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#  CERN's <br> <br> Large Hiring Challenge 

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## Our Talent Acquisition journey

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## Challenges in Talent Acquisition


~200 years

~2000 years

~500 years

~50 years

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## And today...?



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## CERN's Large Hiring Challenge



## Achieving great science...

...yet we recruit very few physicists!

Typical! r've found the Higgs boson, but I've lost my glasses again'

## CERN is a great place to work!


"The incumbent will take an active part in all questions related to scientific information"
... but we can make it sound really boring!

## Our beginning

## Describing a task/need

CERN is ....
Dept $X$ does...
Group Y implements....
We need....
Bulleted
List
Of
Needs
Both men \& women can apply

Results
Delays
Low quality
No sourcing
No advertising
No brand
One-step process
typical candidate reaction
Few quality candidates
Low satisfaction levels

## The start of recruitment...

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## The origins of Jot finterviews



For thousands of years we have been using the same methods of recruiting ...

## Paradigm shift...




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## ...and new technology...



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## UGC (User Generated Content)


"Every two days, we create as much information as we did from the dawn of civilization up until 2003"

Eric Schmidt, CEO Google
World's information is doubling every 2 years!
100,000 tweets/minute \& 40+ million facebook status updates per hour!


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## Sort out your EVP

"Your EVP can be thought of as your
Higgs field for attracting talent"

## Design a Social Media Strategy




> "If you don potentialpark you are going, any road will get you there." The Cheshire Cat

## Make time

Reduce the time consuming activities



Reduce
print
adverts


Implement multiposting for adverts to job boards


Replace telephone screening with asynchronous web

## European Multiposting

Careers at CERN
www.cern.ch/jobs


Reaching 20 countries with one single click!


## Big Data - Evidence Based HR

## Asynchronous Web interviewing

Case study
Reduces costs \& Increases quality


It's About Time

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## Update your skillset...



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## The channels <br> Suche <br> Alles

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Quick \& Easy to setup
Shared account
Increases Google Pagerank
Its not about followers

## Youtube ${ }^{\text {YouTube }}$ youtube.com/cernjobstv <br> "If I can't picture it, I cant understand it"

Easier than you think
Set up a 'channel'
Video is most popular media on the net


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## Facebook



## Facebook is a platform

Becoming more important than traditional websites!
Facebook accounts for $25 \%$ web page views
Facebook beats Google in Web traffic

## Facebook

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Default page
1,374 likes


Company Page 8,356 likes


Engaged Page 151,263 likes

Each time you get a "like," your page is advertised in the Facebook news feed...for free

## Facebook for recruitment



Friends of fans reach > 50 million Facebook users

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## Facebook testimonials Why is CERN such a great place to work?



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## Facebook Live Chat

## CERN Jobs <br> July 25

Hi, it's time for 1 hour chat with the recruitment team; please feel free to ask your questions to Michel \& Anna!

We remind you that your questions should be related to the RECRUITMENT PROCESS AND CAREERS AT CERN. Any other inappropriate questions won't be answered! Please note that we will endeavour to answer ALL questions, but this depends on the volume we receive. Thank you!


## Edgerank


"possibly the most important algorithm you have never heard of"

## $\sum_{\text {edge e }} \boldsymbol{U}_{e} \boldsymbol{W}_{e} \boldsymbol{d}_{e}$

$\mathrm{U}_{\mathrm{e}}$ (affinity) - how friendly you are with someone
$\mathrm{W}_{\mathrm{e}}$ (weight) - videos, photos, comments, likes
$D_{e}$ (decay) - recency


You want to make a big announcement? Plan ahead to increase affinity first.


## ComputerWeekly.com

## NEWS

## CERN sees surge in job applicants after turning to social media

Bill Goodwin
Friday 12 October 2012 00:30


CERN, home of the Large Hadron Collider (LHC), has seen a tenfold surge in candidates applying for hard-to-fill vacancies, after turning to social media.

CERN, based in Geneva, says it has seen the number of applicants for typical jobs grow from 30 to 50 to over 500 during the last 12 months.


The nuclear research establishment has transformed its recruitment processes by replacing one-off ads in specialist publications and on job sites with recruitment on Twitter, Facebook and investing in cloud-based recruitment platforms.

Over the past six months, it has attracted over 500 referrals from Facebook alone, said James Purvis, head of talent acquisition at CERN.

## If you are successful...



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## Case Study : Java s/w engineer

## 244 Applied



## Tactics - Where are we now?

## Selling an opportunity

Are you looking for?
Do you enjoy?
Can you do?
Do you have?
Structured List of
Technical \& Behavioural Competencies
Employing a diverse and international workforce is a CERN core value and central to our success. We welcome applications from all Member States irrespective of gender, age, disability, sexual orientation, race, religion or personal situation.

Automated Multiposting
Sourcing \& advertising
Pro-active
Multi-channel
Social \& Professional Media
Multi-step process


## Is this really a strategy?

Whilst you can have a strategy for using Social Media... .... using Social Media itself isn't a Talent Acquisition Strategy


25 million unemployed in EU (Eurostat)


4 million unfilled positions
(Business Europe)

## Talent Acquisition Strategy



## From tactics to strategy

Chinese proverb
"If you want 1 year of prosperity, grow grain.
If you want 10 years of prosperity, grow trees.
If you want 100 years of prosperity, grow people"


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## Strategy - growing talent



## Closing Thoughats

## Driving Innovation

## Innovation is far more about mindset than technology


"Innovation has nothing to do with how many R\&D dollars you have"

"If I had asked people what they wanted, they would have said faster horses "

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## Thinking outside of the box



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## Logic will get you from $A$ to $B$.



Imagination will take you everywhere.

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