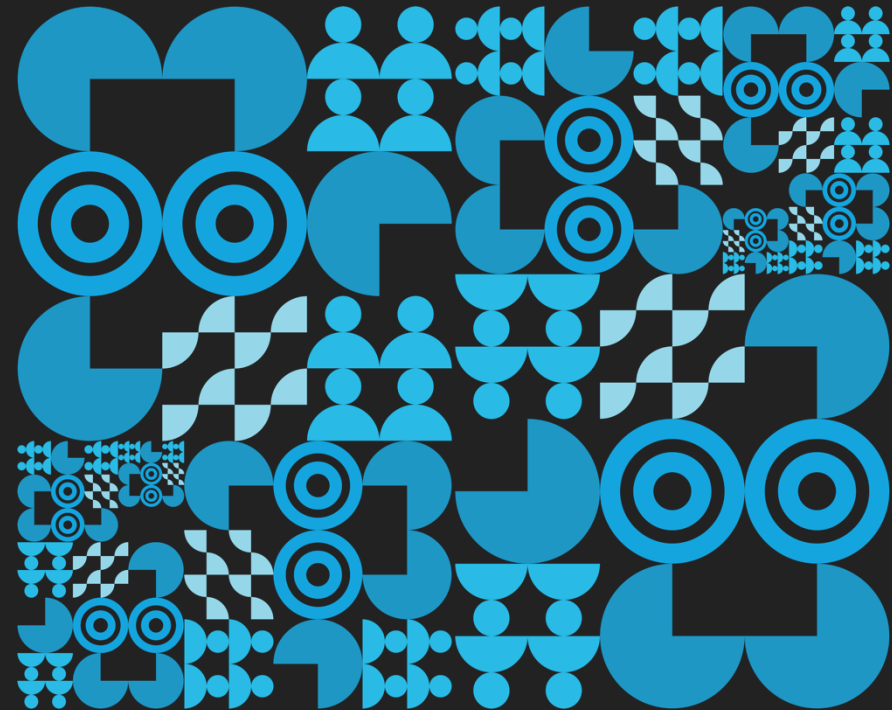
Make Space to
Explore



Master your
craft



Unique, relevant outcomes



Clayton Christensen identifies three critical innovation categories that play distinct roles

Market-Creating Innovations

Transform expensive and inaccessible products into affordable and accessible offerings for larger populations.

Sustaining Innovations

Improve existing products and services to better serve current customers without expanding accessibility

Efficiency Innovations

Help companies reduce costs through automation, outsourcing, or process optimisation for existing offerings.

The different innovations play a very different role in prosperity

Market-Creating Innovations

- Generate widespread jobs
- Stimulate entrepreneurship
- Reshape economies
- Enable sustainable growth

Sustaining Innovations

- Strengthen competitiveness
- Improve existing products and services
- Redistribute value among incumbents
- Limited creation of new growth opportunities

Efficiency Innovations

- Improve company performance
- Increase returns to investors
- Optimise cost structures
- Do not create new markets on their own
- May lead to job losses without market-creating innovation

