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## The Journey to Agility

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#### **The Need for Agility**

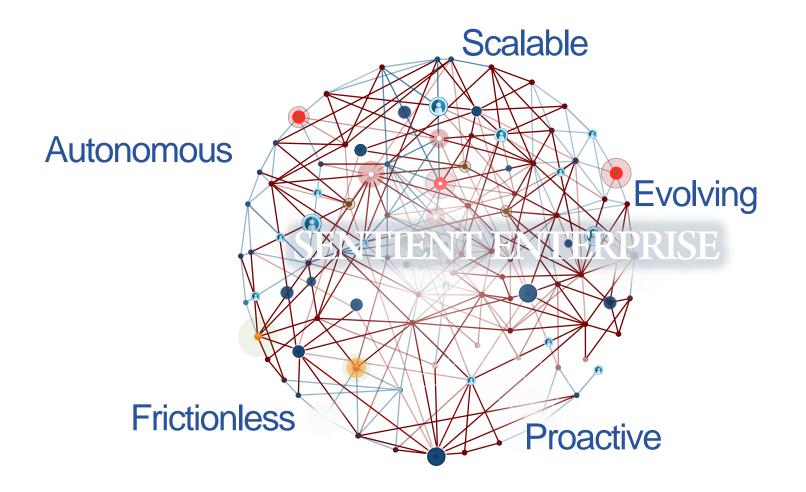
Principles of Agile Marketing

**Developing Agile Marketing Capabilities** 

#### Customers Expect Real Time Interaction

STOCK MARKET ACTIVITY

#### Customers Expect Self-Service Everything



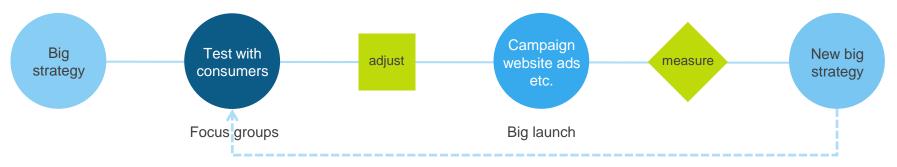
# AG.LE<sup>-adjective</sup>

Agile Marketing seeks to improve the speed, predictability and adaptability of the marketing function by moving from the "Big Plan" and sequential execution to iterative planning and testing with cross-functional teams.

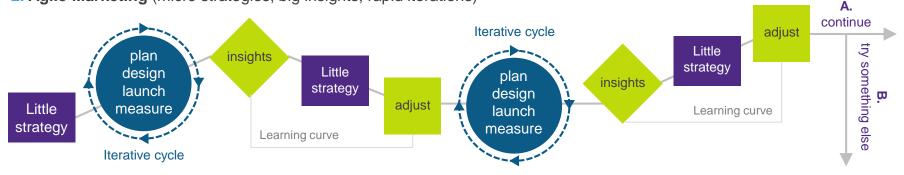


#### **Towards Agile Marketing**

1. Conventional Marketing (big ideas, big bang launch, big budgets)

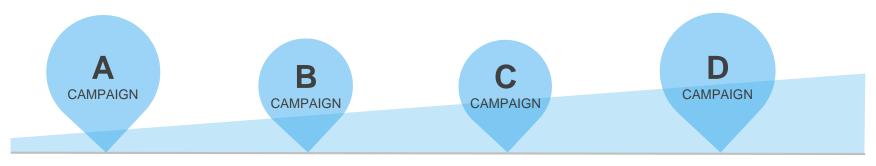


2. Agile Marketing (micro strategies, big insights, rapid iterations)



## **From Campaigns to Conversations**

Campaign-Centric Marketing — Campaign-led stories creating the brand experience



Agile — Always On conversation around behaviorally influenced topics across the customer decision journey





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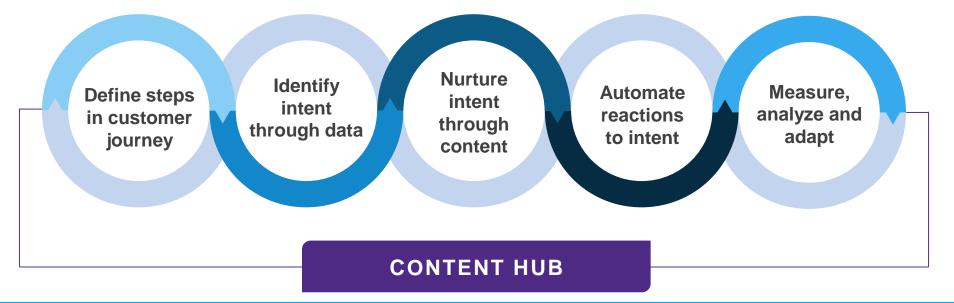
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## **Principles of Agile Marketing**

- 1. Validation over opinions
- 2. Collaboration over silos
- 3. Many small experiments over a few large bets
- 4. Customer discovery over static prediction
- 5. Flexible over rigid planning
- 6. Responding to change over following a plan

### **Always On Marketing**

**Always-On Marketing** seeks to create persistent and consistent communication experiences across digital and physical channels to facilitate customers along their decision journey.





