### **Economist Intelligence Unit**



### Reaching executives

through 360° thought leadership



As most B2B firms know, the best way to differentiate your company from the competition and win new business is through thought leadership. Whether you specialise in technology, finance or consulting, it is your ability to understand and solve today's critical business issues that sets you apart.

Now the Economist Intelligence Unit, a name synonymous with global business analysis and the latest management thinking, can help you develop and implement a successful thought leadership programme around the world.

By partnering with the Economist Intelligence Unit, you can position your organisation at the forefront of debate on today's critical management, industry and geopolitical issues. Our approach to thought leadership will not only help you develop ground-breaking research, but it will also enable you to deliver this research through a full range of channels, from White papers and websites to business roundtables and intimate peer groups. And through our close affiliation with *The Economist*, we can help you reach millions of executives through print and online advertising.

We value our partnerships with clients, and offer complete sponsorship and advertising programmes that are flexible, high profile and—above all—effective in delivering ROI. Our reputation for authoritative research and unparalleled brand ensures keen interest from global opinion-leaders and the worldwide media.



# We don't just reach executives, we engage them

### The move to 360° thought leadership

B2B marketers are finding the best way to gain market recognition and share is by creating 360 thought leadership programmes. By delivering your message across multiple channels, your thought leadership message is communicated consistently to your market—leading to valuable exposure and business opportunities for your firm.

At the Economist Intelligence Unit we understand thought leadership. We have partnered with many of the world's foremost B2B companies to deliver distinctive programmes that help them to achieve their business objectives. We have helped technology firms differentiate their products, professional service firms win new business and tarnished brand names improve their image. We have also worked with leading government agencies to help promote trade and foreign investment in key world markets.

Crucially, we are more than just a media company or a distribution channel. Our core strength stems from our analytical and editorial expertise. Our objective analysis of business, economic and political conditions and the unique research and economic analysis that we produce command attention from corporate leaders and the press.

The Economist's Fifth Annual Innovation Awards Ceremony Innovating In a global environment The United States placed 96th and Iran came in 97th on the global peace index released Wednesday... "The United States suffers because it is the world's policeman, with high levels of militarization," Andrew Williamson, the director for economic research [EIU], said in an interview.

**Time** The need for collaboration between CROs and CIOs was emphasised this month in a further report from the EIU focusing on digital risk and sponsored by ACE,

Cisco Systems, Deutsche Bank, IBM and KPMG.

Multinational companies are now approaching the China market with realism and careful strategic planning, according to an Economist Intelligence Unit report. South China Morning Post

A recent survey by the Economist Intelligence Unit, a sister company of *The Economist*, and Deloitte, a big accounting firm, asked 249 executives and directors of large companies around the world about the monitoring of their businesses' non-financial performance. *The Economist* 

Many European IT workers are not being held responsible for delivering projects late, a new study suggests. The study was conducted by HP and the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) which spoke to 1,125 professionals worldwide. BBC News

A piece of global research by Deloitte Touche Tohmatsu and the Economist Intelligence Unit found that few business leaders thought their HR teams were up to delivering on key strategic challenges.

A report by the Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) indicated that the UAE's economy will grow by 4.6 percent in real terms this year and maintain its robust growth next year despite an expected fall in crude prices and production because of Iraq's gradual return to the oil market. **Gulf News daily** 

John Micklethwait, Editor in Chief, The Economist

# The Economist Intelligence Unit is your



## full-service thought leadership partner

#### Associate with a valued business brand

From the prestigious editorial of *The Economist* newspaper through to the objective global research of the Economist Intelligence Unit, our brand is associated with integrity and excellence in business analysis. No other media brand has the ability to research senior executives in such a broad range of global markets.

#### An objective and trusted viewpoint

For research to be accepted it has to be from an objective and trusted source. Our research findings receive wide coverage in the business media, and executives value them as a way of staying abreast of the latest business trends. Our brand adds credibility to any thought leadership project.

#### A leader in business publishing

Since 1946, when the Economist Intelligence Unit was established as the research arm of *The Economist*, we have been publishing business analysis in multiple formats, from newsletters, monthly country reports and special reports to daily updated websites and specialised databases.

Today's Economist Intelligence Unit publishes over 3,000 publications and 20 websites, and has media partnerships with the best brands in business publishing, from Dow Jones and Bloomberg to WestLaw, Thomson and Lexis Nexis.

