

Uniqueness: The Key for a strong positioning.



How do you make a decision when ...

- ... You buy a new car?
- ... You book a hotel in a foreign country?
- ... You buy a new mobile device?
- ... You choose a new telecom provider?
- ... You buy a new suit?
- ... You are looking for a new banking partner?



Why companies do not succeed?

- 1. Broad range of products and services
- 2. Missing a clear focus and profile
- 3. Absence of strong and relevant values
- 4. Image-culture-gap
- 5. Wrong perception of the company
- 6. Positioning over price instead of values



The real problem.

"Customers must recognize that you stand for something." (Howard Shultz, Starbucks)

But:

64% of German employees do not know the values of their company. (Forsa, 2007)



The BMW Brand.

"Since its inception, the BMW brand has **stood for one thing**: sheer driving pleasure. Sporting and dynamic performance combine with peerless design and exclusive quality, resulting in the unique appeal of BMW automobiles."

Guess, what the people at BMW will never do?



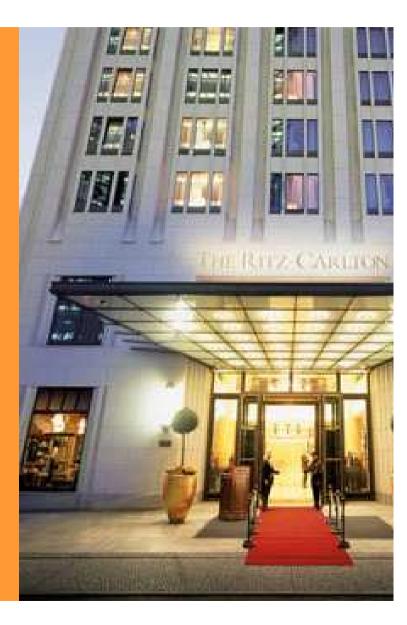
The 6 preconditions for successful Identity Management.

- 1. Presence: Focus on the touch-points
- 2. Acceptance: Employees, Markets, Stakeholders etc.
- 3. Substance: Unique qualities
- 4. Consistency: Focus on the essential with "one voice"
- 5. Competence: Evident capability
- 6. Consequence: Follow the strategy



Ritz Carlton.

1. First-class-service 2. High requirements for employees 3. 230 hours training p.a. (4x more than competitors) 4. Intensive study of the company's values 5. Measuring and improve customer's satisfaction and employee's loyality





Lexus.

- 1. Top-class in 3 years (US-Market)
- 2. Best in class dealer-network
- 3. Permanent trainings
- 4. Extraordinary customer satisfaction
- 5. Measuring and improve customer orientated behavior





Jura.

Clear focus on core values
 Defining the World of Coffee
 Technology, Service and Design
 7.000 salespoints
 High-end market





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 Creating a new competence centre
 State of the art equipment
 Unique location and architecture
 Open 365 days p.a. Monday-Friday: 7.00 - 21.00 Saturday: 8.00 - 20.00 Sunday: 10.00 - 19.00
 Up to 300 clients per day





The key-drivers.

- 1. Strong values and a clear strategy
- 2. Follow the core values
- 3. Develop and implement tools
- 4. Define and implement a rigorous selection process
- 5. Create a customer-orientated culture
- 6. Permanent training
- 7. Measure and reward



How to define the core-values?

objective functional	emotional	aesthetical cultural	normative
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How the core-values come alive?

1. Inside the company

Management Employees 2. Markets/Stakeholders

Design Communication



How to manage the touch-points?

- Principles and guidelines
 Processes
- 3. Behavior



Values create uniqueness.

One idea
 One company/one brand
 One set of benefits
 One set of perceptions
 One set of experiences

There is only **one** company in the market providing the best solution, because ...





