## In A Business Franchise, Who Develops The Product And Business Systems? | Business Operation System

This article is a riveting and insightful interview with a leading expert on business franchises, who shares wisdom on integrating innovation into a franchise model and fostering a culture of shared growth.

Understanding these elements is vital for business owners and franchisees who seek to improve their operations and influence collective growth in their organization.

By doing these exercises, the reader will better understand the tactical aspects of fostering innovation within their franchise system and learn how they can immediately implement these techniques.

## Quote to remember from the Interview

"When you allow each unit to innovate, to share, you're not just rising alone. When the tide rises, all the boats rise with it."

## What You'll Learn From the Activity

The following exercises and questions will help you assimilate the key concepts from the article, prompting you to introspect on your current strategies and offering practical steps towards enhancing innovation and shared success in your franchise operations.

Activity Reflect on your current methods of fostering innovation within your franchise. Are they effective?
Write down three main ways the founding ethos of the franchisor influences your operations.
Identify one innovative idea that has originated from a franchise unit in your own network recently.
What steps did you take to integrate this innovation within the established systems?
True or False: Allowing satellite units to innovate independently can be beneficial to the organization as a whole.

How do you currently share successful innovations across your organization?
Write down the potential impacts of shared innovations on the growth and progress of your franchise network.
Fill in the blank: When a franchise allows each unit to, the entire system benefits.
Outline a step-by-step approach to integrating new innovations into your franchise systems.

How do you assess the value of a proposed innovation? List at least three criteria.
Enumerate some ways of promoting a problem-solving culture within your satellite units.
What would a 'rising tide lifts all boats' approach look like in your franchise?
List three core takeaways from this interview that you find the most impactful.

How do you plan to incorporate what you've learned into your organization?
From the resources provided, which do you find most relevant to your needs? Why?
What barriers might you face when trying to integrate new innovations within your established systems?
Imagine a scenario where one satellite unit has developed an innovative method which improves an aspect of the franchise. How would you disseminate this innovation to other units?

True or False: In a franchise, you are in business for yourself.
Reflect on the power of the "rising tide" analogy on the effectiveness of shared growth in franchise networks.
How will you encourage creativity within your satellite units moving forward?
How does sharing innovations contribute to the collective growth of the franchise?

Multiple choice: "Most innovations within a franchise system originate from: a) The franchise owner b) The customers c) The satellite units d) The franchisor
Write down your interpretation of the quote: "Seeds of change often come from the corners of an operation. Harnessing those can be a game-changer."
Complete the sentence: Sharing innovations across entities within a franchise ensures

Plan and write down a strategy on how you would seek, share and scale innovations in your franchise network in the next six months.
How will the implementation of a shared innovation approach change your current franchise operations?
Provide an example of a scenario where agility in updating systems can dramatically impact the franchise.
What are your key takeaways from the interview, and how do they align with your current business objectives?
How would you communicate the need for innovation and shared success within your franchise units?

Reflect on the insights gained through this workbook and how it can shape your approach in improving your franchise operations.