Comparing the Innovation types

Market-Creating

Focus: New, affordable & accessible markets

Impact: Creates demand where none existed

Examples: Ford Model T, M-Pesa, Grameen Bank

Jobs: Generates widespread employment

Beneficiaries: Non-consumers & broader society

Prosperity Role: Primary driver of long-term economic growth

Sustaining

Focus: Improvement for existing customers

Impact: Drives competition at the upper end of the market

Examples: Smartphone features, higher-res TVs

Jobs: Maintains existing employment levels

Beneficiaries: Existing customers & competitors

Prosperity Role: Maintains competitiveness

Efficiency

Focus: Cost reduction & optimisation

Impact: Increases margins & frees capital

Examples: Automation, lean production, cloud computing

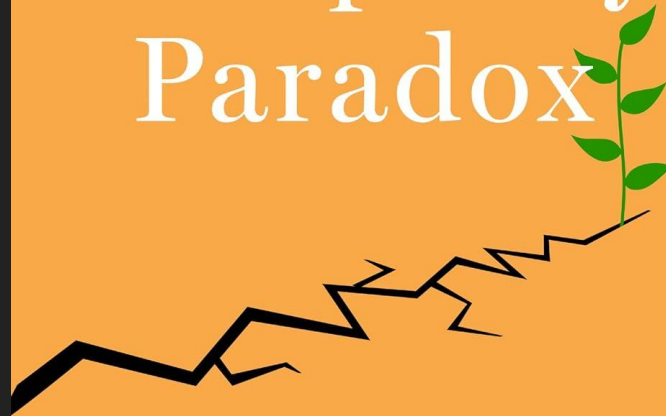
Jobs: Often reduces employment

Beneficiaries: Companies & investors

Prosperity Role: Improves profitability but not growth

Clayton M. Christensen
Efosa Ojomo and Karen Dillon

The Prosperity Paradox



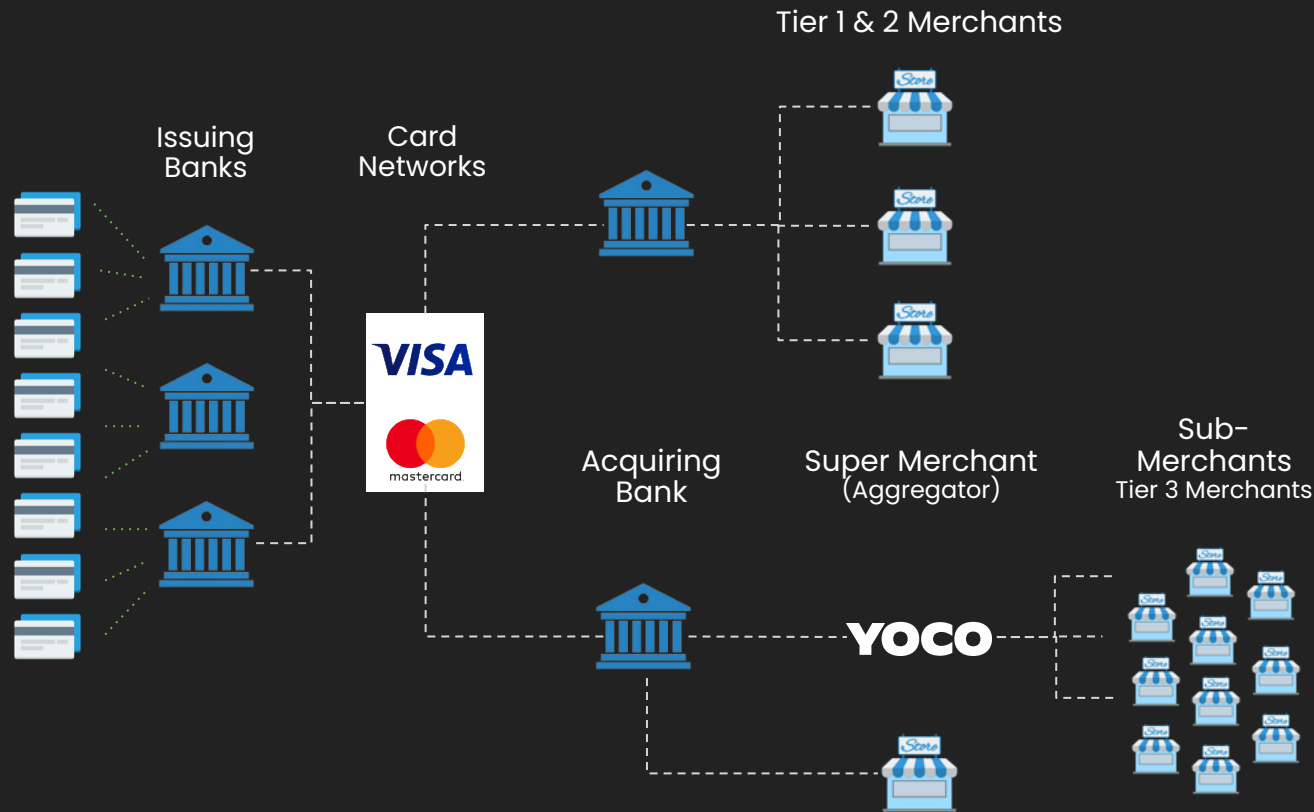
How Innovation Can Lift
Nations Out of Poverty

Yoco approaches innovation through a **market-creation lens**, successfully encouraging small businesses to adopt products they had never tried or had previously lacked access to.

Examples

A. Business Model

The 3rd-party aggregation framework enabled proportional regulation, opening the door to reach



Traditional Model

- Infrastructure for high-touch engagement
 - Traditional salesperson/branch model
 - Deposit-taking regulatory oversight
- Expensive, economics for Tier 1 & 2 merchants

Aggregation Model

- Cloud-based infrastructure
 - Online channels
 - Proportionate regulation
- Reaching a new class of merchants (Tier 3)

In 2015, Yoco was the fifth entrant in a hot space



SnapScan

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The SnapScan Story: Pioneering mobile transactions

In 2013, **SnapScan** launched one of the first mobile payment apps in South Africa. By combining our ingenuity with Standard Bank's impressive financial ...

Absa launches Payment Pebble customer service

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Absa has announced the launch of the Payment Pebble, a small plug-in device that turns most smartphones completely into mobile card machines.



thumbzup

The Payment Pebble offers businesses and customers the security of being able to pay and getting paid with a debit or credit card conveniently and securely, anywhere, anytime.

Nedbank launches mobile POS device



South Africa's Nedbank has launched a mobile point-of-sale device that can accept credit and debit card payments, the latest bank in the country to target small businesses with such a product.

The bank's new device is called PocketPOS and connects to a smartphone or tablet through which transactions are authenticated and processed. The device is linked to the mobile device via Bluetooth.

Other South African banks with similar products either in the market, or in the process of being launched, include Absa and rival First National Bank. The latter is offering a device from UK firm Powa.

