

B2B Social Media: Lead Generation and ROI for Brands

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Social Media = Bi-directional Communications

Searching for Information Connecting with People, Organizations & Brands Networking with Business Colleagues Finding & Sharing Interests Recommending & Reviewing Products Researching & Educating Purchasing

























Knock, Knock

Who's There?

Your Target Audience



Social Media Reach





facebook

- 875 million active users
- Approximately 80% of FB users outside of U.S.
- 50% of users log on to FB each day
- Average user has 130 friends
- 700 billion minutes per month spent of FB
- Average user connected to 80 community pages, groups and events
- More than 250 million active users access FB through mobile devices
- 56% of users say that they are more likely to recommend a brand after becoming a fan

Source: Facebook, February 2012





- Largest professional network on the Internet
- More than 150 million members in over 200 countries and territories
- More than half of LinkedIn members are outside of the U.S.
- Executives from all of the 2011 Fortune 500 companies
- More than 2 million companies have LinkedIn Pages

Source: LinkedIn May 2011

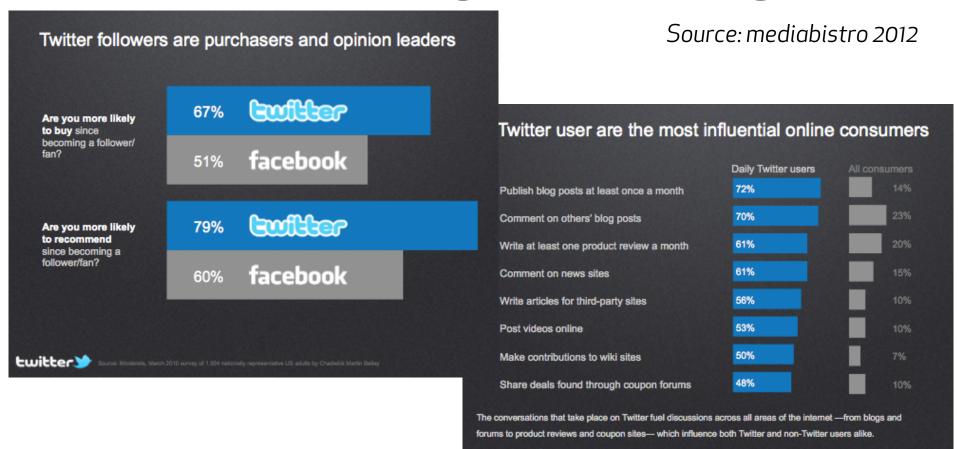
 45% of B2B Companies have gained a customer from LinkedIn

Source: B2B Social Media Guide





- 100 million active users, 50 million are active everyday
- 34% of marketers have generated leads using Twitter



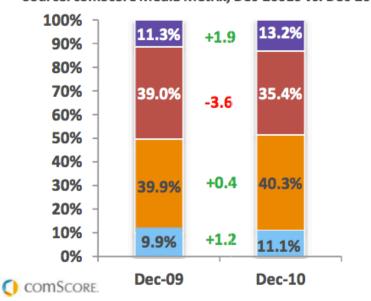
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Facebook & Twitter Nearly Half of Users are 35+

U.S. Demographic Profile

Share of Visitors to Facebook.com

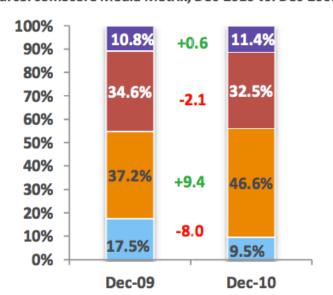
Source: comScore Media Metrix, Dec-20010 vs. Dec-2009



U.S. Demographic Profile

Share of Visitors for Twitter.com

Source: comScore Media Metrix, Dec-2010 vs. Dec-2009









- #2 search engine after Google
- 35 hours of video uploaded per minute in 2011
- 800 million unique users visit YouTube each month
- 700 billion playbacks in 2010
- 70% of YouTube traffic from outside the U.S.
- Demographic is broad: 18-54
- 400+ million YouTube Mobile views per day
- YouTube is monetizing over 3 billion video views per week globally
- Number of advertisers using display ads on YouTube increased 10fold in the last year
- More video is uploaded to YouTube in one month than the 3 major US networks created in 60 years

