BUSINESS TO HUMAN

B2H MARKETING IN THE AGE OF ROBOTS



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WHEN EVERYBODY ZIGS, ZAG.

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Zag: The Number One Strategy of High-Performance Brand

TRUST.



TRUST. PEOPLE.



TRUST. PEOPLE. RELATIONSHIPS.



WE MUST PRIORITIZE REMAINING HUMAN.

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HUMAN

- + Emotional Intelligence
- + Creativity
- + Expertise, Unique POV
- + Nuance, Discernment
- + Connection, Relationships
- + Life Experience

AI

- + Research, Analysis
- + Ideation, Experimentation
- + Hyper-Personalization
- + Audience Targeting
- + Optimization
- + Automation, Productivity
- + Speed, Scale



BRAND TRUST – THE AUTHENTICITY GAP AI CAN'T CLOSE

1 DELIVERS ON ITS PROMISE

2 DRIVEN BY PURPOSE



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Male
Born in 1948
Born in 1948
Grew up in England
Married for the second time
Vacations in the Alps
Vacations in the Alps
Wealthy
Likes Dogs
Male
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Born in 1948

Married for the second time
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Likes Dogs

Charles III, King of England

Ozzy Osbourne, Rock and Roll Hall of Fame



PEOPLE TRUST INDIVIDUALS MORE THAN CORPORATE BRANDS



BRING HUMANS TO THE FOREFRONT OF YOUR BRAND

- + Showcase employees in corporate communications
- Invest in building personal brands
- Encourage and reward social media use, writing and speaking



WHEN THE CEO TALKS, PEOPLE LISTEN. IT'S NOT JUST ANOTHER VOICE. IT'S THE VOICE THAT DEFINES THE BRAND.

ADAM ROBINSON CEO, Retention.com & RB2B



THOUGHT LEADERSHIP - THE ANTIDOTE TO 'AI-GENERATED SLOP'



THOUGHT LEADERSHIP BUILDS BRAND REPUTATION

70%

OF BUSINESS LEADERS SAID THOUGHT LEADERSHIP IMPROVES HOW THEY VIEW THE BRAND 63%

SAID THOUGHT LEADERSHIP ENABLES INSIGHT INTO THE BRAND'S COMPETITIVE DIFFERENTIATION

Source: FT Longitude Learning from Leaders, C-Suite Insights 2019



THOUGHT LEADERSHIP OPENS NEW DOORS

84%

OF BUSINESS LEADERS USE THOUGHT LEADERSHIP TO BUILD THEIR WATCHLIST

Source: FT Longitude

27%

CONTACTED THE FIRM
THAT PRODUCED RELEVANT
THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

Source: Grist, The value of B2B thought leadership survey 2023



THOUGHT LEADERSHIP LEADS TO NEW BUSINESS

83%

OF BUSINESS LEADERS ARE
LIKELY TO REQUEST A MEETING
BASED ON RELEVANT THOUGHT
LEADERSHIP

Source: Grist

42%

INVITED A FIRM TO BID BASED ON ITS THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

Source: Edelman-LinkedIn



THOUGHT LEADERSHIP LEADS TO NEW BUSINESS

92%

OF BUSINESS DECISION-MAKERS AGREE THAT HIGH-QUALITY THOUGHT LEADERSHIP HAS INFLUENCED THEIR DECISION TO BUY

Source: FT Longitude



THE ONLY CONTENT THAT WILL GET THEM TO CLICK IS IN-DEPTH, ORIGINAL, INSIGHTFUL CONTENT THAT AI CANNOT DELIVER.



HUMAN-CENTERED MARKETING

- + Emotional connection
- + Relevance
- Customer centricity
- + Personalized experience



EMOTION DRIVES BUSINESS DECISIONS

B2B = 50%

OF B2B COMPANIES HAVE EMOTIONAL CONNECTIONS WITH CUSTOMERS B2C < 40%

OF B2C COMPANIES HAVE EMOTIONAL CONNECTIONS WITH CONSUMERS

Source: CEB/Gartner, Google and Motista



IN 2025, EVERY SINGLE PIECE OF CONTENT MUST INCLUDE A PERSONAL OR COMPANY STORY. NO EXCEPTIONS.

MARCUS SHERIDAN Owner/Partner, IMPACT



YOUR MARKETING ADVANTAGE

- Building a distinct, authentic, relevant brand that people like and trust.
- Using thought leadership and original content to outperform the competition (and AI).
- Humanizing your marketing through emotions and audience-focused storytelling.



HOW AI CAN HELP MARKETERS

- + Audience research/personas
- Testing and optimization
- Hyper-personalization
- Predictive analytics
- + QA and gap analysis



KNOW YOUR AUDIENCES

IN ORDER TO DELIVER THE MOST VALUE TO SOMEONE, YOU NEED TO KNOW AN AWFUL LOT ABOUT THEM!



AI-AIDED PERSONA DEVELOPMENT

- Upload existing ICPs/personas as a starting point
- Upload LinkedIn profiles and analyze
- Use AI to develop a persona
- Save and reference in the future



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PERSONALIZATION IS A MUST-HAVE STRATEGY IN THE FUTURE OF B2B MARKETING.