The Nedbank device can read both magnetic stripe and chip & PIN cards. Initially it will work with only iPhones and iPads, with Android and BlackBerry devices to follow in coming months. The device accepts Visa, MasterCard and American Express cards.

The device would enable those businesses who currently handle large amounts of cash to accept card payments, so reducing their security risk. It also reduces the charges they incur for depositing cash into a bank account, although obviously they now incur a new processing charge from the bank.

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Durban payments start-up eyes world stage

By Duncan McLeod - 17 January 2014



Emerge Mobile MD Matt Putman

Emerge Mobile, an ambitious start-up based in Umhlanga, north of Durban, has developed a smartphone-based mobile payments system similar to the US solution **Square**, and has secured certifications from international bodies. It now plans to launch the product in Africa and other emerging markets.

Emerge Mobile was founded by the father and son team of Clive Putman (who is technology director) and Matt Putman (MD), along with Ramsay Daly (marketing director), with whom Matt went to school at the exclusive Hilton College in KwaZulu-Natal.

The Emmerge Mobile solution is the second such payment system being developed by a South African start-up. **Thumbzup**, founded by well-known technology entrepreneur **Stafford Masie**, is also working to launch a smartphone-based payments system in collaboration with banking group **Absa**.

"Ramsay and I came across an article on Square and its founder Jack Dorsey in *Fortune* magazine, and we realised it was a good concept," Matt Putman says. The pair contacted Square, hoping to represent the company in South Africa, but were told that the US start-up had no immediate plans to expand into Africa.

Instead, they decided – perhaps not realising the scale of what they were taking on – to develop a Square-type product of their own. Clive Putman had a strong background in IT, especially in hardware development and cryptography. "We realised the Square concept would have legs in South Africa and Africa and slowly, piece by piece, we started to put it all together," says Matt.



Clive Putman

The founders, with a small team of engineers based in Durban, began work on a prototype at Clive's house in Umhlanga. Through a friend of Matt's, Bevan Ducas of the Cape Town-based **wiGroup**, the young start-up secured a first round of funding from Capital Eye Investments, a private equity business that had emerged from the formerly listed **UCS Group**, some of whose assets have now been sold to IT services company **Business Connexion**.

"We weren't looking to raise hundreds of millions in the first round. It was important for us as founders to retain majority control, so we worked on tight budgets with three or four engineers to start with, who worked under Clive's supervision," says Matt. "We sent them overseas to find out what sort of security was needed, how the cryptography had to be structured, and so on. After that, we built out the design of the model we eventually got through the labs."

The biggest learning curve, he says, was understanding the difference between the legacy magnetic stripe technology employed by Square – chip cards are not common in the US – and the chip-and-PIN systems used in many other markets, including South Africa.

"We didn't just want to build a piece of hardware," says Matt. "We wanted to build a whole platform and take a brand to market in South Africa, building all the components we needed to, and then finding a bank to give us an aggregator relationship."

That turned out to be harder than expected. Local banks told the start-up that they wanted to control the technology and the process, so the team decided instead to "white-label" the platform and act more as a technology services platform provider to help banks, especially in other emerging markets. The company is confident of signing its first white-label deal soon.