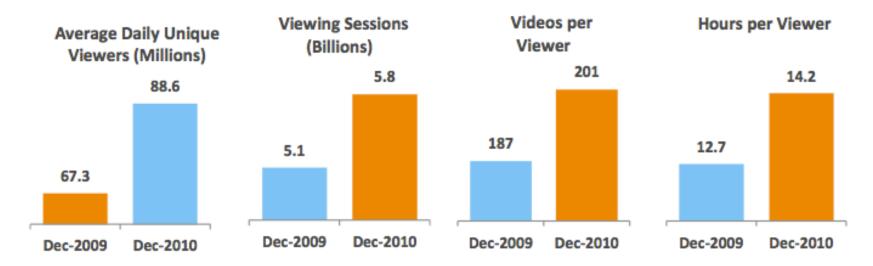
Source: YouTube, February 2012



Online Video Views Growing by Leaps and Bounds

Growth in Total U.S. Online Video Market

Source: comScore Video Metrix, Dec-2010 vs. Dec-2009









- More than 12 million American adults maintain a blog
- More than 57 million Americans read blogs
- Technorati is currently tracking more than 70 million blogs
- Over 120 thousand blogs are created every day
- 22 of the 100 most popular websites are blogs
- 51% of blog readers shop online
- Blog readers average 23 hours online each week

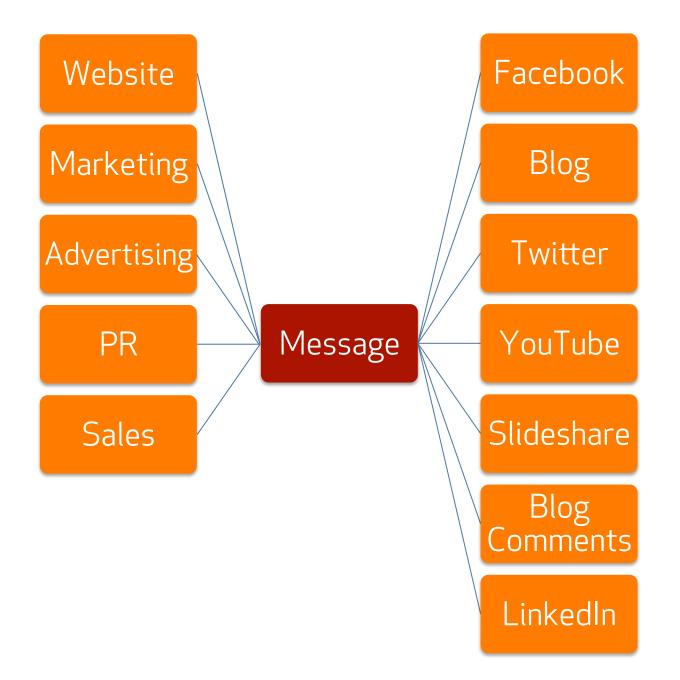
Source: Blog World Expo



PR Goes Social

- 37% of journalists are required to maintain Twitter accounts PRWeek 2010
- 52% of reporters now use Twitter as part of their jobs Cision/GSPM 2010
- 65% of journalists use Facebook for their work Cision/GSPM 2010







In order to measure success, you must identify your goal.

In order to reach the goal, you must plan your path.



30% of B2B marketers are spending millions of dollars each year

Nearly 30% of them are not tracking the impact of this marketing

Source: mediabistro 2012



Platform	Audience	Activity	Engagement	Web Traffic	Lead Gen
Twitter	#ofFollowers #ofFriends	#ofTweets	#of Tweets #of Mentions #of Retweets #of Conversations (DM)	# of Clicks to Website	#of Leads
Facebook	#of Fans #of Favorites	#of Posts #of Events	# of Comments # of Attendees (Events)	#of Clicks to Website	#of Leads
LinkedIn	#of Members	#of Posts	# of Discussion Posts # of News Posts # of Questions	#of Clicks to Website	#of Leads
YouTube	# of Subscribers # of Views # of Favorites	#of Uploads	# of Comments # of Link Backs	#of Clicks to Website	#of Leads
Blog Commenting		#of Comments	#of Responses	#of Clicks to Website	#of Leads
Corporate Blog	#of Readers #of Subscribers (RSS)	#of Posts	# of Comments # of Link Backs	#of Clicks to Website	#ofLeads



