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## Legal Sector Breakfast Briefing

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### Welcome and Introduction

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## Legal Sector Breakfast Briefing

- 8.00am Arrival and breakfast
- 8.30am Welcome
- 8.35am Briefing
- 9.30am Q&A
- 10.00am Close



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## Growing more than profit...



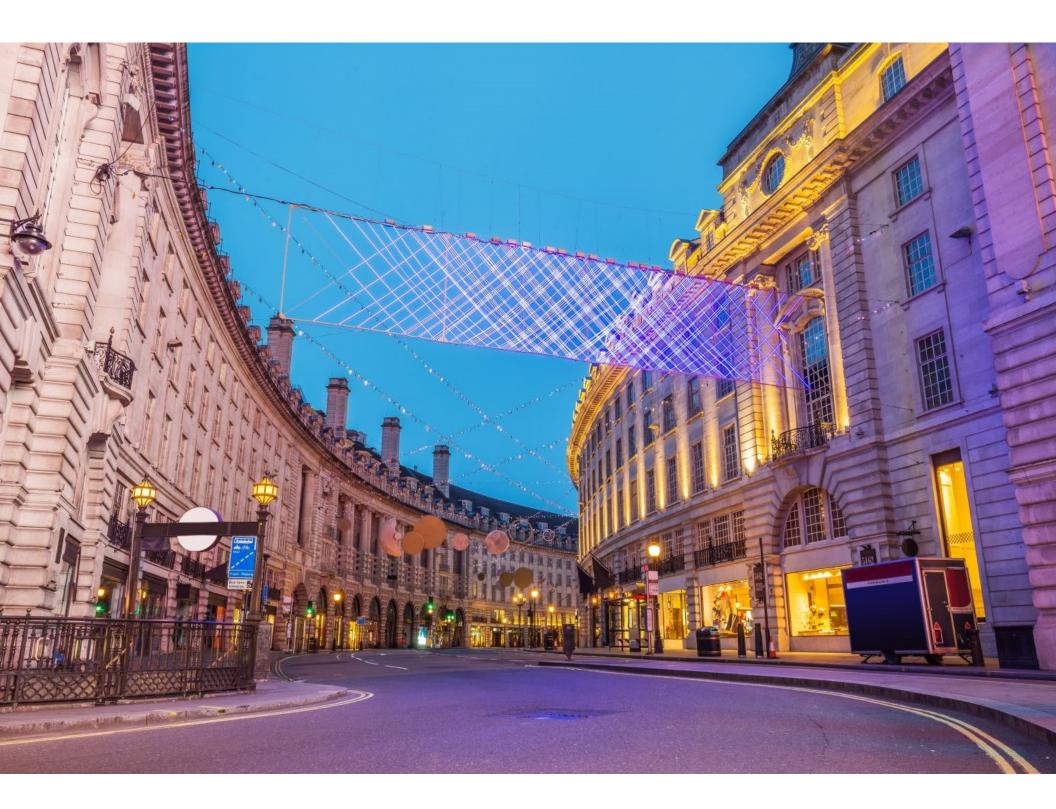
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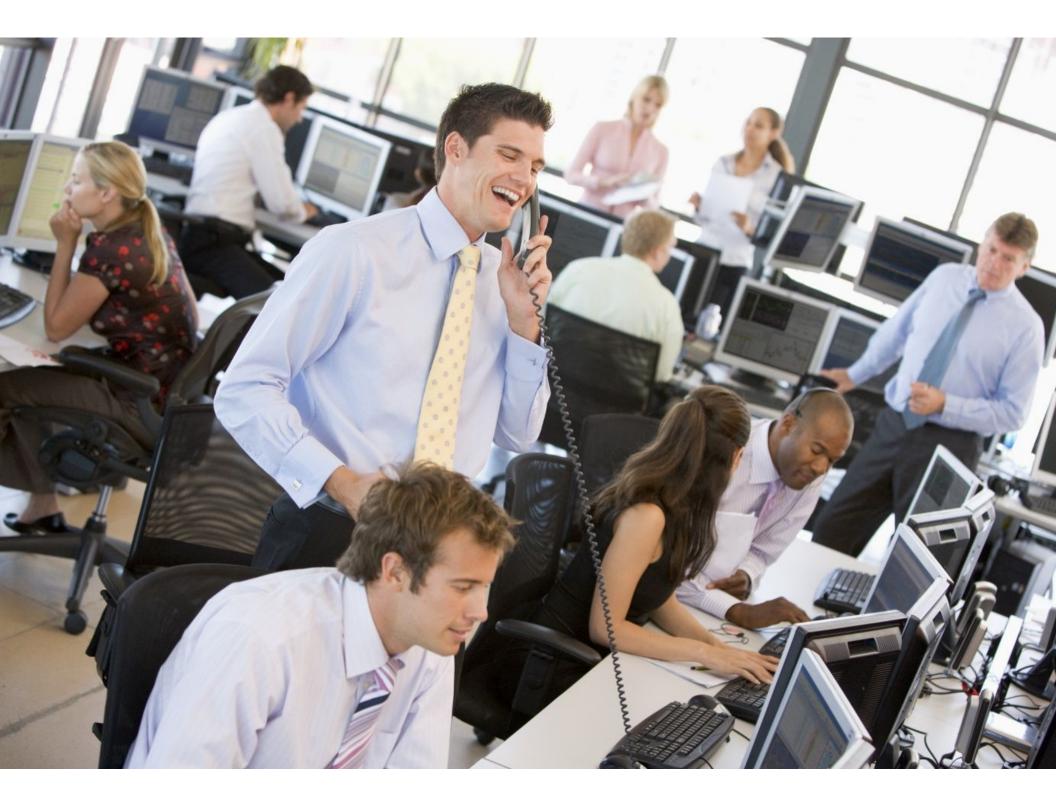
- Social media landscape
- Social media as a business tool
- The need for and benefits of using social media
- A proven process for social media results
- Client profiling
- Simplified process for lead generation via social media
- Q&A













lead generation through social media securing business growth

# social media landscape around the world

- Number of active social media users has grown by more than 51%, from 2.307 billion to 3.484 billion.
- Number of active MOBILE social media users has risen by more than 65%, from 1.968 billion to 3.256 billion.
- On average people have spent 1 hour and 40 min on social media per day.