Emerge Mobile's M-PoS terminal docked with an iPhone

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Zipzap mobile payments

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FNB First National Bank

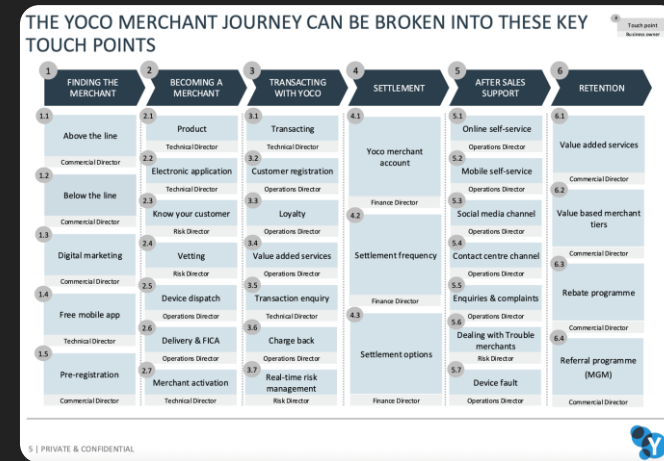
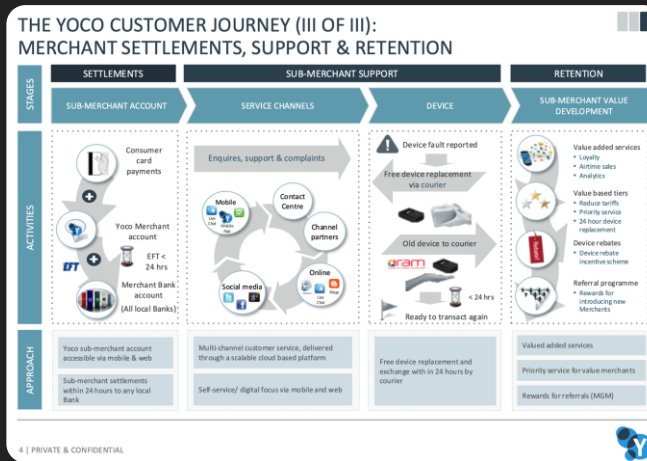
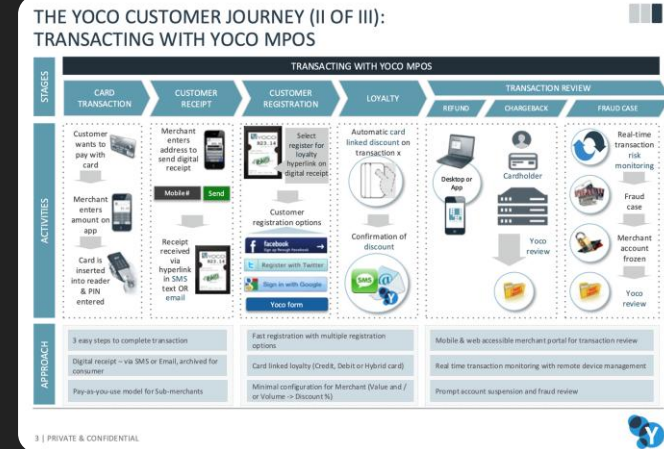
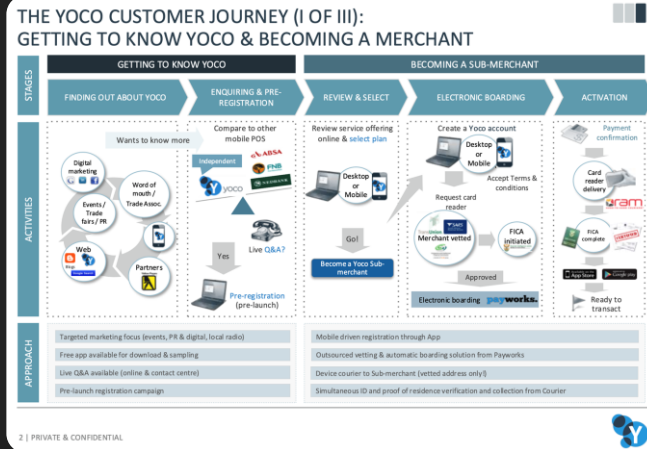
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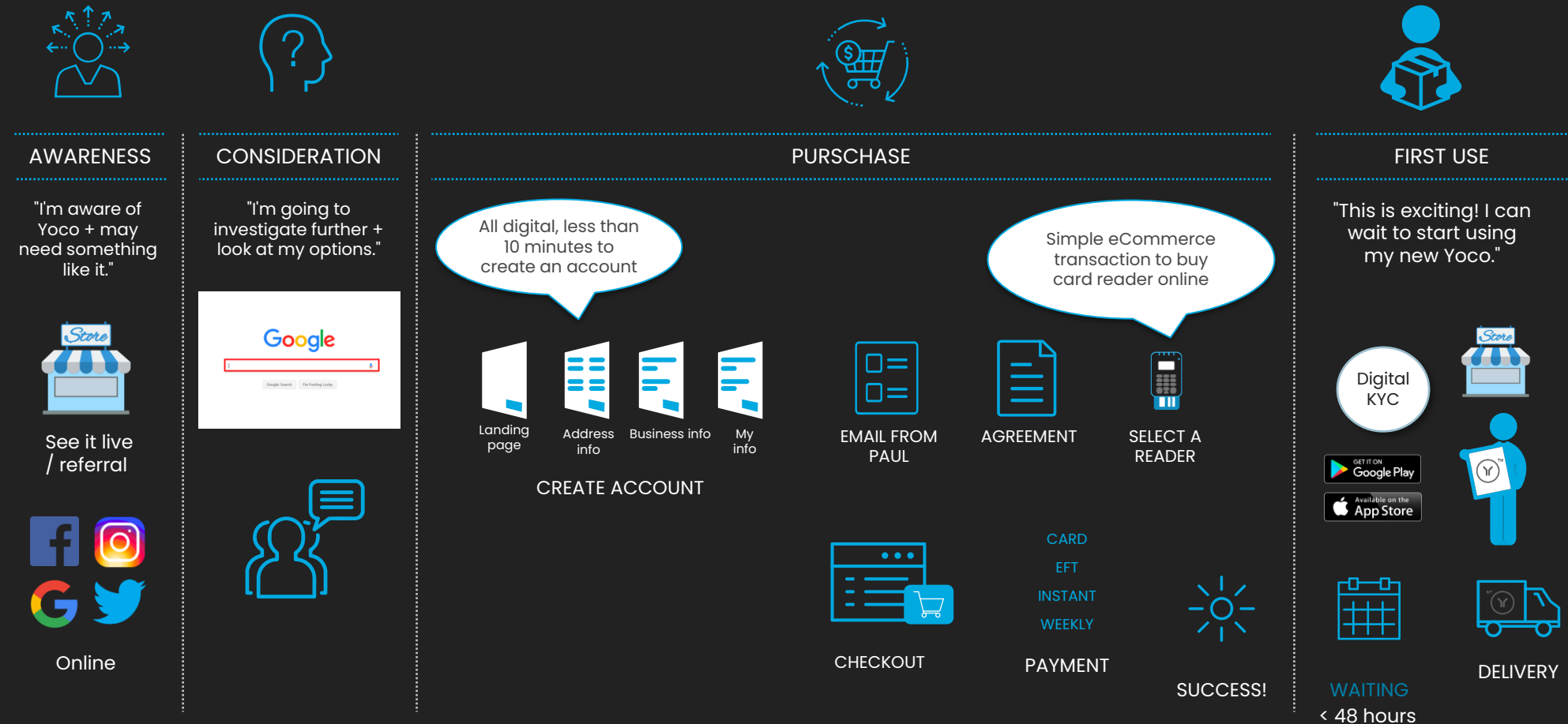
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B. Working backwards from the customer journey