Revenue Generation

- Sales
- Memberships
- Registrations
- Downloads
- Participation



Cost Deflection

- Reducing Product Quality Defects
- Decrease R&D Expense
- Decrease Time to Market
- Decrease Marketing Expenses
- Customer Service & Support Savings

Resources: Womma Metrics Best Practices Guidebook



Conversation Reach

Conversation Reach Total People Participating
Total Audience Exposure = Conversation Reach

Share of Voice

Share of Voice

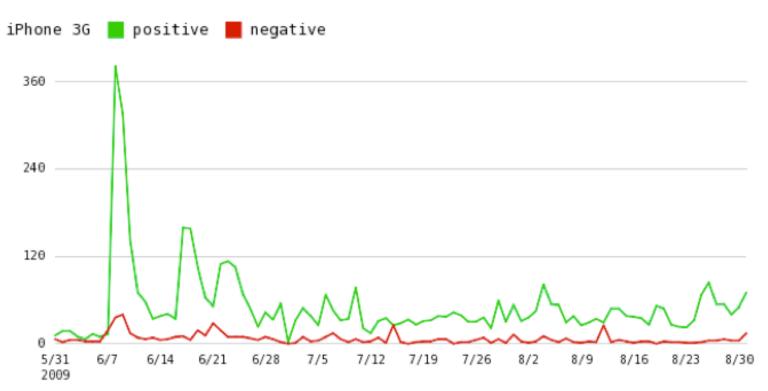
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Brand Mentions

Total Mentions (Brand + Competitor A, B, C...n) = Share of Voice
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Source: Altimeter Group



Sentiment



Source: Womma Metrics Best Practices Guidebook



UPS Woos & Wins SMBs Through Social Media



Cisco Cuts \$100,000+ Off Product Launch

Cisco SM Stats:

- Blog: 22 external, 475K views/quarter
- Twitter: 108 Cisco feeds with 2 million followers
- Facebook: 79 groups with 100k+ fans
- YouTube: 300+ channels, 2,000+ videos, 4 million views

Cisco SM Product Launch:

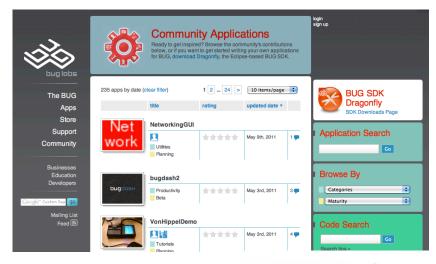
- 9,000 attendees vs. 100 traditional
- Triple the number of press articles
- More than 1,000 blog posts and 40 million online impressions
- Cost one-sixth of a traditional Cisco product launch





Bug Labs' Customers Drive Product Development









Top External (or Customer-Facing) Social Strategy Objectives in 2011



Base: 140 Global Corporate Social Strategists Source: Altimeter Group



B2B Social Media: Omni Hotels & Resorts

February 2012

OMNI CASE STUDY CURRENT SITUATION



Omni Hotels & Resorts offers luxury hotels and resorts throughout North America.

Omni has a large portfolio of meeting venue options to meet business event planning needs.

OMNI CASE STUDY CURRENT SITUATION



Omni wanted to significantly increase brand awareness and recognition among meeting planners across the United States.

Omni tapped Affect to create a social media presence that would allow it to engage with event planners and their influencers.

OMNI CASE STUDY THE ASSIGNMENT



Create brand awareness and buzz within the meeting and event planner community about Omni locations, meeting options and specific promotions.

Motivate meeting planners to take action and choose Omni for their events.

Generate groups sales leads using social media platforms.

