

Pay TV platforms' challenges and strategic choices for sourcing and presenting content

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Who we are? What we do?

- Multi Channels Asia is the leading pay TV company representing independent channels across Asia-Pacific
- Backed by a team of experienced media professionals across sales, marketing, programming and broadcast operations disciplines. MCA's core business activities are:
 - TV channel development and operations
 - TV channel sales and marketing
 - **Project consultancies**











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Trends 2015

- Still remarkable growth of pay TV industry (Asia and Europe)
 - but the growth is beyond its peak
- Increased profitability / cost control pressure on incumbent platforms
- Disruptors are appearing in both distribution and in production of content
 - □ Omnipresence of video watching → content escapes the "traditional" delivery path → emergence of OTT services
 - Multiplication / explosion of content sources
 - Social networks fighting for viewers' attention on mobile screen
 - TV screen viewing times are decreasing strongly among younger generations, while total video viewing times are going up



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<u>2015</u>

- Pay TV constitutes the largest part of the audiovisual entertainment industry
- Infrastructure or a license is no longer a barrier to entry for video distribution
- EXCLUSIVITY + COMMODITY remain key words to find viewer appeal
 - the selection of content and the way of presenting it to subscribers has become more demanding!



2015 is the golden age of television ?!?!!!

- there have never been more channels
- there has never been more content
- there have never been more ways to reach the viewer

BUT: all the content wants to make it onto the BIG screen

Are the incumbent pay TV platforms able to use this opportunity?



The incumbent pay TV platform's instinct is to protect and (sometimes) enhance their current video distribution model

Will that be enough?



Big screen viewing time

Small screen viewing time

Aggressive OTT players

Demanding customers – viewers know better than ever what they want to see!

Pay TV platforms shall aim at becoming super-aggregators who act as the gateway to all the entertainment



The jobs of a pay TV platform in 2015

viewing time on ALL screens

∌ ARPU

Deliver a seamless TV experience via multiple screens

Master content
[discovery & promotion]

+ friend recommendation, community management, trending content functionalities ...



How?

- Do they know their customer?
- Do they really evaluate content (and not just brands)?
- Are they committed to deliver a true pay TV experience (niche content, local content, valueadded services?
- Are they prepared to promote and market their value-added services efficiently?





Illustration (video)

Promotion tool

Monetization tool

Community tool



Connect like a telco!

Schedule like a broadcaster!

Market like a soft drinker producer!

Monetize like a retailer!

