# Track the Success Study on perception and reactions to

moving image platforms





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- Background and method
- Advertising impact
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## **About Screenforce**

The initiative of marketers of TV- and moving image content in Germany, Austria and Switzerland

#### Who we are:

 12 partners representing 95% of the total advertising market in Germany, Austria and Switzerland

#### What we do:

 Research, marketing and communication for TV- and moving image content media







#### About eye square

- User, Brand & Media, Shopper Experience Research since 1999
- Offices in 6 countries
- 82 Consultants
- 300+ renowned customers worldwide
- Extensive global benchmarks of implicit data
  - Innovation leader: Groundbreaking software (US patented)
  - Licensing software to 8 out of the top 10 GRIT listed companies







## The continuation of the basic study

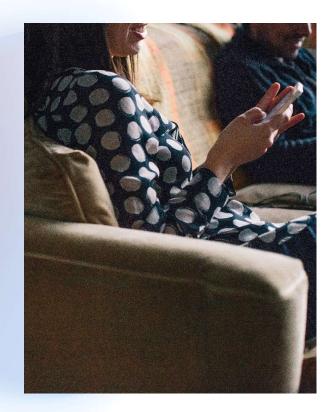
Eye square takes the "Not all reach is equal" study to the next level

#### Main research questions:

- Media reception (perception and reaction) during the consumption situation
- Advertising impact on various channels

#### Additional influencing factors:

- Devices used
- Second screen usage
- Age effects







## 549 In-Home media ethnographies

#### The sample was composed of:

- Total N = 549
- 52% male, 48% female
- 51% 18-39 years old, 49% 40+ years old
- 79% from DE (N = 434)
- 11% from AT (N = 58)
- 10% from CH (N = 57)

