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# Behind the Scenes: Your backstage pass

Background info, tools, tips, and tricks to unlock your success

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# Backstory of Claim and Visual

A deep-dive into the look and feel of NXT LVL

# HOW THE CLAIM CAME TO LIFE

This narrative was developed to represent three aspects of our transformation: First it explains the **#NextLevel** environment around us and why we must transform. Then it provides a picture of what it's like to **#LevelUp**.



Finally, it unveils the collective **#UpForTomorrow** mindset we need to navigate this transformation successfully. The claim can be dynamically utilized in communication to fit various purposes:

**Next Level | Level Up | Level Up For Tomorrow | Up for Tomorrow**

# HOW THE CLAIM CAME TO LIFE

## NEXT LEVEL

# WHY?

1. The dynamic demands of our customers and the industry continue to go #NextLevel.
2. So, we're doing the same. We will meet these challenges head-on.
3. The day we stop striving is the day we become irrelevant in the industry and to our customers.
4. Sitting back is not an option when markets, technology, and business models are shifting faster than before.
5. The pace of the world requires us to set a new bar.

## LEVEL UP

# WHAT DOES IT LOOK LIKE TO LEVEL UP?

1. It's working smarter not harder. It's about speed over perfection.
2. This could mean moving to quarterly or monthly cycles so we can reiterate and innovate faster. Or creating A-teams to focus on disruptive innovations and models. Or learning new digital systems that help us engage better in our work or with the customer.
3. To be clear - it's not an instant journey, and persistence is key.
4. It will be the small but important gains we make every day that will make the difference.

## UP FOR TOMORROW

# HOW? WITH A FRESH MINDSET.

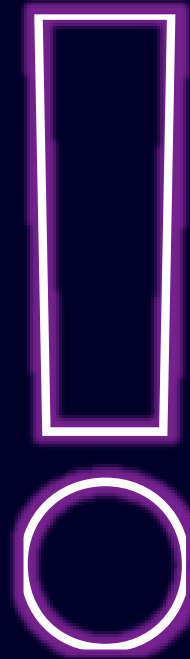
1. We need to fuel our persistence. We need to be Up for Tomorrow.
2. This means having an optimistic mindset amidst challenging times.
3. We are encouraged to expand our curiosity and to connect more with each other to gain efficiencies.
4. We approach boundaries with hope, and we become more comfortable with change.
5. This is a challenge for everyone. We can all take lessons from this shift. We all have room to transform.
6. As we continue to assume this empowering mindset, our entire perspective changes and we create new opportunities. We work together seamlessly for the customer.
7. When we #LevelUpforTomorrow, we are transforming our vision into reality.



## HASHTAG GUIDANCE

# EXAMPLE STATEMENTS

- Going #NextLevel: Build the Future Today, #LevelUpForTomorrow
- Time to go #NextLevel for the customer.
- Join me as we #LevelUpForTomorrow
- Together we'll #LevelUpForTomorrow
- Work smarter, not harder. #LevelUpForTomorrow
- It's time to #LevelUpForTomorrow
- #LevelUpForTomorrow to win the customer.
- Revamp your mindset and the rest will follow: #LevelUpForTomorrow



## HASHTAG GUIDANCE

# EXAMPLE QUESTIONS OR CALLS TO ACTION

- Are you ready to go #NextLevel?
- What is your #NextLevel focus?
- What's your most important tool for going #NextLevel?
- How will you #LevelUpForTomorrow in your role?
- Who inspires you to #LevelUpForTomorrow?
- Describe how you #LevelUpForTomorrow in \_\_\_\_\_ (project, challenge, role)
- Tag teammates who help you #LevelUpForTomorrow



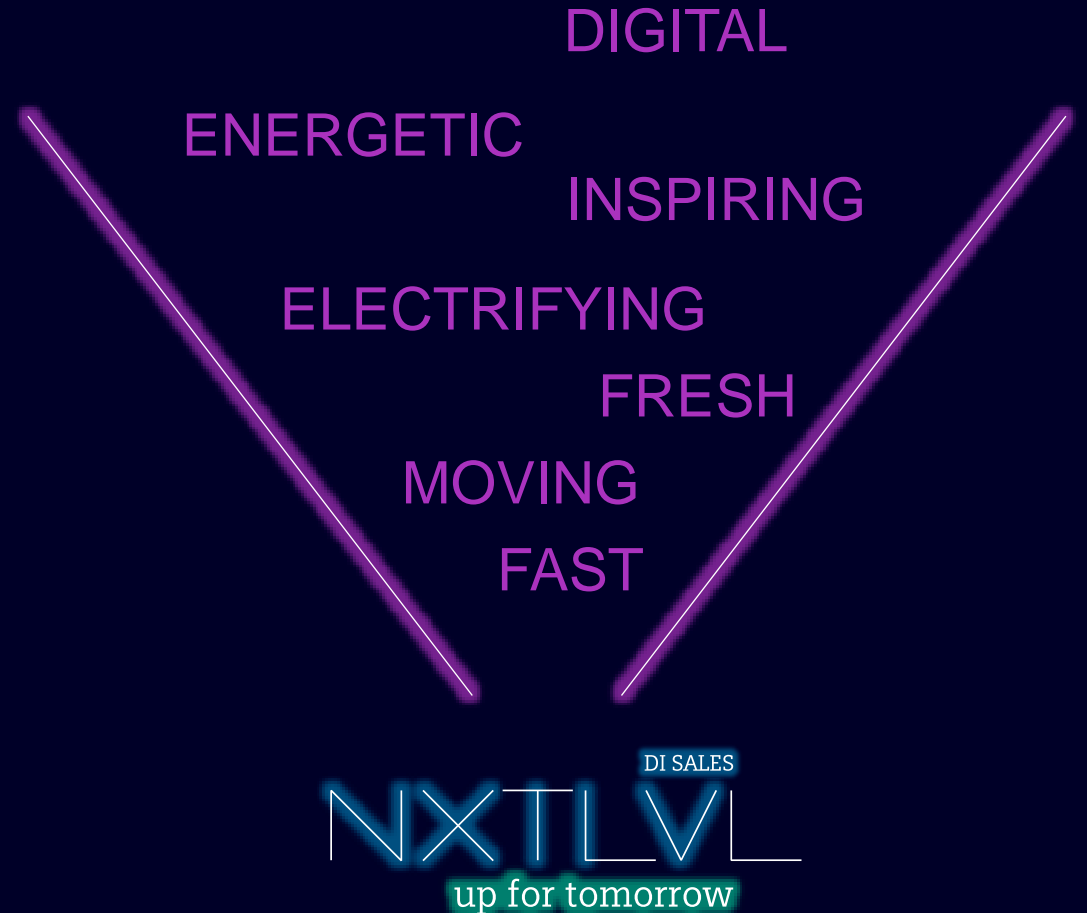
# HOW THE VISUAL DIRECTION WAS BORN

New times bring new challenges. And with them new perspectives, new ways of looking at things.

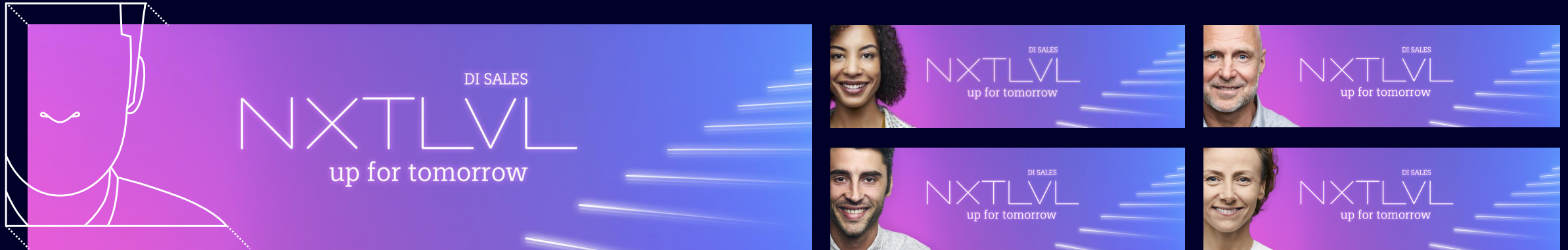
The world is becoming more diverse, more colorful, more modern, but also more inspiring.

