**Test 2**

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**19. Creating a Startup Ecosystem Hub for Kosovo Entrepreneurs**

Description: Develop an interactive platform where entrepreneurs in Kosovo can network with investors, mentors, and other startups. In this regard, event listings, networking opportunities, and resources on how to get started with and scale a business in the tech industry can be integrated into the platform.

In connection, we conclude from our research that, although highly promising, the Kosovar ecosystem faces very specific challenges: increased access to financing is necessary for entrepreneurs to rely less heavily on personal networks and local, limited investors. Mentorship emerged as a key gap, particularly in the scaling up, marketing, and international growth areas where entrepreneurs say they often feel isolated. Co-working spaces and tech hubs have mushroomed, acting as lead networking points, but more needs to be done in terms of organized events and interactive sessions that link the startups to both investors and mentors. Available resources, like those by government and NGOs, become useful yet invisible and uncoordinated; hence, it is so difficult for a startup to get all the support. Overall, the ecosystem would benefit from a unified platform that connects entrepreneurs with resources, mentorship, and networking opportunities tailored to their growth stages.