#### **Test locations:**

Berlin, Hamburg, Frankfurt a.M., München as well as Wien and Zürich







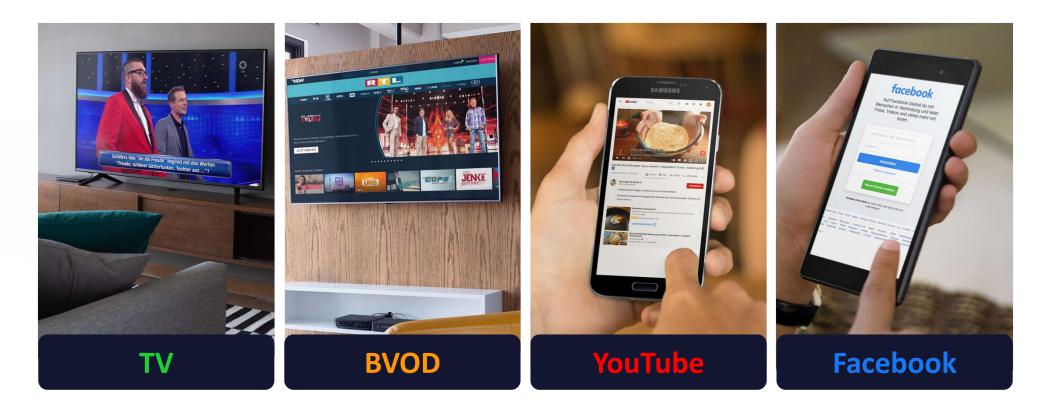


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#### Media platforms used







#### InContext: Ad replacements in detail

Realistic embedding of advertising into different platforms

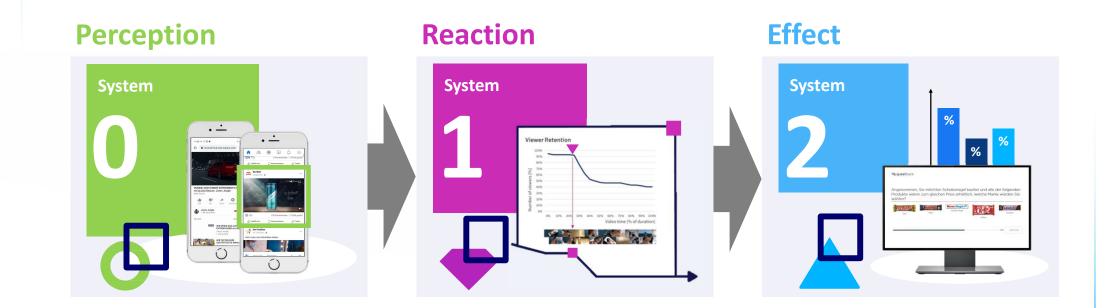




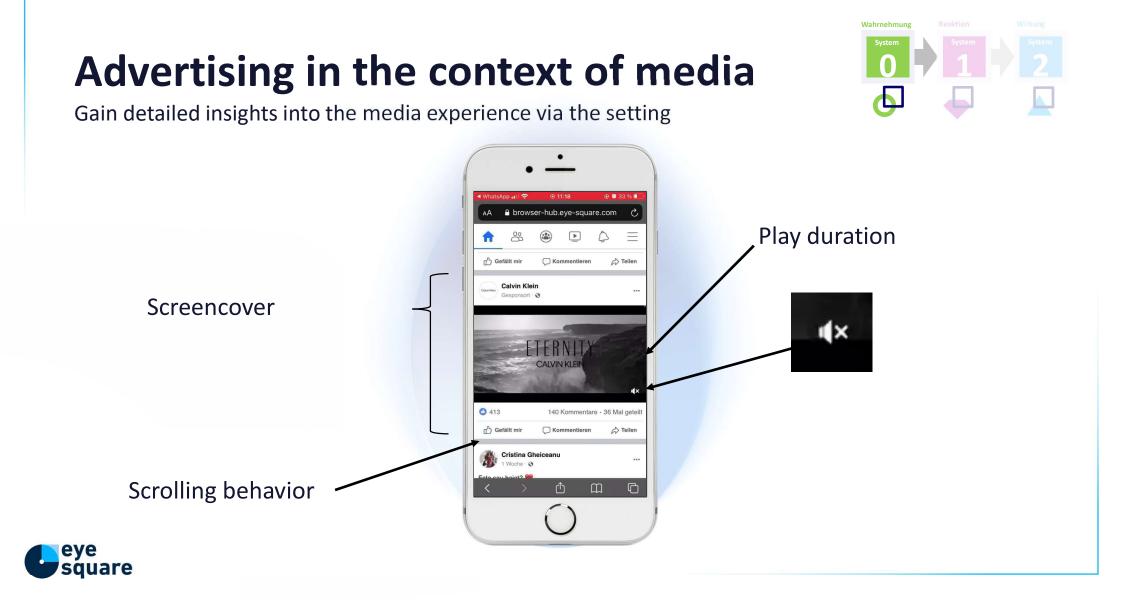


#### **Advertising impact model**

From advertising contact to individual response to final effect



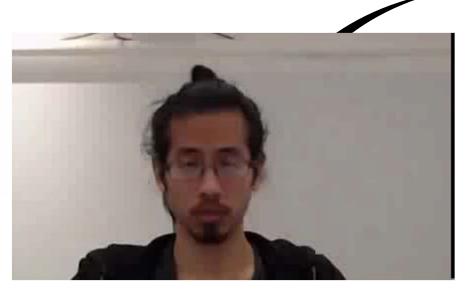




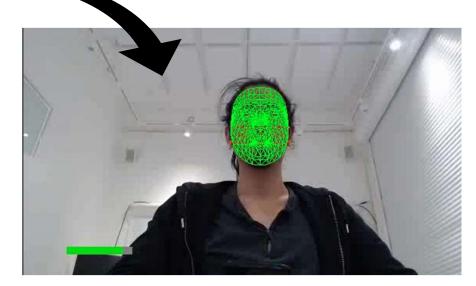
#### **Attention to the screen**

Comprehend the visual attention of the viewers





Facial recording through a normal webcam



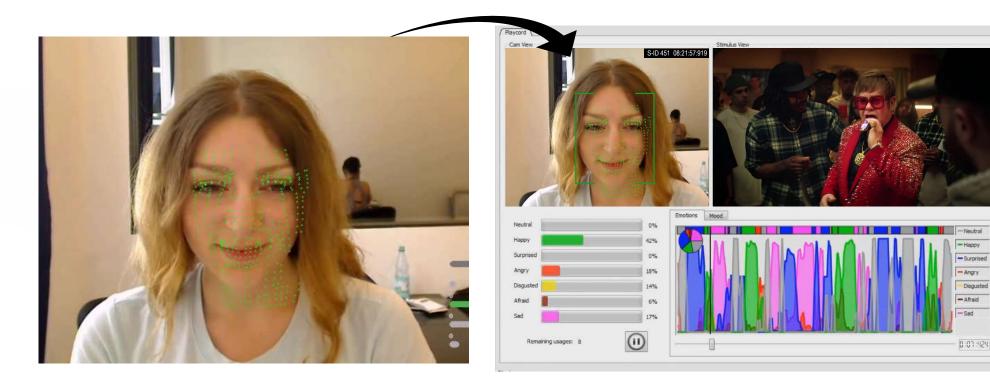
Al analyzes head rotations and indicates when attention was given to the screen