We are being swept along into the world of tomorrow, which is already making itself visible today. Into new media that acts globally and sets global trends.

We integrate these trends with this idea and use this (transformation-) energy in the look & feel.



# HOW THE VISUAL DIRECTION WAS BORN



The NXT LVL main visual integrates a diverse set of faces. This approach represents the people of Siemens making the difference. It gives the program a more personal feel.

Regions have the opportunity to use this visual as a customizable template: you can for example encourage people to participate by integrating their own profile picture\* and share their #NextLevel game face.

\* We recommend working with a professional agency to achieve a good result

# | Master Template Slides

The right look, every time



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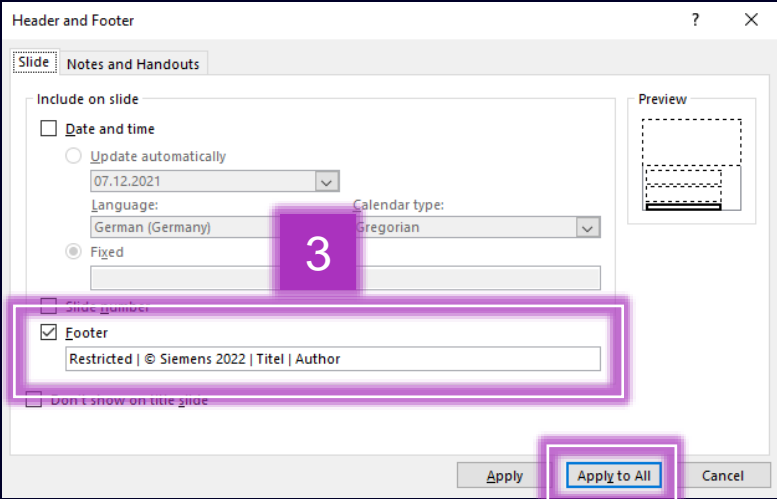
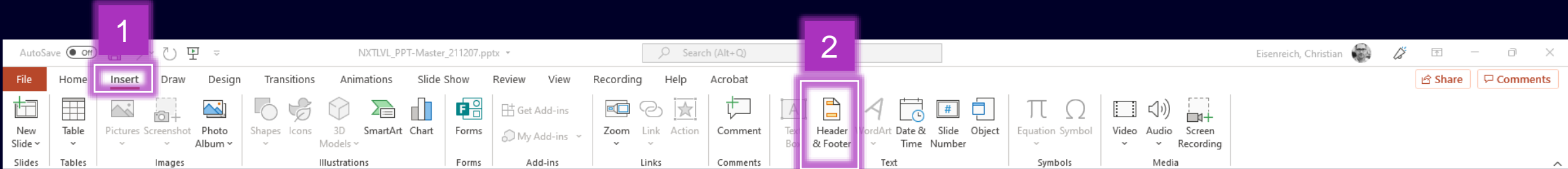
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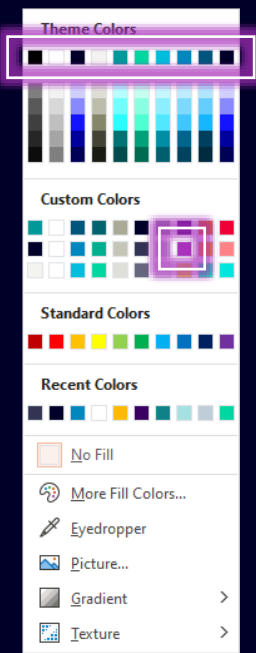
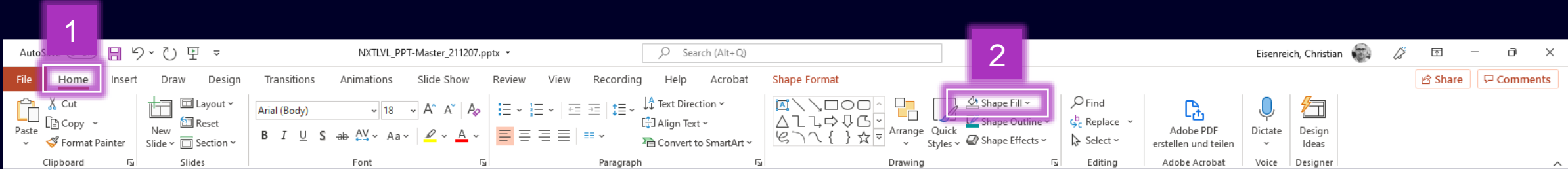
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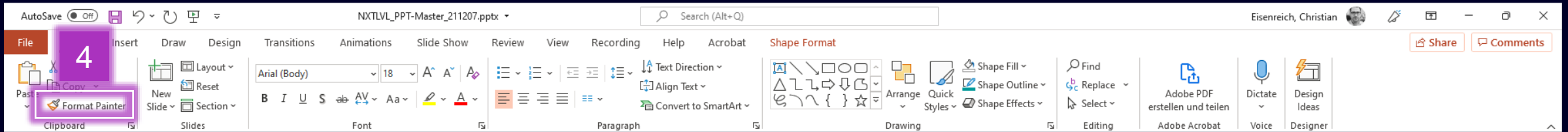
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2



Create your own symbol as a line

3

EFFECT

Click on the element "EFFECT"

4



Click on „Format painter“

5



Click on your element (line)

Claim

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# Elements



# 9 WORK PACKAGES HAVE BEEN DEFINED AS KEY ENABLERS FOR THE TRANSFORMATION

**Territory approach**  
Decouple customers' buying behavior from our underlying structure

**OEM Approach**  
Transform from siloed push to integrated pull

**Vertical approach**  
Strengthen Push/Pull via coordinated ecosystem approach across all channels

**2nd layer approach**  
Support customers with application & use case oriented pre-sales support

**DE Collaboration**  
Setting joint goals and team up to execute

**Compensation**  
Cultivating a desire to close

Flexible, role-based DI Sales Incentive policy

Global DI/SI Sales Performance and Incentive Tool rollout

DE Special Incentive

**Learning Organization**  
Empowered people and collaboration

**Horizontal organization**  
Provide applications / specific technologies with cross-vertical relevance

**IT requirements**



# UTILIZE THE DI SALES NEXT LEVEL GUIDING PRINCIPLES

In addition to the transformation packages and #UpForTomorrow mindset, keep our guiding principles in mind:



## GUIDING PRINCIPLE

1

No "one size fits all" approach

2

Units out of scope remain as is

3

Stepwise realization until FY25

4

Focus on growth & productivity increase

1) Of T1 & T2 2) Numbers and buckets to be adjusted per country 3) Over 4 years 4) Additional to base productivity



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# PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Everything you need to know to be informed and take action

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# Why do we need a transformation?