OMNI CASE STUDY **STRATEGIES**

Omni Hotels & Resorts

Use social media as a platform for engaging in meaningful conversations with meeting and event planners and providing them with expertise and resources.

Create the Omni Understands landing page – a one-stop shop for meeting planners with information and resources that makes their jobs easier.

Use Twitter and Facebook as platforms for Omni to address the needs and interests of meeting planners across the United States.

Use LinkedIn to engage groups of planners in conversation, position Omni executives as thought leaders and answer their questions about meeting venues.

Use a blog commenting campaign to create a dialogue between Omni and industry influencers.

OMNI CASE STUDY

OMNI UNDERSTANDS LANDING PAGE

www.omniunderstands.com



OMNI CASE STUDY TWITTER: @OMNIMEETINGS

MEET bit.lv/wTHY6l #eventprofs #MPI

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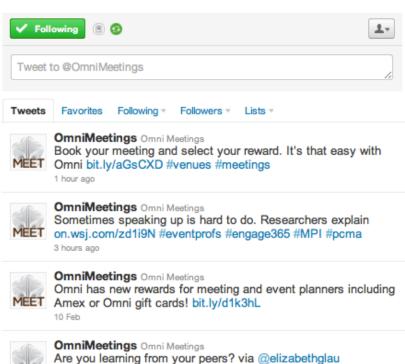
www.twitter.com/omnimeetings



Omni Meetings

@OmniMeetings USA

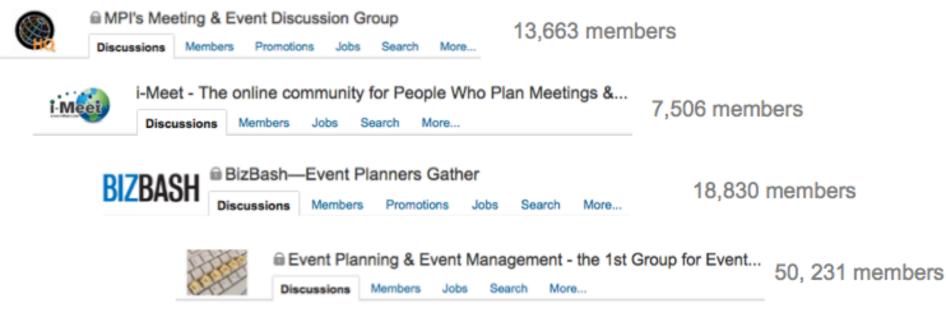
Omni Hotels & Resorts has the facilities, staff, technology and expertise to make your meeting or group event one to remember. 800-543-1400 http://omniunderstands.com





OMNI CASE STUDY LinkedIn

Omni participated in 3-4 discussions per week on LinkedIn Groups that are specific to meeting planners



OMNI CASE STUDY **BLOG COMMENTING**

Omni commented on 2-3 industry blogs and online publications each week











OMNI CASE STUDY **FACEBOOK FAN PAGE**

www.facebook.com/omnimeetings



Info

Photos

🔚 Discussions

Notes

75

people like this

Likes

Meeting CHAPTER Professionals International

See All

Omni Meetings & Events: Planners' Forum

Company / Edit Info







Wall

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Write something...



Omni Meetings & Events: Planners' Forum

Every generation is different and needs to be targeted accordingly. Event Coup offers top 10 strategies for engaging Gen Y at corporate meetings and events http://bit.ly/hjZ31g



Top 10 Strategies for Engaging Generation Y **Participants in Conferences and Corporate** Meetings - Eve

Summary: Every generation is different. In the biggest transfer of corporate power in decades, we've been hearing for some time that Generation Y would be hitting corporations worldwide. I've been looking forward to watching them shake things up, 20 and early 30 somethings are reaching the executive

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OMNI CASE STUDY RESULTS SNAPSHOT

Enhanced brand awareness

Gained more than 1,454 followers of Omni's Twitter handle

Secured media coverage for Omni in top outlets read by meeting & event planners via social media efforts

Web traffic and lead generation

Generated more than 25 leads for meetings involving more than 150 attendees

Increased monthly traffic to Omni Understands landing page by 25%

Strong community engagement

Conducted more than 1000 conversations on Twitter and Facebook with meeting planners and influencers

Following and engaging with more meeting planners on social media than any of Omni's competitors



OMNI CASE STUDY RESULTS: MEDIA COVERAGE

Ignored may be a harsh term. There are several companies attempting to engage group business through social media. Omnimeetings was recently launched on Twitter (I'll post updates on how they are doing in later posts). But realistically there are thousands of conversations occurring every day among meeting planners that hotels quite simply are missing. Not to mention the variety of sites where they form communities and rely on each other for suggestions on anything from where to get decorations in a particular city to, and I've seen this, WHERE TO HAVE THEIR EVENT!

