## **Co-founder Agreement:**

Sign a pre-nup before saying "I do"

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Importance of a co-founder agreement
Key issues to discuss while drafting
Splitting the equity pie
Co-founder agreements vis a vis ESOP

A founders' agreement is a generic term used for agreements between the co-founders of a company. This agreement address the relationships between the co-founders and the co-founders' rights and responsibilities in the company. Depending on the company's stage of maturity (and, if it has already been incorporated, its form of incorporation), this agreement could take the form of a shareholders agreement, operating agreement, or just a general founders' agreement. Regardless of what it is called, the purpose is the same — to ensure that the co-founders are on the same page and to avoid misunderstandings and disputes in the future.

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