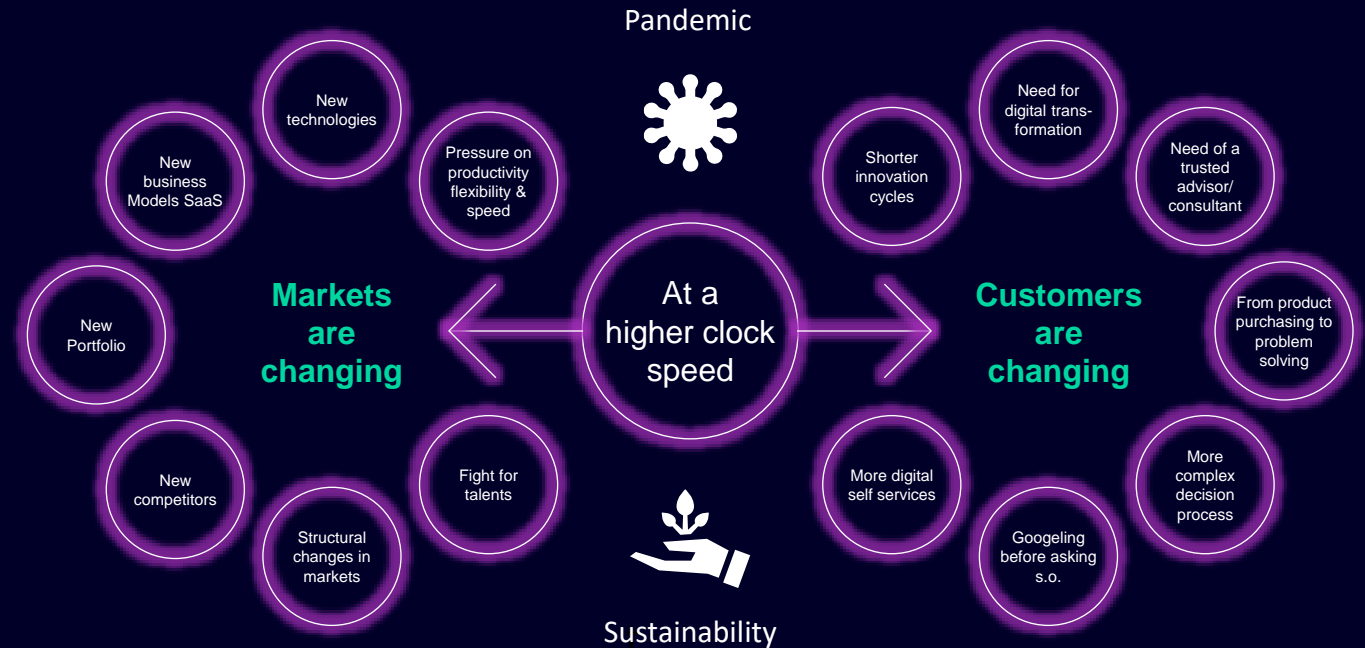
Pushing past current boundaries

# WE NEED TO MEET THE DYNAMIC DEMANDS OF TODAY

Digitalization is changing our entire environment, and how we interface with our customer.

We continually face new competitors, new technologies and completely new business models.

These Changes across markets, customers, and technologies require that we completely transform our organization and Go-to-Market approach



# THE MARKETS ARE CHANGING AND SO ARE OUR CUSTOMERS

## DIGITALIZATION IMPACTS EVERY BUSINESS PROCESS

We must ensure we not only reach technical specification but also solve real customer problems and adding lasting value.

## NEW BUSINESS MODELS ARE REQUIRED

- more digestible monthly user fees leads to easier investments
- cloud-based applications
- data analytics from AI and ML

## VALUE CREATION WITH CUSTOMERS

We need to co-create with the customer and become a trusted advisor who helps them navigate their path through transitions.

## CUSTOMERS WANT A HIGHER DEGREE OF SELF-SERVICE; THE JOURNEY NEEDS TO BE FRICTION-LESS

Customer decision to engage happens after they are already 57% down purchase path

44% of millennials prefer a seller-free experience

# PEOPLE ARE AT THE CENTER

**We face a challenge  
to find and keep  
good talent:**



- We need to be fast on our feet to hire excellent in certain tech fields, i.e. data analysts or digital marketers
- New technologies require more skilled people to consult our customers and engineer effective processes.
- We have the unique opportunity to increase our customer value and become a digital front-runner.

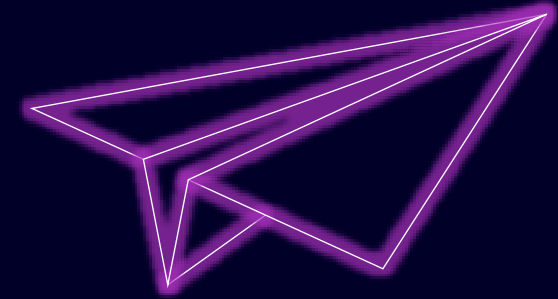
# | Our Vision

Every challenge harbors an opportunity

# OUR TRANSFORMATION WILL UNLOCK THE REALIZATION OF OUR VISION

Our ultimate goal is to set the pace as leaders. Imagine in 2025...

- Siemens outranks all the industry players
- We are growing year on year by 20%
- Customers are compelled by our value, not our price
- We're rated as the Best Employer, outranking the top players in this area



**There's only one top spot. There's no doubt it could be us.  
We need to be proactive and take steps now to make it happen.**



# | Our DI Sales Priorities

Ensuring we are a double-digit growth tech company

# OUR 2022 DI SALES PRIORITIES FUEL OUR ASPIRATION

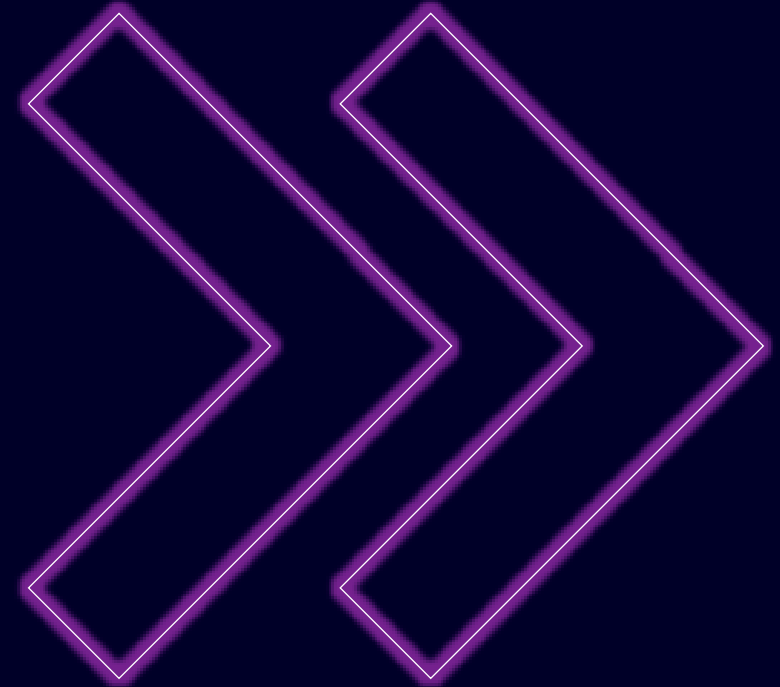


# WE NEED TO GO #NEXTLEVEL TO MEET DYNAMIC DEMANDS

## #NeXtLevel

means:

- Sitting back is not an option when markets, technology, and business models are shifting faster than ever before
- The day we stop striving is the day we become irrelevant in the industry and to our customers
- So, it's time to set a new bar
- We're approaching this head-on now, instead of trying to catch up later
- Small changes and wins each day will add up to huge success



# START NOW, TOGETHER

OUR GOAL

Transforming  
the sales  
organization

OUR APPROACH

Together as  
a team

OUR TIMEFRAME

Start NOW



2025



**#NextLevel is a transformation program to move the complete DI Sales Organization towards a growth-focused setup. We will execute together as a team, bringing it to life in each region through your contributions.**