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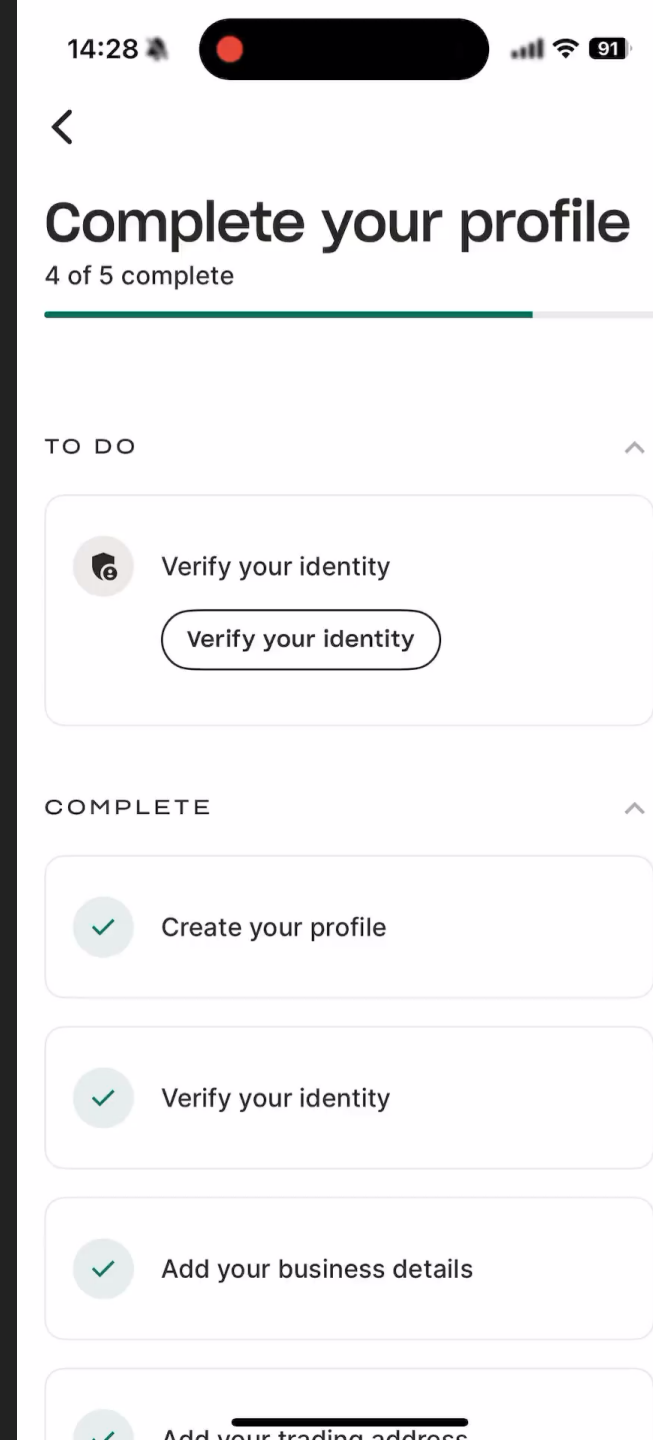


An all-digital onboarding process, with < 10 minutes to sign up. Card reader delivered in < 48 hours on average



C. Risk Management & Compliance

Digital onboarding was a key enabler



Managing Risk Exposure

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Exposure Profile

YOCO

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DetailsTransactionsLogisticsUsersInvoicesSystemSupportPromo/Referral CodesSettlementsVettingRisk

