Help Your Exhibitors Calculate ROO and ROI

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Agenda

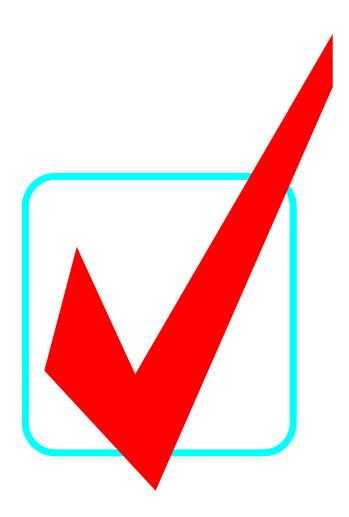
Why set objectives? Get focused Create a shortlist Target Quantify Create performance indicators **Develop benchmarks**

Why set objectives?



Secure budget Continuous improvement **Motivation** Establish benchmarks **Because it makes** sense

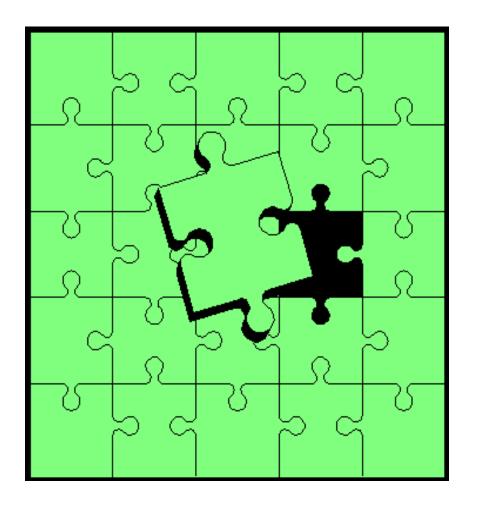
Create your shortlist



Step 1 What are you hoping to achieve? Step 2 What will justify the time, energy and resources? Step 3 Who is your target?

There is more to demographics than a job title

Step # 3 Understand your target



Demographics

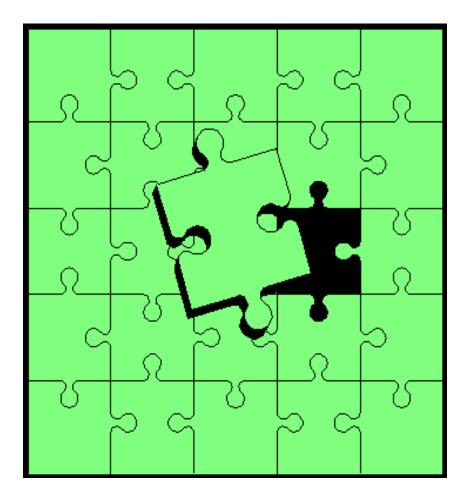
– Who is my customer?

Demographics



Industry Gender Marital status Geography Age Profession Wealth Lifestyle Other

Understand your target



Demographics

– Who is my customer?

Psychographics

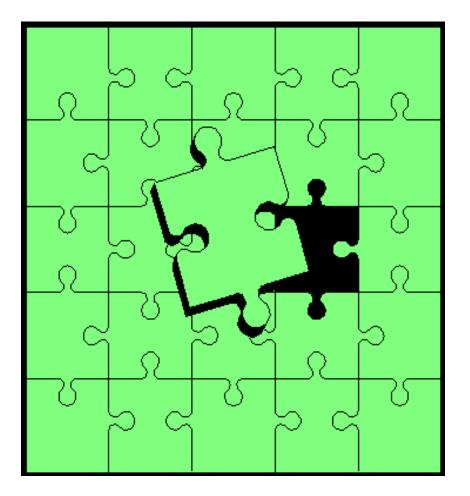
– What do they do?

Psychographics



Social responsibility **Business style** Position Affiliations **Management Style** Family stage **Hobbies** Leisure time activities Other

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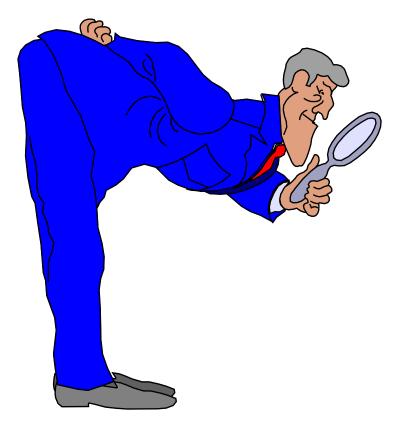
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– What do they do?

