

Social Media and the Professional – How to decide which tool to use

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What Is Social Media?

• "A social trend in which people use technologies to get the things they need from each other, rather than from traditional institutions like corporations"

- (or professionals)
- Groundswell
- By Charlene Li & Josh Bernoff



Social Media Explosion



If Facebook were a country, it would be the third most populated in the world, ahead of the United States.





Social Media: The online technologies and practices that people use to share opinions, insights, experiences and perspectives.

Affinity to groups Making new friends **Displaying Creativity** Keeping in touch Exhibitionism Getting validation Altruistic impulse Paying it forward Peer pressure Blogs User generated videos and podcasts Social networking sites wikis Ratings and reviews tagging widgets RSS Forums and message boards

But this is kids stuff right? How does it effect my business?

It is not Kidstuff!

Internet vs. real world population by age group United States, December 2008



Social Media Is a Tactic

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- Social media is a tactic, not a strategy
- Start with an objective, create a strategy and determine the best tactics
- What do you want to accomplish?
 - ✓ New job or promotion
 - ✓ Increased industry visibility
 - ✓ Knowledge

How Do You Want to Be Known?



Search Yourself



The Basics

- Reserve your name on social platforms: <u>http://namechk.com</u>
- Consistent photo and profile
- Be transparent
- State that opinions are your own
- Follow your company's social media policy
 - ✓ Roche example:



http://www.roche.com/about roche/at a glance/socialmedia

Does your company have one? Time you did?

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What does your organization say ? - be open about any rules

http://www.depi.vic.gov.au/about-us/media-centre/social-media

@Replies, Direct Messages, and Comments

We welcome feedback and ideas from all our followers, and endeavour to join the conversation where possible. The Web Communications team reads all @replies and direct messages and ensures that any emerging themes or helpful suggestions are passed on to the relevant people within DEPI.

Moderation

DEPI welcomes the use of our social media channels as a place for the public to ask questions and engage in discussion. However, we expect all contributors to be respectful. Comments which include inappropriate language or personal abuse will be removed. We retain the right to determine which comments violate our comments policy at our discretion. We also reserve the right to remove violations.

Just Jump In



Leverage LinkedIn

- Professional photo
- Personalized URL
 - ✓ Linkedin.com/in/name
- Link to all sites
- Embed blog
- Status updates
 - ✓ Consider linking twitter
- Can show books, trips
- Personal note with invites



Twitter EileenOBrien

Public Profile http://www.linkedin.com/in/eileenobrien



Facebook

- Claim Personal URL: <u>http://facebook.com/YourName</u>
- Friends & Family
- Causes/Communities
- Hobbies



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The Value of YouTube

- Free, customized channel
- Second largest volume of searches
- Keyword-tagged video is 50 times more likely to appear on the first page of a Google search result versus traditional webpage (Forrester Research)



The Value of Blogging

- Excellent for search
- Enables thought leadership
- Leverage content fully
 - ✓ Sites will repost content
- If too time consuming, consider:
 - ✓ Guest blogging
 - ✓ Combine forces with others
 - ✓ Comment on other blogs



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What's Twitter?

• A free social networking & microblogging service that allows users to send updates or tweets (text-based posts up to 140 characters long) to anyone who opts to receive them.

• Asks: What's Happening?



Twitter: How to Get Followers

- Quality not quantity
- When you follow someone send a tweet
- Search on topic & answer questions
- Live-tweet conferences
- Engage, say thank you
- Add yourself to yellow pages

www.twellow.com www.wefollow.com

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SlideShare.net

- Free account, post and tag presentations



How Do You Find the Time?

- Fit it into what you're already doing
- Small chunks of time
- Use social media to curate content
- It's a worthy investment

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