Risk

Exposure Profile

Deferred Auth Profile

Controls

If transaction amount is >= 20000 then send Slack notification

from Standard

only applied after transaction complete

If # of transactions with same BIN is > 10 in the previous 1 days and is an international card then delay settlement for this transaction by 1 days

from Standard

only applied after transaction complete

If # transactions with same cardholder is == 10 in the previous 1 days then send Slack notification

from Standard

only applied after transaction complete

If is a swipe and sign transaction and transaction amount is >= 5000 then send Slack notification

from Standard

If declined reason is card stolen/pick up card then send Slack notification

from Standard

only applied after transaction complete

If is a fallback transaction and transaction amount is >= 3000 then send Slack notification

from Standard

only applied after transaction complete

If # transactions with same cardholder is >= 2 in the previous 1 days and transaction amount is >= 1000 and declined reason is incorrect PIN then send Slack notification

from Standard

only applied after transaction complete

If # transactions with same cardholder is >= 2 in the previous 1 days and transaction amount is >= 1000 and declined reason is limit exceeded then send Slack notification

from Standard

Display a menu

Realtime alerts



Yoco

- #katlego
- #musa
- #key-accounts-
- #lead-qualification
- #lunch
- #new-registration
- #office-stuff
- #online-marketing
- #payworks-partner-ops
- #product-requests
- #project-android-
- #project-qamatha
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- #risk
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- #support
- #system-alerts
- #tablet-pos
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- #watershed-package
- #world-economic-forum
- #transactions
- +33 More...

DIRECT MESSAGES

- slackbot
- nick
- +4 More...

#transactions

18:34 (18s) Approved 220.00 (YARD) visa(**** 4349) (1.2.1 build 4) #324837960

18:35 (22s) Approved 450.00 (International Kim Loong Wushu Centre) visa(**** 9121) (1.0.5 build 10) #010012229

18:37 (13s) Aborted 289.52 (Delivery Xtreme Randburg) - Aborted shopper aborted (1.2.1 build 4)

18:38 (10s) Approved 289.52 (Delivery Xtreme Randburg) (**** 7602) (1.2.1 build 4) #324837991

18:40 (13s) Approved 50.00 (Boerie Express) (**** 4286) (1.2.3 build 2) #016359852

18:43 (12s) Approved 330.00 (YARD) (**** 4592) (1.2.1 build 4) #324837960

18:43 (24s) Approved 232.00 (Delivery Xtreme Seapoint) (**** 3786) (1.2.3 build 2) #324837995

18:45 (13s) Approved 1205.60 (YARD) (**** 4683) (1.2.1 build 4) #324837960

18:46 (15s) Approved 75.00 (Blasters Cape Gate) (**** 7003) (1.2.3 build 2) #324838016

yoco-core BOT 18:55

13:41 (18849s) Aborted 170.00 (SpiritCafe) visa(**** 7223) - Aborted merchant aborted #010012187

yoco-core BOT 19:06

19:06 (15s) Declined 177.95 (culture club cheese) visa(**** 4000) by authorization system #010012640

19:07 (22s) Approved 55.00 (Boerie Express) (**** 9411) #016359852

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- +33 More...

DIRECT MESSAGES

- slackbot
- nick
- tapiwa
- +9 More...

#system-alerts

Bellesa Studio has had 4 consecutive unsuccessful transactions. 3 errors, 1 aborts and 0 declines

yoco-core BOT 15:42

SpiritCafe has had 4 consecutive unsuccessful transactions. 2 errors, 2 aborts and 0 declines

SpiritCafe has had a successful transaction and recovered from a spree of 4 consecutive unsuccessful transactions

yoco-core BOT 17:07

Delivery Xtreme Randburg has had 5 consecutive unsuccessful transactions. 3 errors, 2 aborts and 0 declines

yoco-core BOT 17:20

Alabaster Box Beauty Salon has had a successful transaction and recovered from a spree of 7 consecutive unsuccessful transactions

yoco-core BOT 18:13

Delivery Xtreme Randburg has had 6 consecutive unsuccessful transactions. 3 errors, 2 aborts and 1 declines

Delivery Xtreme Randburg has had 6 consecutive unsuccessful transactions. 3 errors, 2 aborts and 1 declines

yoco-core BOT 18:42

Delivery Xtreme Randburg has had a successful transaction and recovered from a spree of 6 consecutive unsuccessful transactions

Today

yoco-core BOT 13:36

ZEE SA Group (Pty) Ltd has had 4 consecutive unsuccessful transactions. 0 errors, 4 aborts and 0 declines

yoco-core BOT 13:43

D. Brand Building & Storytelling

The logo consists of the word "YOCO" in a light gray, rounded, sans-serif typeface. The letters are widely spaced, giving it a clean, minimalist appearance.