social media during Covid-19

#### social media usage during Covid-19 – within two weeks

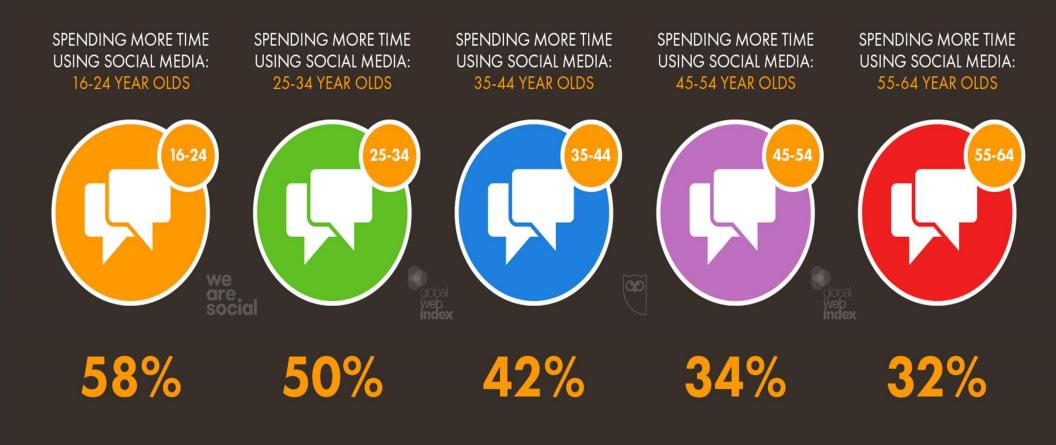
- On Facebook total messaging has increased by more than 50%.
- Number of active Facebook users has increased by 2.5% which accounts for 5.7 million
- Number of active Instagram users has increased by 3.7%, which accounts for 4.4 million
- Number of active LinkedIn users has increased by 1.5%



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#### **COVID-19: INCREASED SOCIAL MEDIA USE BY AGE GROUP**

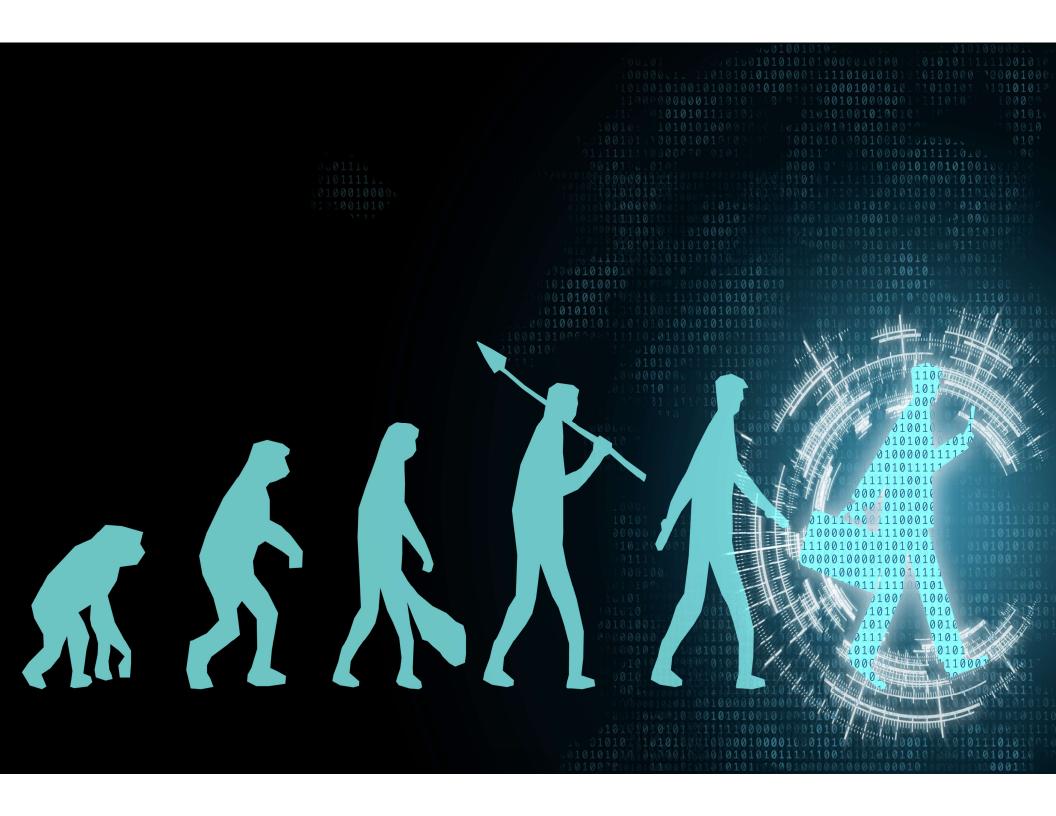
PERCENTAGE OF INTERNET USERS IN EACH AGE GROUP\* WHO REPORT SPENDING MORE TIME USING SOCIAL MEDIA IN RECENT WEEKS



