Account research template

Researching a new potential customer can be a daunting task. How do you get started and what do you need to know? Don't panic - this account research template will help you find and target the right people.

| [Account Name] | |
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| Account Overview | Business model and industry |
| | Customer's vision/mission/goals |
| | Key numbers |
| | Popular target markets for customer's industry |
| | Estimated budget |
| Business strategy | Account's business objectives |
| | • Challenges |
| | Industry landscape |
| | Short and long-term priorities |
| | Key projects |
| | • KPIs |
| Needs and motivations | Pain points |

| | Why do they need your product/service? |
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| | Solutions your product/service can offer |
| | Must-haves |
| Organization chart | Who is vital to approving decisions? |
| | Do you have a champion? Could any of your contacts become champions? |
| | Are there people you should be in contact with but aren't? |
| Competitive analysis | Who is the account's competition? |
| | Key strengths of competition |
| | Key weaknesses of competition |
| Buying process | Steps involved in the process |
| | How long will the buying process take? |
| | What will potentially hold up or stop the process? |