Interactions on Twitter have led to media coverage for Omni

About.com. Conventions and Hospitality

Hotels Get Social

Hotels Check Into Social Media, Settle In For Long Stay By Rebecca Frisch, About.com Guide

Omni Hotels and Resorts created a separate Twitter account to market its meeting & convention offerings while the Wyndham Orange County is using Twitter to reach event professionals as well. In November 2010, Wyndham Orange County held a "Make Your Own Meeting" Twitter contest with a two-fold purpose - to call attention to its newly refurbished event space and to discover just what planners are looking for.



MPITheresa

need to talk re: NY Times piece on FutureWatch - they want hotelier perspective. Can someone call me at 972-702-3044 ASAP 19 minutes ago



OmniMeetings

Great, thanks so much for the opportunity! I have forwarded this number to Omni's PR team - someone should be reaching out to you shortly!



OMNI CASE STUDY

RESULTS: LEADS GENERATED

Online engagement has generated known leads for Omni



andinarvaez Andi Narvaez

.@BLENcorp is hosting @Mashable tweetup for Social Good in #DC & looking for private meeting space for 50 ppl.Want to host the event? PIs RT

2 hours ago



OmniMeetings Omni Meetings

Hi @andinarvaez – the Omni Shoreham Hotel in #DC might be a fit for the tweetup http://bit.ly/9YPVrC - if you'd like, DM us for more info 1 minute ago



BLENCorp BLEN Inc

Hi @OmniMeetings who can I email about the space for our meetup here's the info by the way http://www.meetup.com/Mashable/22767/ THANK YOU!

5 minutes ago



OmniMeetings

We have sent your info to our sales team & they will be reaching out to you directly. Please let us know if you need anything else. Thanks!



reneemmurphy Renee Murphy

Anyone know of a creative meeting space in Orlando? #MRX 21 hours ago



OmniMeetings Omni Meetings

@reneemmurphy Hi Renee - Can we help? We have a location in Orlando that might work for your meeting: http://bit.ly/fjToVf 20 hours ago



reneemmurphy Renee Murphy

@omnimeetings thanks! My colleague will follow up. Way to be on social media! The service award of the day goes to you.

19 hours ago



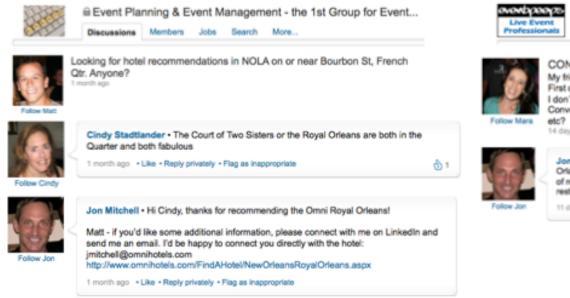
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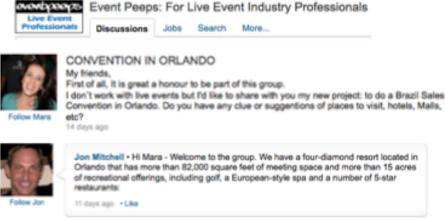
@reneemmurphy our pleasure. If it's easier, just have your colleague send a tweet or DM with their contact info & we can follow up directly

17 hours ago

OMNI CASE STUDY RESULTS: LEADS GENERATED

LinkedIn commenting lead to 8 known leads within the first 2 months of engagement





OMNI CASE STUDY RESULTS: MEDIA COVERAGE

Interactions on Facebook have secured positive media coverage for Omni on About.com



Omni Meetings & Events: Planners' Forum Exciting offer from Omni: Now through December, meeting planners can qualify for a new Bose iPod docking station or \$300 to their favorite charity to be awarded at contract signing http://bit.ly/amBsfi



Omni Hotels | Rock Star

bit.ly

EARN A BOSE IPOD DOCKING STATIONSimply book a qualified meeting by December 31, 2010, and a sleek and stylish docking station is all yours.