# | How do we do this?

With the right framework to empower your journey

# TO EXPLOIT GROWING MARKET POTENTIAL 9 PACKAGES HAVE BEEN DEFINED AS KEY ENABLERS FOR THE TRANSFORMATION

### Territory Approach

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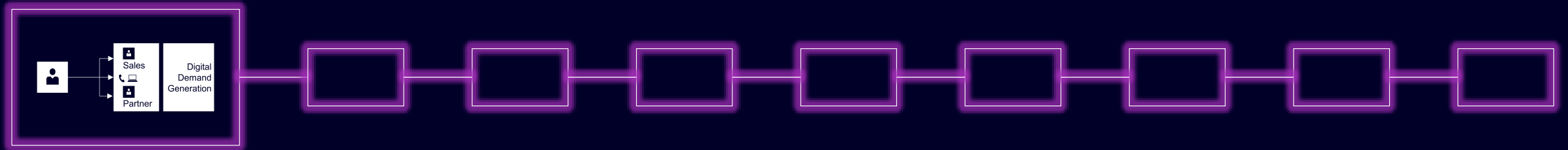
Empowered people and collaboration

### Horizontal Organization

Provide applications / specific technologies with cross-vertical relevance

## IT Landscape

# TERRITORY APPROACH



## WHY

- The customers' buying behavior as well as the customer journey is becoming increasingly digital and dynamic.
- We must optimize our Territory Sales so it can reach its highest effectiveness.
- We should transform Territory Sales to a multi-channel customer approach so we can achieve this.

## WHAT

Major changes -

- Territory Direct
- Territory Inside/Digital
- Territory Partner
- Digital Demand Generation

## BENEFITS

- We'll achieve reduction of effort and complexity
- Sales can focus on growth topics and fully exploit customer potential

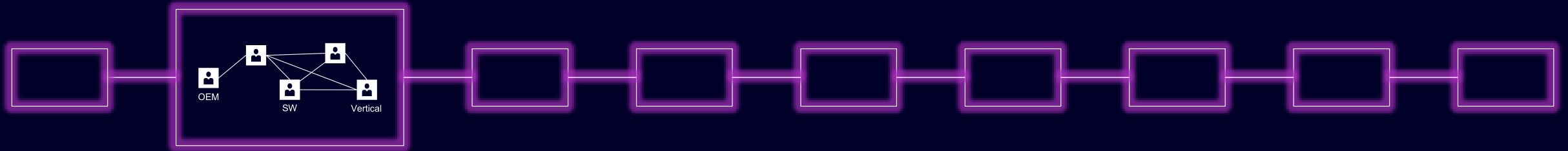


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# OEM APPROACH



## WHY

- Consumer-driven demands for customization require highly flexible machines.
- IoT is pushing our environments to connect intelligently and seamlessly.
- Competitive pressures from new low-cost providers have never been higher.

## WHAT

- Implement smart account allocation
- Focus on high-potential technology accounts
- Revamped sales approach with integrated hunter teams

## BENEFITS

- Gain market share across entire DI portfolio
- Effective allocation of resources
- More competitor conversion



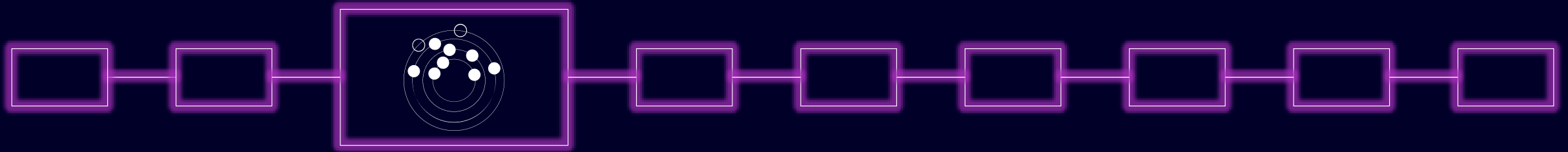
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# VERTICAL APPROACH



## WHY

- More stakeholders distributed across the customer's ecosystem.
- New business models, new tech, and new players.
- Need to strengthen cooperation between the sales channels.

## WHAT

- Continue to focus on our end customers.
- But also expand our approach to coordinate activities across the entire ecosystem

## BENEFITS

- Maximize customer penetration and strengthen the push/pull effect
- Push collaboration with a much higher hit rate
- Reduce and simplify efforts

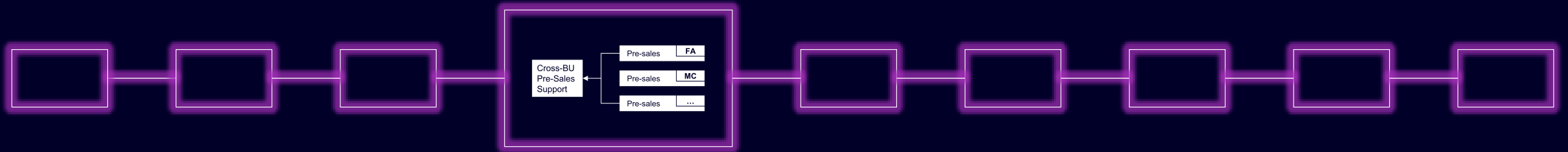


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# 2ND LAYER APPROACH



## WHY

- The customer needs more application and solution support.
- Our sales channel requires presales support covering product presales and support for Cross-BU technological use cases.

## WHAT

- We increase the self-service for product support, such as configurators and documentation.
- We will also establish cross BU presales support teams.

## BENEFITS

- We'll strengthen our competencies and develop best-in-class system experts.
- Go from being technically assigned experts to system experts
- We will provide the highest value to the customers

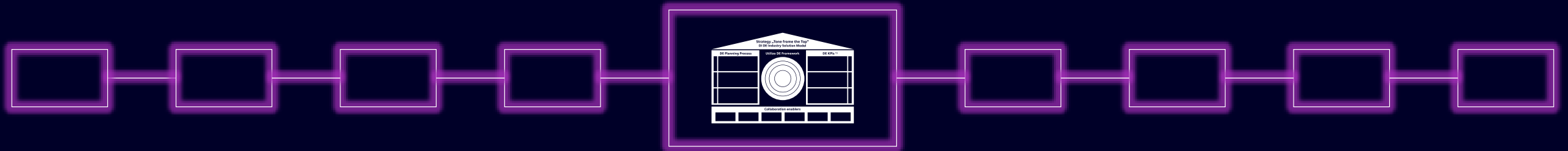


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# COLLABORATION APPROACH



## WHY

- Customers have high expectations of Siemens when it comes to a seamless horizontal and vertical integration of SW and HW.
- So, collaboration is a critical success factor which enables to live up to that promise.

## WHAT

- Kick off a joint DE Planning Process
- We also pilot a new rewards system for RC and SISW Sales teams
- Introduce flexible incentive schemes.

## BENEFITS

- A totally improved experience for the customer when engaging with Siemens DI.
- Gaining more loyalty and trust from the customer right from the beginning.

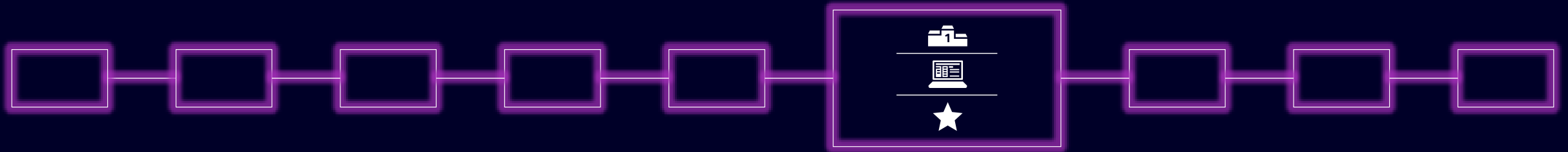


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# COMPENSATION APPROACH



## WHY

- We need to further develop sales incentives as a key driver for increased sales performance.
- Our approach therefore needs to reflect state-of-the-art practices.