#### Unrivalled editorial capabilities

We employ top business writers, researchers and economists. Our team of 130 full-time analysts and economists have a deep understanding of politics, economics, risk, industry and management issues. They are supported by a global network of 650 contributors, 'on the ground' in 200 countries.

We adhere to the same editorial quality standards as *The Economist*, with an editorial philosophy that is firmly independent and highly respected.

#### A track record in thought leadership

For over 20 years we have partnered with the world's most reputable B2B service providers to produce successful thought leadership programmes. Our clients include many of the world's top professional services, technology and financial services companies, and many government agencies. We have created more programmes on a diverse range of business topics than any other independent research and advisory firm.

#### Achieve your ROI goals

We understand that all of your marketing activities need to provide a measurable return-on-investment. We work in partnership with you to prove the value of your marketing activities. Our first step is to establish your objectives, and how we will measure the results. Whether your aim is to generate leads for new business, raise awareness of your products and services, or change your brand perception, the Economist Intelligence Unit helps you stand out from the competition.

### Distinctive programmes, not "me too" sponsorship

Our experience shows that sponsors are not looking merely to pay a fee in exchange for brand association with a conference, research report or website. For us, thought leadership means far more than just placing a corporate logo on a research report or conference brochure.

We create thought leadership programmes tailored to your express needs. These can include research and survey results, conferences and also new media channels. No two programmes are alike, as we work collaboratively with you to ensure you are positioned uniquely in your chosen market.

#### Penetrate all levels of the decision matrix

Decision-making within organisations can be complex. By drawing on The Economist Group's extensive database, we help you reach a wide range of different executive functions responsible for making decisions about your products or services, as well as those who influence their decisions. Whether they be C-Suite or department managers, large or small companies, local or global management, private or public organisations—we can deliver the audience you want to reach.

#### **Reach emerging multinational companies**

If your aim is to engage with domestic companies in emerging market countries, you will benefit from our expertise and track record in achieving clients' objectives in both developed markets and emerging economies.

# Engage with top B2B decisionmakers throughout the world

Our unique multi-channel access to business decision-makers throughout the world provides you with a highly effective way to interact with your target audience. Over one million executives based throughout the world rely on the EIU's business intelligence to support their decision-making. This includes many individuals at the top of their fields.

#### Website users

Our website audiences are unique in the business world. EIU websites enable you to reach an executive audience at work and engaged in daily decision-making.

Monthly page views	1.3 m
Monthly unique users	540,000
Monthly visits	648,000
Annual unique users	1.2 m
Average subscription value per organisation	US\$25,000
Opt-in email newsletter subscribers:	28,000



### What is unique about our business audience?

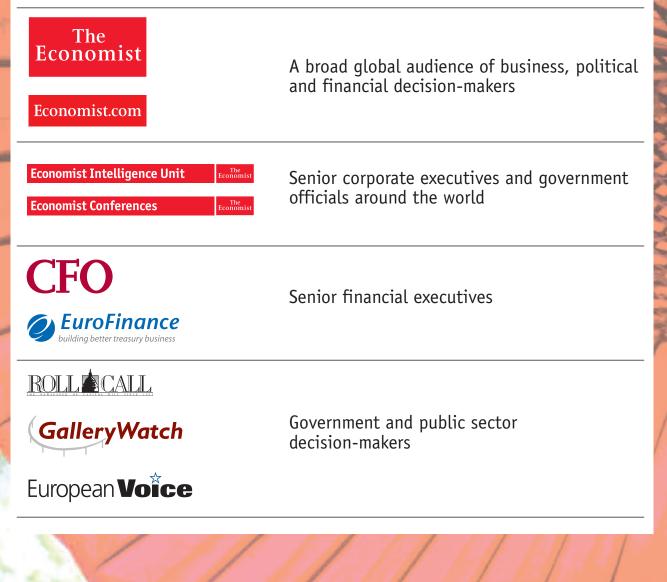
- Executives use our services for intensive business analysis. Our sites are incorporated into executives' everyday workflow. They use our websites to find insight from the EIU to make decisions.
- Our clients pay a premium to access our services. Our clients typically have substantial budgets to buy business research and consulting services. The average spend of a business on eiu.com is US\$24,000 per year, and can be many times higher than this.
- Our audience spans a cross-section of organisations. Our clients include many of the world's largest corporations, including many of the Fortune 500, and they come from a variety of industries and company sizes.
- Our users are located all over the world. Our client base is very international—39% are located in the Americas, 39% in EMEA, and 22% in Asia. Because of our coverage of 203 countries, have excellent reach into emerging markets.
- We reach the C-suite. C-level executives rely on our strategic intelligence, global events and channels for peer group interchange.
- Our clients value and trust our analysis. For example, 85% say they trust our analysis 77% agree that we share The Economist's high standards of editorial values.