# **Reliably recognize emotions**

Facial expressions provide insights into the emotionalization of the (ad) spots

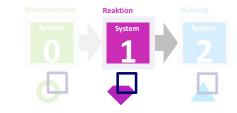




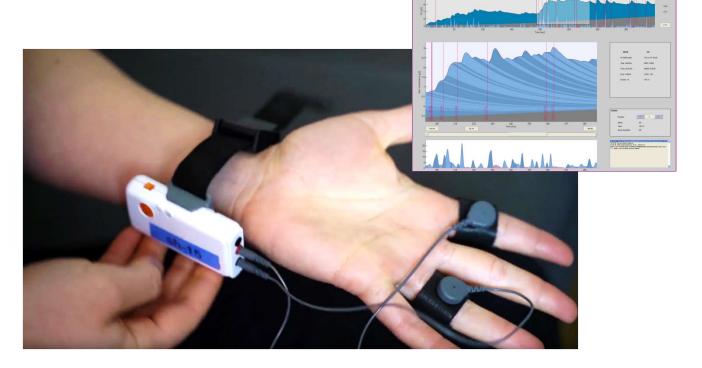


#### **Relaxation and excitement**

Detect reactions by measuring skin conductance



- In which state of mind is a viewer?
- How ,activating' is the event



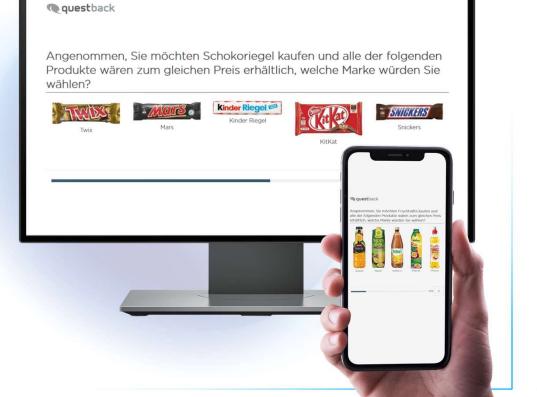


# **Advertising impact**

A combination of classic and innovative survey methods

#### **Online questionnaire:**

- Advertising recall
- Open question about spot details
- Purchase intention
- Apps used during secondscreen use
- Evaluation of media environments



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#### **Home-Kit Technology**

