Making Customers Stickier

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Customer Retention "Statistics"

- It's 5 times more expensive to acquire a new customer than keep a current one
- 91% of unhappy customers never purchase services from you again
- Probabilities: Selling Customers: 60-70%---Prospects: 5-20%
- For 1 customer complaint, 26 other customers remained silent
- 70% of reasons customers leave: Poor Quality of Service
- Source: http://bit.ly/Vwk3DJ

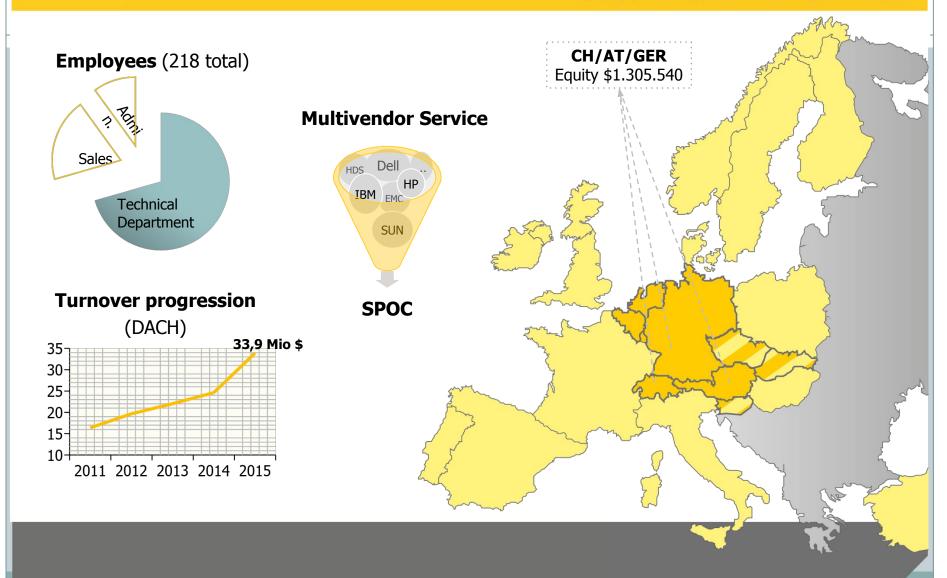




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Who we are...

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European view of customer retention

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Customer relationship -> What makes it special?

- sensitive company areas require trustful customer relationship
- special customer requirements require flexibility and quick decisions
- wide range of MVS requires technical expertise

CHALLENGES

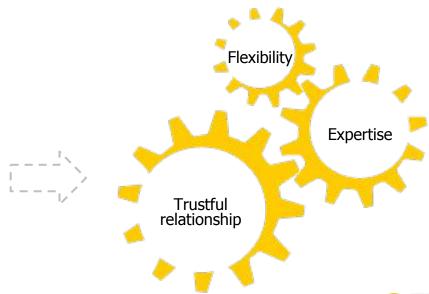
professional shortage

gap between quality & cost

manufacturers

globalization

easy handling





Extend customer relationship

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Translating needs into customers language & culture Response I would like... Me gustaría ... Je voudrais ... Germany different European sites

up-to-date portfolio
 locations close to customer
 local partner network
 24*7, 365 days a year

toll free service number





Basis Bay Reengineering IT



About Basis Bay



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Customer retention in Asia









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Customer Stickiness

Why is Retention So Important? Previous Obvious Right?

- 1) US Chamber of Commerce and US Small Business Admistration It is 5 to 7 times more expensive to find new customers
- 2) Bain and Company

5% increase in customer retention can increase profitability by 75%

3) Gartner Group

Statistics show that in established compaies 80% of customers revenue will come from 20% of existing customers.

Why They Leave (research shows)



14% are not happy with the product they received

9% leave to another supplier

9% leave because of aquistion, merger, bankruptcy...

INC states the following for reasons customers become unhappy

Changes in personnel

/ Treat new and existing customers too differently

Focus too heavily on price and not service delivery

/ Push too hard for same customer growth

Lose focus on core competency

/ Reward the wrong employee behaviors

Painful and difficult problem resolution

Retention Strategies

Align customer expectations with operational understanding

√ KPI

✓ Definitions

Be The Expert in Your Field

√ Be a trusted advisor

√ Understand your place in the customers operation

Build trust through relationships

√ People do business with people they trust

Easy to do business with and prompt problem resolution

✓ Not what happens to you but how you react that defines you

Use automation to minimize customer downtime

✓ Portals

√ Software to automate mundane tasks

Implement anticipatory service

√ PM

√ Technology updates and white papers

Build relationships online, use social media be involved in industry associations

√ Linkedin, blog, Twitter,

✓ SIA, CompTIA.....

Customer feedback surveys

Listen to your customers needs

Business reviews

Questions / Answers



Wrap Up / Summary How do you spell S-T-I-C-K-Y

S: STAY In Consistent Touch with your Customer

T: Gain their TRUST (become a trusted advisor)

I: Provide INSIGHT (know customers business)

C: COMMUNICATE your Capabilities /

Certifications

K: Develop KPI's (Revenue is not a good indicator)

Y: Refresh account plan for each customer YEARLY.