JESSICA COLLIER Web Conversion Strategist, Citrix



PERSONALIZATION

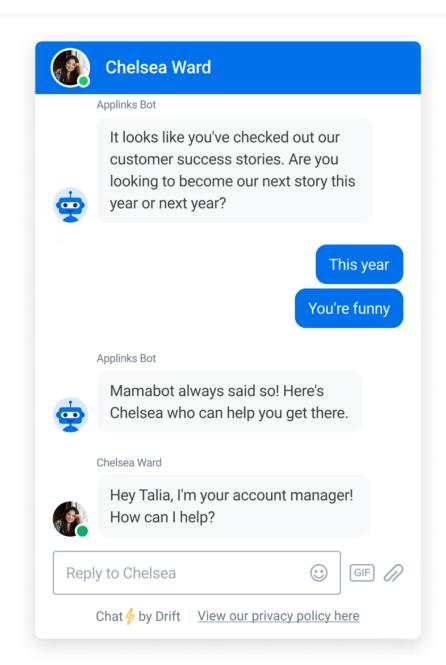
- **Dynamic:** A prospect from California will see CA projects and local contacts.
- **Behavioral:** A prospect who's been browsing a healthcare portfolio will be shown a personalized landing page with the latest healthcare trends with relevant resources.
- Predictive: If a client downloads a healthcare trends report, Al can predict they may be interested in a healthcare case study.

CONVERSATIONAL MARKETING

Unlock Pipeline with the Right Conversation for Every Situation

Accelerating qualification and conversion comes down to having the right conversation. So that enterprise buyer who's been engaging with your marketing for weeks gets a very different experience from the small business CEO just browsing your homepage for the first time. It's the power of the right conversation, at the right time, every time.

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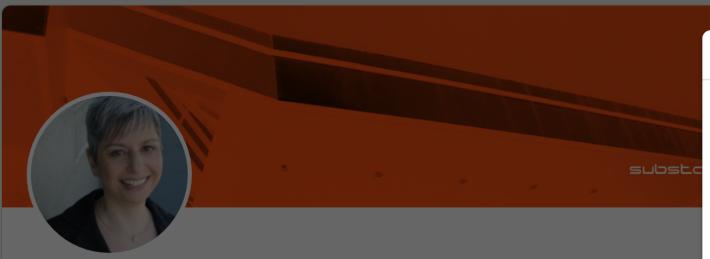








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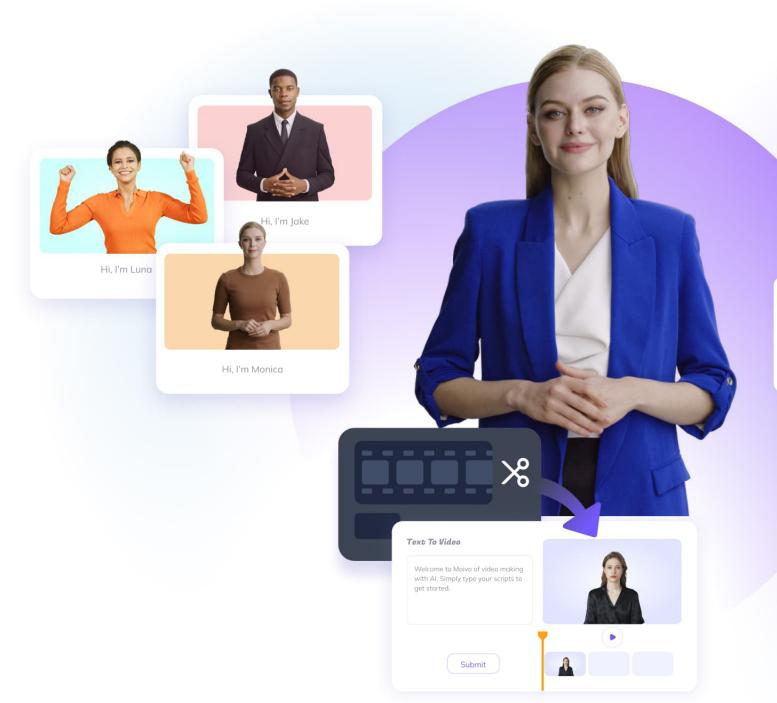
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EMAIL HAS AN ABILITY OTHER CHANNELS DON'T – CREATING VALUABLE PERSONAL TOUCHES, AT SCALE.

DAVID NEWMAN Founder, Do It! Marketing



LIST SEGMENTATION

MARKETERS WHO SEGMENT THEIR CAMPAIGNS NOTICE AS MUCH AS A 760% INCREASE IN ROI.

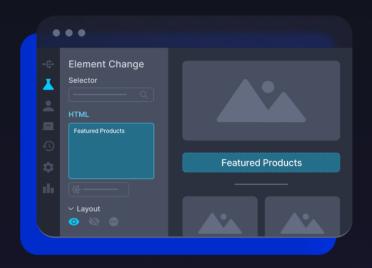
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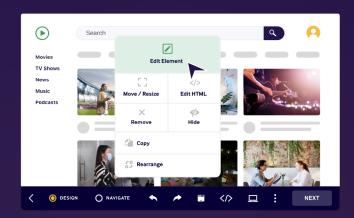
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TRUST

- Purpose-driven, values-based brand.
- + Human-centered, authentic communications.

PEOPLE

- Personal brands over corporate brands.
- CEO/leadership-led marketing.

RELATIONSHIPS

- Customer centricity, personalization, relevance.
- Emotions, storytelling.



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QUESTIONS?

SLIDES AND RESOURCES

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