Behavioral

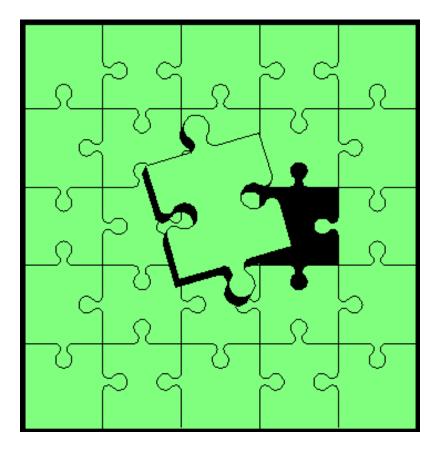
– How do they do it?

Behavioral



Number of times they purchase Amount of product used **Decision making cycle** Where purchase was made How purchase was transacted Other

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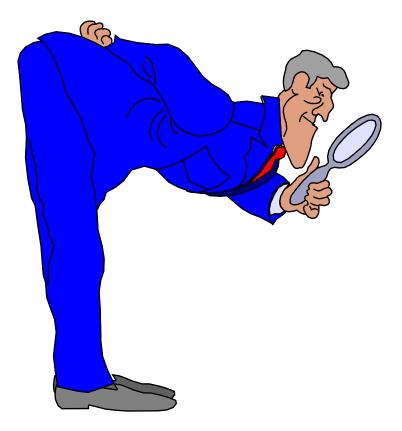
Behavioral

– How do they do it?

Causation

Why do they do what they do?

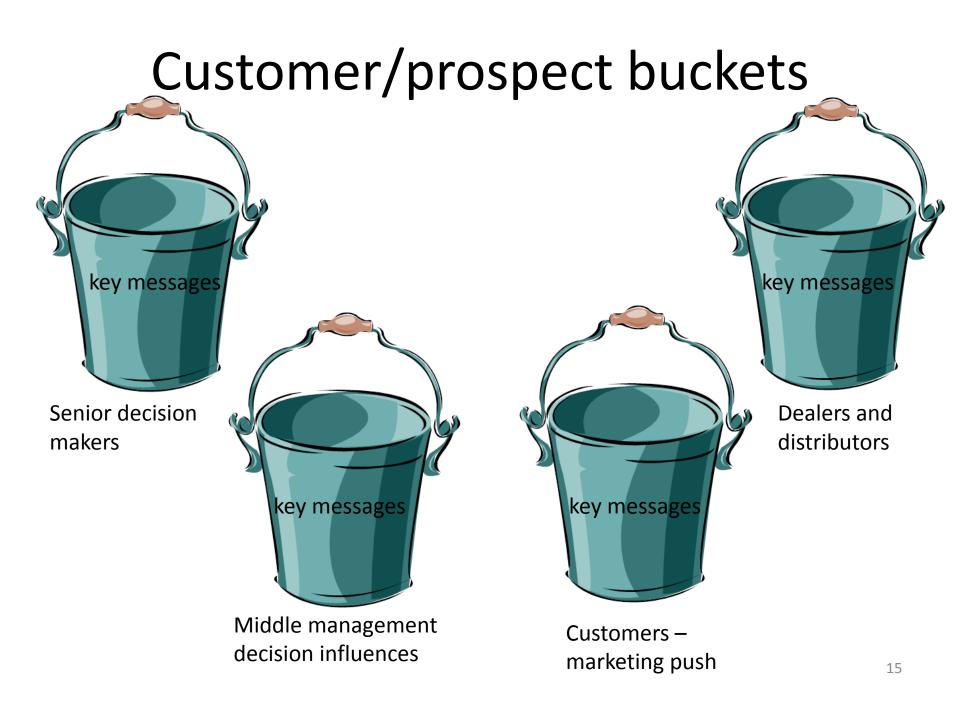
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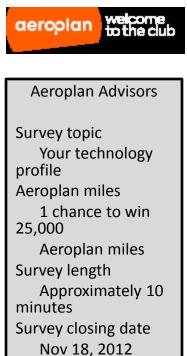
What benefits are most important to them?