## WHAT

- Modify and strengthen the collaborative sales behavior.
- Keep up regional flexibility.
- Strengthen our sales force performance.

## BENEFITS

- The regions will have a high level of customization for incentives.
- Immediate feedback on sales performance.
- We optimize a collaborative sales behavior.

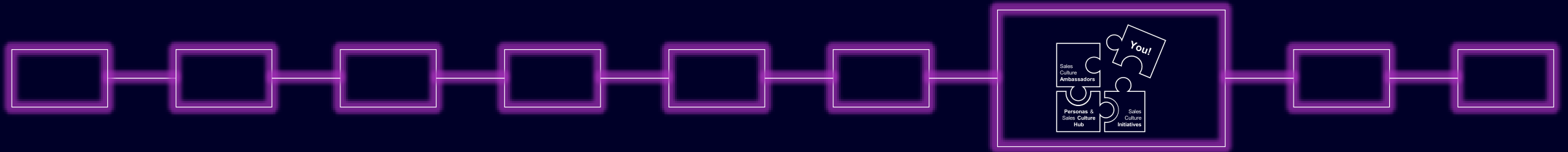


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# LEARNING ORGANIZATION APPROACH



## WHY

- The people behind products, services and processes are what make the difference.
- It's our priority to help people become the best version of themselves.

## WHAT

- Focus on the 4 Cs to optimize our sales culture.
- Provide upskilling with a focus on value selling, digitalization, and building new business.
- This is a continuous and fluid journey.

## BENEFITS

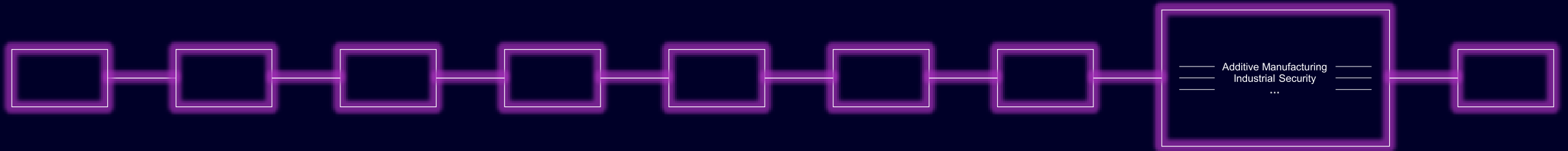
- We can offer higher customer value and become the number one tech partner of choice.
- We have a team of highly motivated entrepreneurs.
- We have leaders who empower their teams to decide and act.



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# HORIZONTAL ORGANIZATION



## WHY

- Approach required to incubate use cases in customer co-creation and made them replicable
- Fragmented technical workforce hindering use cases with cross-vertical flexibility
- Increasing demand of use cases to drive our footprint in thought leadership

## WHAT

- Dedicated cross-BU setup
- Coordination of cross-vertical applications, technologies, solutions and services
- Push of Horizontal Digital Enterprise value proposition
- Focus on customers and investments on behalf of verticals

## BENEFITS

- Execution of growth in important technology fields
- Support of global vertical account approach

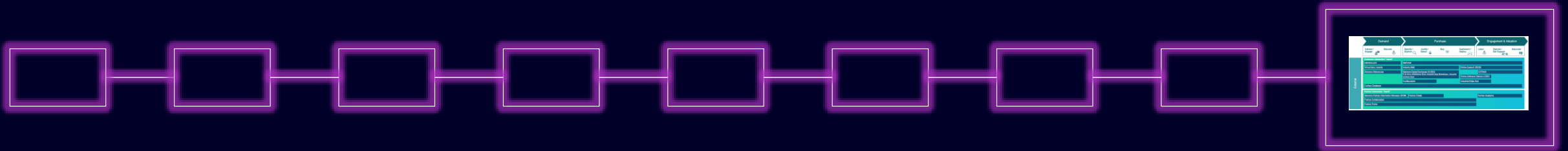


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# IT LANDSCAPE



## WHY

- Changing customer preferences require new or adapted digital touchpoints
- Leverage IT innovations for the digital transformation of sales
- No Digital Business without IT

## WHAT

- Collect & consolidate IT requirements specified by all WPs (in RCs and HQ)
- Ensure requirements are placed in the right demand channel to enable the change
- Drive standardization of global IT landscape

## BENEFITS

- Customer experience and self-service
- Productivity gains through digitization and standardization



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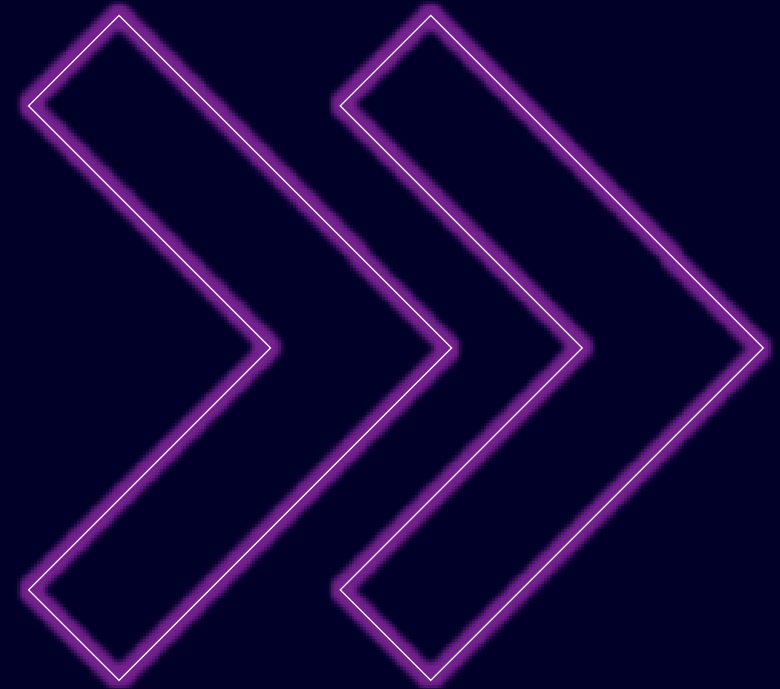
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A FRESH, NEW MINDSET: LET'S #LEVELUPFORTOMORROW

# #LevelUpForTomorrow

- Working smarter, not harder
- Realizing it's not an instant journey and success can be small wins
- Reconsidering what failing means
- Not letting setbacks stop you
- Being open to new processes, new tools
- Trusting each other's strengths and working closer together
- We encourage you to share your stories and use the [#LevelUpForTomorrow](#) hashtag on Yammer!





