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]	
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?
	 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?