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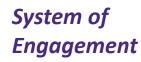
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#### **Agile Marketing Capabilities**



Organization and Culture





Journey Mapping and Content

#### PEOPLE

Establish the foundation for a more fluid and agile planning and deployment approach



## **Create a Culture of Agility**

- Early and continuous delivery of marketing initiatives to engage customers based on their pain points and passions.
- Deliver marketing programs often, from every couple of weeks to every two months, with a preference to the shorter timescale.
- Use the ability to quickly respond to change as a source of competitive advantage.
- Closely align business, marketing, sales, agencies and partners.
- Don't be afraid to fail; just don't fail the same way twice.

#### Create a Command Center

Invest in creation of teams that are editorial in nature, acting like a newsroom to form and articulate brand stories that are relevant to the audience.

## **Low Hanging Fruit for Agile Marketing**

- Content marketing
- Social media marketing
- Web development
- Search engine optimization (SEO)
- Mobile app development
- Marketing automation
- PPC advertising
- Landing page optimization
- Mobile landing page optimization



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Map the customer journey and develop a process for creation and distribution of valuable, timely and relevant content organized in a content hub

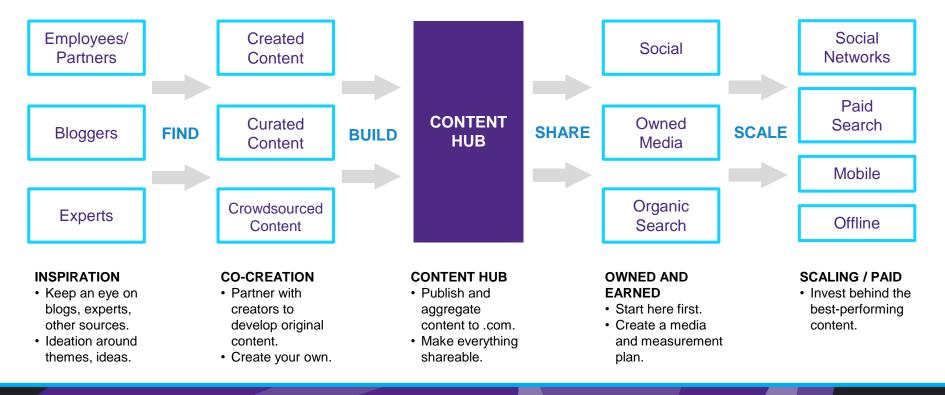
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#### Mapping the customer Journey Understand how customers and prospects interact with media channels and touch points to optimize messaging and content strategies.

## **Managing the Content Lifecycle**

**CONTENT CREATION** 

**CONTENT DISTRIBUTION** 



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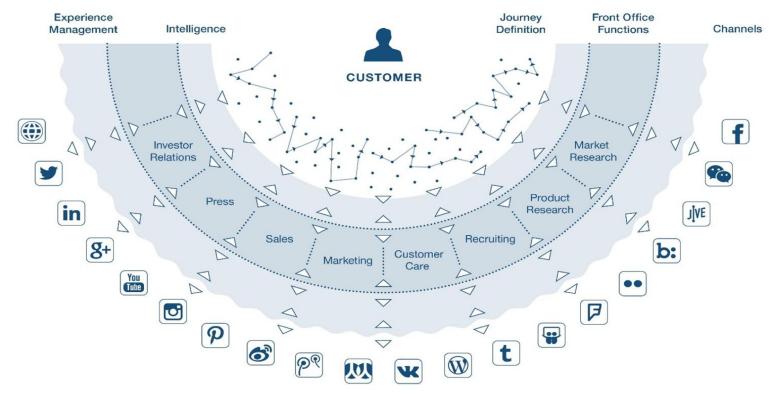
Invest in a platform for channel-agnostic customer engagement and predictive models to scale content deployment and optimization.

#### **Front-Office Platforms Today**



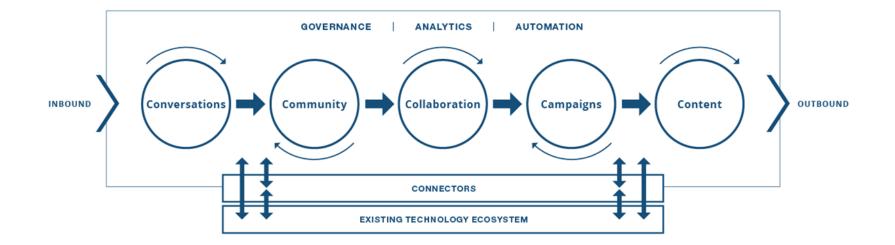
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#### **The Front Office of the Future**



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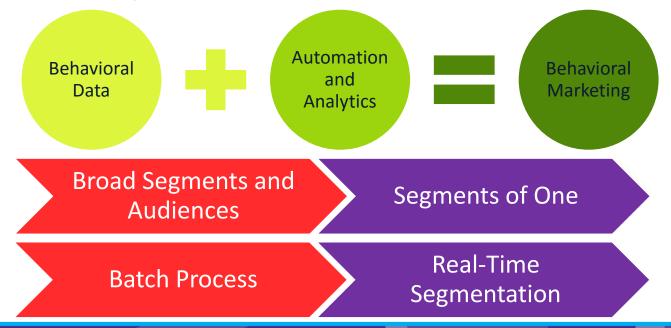
## **Building a System of Engagement**



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#### **The End State: Behavioral Marketing**

Behavioral Marketing is the process of designing and delivering real-time, cross-channel, personalized marketing communications to customers based on automated analysis of their intents, profiles and actions.



### **Summary: Becoming Agile**

Agile Culture and Teams