# UTILIZE THE DI SALES NEXT LEVEL GUIDING PRINCIPLES

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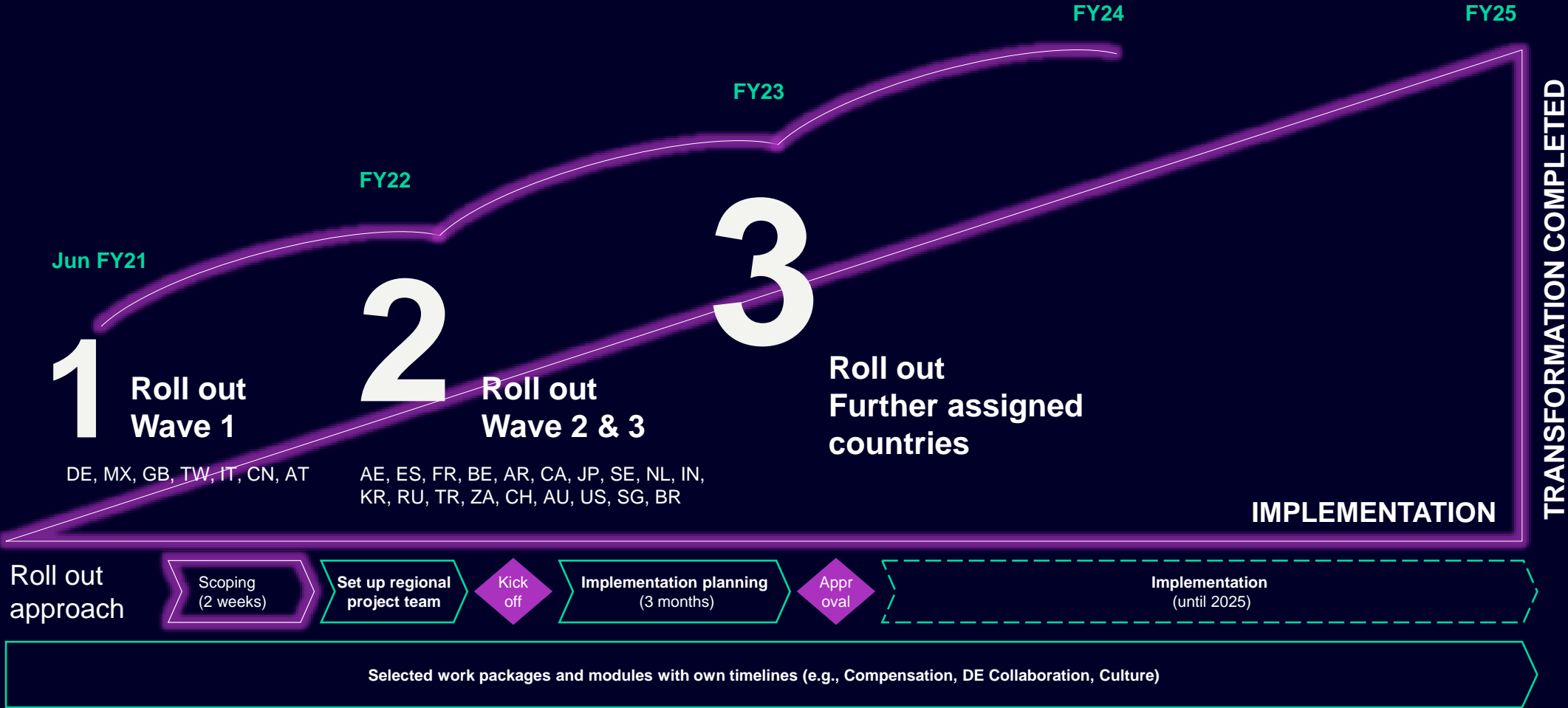
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Focus on growth  
& productivity increase

# | What does this mean for you?

What does the rollout look like?

# FROM THE REGIONS FOR THE REGIONS: A ROLLING WAVE APPROACH



# WE ARE MAKING PROGRESS: REGION SUCCESSES AND LEARNINGS



Tino Hildebrand  
DI Head Taiwan

Tino and team in Taiwan have examples of how we need to be flexible and in our regional approach, balancing guidelines with trust:

»» *Guidance is clearly needed, but it has to be well-balanced with empowerment. It would be wrong to not allow our experts, with their broad and comprehensive knowledge, to impact the way we are transforming our G2M. So we have set up a framework in which the team was empowered to move around and to tackle the details.* ««

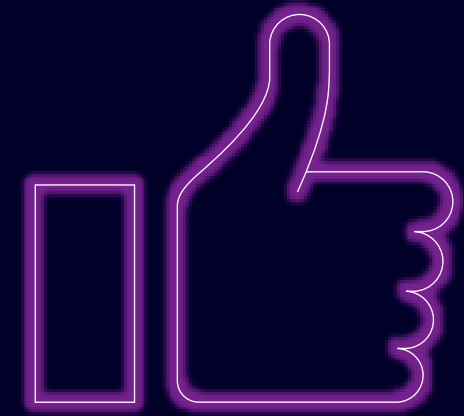


Brian Holliday  
DI Head UK

Brian and team in the UK are already in the final implementation phase. He talks about their journey so far and how this shapes future expectations:

»» *NeXt Level is making sure that we have the right sales resources in the right places and that we are a 'Match Fit' like in a football team – competent in sales methodologies and able to address changing customer markets. As a result, I expect more collaboration with our software colleagues on the digital enterprise and more joint customer activity through authorized partners to ensure that our digital superpowers shine through.* ««

Build the future today  
**#LevelUpforTomorrow**



# Yammer Communications Guide

Getting the most out of your internal communities

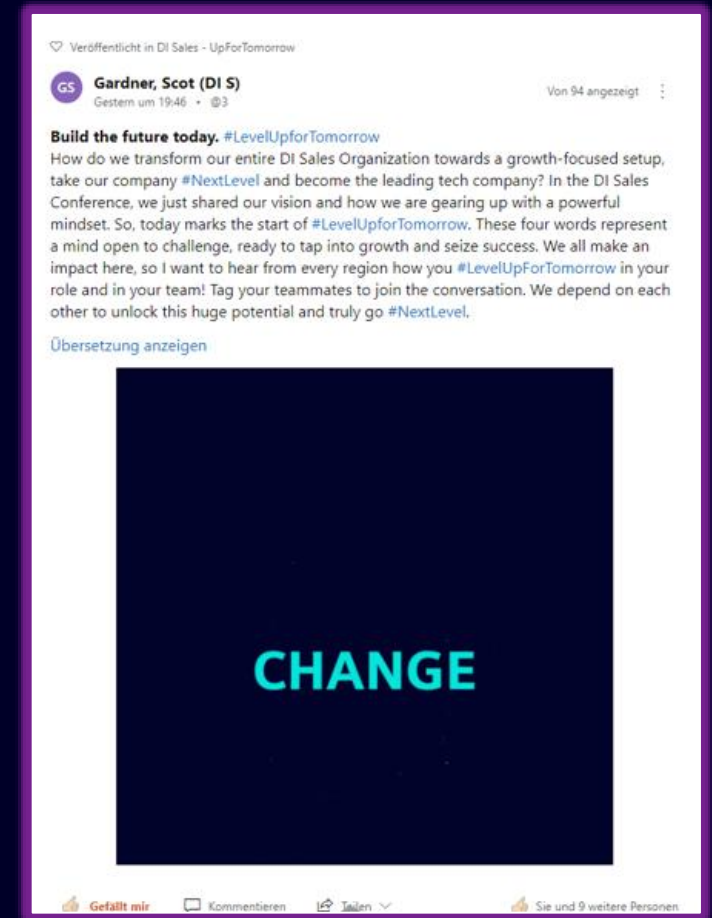
YAMMER IS LIKE ANY OTHER SOCIAL MEDIA...

**IF YOU BUILD IT,  
THEY WILL COME.**



# YAMMER COMMUNICATIONS: USE THE RIGHT INGREDIENTS

- ✓ Strong, concise copy which includes a question or call to action.
- ✓ Use of the official Hashtags: **#NextLevel** and **#LevelUpFortomorrow**.
- ✓ An image, gif, or video to catch the eye and increase interest and engagement.
- ✓ Tagging people who are a part of the topic or who should get involved in the post.
- ✓ Adherence to company guidelines.

