

Area Development FDI Forum

Effective International Marketing and Attraction Strategies

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Agenda

- How to apply marketing principles to formulating and implementing your international FDI strategy
- How to position your location and value proposition in a global context
- ◆ Advice for managing the "global/local" dilemma in order to successfully look and act local

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Allyson Stewart-Allen

- Marketing advisor to Boards and leadership teams on international expansion, brand localization, global mindsets
- ◆ Local knowledge: US, EU
- Author (Working with Americans)
- Speaker, broadcaster, commentator (CNN, BBC, CNBC, Sky News "Muse of Marketing", FT, IHT)



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Marketing Wisdom...



"The customer rarely buys what the business thinks it sells him"

- Peter Drucker

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Understanding Value

<u>Identifying spheres of influence – Your Ecosystem</u> In small groups:

- Use one of the regions/cities in the group as a case study
- Identify the key components/elements in the ecosystem and the disruptors changing it
 - disintermediation? social media? changing economic mix?
- What does this reveal about opportunities to better engage ecosystem members?
 - how do you tie up this network to create sustainable competitive advantage for your location?

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Understanding Value

$$V = \frac{PQ + SQ}{P + H}$$

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Understanding Value

Unpacking Your Value Equation



In a new small group:

- As before, use one of the regions/cities in the group as the sample case
- What are the PQ, SQ, P and H elements for the potential inward investor for that destination?
- ◆ How well does your current marketing promise (aka "value proposition") line up? (1-10, 10 = perfectly)
- What can you conclude about ways this promise AND the ecosystem members can be even better leveraged?

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Communicating Value

- ◆ TV/print/radio ads CNN, WSJ, FT, ...
- Newsletters online/offline
- FAM trips including trade missions
- Hosting (summits, conferences)
- Live webinars/events/receptions
- "Multipliers"
 - Consultants
 - Bankers
 - Lawyers
- FDI agency account managers
 - UKTI Fast Track service

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Extracting Value

- Approach a new/different type of decision maker
 - Corporate Affairs?
 - CSR?
 - Sustainability Officer?
- Use fresh faces, new contacts
 - Mayor/Governor giving @TED event
 - Link with your Film & TV unit to raise profile/visibility
- Anchor your marketing strategy in your location features
 - Attractions (restaurants, venues)
 - People (celebrities, industry hubs, talent hotspots)
 - Natural resources (Silicon Valley)

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Extracting Value

- Appoint "Business Ambassadors"
- Host industry matchmaking programs
 - Cal-IT
- Create awards/competitions
 - for new or aspiring arrivals only?
- Create a business incubator for outside companies, fund essential advice/support
 - Market research
 - Market entry strategy
 - Legal, property, accounting advice

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Comments/Questions?



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