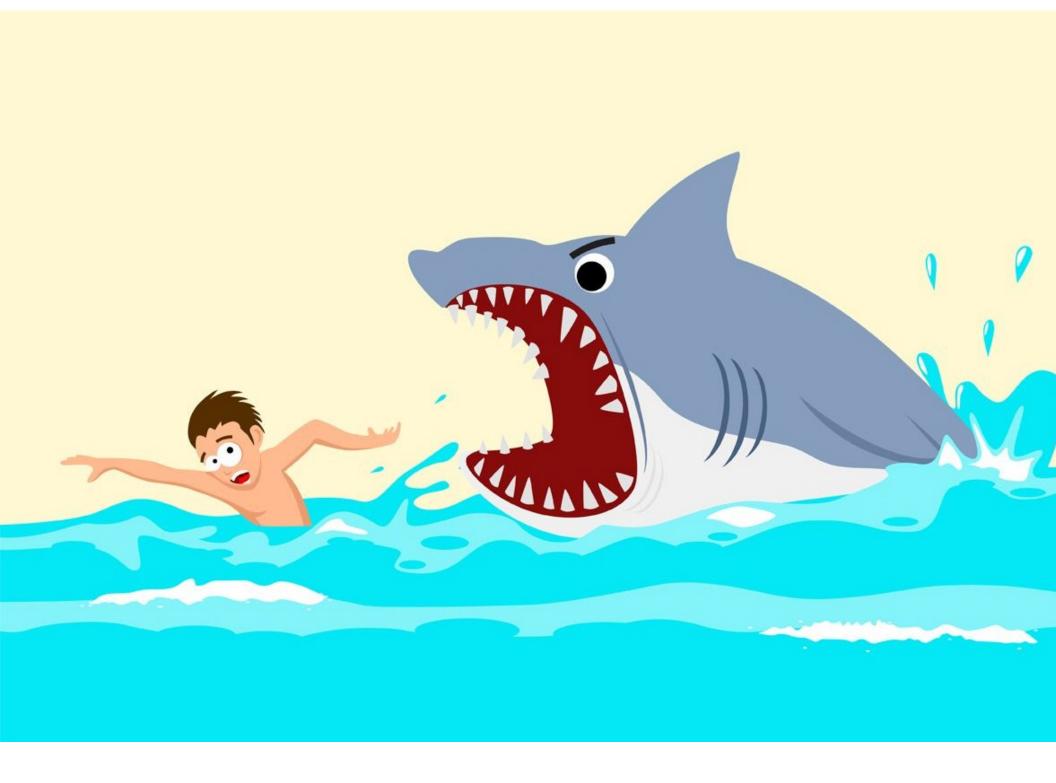
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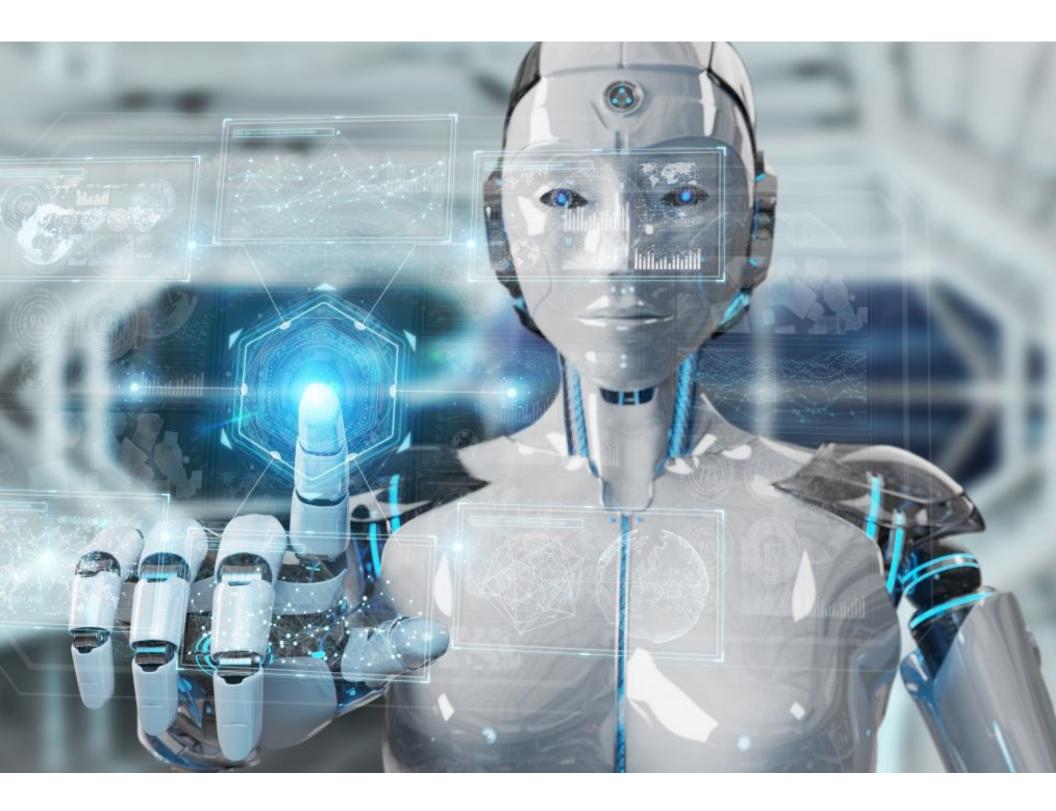


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# More than half of the entire workforce population around the world is made of Millennials and Gen Z

# 74% of B2B buyers are Millennials

who are they?