Rebecca Frisch Oh! Wish I would have seen this earlier today! I'll include it in my blog next week on http://hospitality.about.com/!
Tuesday at 11:53om ' Like ' Flag



Omni Meetings & Events: Planners' Forum Great - we would love to be included in the post! Would you like me to shoot you a message with my email address? I'd be happy to provide more information and details about Omni's promotions for planners.

19 hours ago ' Like



Rebecca Frisch Yes! Please email me at hospitality.guide@about.co m.

15 hours ago : Like : Flag



Omni Meetings & Events: Planners' Forum Thanks! I will email you some more information.

2 seconds ago : Like

Write a comment...

About.com.: Conventions and Hospitality

Conventions and Hospitality



Wednesday's What You May Have Missed

Wednesday November 3, 2010

Plan an event at Omni Atlanta, the city's only Four Diamond convention hotel, and you'll
have the chance to score a diamond of your own.



©Omni Hotels & Resorts

Event professionals who book a meeting by year's end (and host it before December 31, 2011) will be entered into a drawing to win a \$500 gift certificate to Tiffany & Co. A minimum of \$50,000 in room revenue must be booked in order to qualify. A total of three gift certificates will be awarded. For more details or to submit an online RFP, click here.

OMNI CASE STUDY RESULTS: BLOG COMMENTING



Tips for Marketing your Next Event

Katie S. November 8, 2010 at 10:24 am

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Identifying where an event will be taking place and taking the mystery out of the location is not only a great marketing opportunity, but also helpful for prospective attendees.

I love the idea of taking videos and pictures of the venue as you prepare for the event. This is a fun way to engage with your audience, to get them excited about the event, encourage momentum and registration as well as get them acquainted with the venue.

A tour of the facility can serve a dual logistic and marketing purpose as well. You can use video to provide a virtual tour, which enables you to show off the location and its amenities as well as will help attendees better navigate the location for when they arrive. For example, at Omni Hotels we offer virtual tours for many of our properties, allowing meeting planners to provide attendees with a link to explore the space prior to the event.

Best, Katie S., Omni Hotels & Resorts @omnimeetings

Amanda Smith November 10, 2010 at 9:00 am

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Hi Katie,

That's so great that Omni Hotels offer the virtual tours! It's so helpful for meeting planners to get a feel for the space before and after they do their site visit.

We also use the videos and photos that we take during the site visit internally to show our event photographer where we were thinking they could set up for each function and what kind of shots of the room would be great when the event is going on. Gives them a way to get a feel for the space and prepare for the photography.

OMNI CASE STUDY

RESULTS: BLOG COMMENTING



Seven Significant Trends Impacting Face-To-Face Meetings

Katie S.

November 4, 2010 | 8:36 am

Hi Jeff - This is an insightful and invaluable overview, thank you!

There are so many new opportunities for event professionals to develop and execute rich, dynamic and memorable meeting experiences. The Horizon Report 2010 trends only further emphasizes the ways that the industry continues to be redefined. Speaking from the perspective of a venue, we're excited (and inspired!) to see that planners are working towards creating meetings that focus on building a more innovative and participatory face-to-face experience for attendees.

The challenge (for both planners and venues) is that event execution is now more complex than ever. There are more logistical elements, prospective audiences and channels that need to be considered. It's important for planners to take the right amount of time and steps to plan appropriately in order to ensure the right mix of online and face-to-face strategies.

Best,

Katie S., Omni Hotels & Resorts @omnimeetings

Jeff Hurt

November 4, 2010 | 9:59 am

@Katie

Thanks for reading and leaving your thoughts. I agree with you that event execution is increasingly more complex than in the past, especially if the meeting professional is also looking at the design of the experience for both online and face-to-face audiences.



