# Micro-credentials for SME Owners

## **Proposal:**

**Value Proposition:** The Micro-credentials for SME Owners program offers a unique skills-gap and learning experience value proposition by providing targeted, actionable training in key areas essential for SME growth and sustainability. Unlike traditional academic programs, our micro-credentials focus on practical, hands-on learning experiences that directly address the specific challenges faced by SME owners in today's dynamic and digital-first business environment.

## **Program Features:**

### 1. Skills-Gap Analysis:

- Gain a comprehensive understanding of your business's skills landscape through our skill reports.
- Armed with accurate data, you can confidently drive informed decisions that shape success.

# 2. Skills Mapping:

- Our solution enables you to contextualize your skills requirements, creating a tailored skills model that aligns with your unique needs.
- By mapping your skills landscape, you can identify areas of strength and areas for improvement, allowing you to prioritize your learning and development initiatives effectively.

#### 3. Skills Matrix:

- Align learning initiatives with real-time skills data, ensuring that your targeted learning is relevant, impactful, and directly contributes to both individual growth and organizational success.
- By tracking and monitoring skills development through a dynamic skills matrix, you
  can measure the effectiveness of your training programs and make data-driven
  decisions to optimize your workforce's capabilities.

### **Key Features and Process:**

- Skills Assessment: SME owners undergo a comprehensive skills assessment to identify
  existing competencies and areas for improvement.
- **Customized Learning Pathways:** Based on the skills assessment results, personalized learning pathways are created to address specific skill gaps and business needs.
- Interactive Learning Modules: SME owners engage in interactive learning modules covering a wide range of topics relevant to business management, including sales and marketing, administration, operations, and finance.
- Real-World Application: Learning is reinforced through practical exercises, case studies, and real-world examples, allowing SME owners to apply their newfound knowledge directly to their businesses.

• **Continuous Monitoring and Feedback:** Progress is continuously monitored, and feedback is provided to ensure ongoing improvement and effectiveness of the program.

# **Tiered Bundled Packages for SME Owners:**

All packages include skills-gap analysis, mapping and matrix report per participant.

- 1. Starter Package "Foundation Builder"
  - Includes:
    - Sales and Marketing Workshop
    - Administrative Skills Workshop
  - **Cost:** R5,500 per participant
  - **Description:** Ideal for SME owners looking to establish a strong foundation in essential business skills. This package focuses on enhancing sales and marketing capabilities while also improving administrative efficiency.
- 2. Growth Package "Expansion Accelerator"
  - Includes:
    - Operations Management Course
    - Financial Forecasting Workshop
    - Social Media Marketing Bootcamp
  - Cost: R12,500 per participant
  - Description: Designed for SME owners aiming to scale their businesses and optimize operational efficiency. This package combines operations management, financial forecasting, and advanced marketing strategies to drive growth and expansion.
- 3. Premium Package "Business Mastery"
  - Includes:
    - Complete Sales and Marketing Suite (Workshop, Digital Marketing Course, CRM Implementation Training)
    - Operations Management Course
    - Accounting Fundamentals Course
    - Financial Forecasting Workshop
  - Cost: R25,000 per participant
  - **Description:** Tailored for SME owners committed to mastering all aspects of business development. This comprehensive package covers sales, marketing, operations, and finance, providing the necessary skills to lead and grow a successful business.