

Communicating Your ECI:

Tips & tricks on promoting on social media



Introduction

A study by Georgetown University and Waggener Edstrom revealed that 56% of survey respondents were inspired to take further action for a cause after reading a story on social media.

- Social media is key to improving engagement and communication.
- Across both mobile and desktop devices, nearly 20% of online activity takes place on social platforms.



 Approximately 46% of online users rely on social media before taking action.



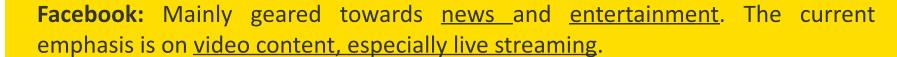
Identify and analyse your target audiences

With millions of people on social media daily, finding your target audience is more important than ever.

- 1. Identifying your audience will also help you determine
- ☐ The right social channel
- ☐ The right posting schedule
- ☐ The type of content you publish, and
- ☐ Your "voice"
- 2. Dive into the data
- 3. Develop your personas further for each of your target audiences



Choose the right social media channels



Twitter: Retweeting and curation are encouraged. Live streaming video is very popular.

LinkedIn: Used heavily for <u>sharing industry articles</u> and <u>general professional</u> <u>content</u>.

Instagram: A <u>highly visual</u> network for static images and short videos. Not optimal for driving blog or website traffic.

YouTube: YouTube is the 2nd largest search engine next to Google.

SnapChat: Although originally focused on private, person-to-person photo sharing, it can now use it for a range of different tasks.

Pinterest: Highly visual platform often used by creative types to find inspiration.

TikTok: Short snippet videos from singing to dancing to how-to videos. Great for reaching and engaging a younger audience.

Reddit: A community forum discussing various topics across different threads.





Facebook









Facebook in Europe

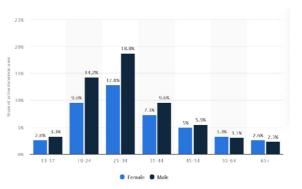
32,4%

Aged 25-34

(Millennials)







What to post?

- ☐ Facebook photos get 53% more likes, 104% more comments, and 84% more click-throughs on links than posts containing only text.
- ☐ An increasing amount of content available to users has made it **more difficult to stand out**.
- ☐ Facebook encourages brands to deliver **meaningful content to their audience** by rewarding high-quality posts with **better timeline visibility**.
- ☐ While Facebook changes its **algorithm** all of the time, there are several **key factors** that affect whether your content is being prioritized for your audience.



How To Write For Facebook



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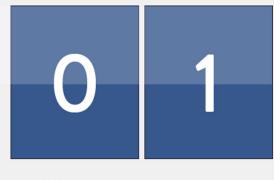
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BEST # OF HASHTAGS



BEST # OF EMOJIS



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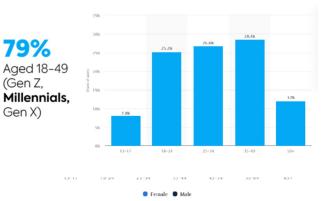








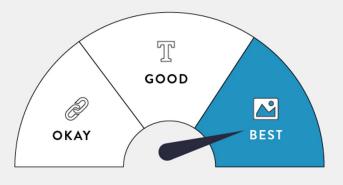
Twitter has become a way to **promote policies and interact with citizens** and other officials.



What to post?

- ☐ Retweets and Replies relevant to your audiences.
- ☐ Links and Visual Media
- Tweets that include links are **86% more likely to get retweeted** and this extra exposure can help drive **traffic back to your website**.
 - Tweets with a photo garner 3x the engagement as those without.
 - When it comes to Twitter, the value of visual storytelling applies now more than ever.

How To Write For Twitter

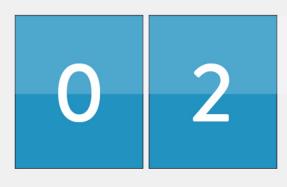


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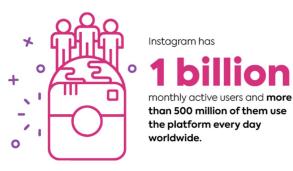


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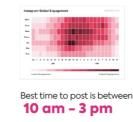








38% more engaging



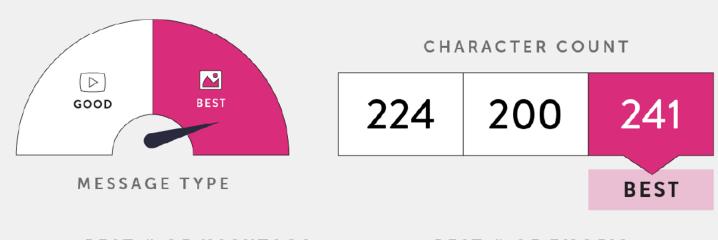


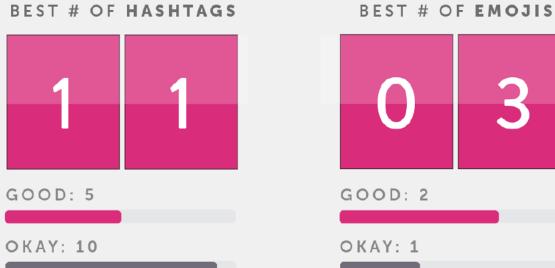
Value of Instagram

- Nonprofit organisations can use photos to transcend linguistic boundaries and instantly connect supporters with your story.
- ☐ Hashtags help with content discovery and curation. 5-11 Hashtags (#) allow users to search for images using certain keywords or trending topics.