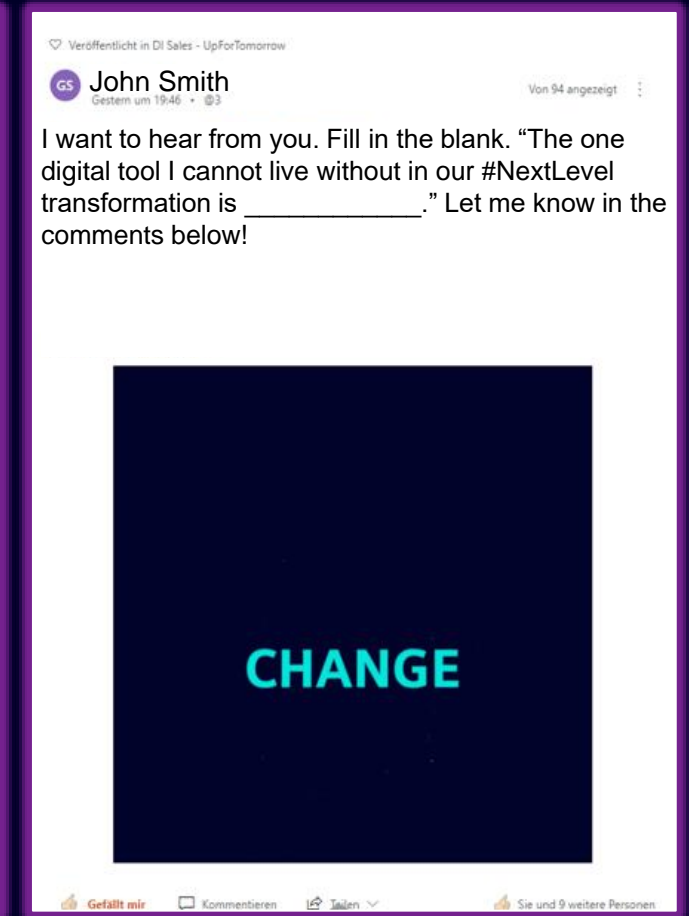
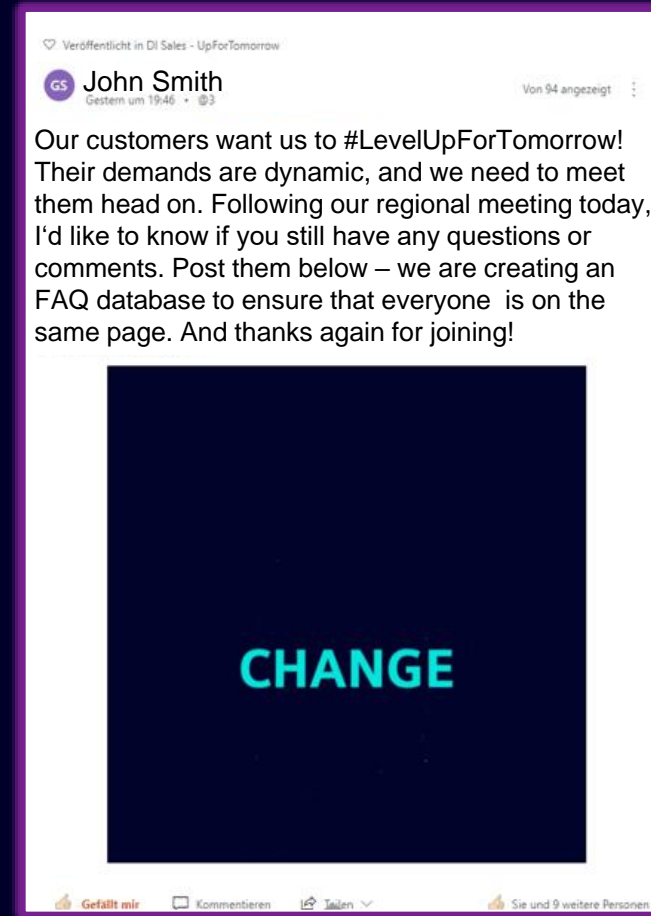


\*Example from 6 Dec in the DI S Yammer Group



# YAMMER COMMUNICATIONS – ENGAGE THROUGH QUESTIONS

- ✓ Ask questions: Ask for advice, thoughts, inspiration, or personal experiences. Or simply invite people to get clarification if they still don't understand something. Use the comments to crowdsource ideas or start a conversation.
- ✓ Use the 'Fill in the Blank' statement. It's easy and fun.
- ✓ Once you post, don't forget to go back, read the comments and respond! You will increase the exposure to the post and show that the topic and commenter are important.
- ✓ Tag people who you want to specifically answer because of their knowledge or expertise.

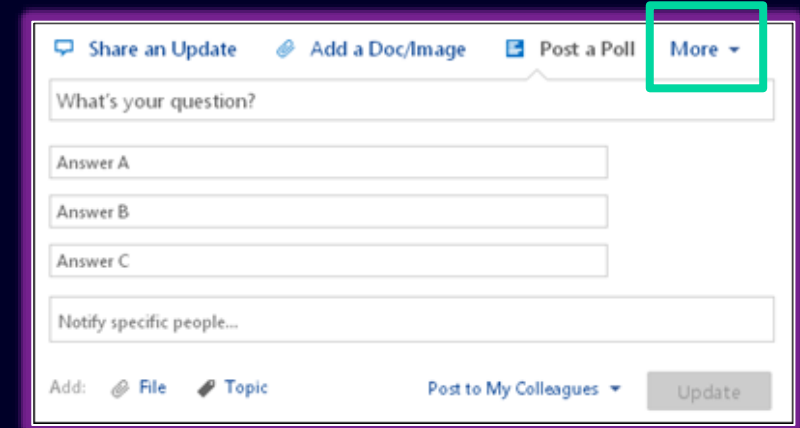


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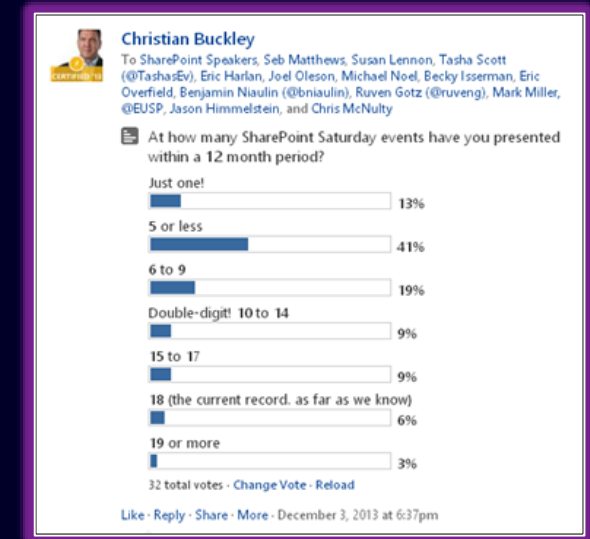
# YAMMER COMMUNICATIONS – USE THE POLL FUNCTION

## Collect ideas, feedback, and more:

- ✓ People are more willing to participate in polls when they can see the data real-time, which is what Yammer offers.
- ✓ You can add up to 10 questions, select which Group you would like to post into, add files and tags, and copy key people.
- ✓ From the replies, you'll see who has answered.