2010 AWARD WINS





Social Media Marketing Awards
Best Integrated Campaign (non-tech)



PRSA Big Apple Award New Media/Social Media Campaign: B2B

B2B Social Media: Regus



Regus provides flexible office arrangements for businesspeople worldwide.

Regus maintains fully furnished and equipped offices, meeting rooms, receptionists and videoconferencing suites available to rent by the hour, day, week or month.

REGUS CASE STUDY CURRENT SITUATION



1,000+ business centers 450 cities in 75 countries Serving 200,000 clients daily

Clients can even opt for a "global membership" with the BusinessWorld pass, or open a virtual office anywhere in the world.



Generate 350 sales leads for Regus' 18 locations in Manhattan.

Could highly targeted, local programs perform better than a single, national campaign?

REGUS CASE STUDY BRAND POSITIONING



National Field Sales Plan: Persona - Entrepreneur

"I need space in Midtown, why Regus?"



Age: 47 Education: BS, Comp. Science, Brown Univ. Profession: CEO

Goals

- Getting the best
- "balanced" deal

 High quality
- services
 Low hassle factor

David Chin

As CEO and founder of SynCorp, a 30 person software development company, David knows the value of a dollar.

He's considering adding a sales person to the team in NY. From reading the WSJ and other business publications, he knows that he has numerous options for office space for this salesperson. David is looking for the best combination of price, location, and support services for his new employee.

Pain Points

- Not wasting time and money
- Not getting "apple to apple" data for
- comparisons

 Not getting an
- Not getting an "optimal" fit to current and future needs

Key Questions

- What's the
- pricing model?

 What are the
- obligations?
 How do "extras", incentives, and "a la cartes" affect price

THE REGUS GROUP NETW

Regus







Regus' current brand positioning is global, not local.

It also speaks to two target audiences.

Image: Regus Sales Personas brief

REGUS CASE STUDY

TARGET AUDIENCE RESEARCH



William Scheckel Marketing Consultant



"Yes, I have heard about Regus."

"My three main concerns when choosing an office are affordability, light and noise."

"I know very little about Regus, but yes, I'd consider it because I presume Regus' shared office space is flexible and affordable and things like tables, chairs, printers and such are there already. That's less for me to think about."



We tapped into the elements of Regus' brand essence that made sense for New York City-based prospects.

Entrepreneurs
Young (25 - 45)
1-5 employees, but growing
Fast business trajectory
Heavy networkers
Sense of community
(business & NYC)
Tech-skewed

"Make it easy"

"Make it fast"

"Put my best foot forward"

"Sick of working from home"

"Look the part"

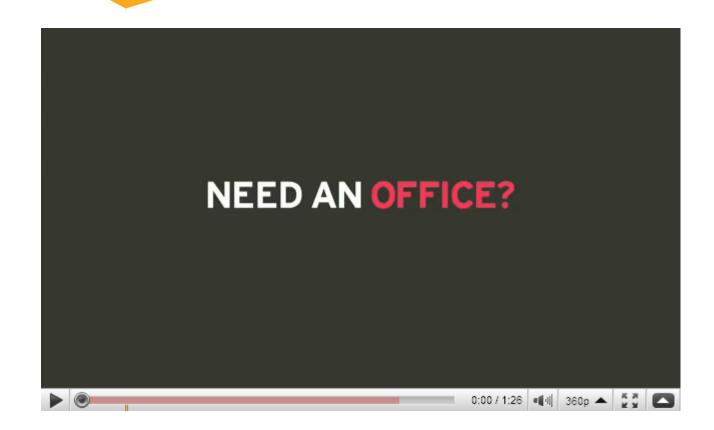
"Gotta be affordable"

"Just give me the facts"

"Do anything for my business"

REGUS CASE STUDY **OLD CREATIVE**





REGUS CASE STUDY PUBLIC RELATIONS

Press Releases Media Relations Byline Articles

Radio Media Tour Satellite Media Tour

Meet Pam Chmiel, winner of Regus' 2009 Win an Office Sweepstakes.