How To Write For Instagram



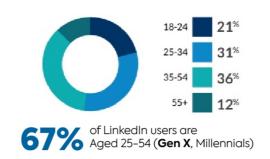


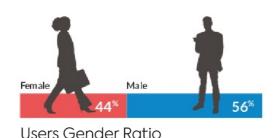


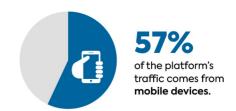
LinkedIn















LinkedIn posts with images get

higher engagement

What to post?

- Your organisation's Company Page gives you the opportunity to increase your visibility and engage your audience by sharing updates and news, communicating your story, and building brand awareness.
- Use Your Team to Expand Your Reach
- Post Updates to Engage Followers
- Build Thought Leadership
- Locate and Recruit Volunteers/Employees.

How To Write For LinkedIn



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YouTube



YouTube Has

users worldwide, and reaches

95%

of the global internet population.

Users Gender Ratio

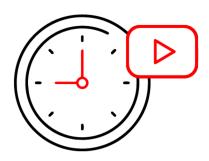
56% Male



44% Female



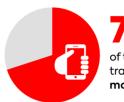
YouTube reaches almost all generations equally.



Every day people watch

1 billion

hours of videos on YouTube and generate billions of views.



70% of the platform's traffic comes from mobile devices.



YouTube's recommendation algorithm accounts for

70%

of what people watch.

Value of YouTube

- Awareness and Education
- ☐ Campaign and Event Promotion
- ☐ Illustrate Impact and Appreciation

Best Time to Post on



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Best Days to Post

Most Views



Most viewers watch YouTube on weekend so post on Saturdays and Sundays around 9 - 11 AM.

12 PM - 4 PM during work days

Most viewers watch videos in the evening. Post at 12 - 4 PM so videos would be indexed by the evening.

9 AM - 11 AM
on the weekends





IMAGE

- SPECS: **1200X675PX**
- COPY: 280 CHARACTERS
- EXPORTED AS PNG



STORIES

- SPECS: 1080X1920PX
- ENSURE KEY ELEMENTS APPEAR
 WITHIN A 1080X1420 TITLE-SAFE AREA
- EXPORTED AS PNG OR .MP4
- 15 SECONDS MAX

VIDEO

- SPECS: 1080X1080PX OR 1200X628PX
 - COPY: 125 CHARACTERS
 - HEADLINE: **25** CHARACTERS
 - LINK DESCRIPTION: 30 CHARACTERS
 - EXPORTED AS PNG
 - CAN ALSO BE 16:9 RATIO
- INCLUDE A CALL-TO-ACTION (CTA) BUTTON

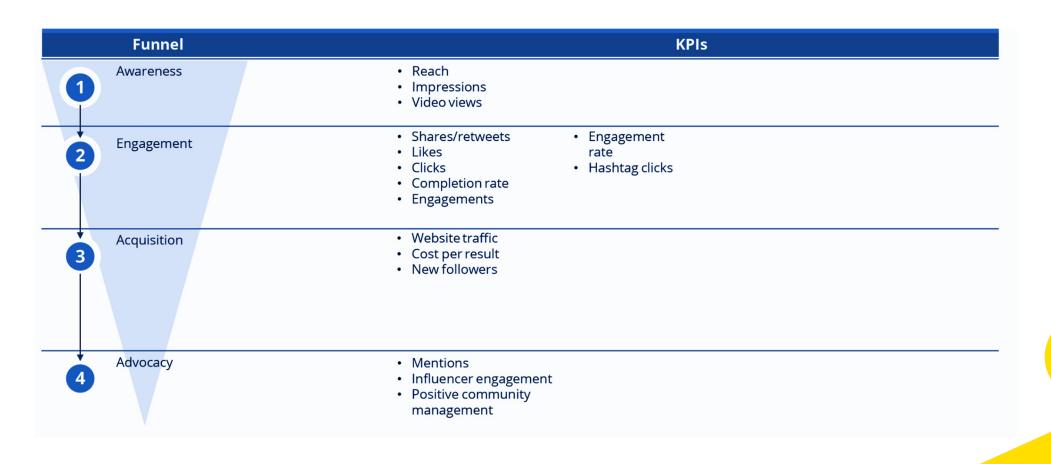
Best Practices

- Respect the copy optimal length, ex. X 256 char. to leave space for link.
- ☐ All posts should include an image, link or video
- ☐ Do not repeat your post copy on your visual instead complement it
- ☐ Think mobile-first
- ☐ Start your copy with an interesting first sentence like a data point or question LinkedIn
- ☐ Most people watch videos on mute video captions are optional but recommended



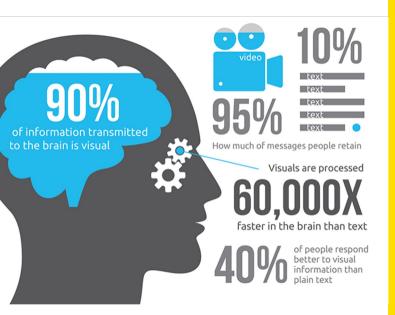


Set your Key Performance Indicators (KPIs)





Use a lot of visuals



Your fans and followers are 44% more likely to engage with and share content that contains imagery.