All equipment can be self-assembled by the participants







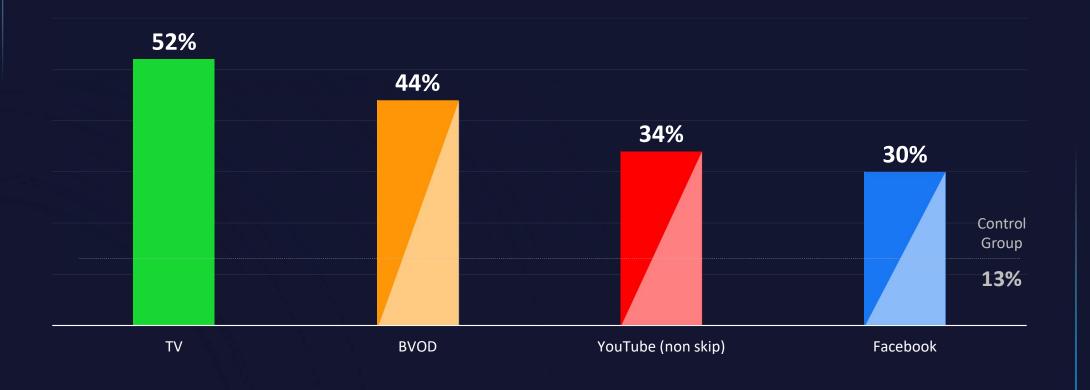
# Advertising impact





# TV ads are best remembered spontaneously

Free ad recall



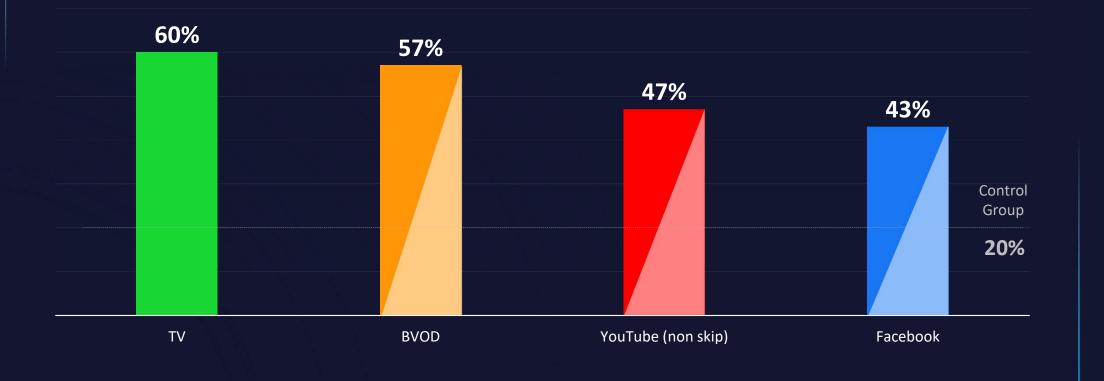


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#### TV also leads with aided recall

Aided ad recall



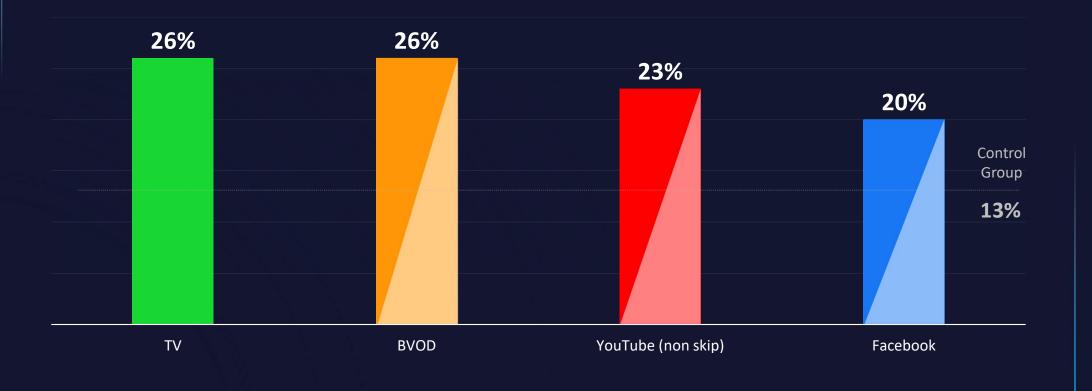


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#### TV & BVOD even in terms of purchase intention

**Purchase intention** 





Question: "Suppose you wanted to buy [a product category] and all of the following products were available at the same price, which brand would you choose?" Number of ad contacts: N (TV) = 424, N (BVOD; TV and Smartphone) = 971, N (YouTube; TV and Smartphone) = 1027, N (Facebook; arithmetic mean of optimized and standard spots) = 515, N (Control group) = 436.



# **D Perception**





#### Ads on Facebook mostly muted

Proportion of ad contacts played back with sound and in full screen

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	Sound on	Muted	Fullscreen	Not Fullscreen
TV	100%	0%	100%	0%
BVOD	100%	0%	100%	0%
YouTube (non skip)	100%	0%	59%	41%
Facebook	34%	66%	16%	84%



Technical delivery of ad contacts: proportion of ad contacts with sound on/off and replay in fullscreen/not fullscreen. Number of ad contacts: N (TV) = 476, N (BVOD; TV and Smartphone) = 804, N (YouTube; TV and Smartphone) = 774, N (Facebook; arithmetic mean of optimized and standard spots) = 380.



#### Ads on TV always visible

Visibility duration of ads in proportion to average length of commercials



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#### **Attention to screen**

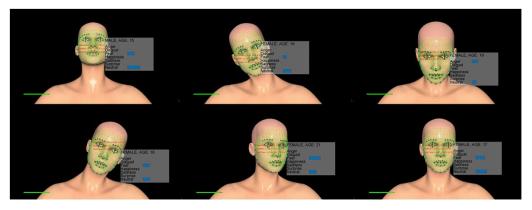
Results of visual attention based on the viewers orientation towards the screen

An algorithm detects whether the subject's face is visible from the front when looking at the TV (camera 1) or smartphone (camera 2).

In this case, it's assumed that the tester is looking at the respective screen and this is interpreted as looking at the screen.