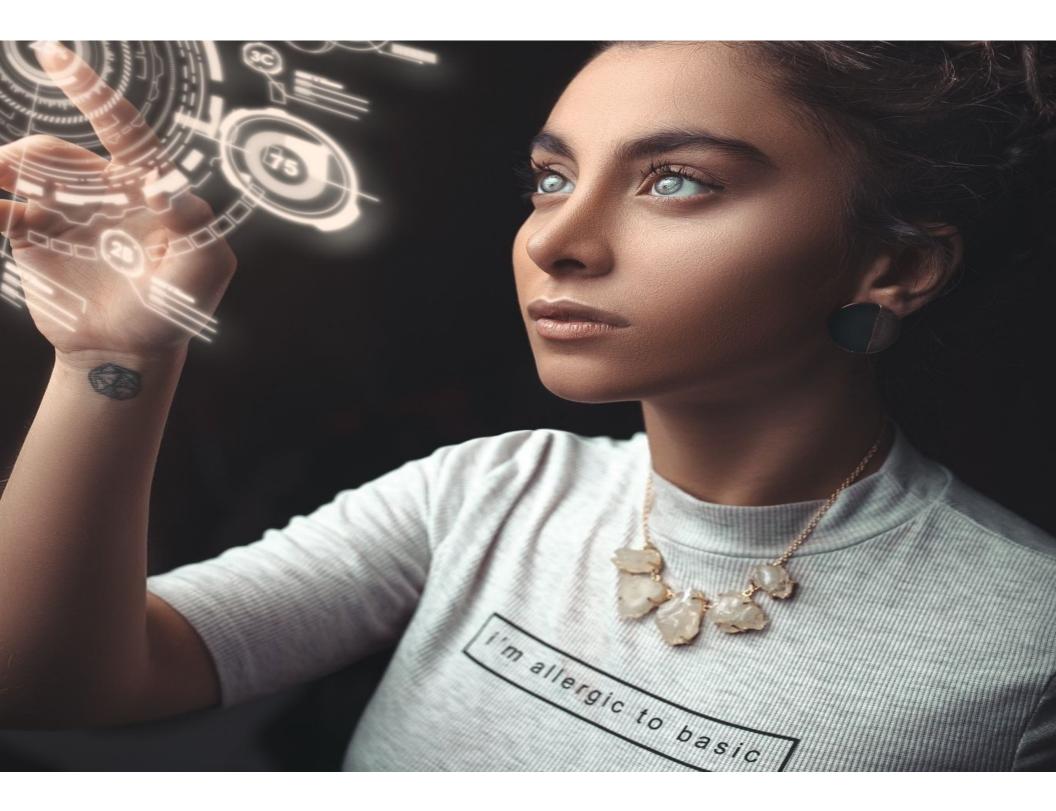






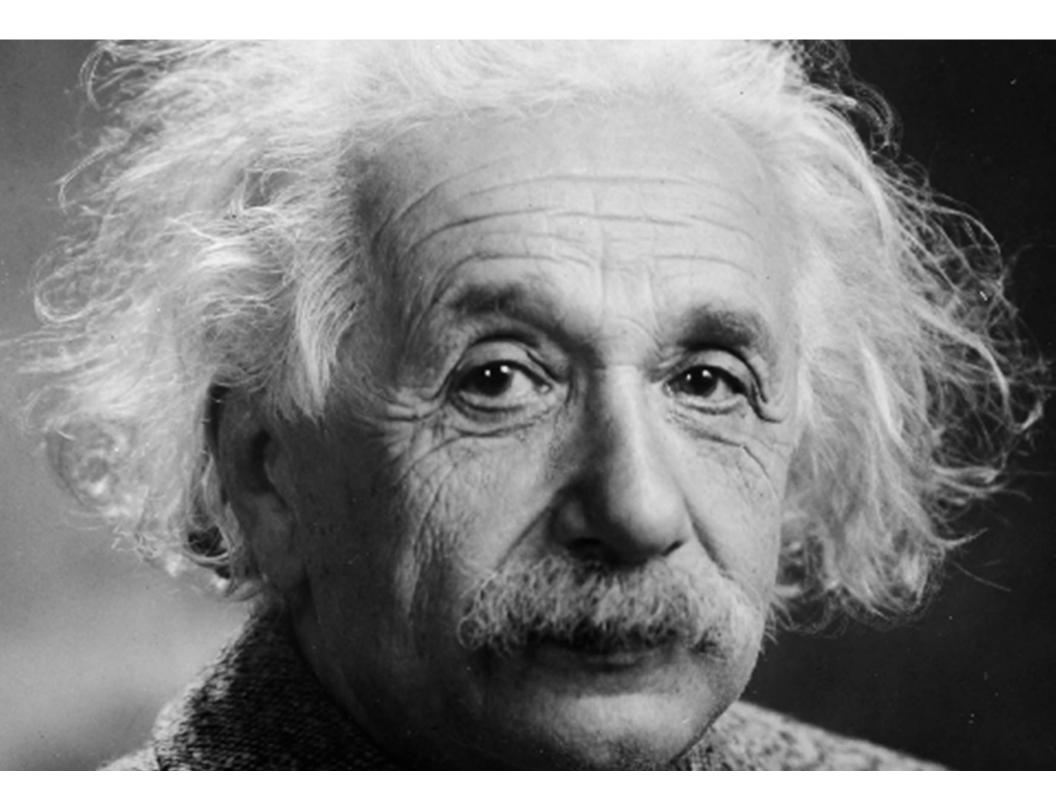








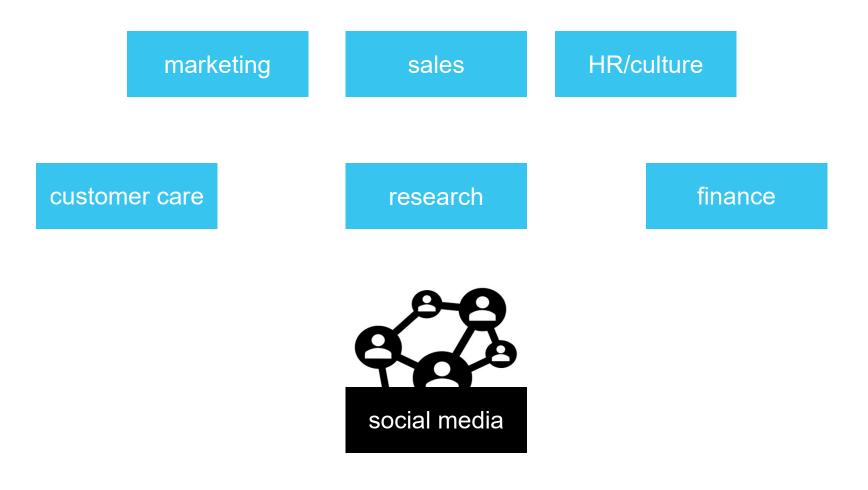




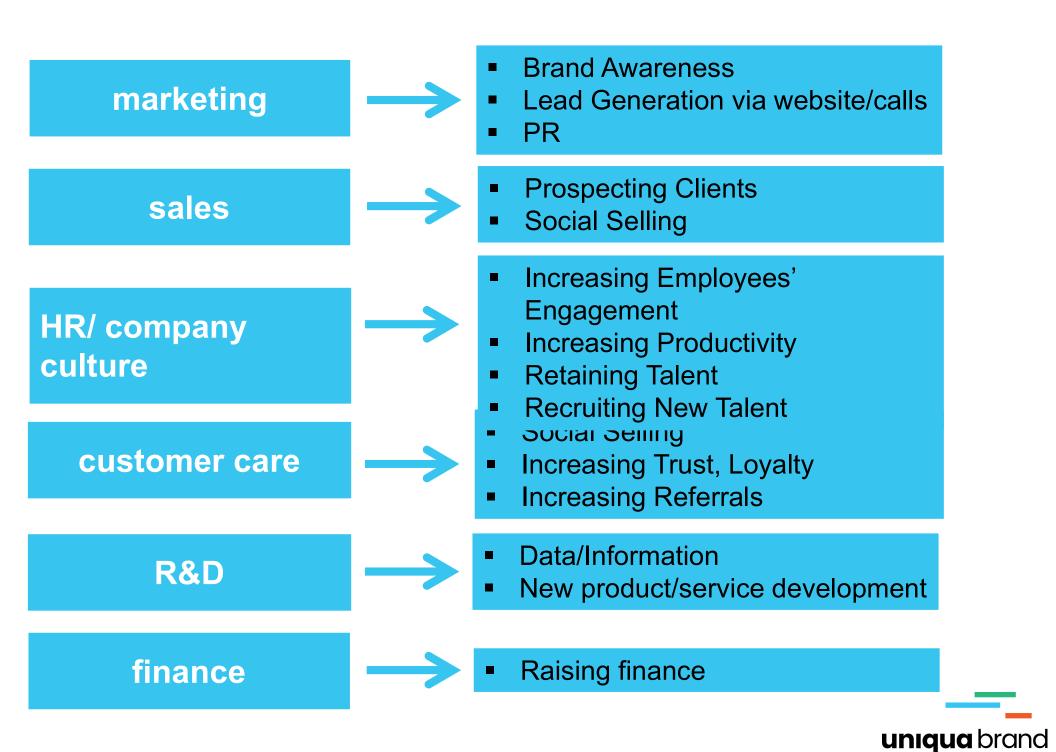


social media as a business tool

# social media as a versatile business tool







# why everyone in a firm needs to use social media

BRAND SOCIAL REACH		EMPLOYEES SOCIAL REACH				
PLATFORM	NO. OF FOLLOWERS	NO. OF EMPLOYEES		PLATFORM	AVERAGE NO. OF CONNECTIONS	POTENTIAL SOCIAL REACH
LinkedIn	3,212	_	x	LinkedIn	400	12,000
Twitter	282		x	Twitter		
Instagram	n/a	30	x	Instagram		
Facebook	967		x	Facebook		
TOTAL REACH	4,461				TOTAL REAC	4



# benefits of using social media by all employees

- Individuals responsible for bringing new clients that use social media outsell 78% of their peers
- Messages shared by employees went 561% further than the same message shared on a brand owned channel
- 98% of employees use at least one social media site for personal use, of which 50 percent are already posting about their company
- Employees of socially engaged companies are more likely to stay at their company, feel optimistic about their company's future and believe their company is more competitive



# benefits of using social media by all employees

- Improved collaboration and engagement
- Increased productivity
- Improved company culture
- Improved employer branding

# **Consequently increased profit**



a proven process for social media results why proven?

