

### Introduction Somewhere around 1987...



## In April 2019, 2.32 billion people used Facebook actively every month

# In 2015, worldwide revenue from social media amounted to € 22.9 billion

And a lot of money





# Hello!

## I am Maren Borkert

- I have a wide-ranging knowledge of academic disciplines and international collaboration.
- For me Digital Entrepreneurship is a path to a more inclusive digital future.
- I believe that at its heart economics is about people.



### In my research...

#### **Research Questions:**

- ♦ What incentivizes entrepreneurial actors?
- What are the gives and takes in digital entrepreneurial transactions?
- How is the digital affecting economic inequality and its social and cultural costs?

#### Theoretical Approach:

Entrepreneurial ecosystem +

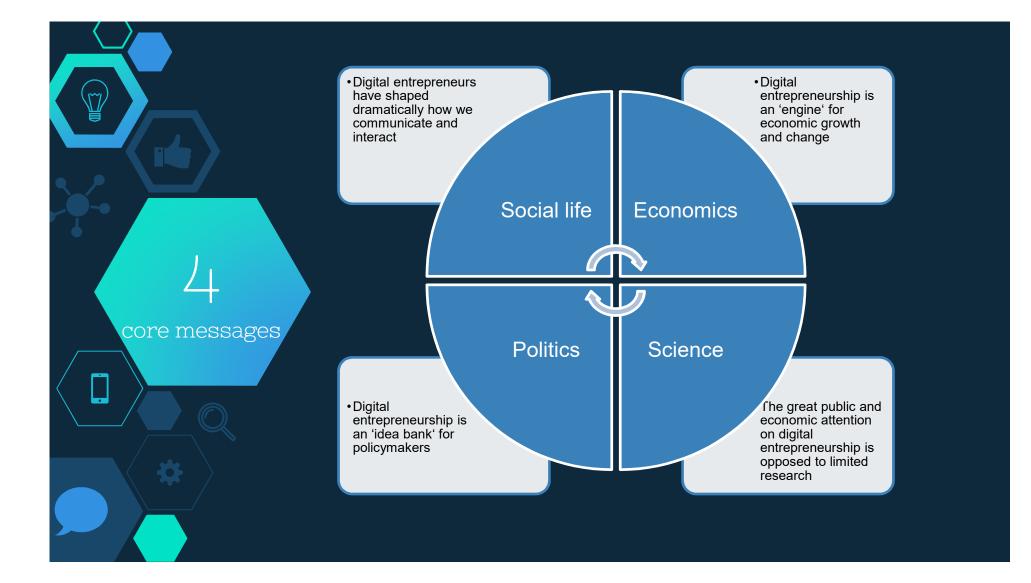
#### <u>Methodology:</u>

Qualitative, quantitative, mixed methods & computational social science



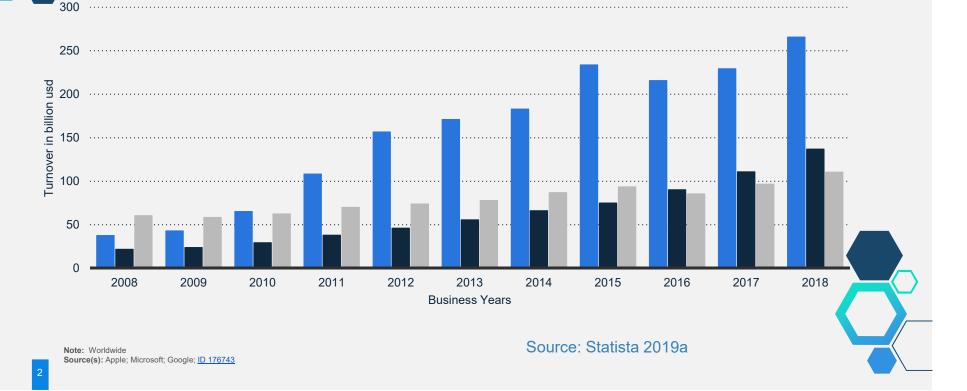
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# Turnover of Apple, Google (Alphabet) and Microsoft compared, 2008–2018 (in billion usd)

■Apple ■Google (Alphabet) ■Microsoft





# Fairer Work in the Digital Gig Economy

- University of Oxford, WZB and Weizenbaum Institute for the Networked Society
- Types of digital platforms in the Berlin Gig Economy
- Their governance modes and business models
- Digital side-effect? → self-employed platform workers



# Digital City Competitiveness

 University of Technology Sydney, comparison between Sydney and Berlin:

- Indices for digital cities and competitiveness
- Local start-up ecosystem for different key technologies (Blockchain & Al)
- Impact of relation between tech startups and ecosystem on city competitiveness

### Only 1 article published before 2010

That is original

### More than $\frac{1}{2}$ of the articles < 2 years

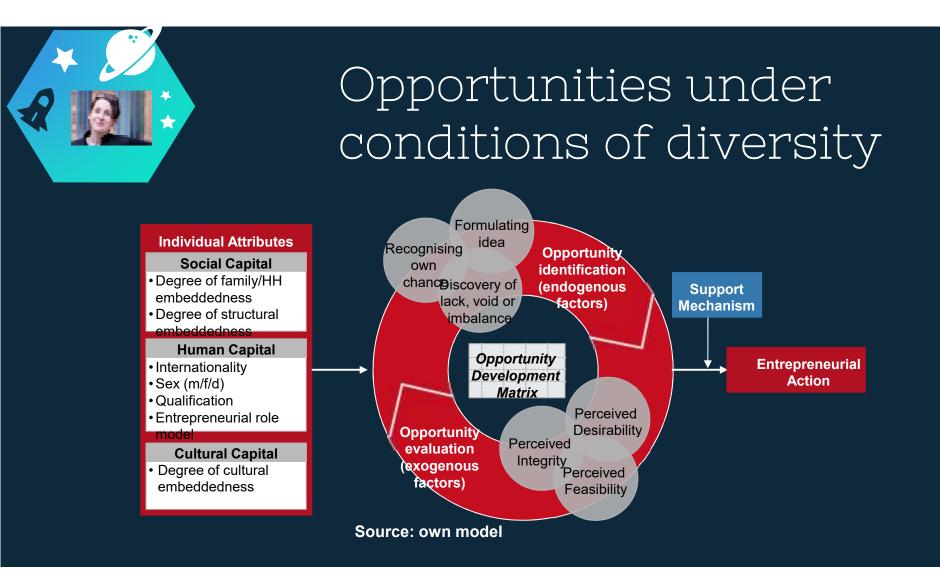
That is recent

### 5 strands of literature:

digital business models, digital entrepreneurship stages, platform strategies, entrepreneurship education, social digital entrepreneurship

Strong focus on venture-side!

Source: Kraus et al. 2019



# Making digital entrepreneurship inclusive

#### The human side

It focuses on the very people that are actually carrying out digital entrepreneurial endeavors. After all, it is people who indvidually or in groups make use of their creativity to generate ideas for new digital products and services.

#### The methods side

It focus on the research instruments used to explore digital entrepreneurship. Digital technologies are not a new terrain for old methods, instead they offer the possibility to restructure the study of socio-economic itself.



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