This method is different to classical eye tracking and delivers different results.

Analysis of head rotation and frontal alignment for attention to screen detection

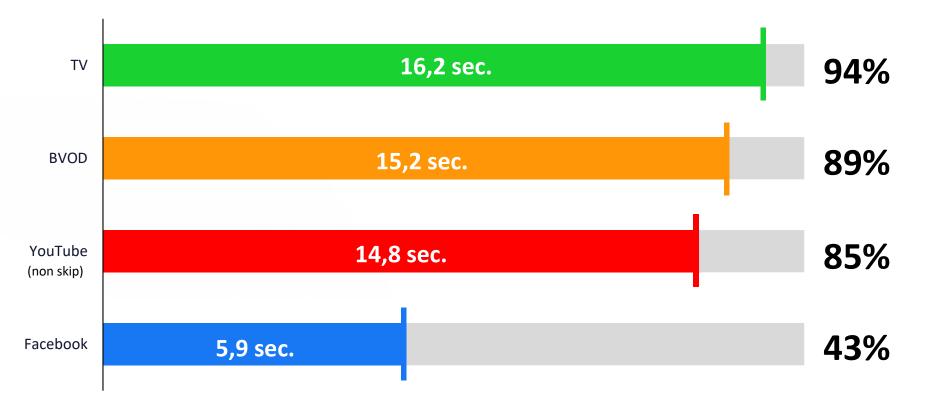






## TV reaches the highest allocation of attention

Attention to screen during advertising in seconds and in proportion to average spot length



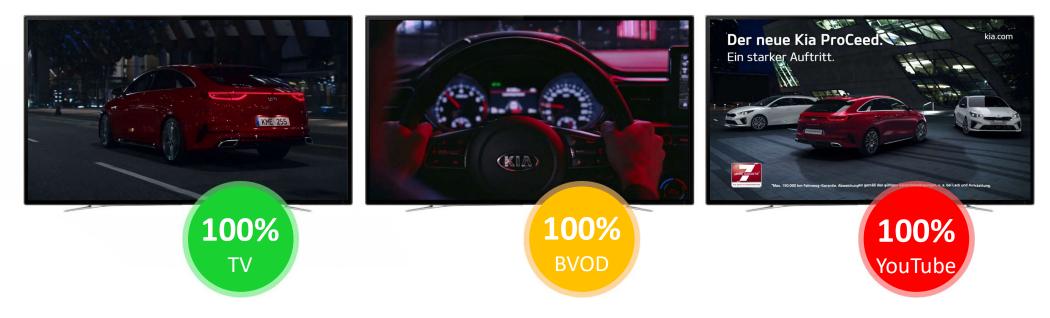


Focus / Attention to screen: arithmetic mean of total attention to screen during ad contact on media platforms in sec. and in proportion to average length of commercials on platforms (in %). Number of ad contacts: N (TV) = 476, N (BVOD; arithmetic mean of TV and Smartphone) = 804, N (YouTube; arithmetic mean of TV and Smartphone; 100% Non-Skippable) = 774, N (Facebook; arithmetic mean of optimized and standard spots) = 380.



#### Screen coverage on TV sets

Coverage: Proportion of the full screen area covered by the advertising displayed



#### ...but what does advertising look like on mobile devices?

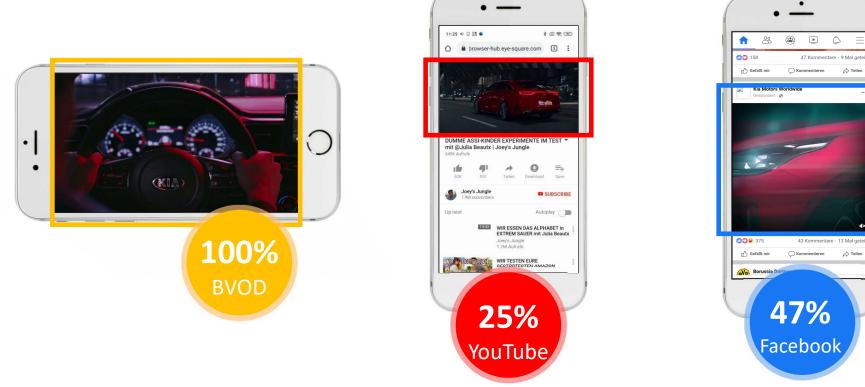


Proportion of the full screen area covered by the advertising displayed (in %). N (TV) = 476, N (BVOD; TV only) = 468, N (YouTube; TV only) = 426 N = number of ad contacts.