# **Blacks Solicitors**

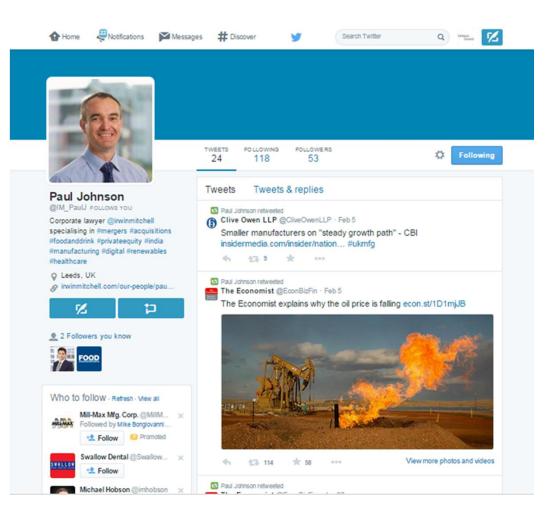


# **Results in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year**

- Increased revenue by more than 25%
- Increased collaboration
   between departments
- Improved employee engagement
- Improved company culture
- Increased staff retention



# **Irwin Mitchell**



# **Results in the 2<sup>nd</sup> month**

 arranging 2 meetings with target companies



# Francis Wilks & Jones



Andy Wilks • 4:04 PM

one meeting now lined up. Just chasing down 3 more for dates they seem to want to meet up!

have a great weekend

Andy



#### Andy Wilks + 4:21 PM

Just had my first Linked in new client meeting! Went pretty well. Beginning to love this new way of meeting people. Opens up a world I would never have entered in to...

Hope all is well. I have been a bit slack this week on things - just getting the new financial year in shape so I do have an excuse! Still - 1-0 up on the meeting side!



#### Barry McGouran • 12:53 PM

Just a quick message to say thank you very much for all of your help and assistance with our social media training. I have seen a significant increase in activity on my personal profile together with an increase on website hits following content. I have also recently arranged two meetings with potential clients as a result so very impressive!

Hope to see you soon.