Benefits = Research

Define your prospect buckets Research on interests Apply results to your profile



What are the key messages – research

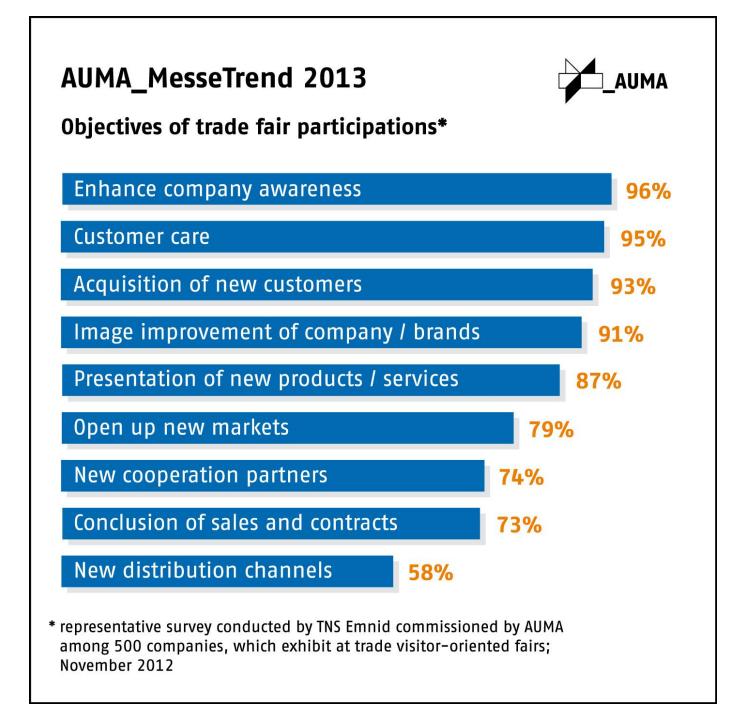




Starbucks Tree Planting Campaign Recyclable sleeved Automatic Door Opener Cup plugs

Different objectives = different measurement

Sales objectives – ROI Marketing objectives - ROO



Marketing is responsible for customer engagement



Two separate funnels



Step 4 – Performance indicators

Metric	Performance Indicator (the actionable item identified)
Awareness	Increase in web-visits Increase in social media activity Media mentions Change in visitor perception Response to pre-show invite / promo

Performance Indicators What is the action you will be monitoring?

Web-visits **Telephone calls** Social media conversations Media mentions Conversion to sales leads Change in visitor perception Response to pre-show invitation **Recruitment for additional marketing activities** Other

Step 5 – Create and apply benchmarks

Performance Indicator	Measurement Tool	Benchmark
Awareness	Completed Surveys	200 surveys = 18% increase
		in perception of brand
		message

Applications

- Measure the impact of change
- Create corporate-wide exhibition goals
- Justify exhibition investment
- Rationalize show selection
- Plan exhibition strategy
- Obtain senior management support
- Other

Example

My objective at enter exhibition name is to make contact with 33 senior exhibition executives and introduce our key brand messages. They will represent companies who produce multiple fairs in the EU that range from 300 exhibitors and up. These executives will have the decision making or influencing capabilities in their organization.

MAKE OBJECTIVES REALISTIC DO THE MATH

- a. TOTAL SHOW POPULATION = 5,000
- b. PERCENTAGE WHO FIT THE PROFILE = 10% OR 500 PROSPECTS
- c. AIF 16% = 80
- d. AVERAGE TIME SPENT WITH EACH ATTENDEE = 10 MINUTES or 6 per hour
- e. NUMBER OF ACTIVE SHOW hours = 20
- NUMBER OF REALISTIC CONTACTS = d x e = 120

Deduct 50% - 60

R.O.I. Calculator

- a) Contacts
- b) Total exhibit cost (net)
- c) Success ratio
- d) Viable Contacts a/c
- e) Average sale (Net of costs)

 $= \frac{1}{4}$

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- f) Potential revenue d x e = \$37,500
- g) Return on Investment b/f

= 375<u>%</u>

Calculate ROO

- ROO is a measurement of value
- Value is a matter of
 - Investment
 - Cost avoidance

Investment

Exhibit investment that furthers the marketing efforts

- Awareness through show sponsorships
- Shorten the sales cycle
- Customer feedback
- Demand push/pull
- Recruiting staff
- Other

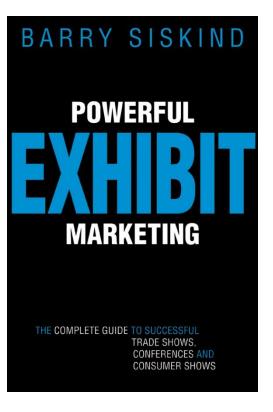
Cost avoidance

Savings arrived from added value from events

- Press briefings
- Build/Maintain data base
- Speaking engagements
- Stand alone client meetings
- Internal sales meetings
- Product launches
- Other

The steps

Set clear, measurable objectives Identify the audience Determine the metric Create the performance indicators Find the right measurement tools **Develop benchmarks** Ensure that the exercise is realistic Calculate value



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