Make sure your social posts stand out with graphics like:

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□ GIFs
☐ Quote images
☐ Short videos (30-45 seconds, with captions)
☐ Infographics
■ Emojis (posts with emoticons get a 57% higher like rate and 33% higher shar rate)



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picjumbo



rawpixel*













Promote your best content

Why Organic is No Longer Enough...

- Less than 1% of the people who 'like' a Facebook page will see posts published organically by the page
- Approximately 15% of LinkedIn followers see page posts; post lifespan = **24 hrs max**
- Lifespan of a tweet is ~18 minutes; **less than 5%** of users following a Twitter brand @handle will see Tweets published by that brand @handle
 - Over **300 hours** of video uploaded every minute; approximately **5 billion videos** are watched on Youtube every single day

A Small Amount of Paid Allows You To...

- Target key audiences with desired content while Facebook optimizes for the objective of the post (click, engage, buy)
- Target audiences by job title, function, industry; 500M+ active professionals on LinkedIn; InMail available
- Increased brand/message awareness by getting as many (targeted) people as possible to see a tweet and engage
 - Advertising on YouTube is a very cost-effective and low-risk option for nonprofit organizations. In fact, it's possible to run an ad campaign with just \$1.00 per day on YouTube and still get clicks to your website with at least 20-50 video views per day.



DON'TS

- 1. Don't over-share your content (Max. 1-2 Facebook, Twitter, Instagram posts and Max. 7 Tweets / day should suffice)
- 2. Don't use poor grammar and spelling
- 3. DON'T CREATE POSTS IN ALL CAPS
- 4. #Dont #excessively #use #hashtags

- 5. Don't share the same messages repeatedly(Twitter is an exception)
- 6. Don't automate the same content across all networks (Match tone and requirements)
- 7. Don't use all social media platforms for the sake of it
- 8. Don't share sadness (empower, inspire, inform and entertain)

- 9. Don't get hung up on numbers (real value is not the number of followers or impressions, but the level of engagement)
- 10. Don't try to be everywhere and do everything
- 11. Don't do all the talking (listen) Don't ignore comments, questions, messages
- 12. Don't post text only (Twitter is an exception)



Crisis management on social media

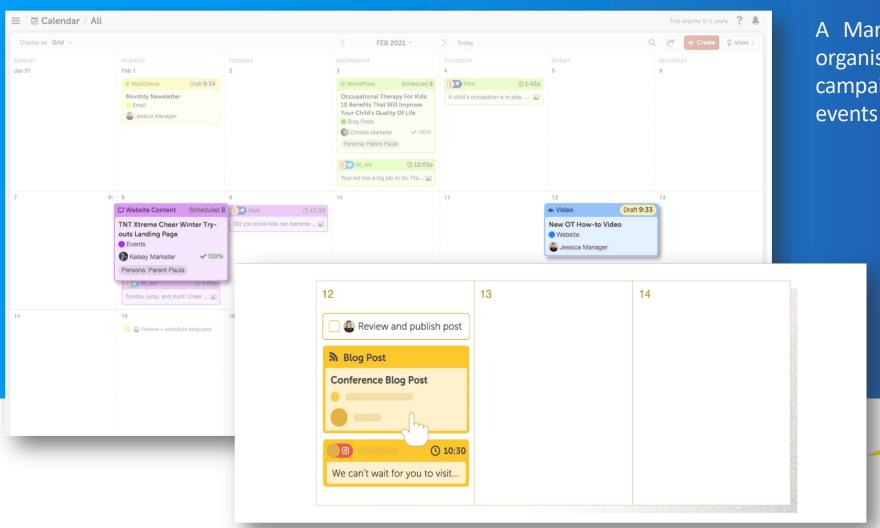
Did you receive a **negative comment or suggestion?**

- 1. Eliminate comments only in extreme cases.
- **2. Assess** whether the comment is constructive. Is the user expressing a legitimate criticism or concern? Are they offering constructive solutions? If so:
- 3. Thank participation in an educated manner, avoiding too formal tone.
- 4. If wrong, remove the wrong content and correct it. If the mistake goes viral or a user shares it, recognize the inaccuracy and reiterate the correct information.
- 5. Maintain fluid communication to build trust.
- 6. Let them know you will consider their feedback or invite them to continue the conversation through the platform's private messaging tool (if you choose to engage).
- 7. Most importantly, if the comment is in any way **offensive or hateful**, it should be removed and **flagged** to your superior and **reported** to the social channel as soon as possible.





Marketing Calendar



A Marketing Calendar allows you to organise your blog posts, social media campaigns, newsletters, website, events etc. in a collaborative calendar.

Thank you for your attention!





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