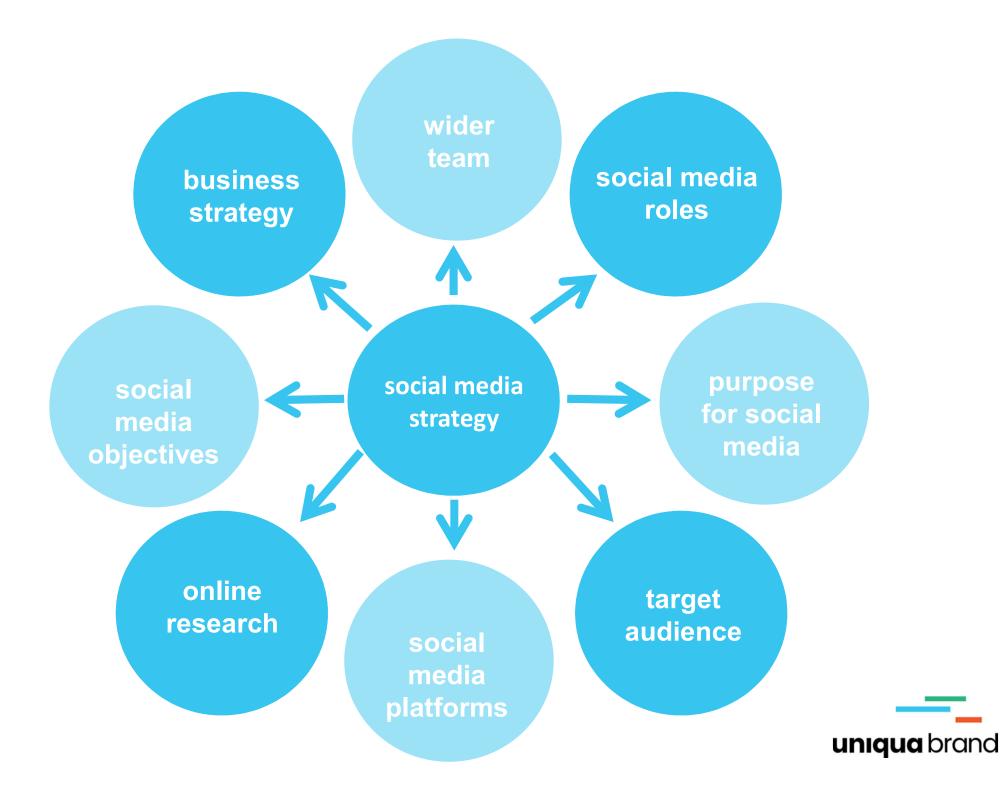






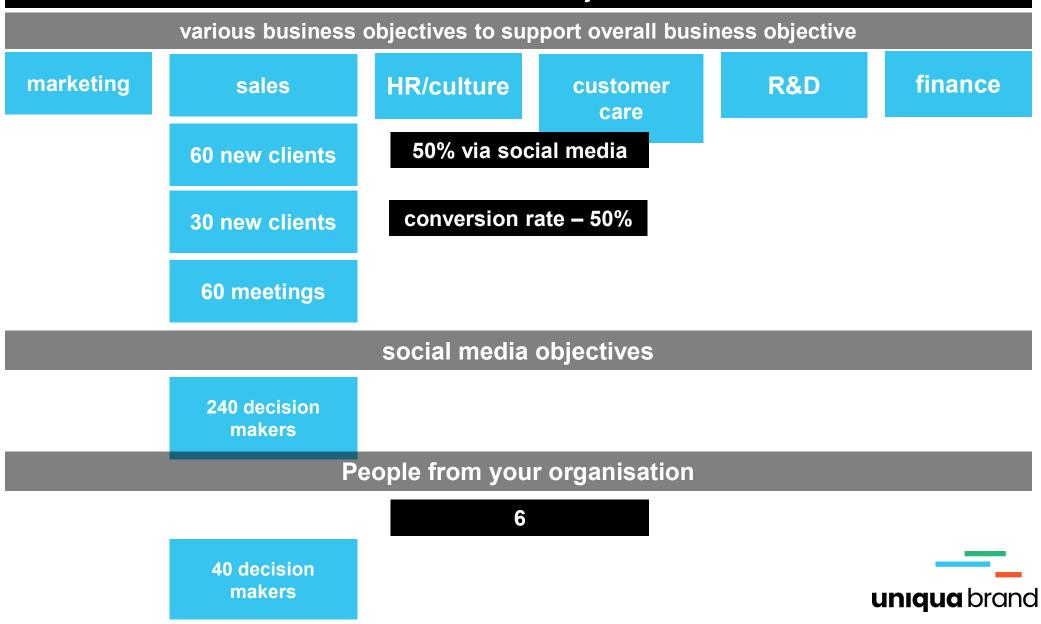


a successful social media <u>strategy</u> what needs to be done?



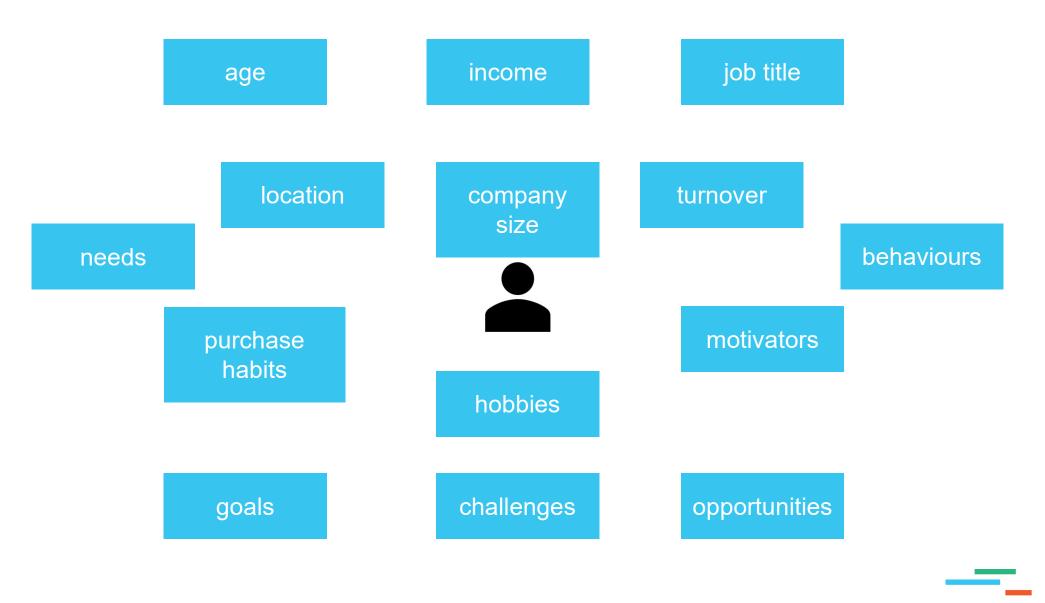
# translating sales objectives into social media objectives

#### overall business objective



# customer profiles

# customer profile



# **Emotions DO matter in B2B purchasing decisions**

- Emotional factors comprise up to 70% of decision making,
- Customers are looking for meaningful relationships not just satisfactory transactions
- 74% of B2B buyers are Millennials and they are changing the nature of B2B purchasing



# integration stage what needs to be done?

# integration stage

- Optimising your social media profiles
  - > To reflect your social media strategy/individual objectives
  - To reflect your personal brand
  - > To build trust
  - ➤ To be easier found
- Organising your internet browsers
  - > To access all relevant websites/ platforms with "one click"
  - To significantly reduce time (by more than 90%) managing social media activity

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To work SMART not HARD

# meaningful <u>engagement</u> what to consider?

## customer engagement - impact on business

- Customer engagement is the definitive forecaster of business growth
- Fully engaged customers represent a 23% premium in terms of share of wallet, profitability and relationship growth over the average customer
- Companies that successfully engage their B2B customers realize 63% lower customer attrition and 50% higher productivity.
- Only 29% of B2B customers are fully engaged and 71% are looking to leave for a competitor.