#### **Conference participants**

Economist Conferences, the meetings brand of the Economist Intelligence Unit produces 180 conferences worldwide each year, and is the premier provider of Government roundtables, which bring government leaders together with senior executives. Over 8,000 senior business decision-makers attend our conferences each year, with many at the highest level within their organisations. The EIU Corporate Network, a channel for peer group interchange in emerging markets, also holds over 200 meetings each year. **Reaching out via The Economist Group audiences** 

# **The Economist Group**

The Economist Group owns, manages and develops intelligent media brands across the world, aimed at an audience of international business people and decision-makers.



# Research

### Management surveys • Executive interviews Advisory boards • Economic analysis and modelling

#### Management surveys

#### Target respondents by country, industry or function

In just 60 days we can complete an executive survey on pressing management issues.

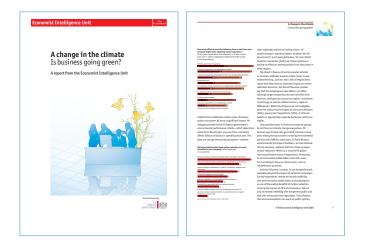
We work with you to design a provocative survey and then draw on our extensive client database to deliver your desired target audience.

#### **Executive interviews**

One-on-one discussions with business leaders

We conduct telephone and face-to-face interviews to reach the right senior executives.

By taking this personal approach, we can gain unique insights into global business strategies and trends, and the reasons behind them.



ACE wanted to partner with a renowned and credible research body which would be recognised as such by our target customers. The Economist Intelligence Unit has provided exactly that, enabling us to raise awareness of the ACE brand and our services among our key markets.

Miles Russell European Communications Director ACE Insurance

#### **Advisory boards**

#### Insightful feedback and guidance from senior executives

Our advisory boards include representatives from leading financial institutions, government agencies and business schools.

Our advisory boards meet to debate current issues facing the business world and provide input into research projects and publishing programmes.



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#### Economic analysis and modelling

The Economist Intelligence Unit is widely respected for the accuracy and independence of its economic research and modelling. Unlike other media companies, the EIU can provide sponsored research substantiated by our 650 analysts in 200 countries. From business rankings to economic forecasts, the EIU can help differentiate and validate your research.

#### **Country analysis and forecasting**

The goal of our country analysis and forecasting is to help clients make better business decisions by improving their understanding of the countries in which they operate. We maintain one of the largest and most experienced teams of country experts in the world.

Our objective analysis and data are of a consistent standard across a very wide range of markets, including exceptional coverage of emerging markets—enabling clients to rely on us for accuracy and quality wherever they are doing business. Our unrivalled team, independence and timeliness continue to give us a competitive edge in this area.

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#### **Risk assessment**

We provide a complete risk advisory service that enables clients to monitor and anticipate their exposure to business risk around the world. The types of risk we assess include risk of sovereign debt default, currency, political, natural disaster, macroeconomic, legal and regulatory, operational, investment, industry-specific and security risks.

Our risk analysts often assess a set of customised risk variables, to produce a tailored risk profile and dynamic ratings for each area of a client's operations. Services in this area also include our early-warning alerts, in-depth analysis, and data modelling.

#### Industry and market analysis

To help our clients form business strategies in the face of shifting industrial and market trends, we produce in-depth analysis and frequent forecasting of major industries and world markets.

Our industry sector analysis includes five year forecasts and competitor monitoring in each of the 60 largest economies of the world. The industries are grouped as: automotive; consumer goods; energy; financial services; food, beverages and tobacco, healthcare; telecoms and technology; and travel and tourism.

Our market sizing and forecasting tools assist clients to predict demand for their products and services across different markets, and to plan future investments. The range of data we produce includes growth predictions, consumer spending and income, demographics, prices of goods and services, and relevant political and economic factors.