2016 - 2018



2018 - 2020

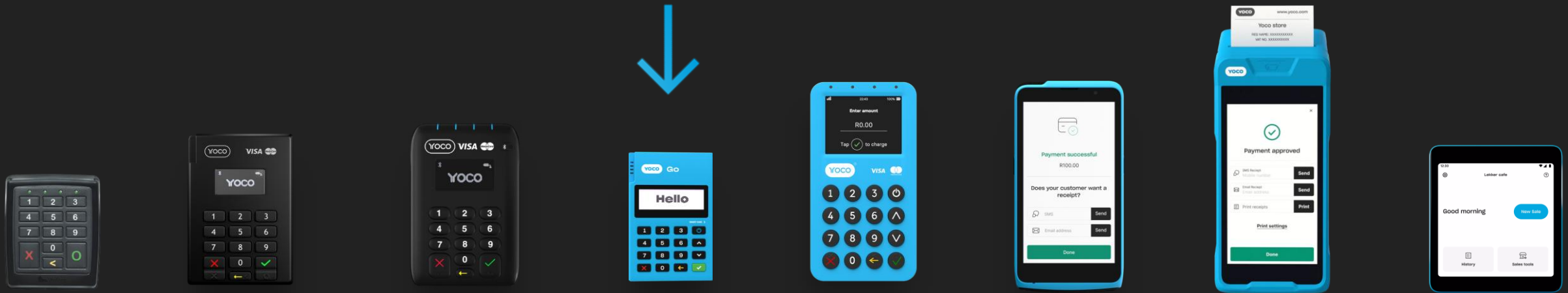


2020 - 2023

The logo is the word "YOCO" in a very bold, black, sans-serif typeface. The letters are tightly spaced, creating a strong, impactful visual.

2024

Our evolution from black to blue was not an obvious decision at the time.



2019



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Let's Go

Request a Callback

Launch Price R799*

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***while stock lasts**

VISA



**SAMSUNG
pay**



F. Innovating through Crisis

MOST NOTABLY, WE RELEASED THE SMALL BUSINESS RECOVERY MONITOR, A BOLD ATTEMPT AT TELLING THE STORY OF SMB RECOVERY THROUGH DATA FROM OUR 80,000 MERCHANTS

- The recovery monitor was cited in the press more than 400 times.
- Used by investment banks such as Goldman Sachs and HSBC in their research.
- Helped the government make important policy decisions.
- Most importantly, small businesses found it very useful to know how they were doing compared to their peers.



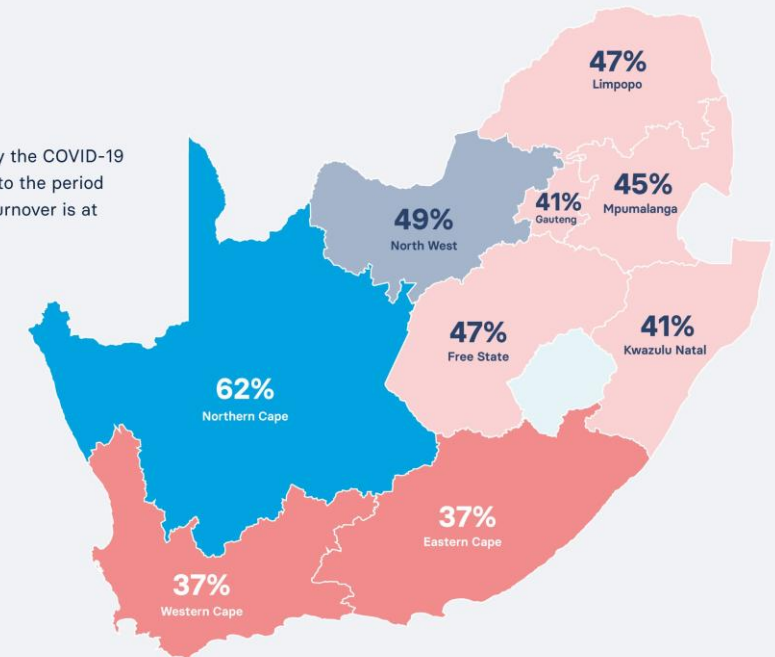
SMALL BUSINESS RECOVERY MONITOR

This map shows how turnover of small businesses has been impacted by the COVID-19 lockdown. Each % indicates average SME turnover per province relative to the period prior to lockdown (the baseline). For example, 34% indicates that SME turnover is at 34% of what it was before lockdown (or 66% down).

Data for week of 6 - 12 May



South Africa SME turnover index



Please refer to yoco.com for full methodology

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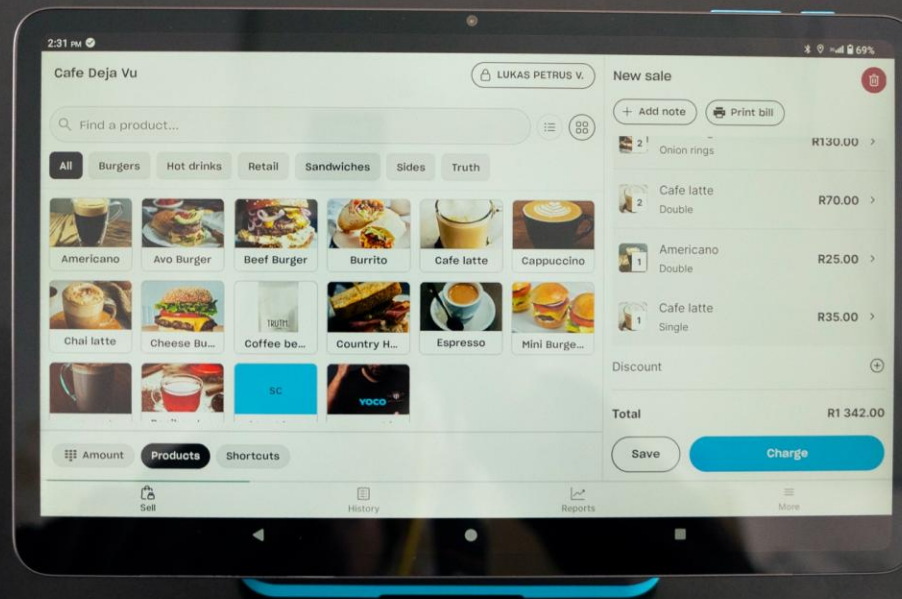
Impact of COVID-19 lockdown on South African small businesses over time