- Content purpose that best supports lead generation:
  - To have conversations
  - To connect
  - ➤ To inspire
  - ➤ To entertain
  - To educate
  - > To promote



- Type of content that is relevant to its purpose:
  - For example: to have conversations
    - ✓ Personal views, opinions
    - ✓ Blogs that encourage people to interact with you
    - ✓ Short polls
    - ✓ Posts to give kudos to your existing clients

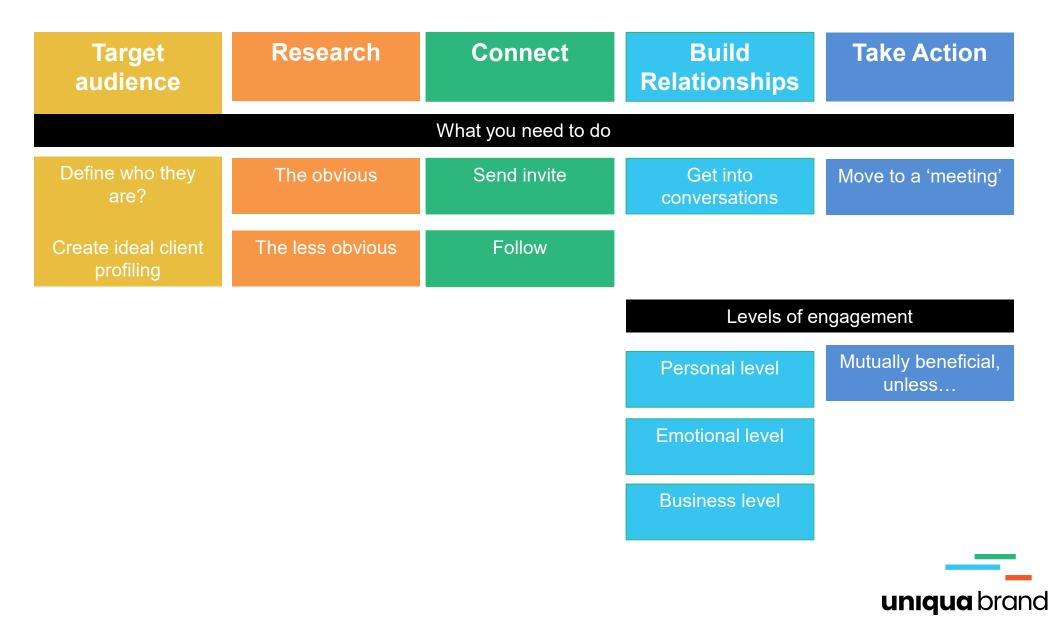


- Type of social media activity that best supports lead generations
   Commenting
  - Posting your own post
  - ≻ Liking
  - Quoting
  - Sharing/Retweeting
  - Direct messaging



- Authenticity
- Honesty
- Transparency
- Being human and being social
- Social selling rather than direct selling
- Don't ignore your audience
- Engagement rather than broadcasting





### Examples of what not to do

Hi NAME.

During this difficult time, I am reaching out to people to make sure they know where they and their businesses stand while the current climate is so uncertain.

A lot of people I have spoken to so far are finding their accountants are not there to explain how the recently announced Government business support measures relate to them and what is the best route forward for their company!

I'm at the end of the phone or a video chat anytime that suits you. Is there anything I can help you with, even for some guidance?

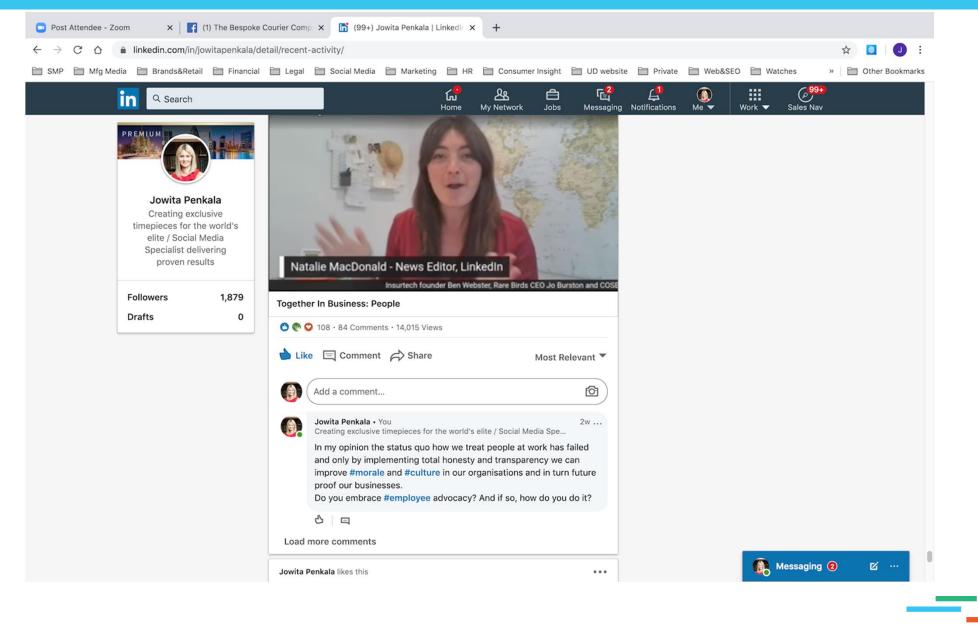


Great yet simple advice if you're struggling to work from home!