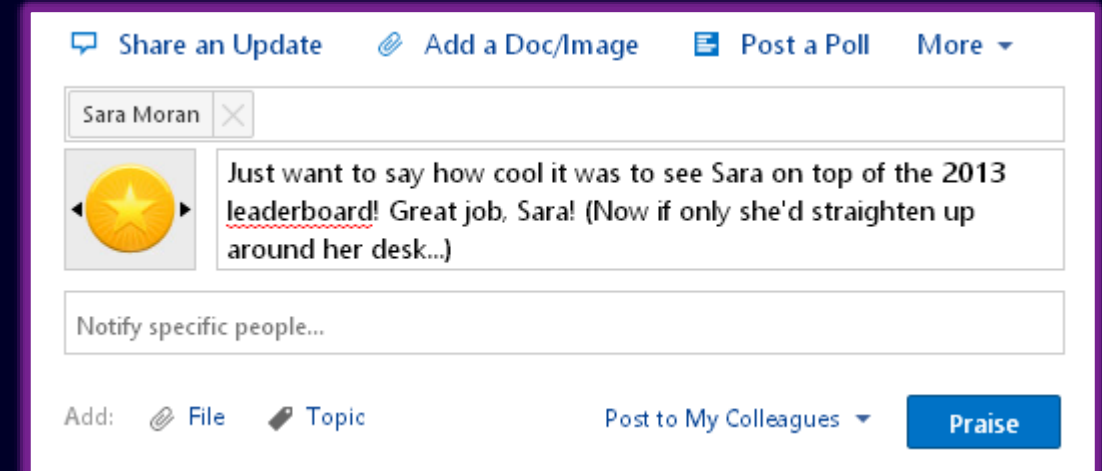
The screenshot shows the Yammer 'Post a Poll' interface. At the top, there are buttons for 'Share an Update', 'Add a Doc/Image', 'Post a Poll', and 'More'. The 'More' button is highlighted with a red box. Below these buttons is a text input field labeled 'What's your question?'. Underneath are three input fields for 'Answer A', 'Answer B', and 'Answer C'. There is also a field for 'Notify specific people...'. At the bottom, there are 'Add:' options for 'File' and 'Topic', a dropdown for 'Post to My Colleagues', and an 'Update' button.



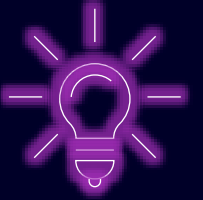
# YAMMER COMMUNICATIONS – RECOGNIZE SOMEONE

## In the name of team spirit and collaboration:

- ✓ This is a great way to interact and call out the stellar work of your peers, partners, and management during #NextLevel.
- ✓ Use the Praise option to recognize people for a job well done, when recognizing innovation, and other activities.
- ✓ At the top of the conversation bar, just select More, and then Praise Someone.



# YAMMER BEST PRACTICES



**A picture is worth a thousand words:** always upload multi-media to accompany your text. Statistics show higher engagement rates than posts with just text by itself.

**Shorter is better:** Try your best to adhere to the max word count of 500 characters, including spaces and paragraph breaks. After that, the post limits the text and requires user to hit 'Expand', aka 'the fold'.

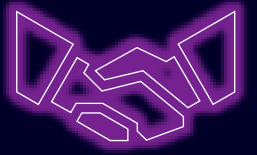
**Be like Netflix, build a series:** One and done is not as fun! Build a series of posts, or even a storyline ahead of time and reap more engagement rewards by the end of your campaign.

**Use the Announcement function** for very important topics and when you are first launching something. It is available to Group or Network Admins. The function generates an inbox message to all group members.

**Use Yammer like it was any other social network!** Have fun, be genuine, post interesting content, and learn from others!

**Reward involvement and creativity:** In addition to questions, polls and praise, consider having a raffle or prize for best comments, best photos, videos and more.

# LEADERSHIP AND STRATEGIC USE OF YAMMER



## Identify your team:

The most successful Yammer rollouts occur when a committed team, representing a cross-section of your organization, works together to execute tasks on time.

It's ideal if you can identify one or a few people who can also serve as 'community managers' who check, moderate and engage with posts.

## Brief Leaders:

Notify and educate leaders ahead of campaign or project start and make sure they know the simple basics of posting. And if possible, go through this Yammer Best Practices section with them.

Let them know that when they invest in Yammer, the Sales culture will greatly benefit in the long-run.

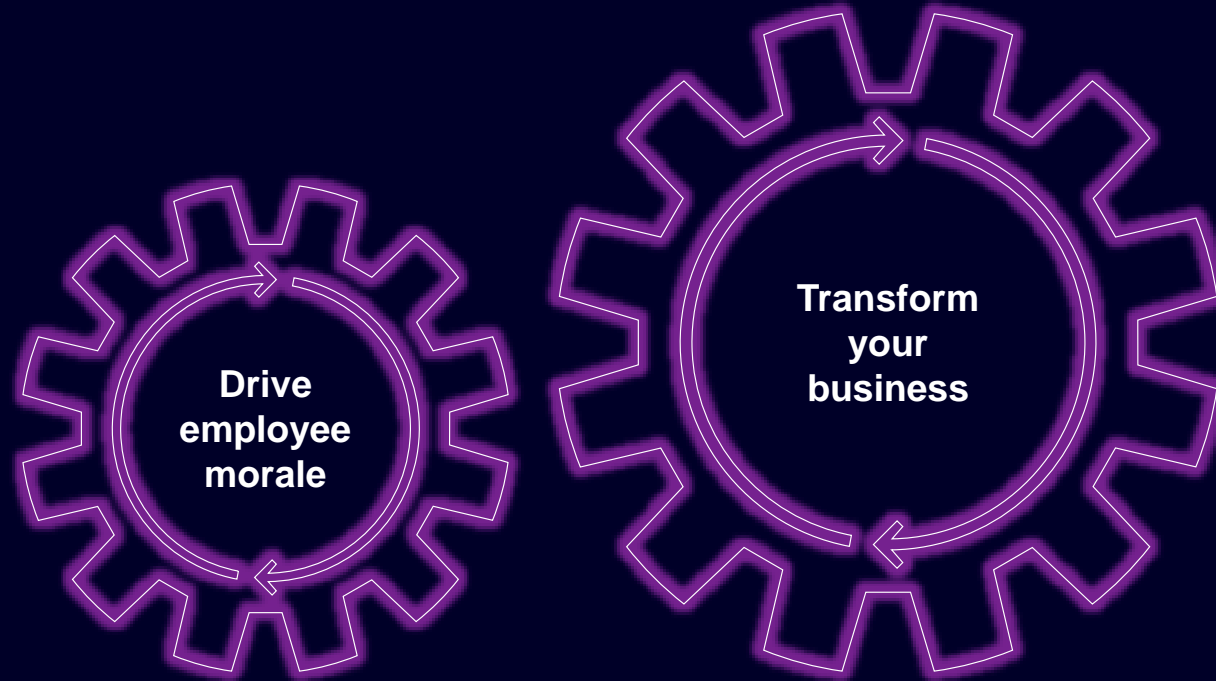
Encourage them to post content outside of planned posts as well, with the goal of increasing relatability to them.

## Widen the halo effect with your influencers:

Identify and empower your Ambassadors or Champions. Get them involved early on and offer them support in post ideas so they can get started.

Choose people who are already early adopters, who make great posts, and who have a bit of bandwidth to make the impact with you.

## HOW WILL YOU USE YAMMER TO #LEVELUPFORTOMORROW ?



The sky is the limit. The more you put in, the more you get out. With the tools and tactics mentioned, you'll be able to shape a better community. But it takes time, so don't stop after a few posts. Have a plan and get as many people involved as you can.

For even more tips and best practices, head over to Microsoft's Yammer Success Guide:

[Yammer Success Guide \(microsoft.com\)](https://microsoft.com/yammer-success-guide)



Work smarter, not harder.  
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