# Publications

### White papers • Articles and newsletters Business rankings • Syndicated content

#### White papers

#### Strategic reports on critical business issues

We publish thought-provoking White papers and short briefing papers on a wide range of management, industry and regional concerns. White papers can be distributed and publicised under our brand or under your brand.

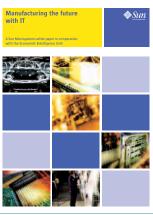
Within 90 days, we can help your organisation present powerful ideas and messages that will command the attention of senior executives.

#### Articles and newsletters

Customised analysis for your clients

Articles and newsletters, whether printed or electronic, will allow you to maintain continuous direct contact with your target audience. Tailored to your needs, our articles and newsletters are written by our senior specialists. They provide authoritative analysis of the latest management, industry or regional trends. We can provide custom articles based on our research or on a range of country, industry or management topics, routinely covered by the EIU. Interviews with senior executives and case studies are also available.









#### **Business rankings**

Authoritative rankings that resonate in the marketplace

Our rankings are recognised throughout the world as an authoritative source of business analysis. Executives value our rankings as benchmarking tools, and the press draws heavily on them for articles. Our published rankings include ratings of business environments, world investment prospects, worldwide cost-of-living, e-readiness, business risks and quality of life. We can also develop customised rankings that position you as an innovative leader in your field.

#### Syndicated content

### Independent content to enhance your websites and client programmes

Enhance your own website, published papers or newsletters with expert analysis and data drawn from existing content from the Economist Intelligence Unit. You can select the content you require from our full database of country, industry or management analysis, and the content will be delivered in the format and frequency of your choice for inclusion in your projects. Our independent and authoritative content will help you draw executives who respect the value of our brand, and by drawing on existing EIU content, you can ensure cost efficiencies.

## Executive programmes

### Regional and country peer groups • Key executive peer groups



#### **Regional and country peer groups** *Engage with executives in growth markets*

The regional peer groups meet and exchange views with executives in eastern Europe, the Middle East and Asia. Each programme includes a series of ongoing meetings that provide extraordinary venues for senior executive dialogue and networking. Our peer groups are open to advisory memberships that provide organisations with greater professional exposure and networking opportunities.

#### **Regional peer groups**

Asia-Pacific; Central and East Europe; Middle East and Africa; South East Asia.

**Country peer groups** China, Japan, Russia, Turkey

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## Open. Objective. Independ

#### Key executive peer groups

#### Cross-channel forums for corporate decision-makers

We run several peer group programmes for executives responsible for a key corporate function. These programmes are open to exclusive sponsorship, and offer sponsors unique opportunities to engage with these specific groups, as well as being associated with the proprietary research and websites that run in conjunction with each programme.

Our programmes include the Global Technology Forum, which meets the needs of executives where technology can have a major impact, and also the Chief Risk Officer programme, which engages with executives responsible for all aspects of risk management, and provides them with independent research and a website.

Advisory memberships are available to sponsors who seek to reach senior executives who run multinational operations in key world markets. Advisory members can showcase their expertise through featured presentations, and distribute thought leadership materials to corporate network members. We can also create customised executive peer groups geared to your specific needs.





Innovating in a global environment



Economist Conferences was ranked as one of the world's most valued podiums for C-suite executives to build reputation and convey their company's message.

Burson-Marsteller annual global survey of "Most Valued Podiums"

Sponsorship has helped us to communicate with key people in our target market, with measurable outcomes. The team has been receptive to our ideas on conference content and delivered event management that exceeded our expectations.

Diane Blaxland Head Business Development, Corporate Group Clifford Chance



Unrivalled and concentrated access to government ministers, coupled with frank discussion and debate on the key issues affecting the economy.

Andrew Jurenko Managing Director BAA International

(Commenting on the Business Roundtable with the Government of Portugal)



## Conferences and events

Multi-sponsored conferences · Government Roundtables **Custom meetings** • Supporting your events

Economist Conferences, the meetings arm of the Economist Intelligence Unit, has been producing the highest-level business conferences for over 50 years. In addition to our world-renowned business conferences and Government Roundtables, we also offer custom meetings tailored to your needs as well as provide expert speakers for your own events.