Pam is the founder of <u>Teen Entrepreneur</u>
<u>Boot Camp (TEBC)</u>, a nonprofit "business boot camp" that gives teens a rare opportunity to be entrepreneurs and



November 10, 2009 09:00 AM Eastern Daylight Time 🗗

Five Things Every NYC Entrepreneur Should Know About Competing and Succeeding in Today's Marketplace

Regus, global leader in flexible workplace solutions, offers tips to entrepreneurs and small businesses on how to maximize their chances of success without breaking the bank

NEW YORK--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Regus (LSE:RGU):

REGUS RESOURCES AND MULTIMEDIA
Regus Logo
Regus Online Press Room
'Win an Office' Sweepstakes Website
'Win an Office' Sweepstakes Image

NEWS FACTS

"With 17 Manhattan locations and more on the way, more than 3,500 New York City entrepreneurs and small businesses call Regus home."

REGUS CASE STUDY MARKETING

Regus Hosted Events
Sponsored Events
Online Advertising & SEM
Email Sponsorships
Partner Marketing
Taxi TV

Cinema Placements



REGUS CASE STUDY SOCIAL MEDIA

Facebook
LinkedIn
Twitter
Flickr
Blog Commenting Campaign
Viral Video



REGUS CASE STUDY PROJECT TIMELINE

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	Media Relations									
	Byline Articles			Drafts to Regus						
	Trend Intervention									
	Story Hijacking									
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	LinkedIn	Kickoff at Meeting								
	Facebook	Kickoff at Meeting								
Social Media	Flickr	Kickoff at Meeting								Flickr Plan Sent
	Viral Video			Scripts to Regus			Production Begins			
	Monitoring	Kickoff at Meeting						Monitoring Begins		
	Commenting Campaign	Kickoff at Meeting						Commenting Begin		
	Audio News Release								Pitching Begins	
Strategic Placements	Satellite Media Tour								Pitching Begins	
Strategic Flacements	Taxi TV									
	Cinema Placements									
Sponsorships	Live Entrepreneur Events								Gotham Media	Tech Aviv Event
	Online & Email Sponsorships								Media Buys began	
Live Events	Regus-Produced Events									
	Experiential Marketing									
Existing Partners & Properties	American Express									
	American Airlines & Delta									
	Existing Local Media Buys									
	Google AdWords									
"Classic" Direct Marketing	Email								Media Buys began	
	Direct Mail									
Account Administration		In-Person Meeting	Weekly call							Weekly call
Holidays			-				Columbus Day			

REGUS CASE STUDY MEASUREMENT



Track activities, but measure by results.

Simple Social Media Measurement Matrix

Platform	Audience	Activity	Engagement	Web Traffic	#of Leads #of Leads #of Leads	
Twitter	# of Followers # of Friends	# of Tweets	# of Tweets # of Mentions # of Retweets # of Conversations (Direct Msgs)	#Clicks to Website		
Facebook	#of Fans #of Favorites	#of Posts #of Events	# of Comments # of Attendees (Events)	#Clicks to Website		
LinkedIn	#of Members	#of Posts	#of Discussion Posts #of News Posts #of Questions	#Clicks to Website		
YouTube	#of Subscribers #of Views #of Favorites	#of Uploads	# of Comments # of Link backs	#Clicks to Website	#of Lead	
Blog Commenting	nenting - #0		#of Responses	#Clicks to Website	#of Leads	
Corporate Blog	#of Readers #of Posts #of Subscribers (RSS)		#of Comments #of Link backs	#Clicks to Website	#of Leads	



The Q4 2009 New York City campaign generated:

723 sales leads
900+ sweeps leads
\$1,067,000 in revenue (by close of Q4 2009)
a 114% year-over-year increase from Q4 2008 revenue

NEXT STEPS



Q1 2010 Priority Market Campaigns
New York City, Chicago, Atlanta, San Francisco, Phoenix

Public Relations Agency of Record

Social Media Agency of Record





Gold Award: Social Media

Gold Award: Video/Marketing Service

Platinum Award: Integrated Marketing Campaign



Integrated Communications for Business-to-Business

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