Internal Branding Canada 2013

Unifying Strategic Goals, Internal Communications, and Brand Messaging to Create a Brand-Centric Culture

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Boosting internal culture from storytelling to STORYDOING to achieve brand loyalty.



Chairperson

James Temple

Director, Corporate Responsibility

Attending This Premier marcus evans Conference Will Enable You to:

- **Promote** transparent relationships among employees, customers, partners, management, and senior leadership to ensure enterprise-wide brand engagement
- **Leverage** internal mobile and social engagement platforms to increase commitment, connection and awareness among stakeholders
- Utilize gamification and social collaboration principals to communicate and enhance employee motivation
- Create a comprehensive internal brand message to increase brand consistency across globally dispersed internal audiences
- Ingrain senior leadership and management cultures into every layer of internal brand messaging to enhance top-down buy-in
- Utilize persona-based behavioral approaches to understand diverse audiences and to measure program impact across non-traditional segments
- Merge marketing and human resource efforts to provide internal and external audiences with consistent brand messaging
- Measure employee engagement while supporting a lively exchange of ideas to increase motivation and the achievement of strategic goals
- Proliferate a meaningful impression of the brand to internal audiences in order to encourage brand behavior that resonates externally

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Senior Managers and other Leaders with responsibilities

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Director, Talent Acquisition Coca-Cola

Refreshments Canada

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Director, Human Resources Planning and Strategic Projects **University Health Network**

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Internal Communications Lead Microsoft Canada

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Who Should Attend:

- Internal / Employee Communications
- **Employee Engagement**
- Corporate Communications **Employee Experience**
- **Employee Relations**
- **Employer Brand** Organizational Development
- Internal / Human Resources Marketing
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Day One | Tuesday, October 29, 2013

8:00 Registration and Morning Coffee

8:45 Chairperson's Opening Remarks

INGRAIN SENIOR LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT CULTURES INTO EVERY LAYER OF INTERNAL BRAND MESSAGING TO ENHANCE TOP-DOWN BUY-IN

9:00

Leveraging Designed On-Boarding Programs that Promote the Internal Brand to Instill Values and Promises in New Employees

- Improving on-boarding process to help new talent absorb and live the brand
- Designing internal branding programs to enhance the employee lifecycle and further ingrain the brand
- Examining face-to-face interaction in the design of an internal branding on-boarding strategy
- Providing opportunities for new employees to personally connect with the brand
- Creating a long-term approach to brand on-boarding objectives to ensure repeated brand interactions.
- Unifying an enterprise-wide brand on-boarding process to instill consistent brand values in employees new and old

Michael Harwood, Human Resources Director

Deeley Harley-Davidson Canada

9:45

Focusing on Usability and Simplicity when Designing Brand Messaging Programs to Strengthen the Internal Culture

- Understanding the importance of simplicity and ease of use in creating successful engagement and branding programs for increased and early adoption rates
- Limiting non-core content to emphasize messages and reduce noise clutter and repeat the brand message for increased enterprise-wide recognition
- Establishing digital brand education courses to engage employees and educate them on the brand
- Positioning the internal brand as a supporting pillar and driving force behind the external branding initiative

Mary Beth Alexander, Associate Vice President, Organizational Development and Corporate Marketing

Economical Insurance

10:30 Networking Break

11:00

Harnessing a Strong Internal Brand to Attract and Recruit Millennial Talent and Promote Employee Loyalty

- Seeking out candidates that possess key traits of the brand
- Ensuring a branded impression throughout the candidate recruiting experience
- Making sure candidate and employee touch messages are in line with the organization's goals and brand
- Delivering a powerful and consistent message that is visible at every career stage
- Tracking the impact of internal branding efforts
- Creating open and personalized communication throughout the employee's lifecycle **Liza Voticky**, Director, Talent Acquisition

Coca-Cola Refreshments Canada

11:45

Leveraging Employee Recognition to Drive Customer Centricity in a Global Enterprise

- Designing a globally consistent and equitable program across diverse markets
- Creating a centrally managed system that is a strategic lever for regional business leaders
- Using recognition to reinforce the brand promise and empower staff to do what is right for the customer
- Enabling a collaboration culture that reinforces the organization's core values **Jennifer Trant,** Vice President, Consumer Loyalty and Employee Engagement