#### Multi-sponsored conferences

Unique exposure and networking opportunities

Our conferences focus on either a single industry, business function or management issue. These events represent an unrivalled chance to gain visibility among a targeted audience, combined with extraordinary networking opportunities. Typically 1-2 days in duration, our conferences are a key diary-date for senior executives in top organisations. Multisponsored events can offer you a cost-effective way to reach a senior audience, since the cost of sponsorship is shared by several sponsors in exclusive industry categories.

#### **Government Roundtables**

#### High-level interaction with government leaders

We are the world's premier provider of Government Roundtables, which bring together the most influential decision-makers in global politics and business. These unique

#### **Custom meetings**

#### Interactive executive forums at the highest level

Alongside our portfolio of high-level conferences and Government Roundtables, we can organise custom meetings for a sole client. These meetings focus on topical management issues, a particular industry or specific executive functions, and they are usually integrated into a multi-channel thought leadership programme that includes research. Custom events can be targeted to key executives functions in many of the world's major cities.

#### Supporting your events

#### Add an expert viewpoint to your events

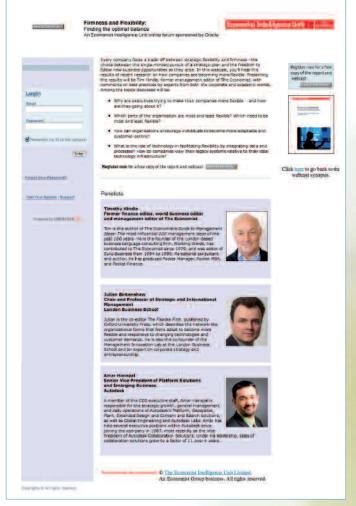
Our top analysts and economists are available for speaking engagements and to moderate discussion groups. They can present on a range of business topics, including corporate research findings, the global economic and political outlook and the latest business trends.



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## e-media

### Website advertising and sponsorship Podcasts and webcasts • Microsites • Interactive forums

We expect e-media to continue to grow in popularity, particularly as a way to reach the widest number of executives around the world and build communities of business leaders with common interests. Our clients are looking for tangible ROI and seek integration in their messaging to target specific executives. Electronic media can achieve all of these goals.

### Online advertising and sponsorship opportunities

- eiu.com—portal gateway to our full range of publications and services
- ViewsWire—daily political, economic and business intelligence on 203 countries
- RiskWire—daily risk analysis for companies operating in 150 markets
- Executive Briefing—a destination site for thought leadership in conjunction with Harvard Business School Publishing
- Industry Briefing—daily analysis, forecasts and background for eight key industries
- Global Technology Forum—latest technology trends that will affect global business
- Which MBA—a critical guide to the world's best MBAs

#### Website advertising and sponsorship

Whether you are a business, a government agency or a university, we can help you reach your target audience over the web. More effective than traditional advertising, our 'content-rich' approach uses intellectual capital to attract the attention of executives. Clients come to our websites for informed business intelligence—now they can access yours too.

You can reinforce awareness of your brand and capabilities by sponsoring our websites. Our website users see your message each time they use our service, and they are taken directly to your website or landing page. Website sponsorship often includes participation in editorial advisory boards and related research projects.

#### **Podcasts and webcasts**

Our business intelligence can be delivered through a range of e-media formats. Podcasts are downloadable audio or video files that are made available on our websites and on sponsor sites. Webcasts are rich audio or video events that simulate meetings but in an 'on-demand' environment, with powerpoint presentations, surveys and White papers optional. Leads are then delivered to you for further follow up.

#### **Microsites**

Microsites provide a platform for ongoing interaction with your clients, and allow you to reinforce your position as a thought-leader. Our microsites are content-rich, mini websites that deliver focused, relevant content about a specific thought leadership theme of interest to a target community of users.

Drawing on our electronic publishing and editorial expertise, the Economist Intelligence Unit can develop, maintain and drive traffic to a thought leadership microsite geared to your needs—whether it be static pages or a regularly updated website.

Our microsites can host many forms of research, including article feeds, White papers, survey results, data and other custom content. They can also include Web 2.0 elements, such as blogs, podcasts, wikis, syndicated content, video and interactive surveys.

#### **Interactive forums**

We take e-media a step further by offering a range of customised e-media options that enable you to reach, interact with and engage with your target audience in a unique way. For example we can use the latest web 2.0 techniques and editorial content to produce online branded communities using social networking, online gaming, and online opinion polls.