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G. Product Innovation







Setting up Yoco Counter, a self-service example



H. Technology & Infrastructure

The Yoco Iceberg



AI @ Yoco

The innovators mindset

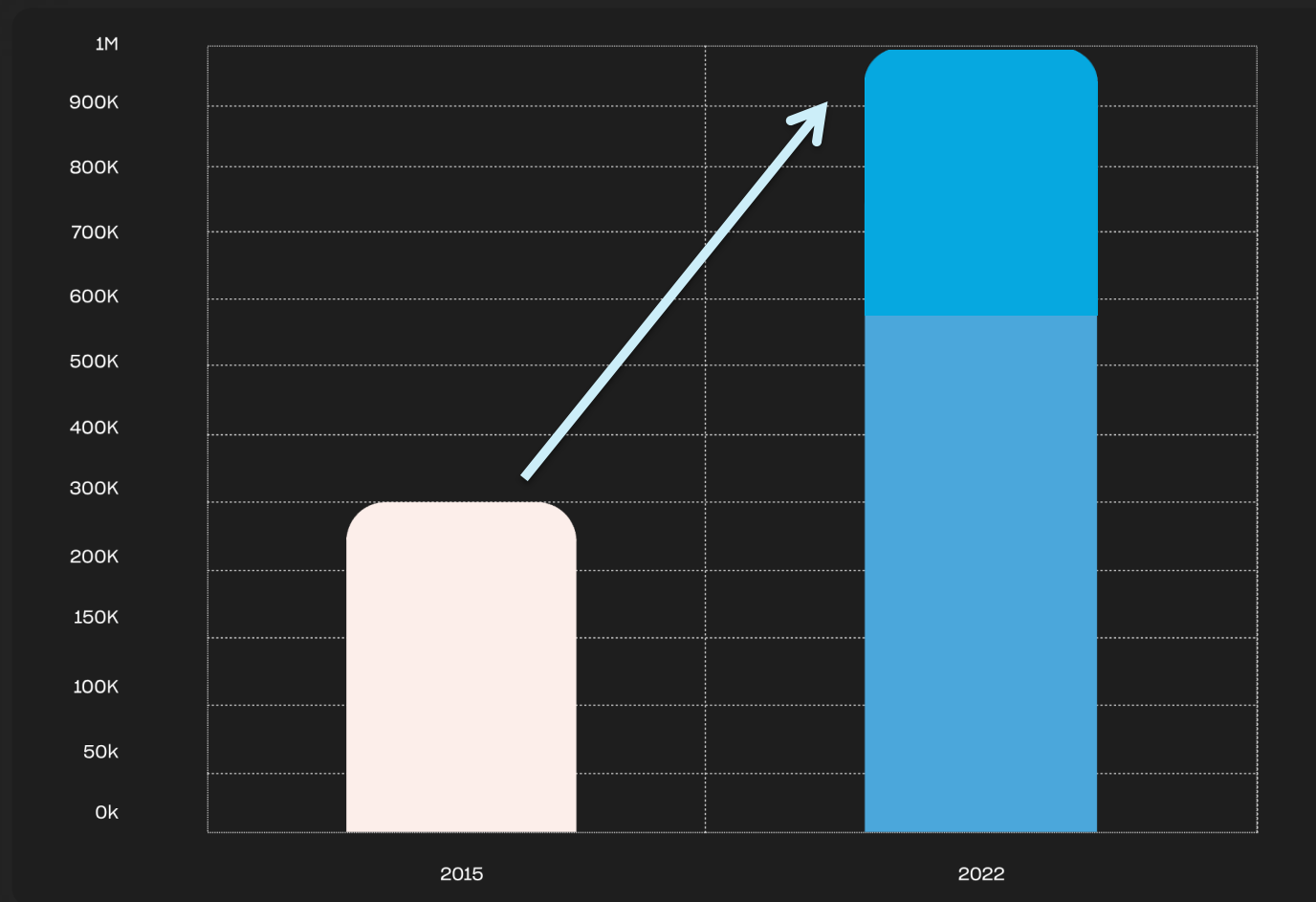
- Look outside the room you're standing in/ step outside of your box.
- Be married to the problem, not the solution.
- Solve at the source.
- Stay connected to your customers, partners and team to remain relevant.

“Today’s solutions are tomorrow’s problems”. Keep moving forward.

What's Next?



SA market growth, a maturing market in the formal space



Access → Product Orientation

Regulation

Single → Multi-Market



an underdog story

Thank you!