Sylvia Ortegon, Account Supervisor, Employee Engagement **AIMIA Mexico**

12:30 Networking Lunch

PROMOTE TRANSPARENT RELATIONSHIPS AMONG EMPLOYEES, CUSTOMERS, PARTNERS, MANAGEMENT, AND SENIOR LEADERSHIP TO ENSURE ENTERPRISE-WIDE BRAND ENGAGEMENT

1:30

Roundtable Discussion

Leveraging Branding and Employee Engagement Practices to Accommodate Multiple Generations of Employees

- Adapting to new technologies to attract and engage millennial employees
- Establishing employee loyalty and brand buy-in with millennial workforce
- Integrating perspective of multiple generations into engagement and on-boarding practices

Michel Bertrand, Corporate Director, Organizational Development

2.30

Panel Discussion

Instilling an "Everyone Owns the Customer" Approach to Building the Brand and Creating Unity across Enterprise

- Working closely with senior management and the teams that handle external branding to ensure alignment and consistency across external and internal brand communication
- Linking internal and external messages to the employee and business value propositions
- Creating buy-in on how engagement and commitment to the brand and business drives consumer experiences
- Unifying basic employee values by embedding a humanization of the customer as a perpetual company attitude

Blair Pollard, Senior Vice President, People and Culture

David Oille, Senior Manager, Public Relations **Canadian Broadcasting Corporation**

3:30 Networking Break

4:00

Crafting and Instilling an Employee-Driven Internal Brand in the Non-Profit Sector

- Establishing value in designing and launching an employer brand
- Aligning brand values and promises around employees' perspectives
- Harnessing input from senior leaders to front-line staff for defining an accurate internal brand image
- Implementing newly branded values across a non-profit enterprise

Cathy Clarke, MAEd, Director, Human Resources Planning and Strategic Projects University Health Network

Natasha Kuzmanov, MHRM, CHRP, Human Resources Manager, Employee Relations University Health Network

4:45

Panel Discussion

Developing a Communications Philosophy to Enhance Employee Understanding of Internal Branding Initiatives

- Establishing a global mandate and mission for internal brand communications across the enterprise
- Creating a common language that is both understandable and exemplifies the brand to all audiences across the organization
- Clearly articulating the core link between the brand promise and the company vision to increase rank and file buy-in
- Reinforcing competencies and behaviors critical to achieving the business vision and operational brand delivery strategies

Vince Aragona, Associate Vice President Creative Services, Branding and Creative **Manulife Financial**

Joel Donin, Senior Brand Strategist, Global Brand and Advertising TD Bank Group

5:30 Welcome from Drinks Reception Host AIMIA

5:40 Chairperson's Closing Remarks

5:45 Drinks Reception Sponsored by:



6:45 End of Day One

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Day Two | Wednesday, October 30, 2013

8:30 Registration and Morning Coffee

8:50 Chairperson's Opening Remarks

LEVERAGE INTERNAL MOBILE AND SOCIAL ENGAGEMENT PLATFORMS TO INCREASE COMMITMENT, CONNECTION AND AWARENESS AMONG STAKEHOLDERS

9:00

Bridging the gap between complex technical projects and front-line employees

- Developing a global multi-year internal communications plan to support a large scale technical deployment (SAP) with room to adapt and evolve
- · How to be the "translator" for project jargon between IT teams, leaders and employees
- Low tech suggestions on how to reach/engage front-line and factory employees especially those who do not use computers regularly
- Ideas to address common global internal communications challenges such as languages and culture

Melanie Esteves, Director, Communications, One McCain **McCain Foods**

9.45

Transform your business from the inside out

In a world where the pace of innovation will continue to accelerate, it's more important than ever for companies to be more nimble and agile. With enterprise social tools organizations are transforming the way people work together, allowing them to connect, engage and innovate, both internally and externally, with the tools they use every day.

Many organizations have been slow to adopt a social toolset due to perceived risk. How do you ensure social tools will improve productivity and not reduce it? How do you manage user generated content in an appropriate and cost effective way? How do you implement social tools while respecting privacy and legal concerns? How do you start on your social journey?

