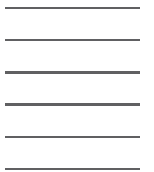

Four Strategies for SMEs to Create Successful Online Print Business



Every business is moving online and more and more end users prefer a hybrid business model, where the service provider is offering personalized service and easy ordering facility. Research indicates the majority of buyers' research online before purchasing.

Now SME printers challenge is no more if they want to go online, but how to create a successful online model? As a major challenge of SME PSP's who have already gone online or planning to go online is a striking balance between learning online business strategy and focusing on day to day print production as they have smaller teams to multi task.

Day by day, online marketing is getting more complex as users getting matured, google & social media platforms are constantly updating algorithm and features.

Recent research to understand the major challenges of SME business during setting up online business indicated - 66% Small-business owners cited, "Online Marketing Challenges", 56% indicated "Finding New Customers", 43% indicated "Not Having Enough Time" and 60% indicated "Having to Wear So Many Different Hats".

Four Options SME printers have to create successful online business strategy as below :

Option 1- Do it your self

Taking out time to learning all online marketing mediums available out there and start exploring them to build online presence right from the website to social media pages. The continuing challenge in this solution is Time Factor. With limited time, focusing on core activities becomes difficult while learning online marketing.

Option 2 - Hiring In-house Marketing Experts

You need a team which includes designer, content writers and online experts. Major challenge is investing in hiring the right people and then retain them to generate results.

Option 3 - Hiring Marketing Company or Consultants

Outsourcing online marketing to consultancy/agency may help concentrating on core activities at the same to time keeping brand updated on the internet. As above solutions, this could come with its own challenges like lack of communication, budget and meeting expectations.

Option 4 – Establishing Partnership with Marketing Experts

SMEs looking for building a strong online presence to get the competitive advantage while focusing on what they do best – their business, building up partnership could prove as "Win-Win" situation. As partners, both would be equally responsible and committed to grow the business. The Major challenge with this option, is how to define and set up processes in an online world to grow a strong relationship where both partners can work independently focusing on their strengths.

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Solution to quickly set up Partnership network

OnPrintShop team over 5 years working with SME Print Service providers has developed ready to use integrated solution specially designed for them to quickly set up partnership network and automate order management to delivery orders quickly and reduce cost.

The solution allows you to offer your partner online w2p store with latest and most robust online tools to set up branded print ordering store for retail and corporate clients. So now partner can focus on online marketing, mark up pricing, set up content, design templates, discount offers and keep changing strategy as per his target audience. And all orders will be processed by the printer, without his intervention.

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Add new products and partners to expand revenue and outsource printing using Vendor module. We have highly successful clients whom we are managing since last five years providing personalized support, consistent upgrades and constantly improving user experience.

Solution and OnPrintShop team helps SMEs to build a strong online presence without having much knowledge, resources and capital.

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