According to new Economist Intelligence Unit (EIU) research, almost 80% of large enterprises believe that Web 2.0 technologies can improve revenues and margins. This EIU research, which was sponsored by FAST, was based on a survey of 406 senior executives from companies with average sales revenues of \$2.5bn.

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# Use cross-channel thought leadership to engage your audience

### UK Trade & Investment partnered with The Economist Group to raise the profile of the UK as a trade destination

UK Trade and Investment (UKTI) wanted to attract foreign investment to the UK. To do that, it needed a powerful marketing solution that went beyond traditional advertising. We delivered a tailored global research and event programme that allowed UKTI to connect with its key customers and prospects by offering them relevant information and fresh insights.

The insights came from a survey of more than 1,000 C-level executives asking about corporate priorities for 2007 and beyond; this formed the basis for a CEO Briefing paper. An executive summary of the research was showcased as an insert within *The Economist*, while a supporting roadblock on economist.com directed viewers to the UKTI website, where they could download a full copy of the report. To launch the research, we invited a select group of senior decision-makers to a breakfast in London, where they discussed the research findings with Economist Group executives.

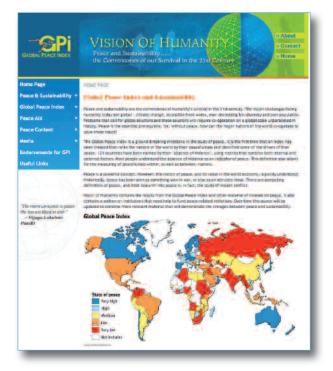
The Economist Intelligence Unit's CEO Briefing research attracted press coverage across the world, including in the *Financial Times*, *Sunday Times*, *Los Angeles Times* and Forbes.com. The campaign has helped UKTI to stand out in a very competitive marketplace.



# Gain media visibility through unique research and rankings

Commissioned by Australian IT entrepreneur and philanthropist Steve Killelea, our Global Peace Index studied 121 countries from Algeria to Zimbabwe. Nearly 7,000 data points were required to calculate the Index and assess the determinates of peace, and these data were collected by our extensive network of analysts, working in collaboration with our 650-strong contributor network.

The indicators include the levels of violence, organised crime and military expenditure within a country. The Index has also been correlated against a range of social development indicators including democracy, transparency, education and well-being, to understand better the determinants or "drivers" that create or sustain peace.



A small selection of the press coverage that the Global Peace Index attracted throughout the world includes:

Russia is one of the least peaceful countries in the world, according to a new study that uses levels of violence, organized crime and military expenditure to measure unrest.

Moscow Times

Tanzania has been ranked as the seventh safest country in Africa, behind Ghana, Madagascar, Botswana, Mozambique, Zambia and Gabon

China People's Daily

In the first study of its kind, Namibia has emerged with a ranking of 64 on the Global Peace Index.

#### The Namibian

Yemen placed 95th out of the 121 countries studied, and it placed 13th out of the 18 countries in the Middle East and North Africa.

Yemen Observer

In the Asia-Pacific region, Vietnam came after Singapore (ranked 29th) but above Malaysia (37th), China (60th), Indonesia (78th), Cambodia (85th), the Philippines (100th), Thailand (105th), and Myanmar (108th).

Vietnam News

Norway was rated as the country most at peace, followed by New Zealand, Denmark, Ireland and Japan. Iraq was in last place, with Sudan and Israel just above.

**Fox News** 

India's booming economy may be attracting global attention on Wednesday but the Asian power still ranks a poor 109th among 121 nations on the scale of peace, a study said.

**Economic Times India** 

# Position your organisation as a thought leader

### Foresight 2020 helped Cisco predict 15-year global trends

Cisco wanted forward-looking business insight that would engage with their target audience of senior executives worldwide. In early 2006 the Economist Intelligence Unit conducted a piece of business and economic research entitled Foresight 2020, which Cisco sponsored.

The programme included three executive forums with Cisco as the exclusive sponsor. These were held in London, New York and Hong Kong, and engaged with a total of 150 senior executives, many of them CEOs of large multi national companies.

Foresight 2020 gave Cisco executives an excellent view of some global trends over the next 15 years and is already proving instrumental as we look at the key themes of collaboration, innovation and personalization that stood out in the report.