Through presentations, hands-on demonstrations, and interaction with enterprise social experts, this seminar offers participants a unique opportunity to discover the business value of enterprise social for your organization.

Dianne Tennen, Internal Communications Lead

Microsoft Canada

Ben Skelton, Director, Brand and Experience **Habanero**

Jas Shukla, Senior Consultant

Habanero

10:30 Networking Break

11:00

Realizing Engagement through Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) Initiatives

- Effectively communicate sustainability efforts that evolve into internal branding programs
- Sustaining interest and engagement in CSR programs
- Highlighting the relationship between what the company does in terms of CSR and its business goals
- Creating authenticity in communications around green efforts to solidify employee connections to the brand

James Temple, Director, Corporate Responsibility

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11:45

Increasing Engagement, Connection and Awareness through Mobile and Social Media Platforms

- Achieving organizational transformation and knowledge sharing through internal communities on customized internal social platforms
- Leveraging information gained through social platforms to enhance employee experience and commitment
- Identifying organizational influencers while recognizing under-utilized talent and skills through monitoring new platforms
- Utilizing social media to support cultural change and enterprise productivity
- Connecting to dispersed and front-line employees via social networking on mobile platforms
- Incorporating communication tools employees use in their daily lives to make work more participative

Julian Mills, Head, Corporate Intranet and Internal Social Media BMO Financial Group

12:30 Networking Lunch

PROLIFERATE A MEANINGFUL IMPRESSION OF THE BRAND TO INTERNAL AUDIENCES IN ORDER TO ENCOURAGE BRAND BEHAVIOUR THAT RESONATES EXTERNALLY

1:30

Roundtable Discussion

Breaking Down Organizational Silos to Create Meaningful Alliances for Improved Internal Brand Messaging and Employee Engagement Initiatives

- Realizing the positive impact of removing organizational barriers to promote effective delivery of internal branding messages
- Creating internal branding and employee engagement initiatives that enhance buy-in across traditionally siloed businesses to ensure consistency across the enterprise
- Ingraining methodologies that promote collaboration between internal branding, human resources and internal communications professionals to align internal messages
- Enhancing the delivery of internal branding and employee engagement initiatives through the development of coalitions with management from various business units across the enterprise

Moderated by Chairperson

2:30

Optimizing Cultural Storytelling as an Integral Part of the Business Strategy

- Transforming the organizational culture through the use of cultural storytelling
 Designing effective organizational culture charges that influence brand behavior
- Designing effective organizational culture stories that influence brand behavior while identifying the right time and medium for delivery
- Framing cultural storytelling to create a sense of living the brand promise when communicating with internal and external stakeholders
- Utilizing cultural storytelling as a powerful branded change management technique **Julie Rempel**, Corporate Communications

Clark Builders

3:15 Networking Break

3.45

Re-examining the Value of the Print Medium for Enhanced Internal Branding and Employee Engagement Communications

- Reaching the workforce across geographies, languages, workforce demographics and job classes
- Identifying how your workforce gets information to optimize delivery across impactful channels
- Developing tools to communicate with all employees
- The benefits of Town Hall meetings in building community and promulgating the internal brand
- Determining and deploying multiple mediums to reach all employees on the channels where they live

Sheila Venman, Vice President, Human Resources and Communications Discovery Air

4:30 Chairperson's Closing Remarks

4:45 End of Conference

WHY YOU MUST ATTEND

Internal branding is crucial for engaging employees and promoting the organization's growth, especially in the acquisition of a nationally selective and limited millennial workforce. Unifying the organization's strategic goals, internal communications, and brand messaging allows employees to understand the direction of the organization and commit to the brand promise. In order to ensure brand engagement at every level of the organization, it is critical to gain knowledge of evolving internal branding strategies and communication platforms. With development of new technologies, the growing popularity of internal social media, and companies leveraging new internal communications tools, the opportunities to connect and unify the organization around the brand is greater than ever.

The Internal Branding Canada 2013 conference will enable internal branding professionals to provide consistency across the organization, increase employee connection and awareness, ingrain the management culture in every layer of the organization, leverage innovative communication channels, and appeal to diverse internal audiences through development of internal messages that combine the goals of the organization with its brand promise.

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