At we're getting in the swing of things working from home so if you've any questions or thoughts about your financial planning, where the stock markets are or might go (one day) or how to make best use of you tax free allowances & tax reliefs available for this new tax year then please get in touch! We're working from home and the phones are firmly on!!



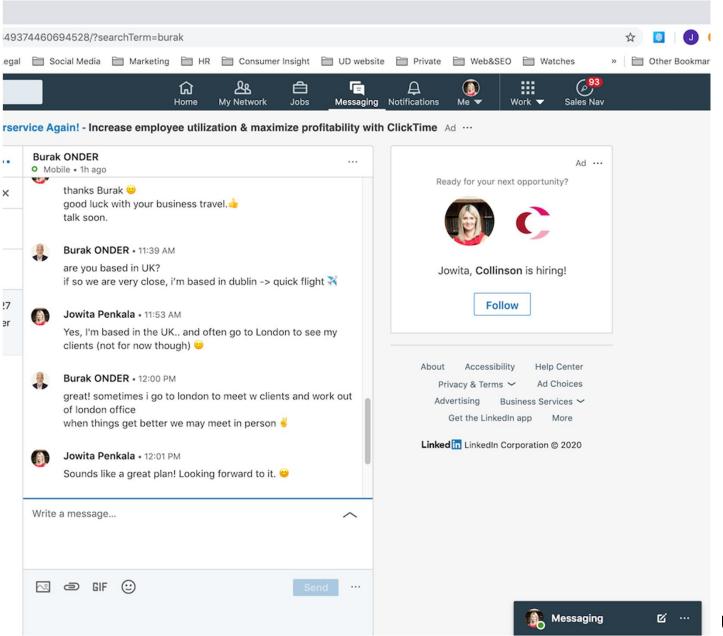
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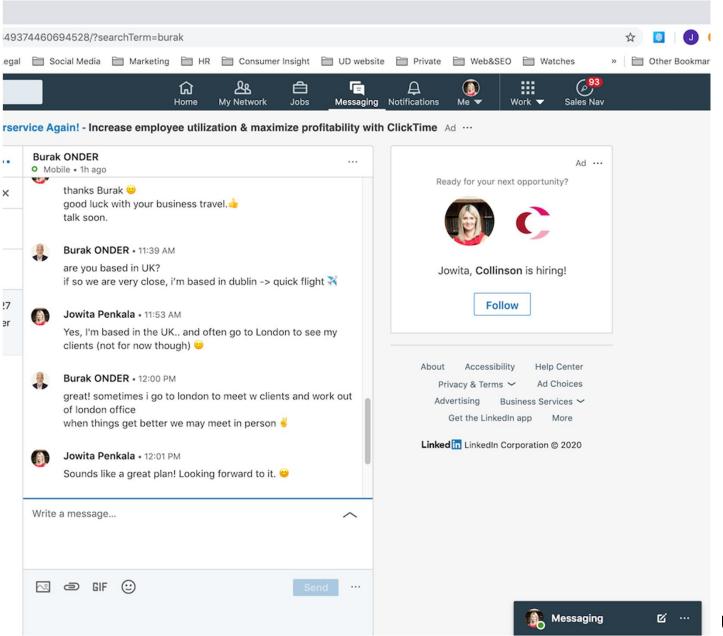
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## Examples of what to do



#### Examples of what to do



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# support stage what needs to be done?

#### support stage

- Individual activity plans Coaching
- Collaboration

- Competition
- Celebrating every little success



#### social media – best practices

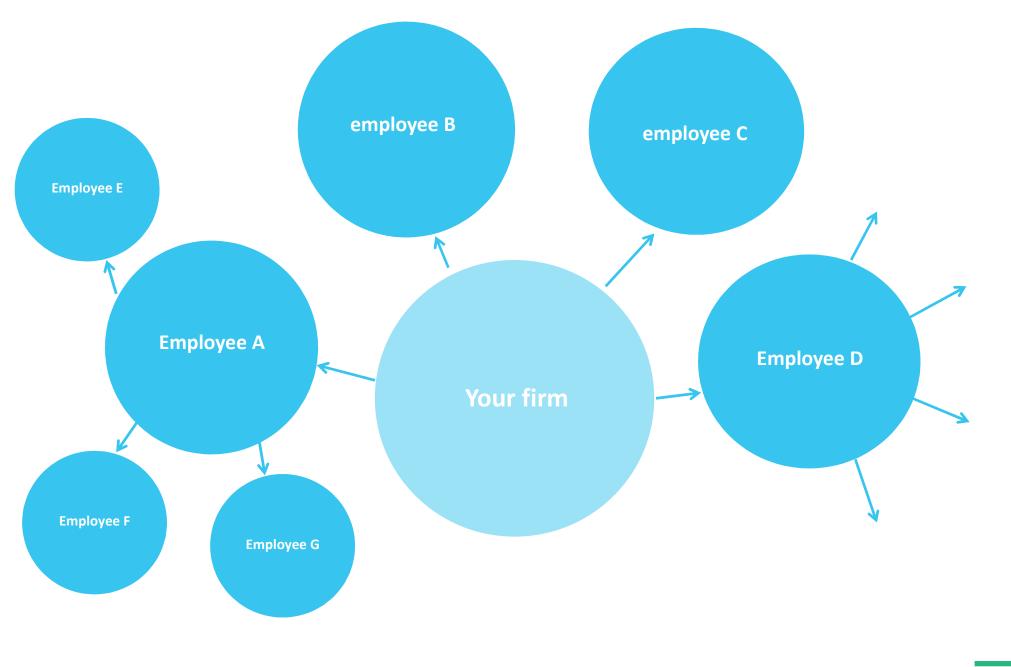
- Listen and respond more than broadcast.
- Focus on building strong relationships with prospect clients not on hard sales. Consider collaboration!!!
- Know your audience in depth online research, feedback, analytics.
- Remember social media 'currency' and respect it and implement it.
- Be active on social media on a regular basis 10 min every day is better than 1 hour in one day!
- Constantly improve and adapt your approach to what's happening around you.
- Experiment with new types of content, new tactics



# how to get started...?











Thank you Jowita Penkala www.uniquabrand.com







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# Questions and Conclusion

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