Mark Peshoff, Senior Director of Executive Thought Leadership, Cisco



China, the U.S. and India will account for more than half the increase in worldwide economic growth during the next 14 years, a report paid for by Cisco Systems Inc. showed.

China and India are going to contribute a much greater portion of world GDP growth for two reasons," Robert Lloyd, Cisco's senior vice president of U.S. and Canada field operations, said in an interview. The first is they're adding more than 200 million net new workers in the next 14 years, and the other is "China will become the world's largest consumer country, surpassing the U.S.," he said.

"We should be realizing that smart people exist all over the world," Lloyd said. "A business model that allows U.S. companies to collaborate with those workers, to shift decision making and change the customer experience is very hard.

#### Bloomberg.com

# Go higher and deeper into organisations

# BT partnered with us to change the perception of its business with C-suite executives

BT wanted to change the perception of its business from that of a telecommunications company to that of a B2B service provider. To achieve this transition, it needed to reach CEOs and other C-suite executives in UK companies. We conducted a research programme that delivered original content for BT to create a dialogue with its target audience.

The Collaborative Enterprise examined how leading companies globally are using collaborative relationships and techniques to deliver internal value and create competitive advantage. The research was first published, in its entirety, as an original White paper, then split into six sub-topics for a series of two-page advertisement features in *The Economist*. BT also launched the White paper at an executive dinner forum hosted by Economist Conferences and attended by top executives, the content of the White paper was also showcased in a custom microsite on economist.com



We believe that thought-provoking content and stimulating conversation are the keys to getting on the executive agenda. Working with The Economist Group helped us to create those keys. Our research provided real insight into issues that are vitally important to BT and its customers. The level of executives at our events was truly impressive, and the White paper gave us the fuel to generate fantastic debate. We achieved our goal of associating BT with stimulating thought leadership in critical areas of our market.

Ellen Ferrara, Head of Global Public Relations, BT Global Services

> An excellent partnership. The research provided thought leadership that we used across diverse marketing programmes and gave us a fantastic platform for interesting discussions with top executives at our sponsored events.

Julie Woods-Moss, Vice President of Marketing, BT Global Services

# Target a specific audience around the world

We helped Ernst & Young to reach high-level executives responsible for M&A decision-making in Japan

We interviewed 20 C-level executives in Japan and produced a White paper under the Ernst & Young brand, published in both English and Japanese. The research findings were also discussed at the EIU Peer Group meeting in Tokyo—a low-cost, high-impact approach to reaching a target audience.



We at Ernst & Young valued greatly the work the EIU did for us on our Human Capital Strategies project in Japan, both the report and the subsequent meeting were part of our Advisory Membership of the Japan Corporate Network.

Michael Buxton Co-CEO Ernst & Young Transaction Advisory Services

Our annual Chief Marketing Officer (CMO) conferences that take place in London, New York and Hong Kong gather together the top marketers from the largest companies in each business centre. Our sponsors value these events to reach a highly targeted group of executives, with a specific responsibility within their organisations.





# Reach senior executives in emerging multi-national firms

We are uniquely placed to support clients wishing to grow their business in emerging markets

Most of our clients are already thinking in terms of positioning themselves for the changing world marketplace. Today's global demographic profile will bear little resemblance to that of the next ten years, and growth rates in emerging markets are two to three times those of developed economies.

While established multinationals continue to be the top priority for many clients, there is a growing belief that the high-flyers of the next decade will arise from the ranks of today's domestic companies (domcoms) in emerging markets.



Banking executives worldwide see a promising future for China's credit industry, but in at least three years time, according to a survey conducted by the Economist Intelligence Unit and First Data International. Cost control is a vital issue for Czech companies, but, when profits soar, solving expenditure problems is usually not a top priority," said KPMG risk management consultant Eva Racková, who contributed to the study, conducted in cooperation with the Economist Intelligence Unit.

China Knowledge

Prague Post

# About the Economist Intelligence Unit

The Economist Intelligence Unit is the world's foremost global research and advisory firm.

Established in 1946, the Economist Intelligence Unit has been providing business research and advisory services to global executives for nearly 60 years. It provides analysis and forecasts in a number of ways: through electronic services, printed publications, custom research, conferences, Government Roundtables, peer-group interchange and presentations to senior management.

Economist Conferences is a division of Economist Intelligence Unit. For almost 60 years it has been the world's leading provider of international forums for senior executives.

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