#### Screen coverage on smartphones

Coverage: Percentage of the full screen area covered by the advertising displayed





Percentage of the full screen area covered by the advertising displayed (in %). Number of ad contacts: N (BOVD) = 336, N (YouTube) = 348, N (Facebook; arithmetic mean of optimized and standard spots) = 380.



#### **Ad Perception Rate on Facebook**



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Attention to screen



**Ad Perception Rate** 

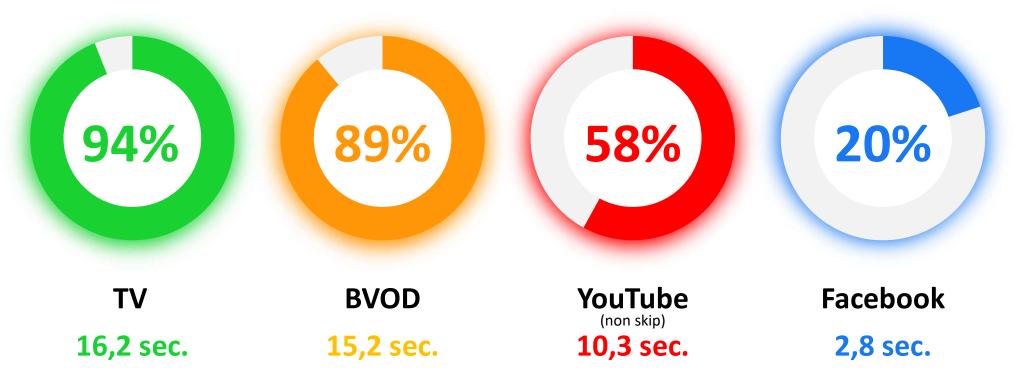


- 1. 43% of the spot length is devoted to the (entire) screen.
- 2. The ad covers 47% of the screen.
- 3. The result is an Ad Perception Rate of 20%.



#### Low perception of Facebook ads

Ad Perception Rate: Attention to screen times screen coverage





Ad Perception Chance: arithmetic mean of total attention to screen during ad contact on media platforms in proportion to average length of commercials on platforms (in %) multiplied with proportion of the full screen area covered by the advertising displayed (in %). Number of ad contacts: N (TV) = 476, N (BVOD; arithmetic mean of TV and Smartphone) = 804, N (YouTube; arithmetic mean of TV and Smartphone; 100% Non-Skippable) = 774, N (Facebook; arithmetic mean of optimized and standard spots) = 380.



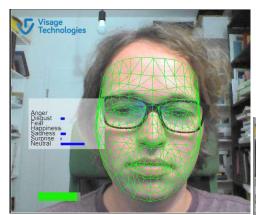




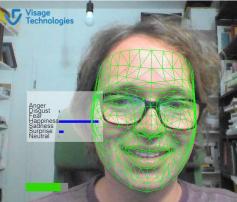
# Making the emotional impact measurable

The automatic analysis of facial key points by means of webcam and software.

- Through an algorithm, six basic emotions are identified and quantified in participants' facial expressions
- These emotional responses are compared across environments, test groups, and advertising contacts



neutral reaction



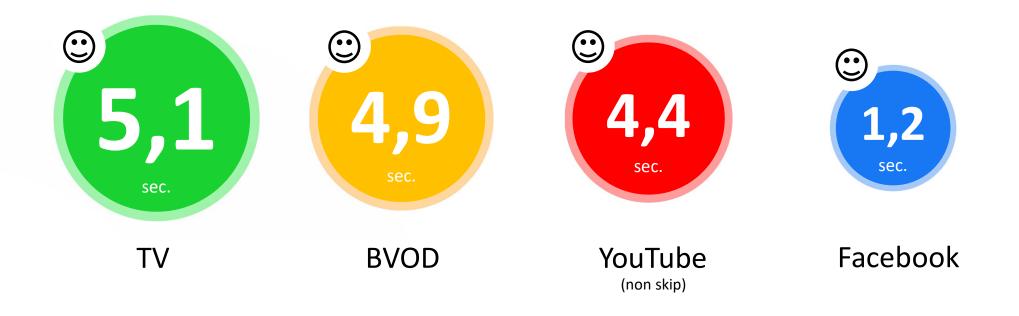
strong happiness





#### TV stimulates positive emotions the longest

Positive emotionalization while paying attention to advertising



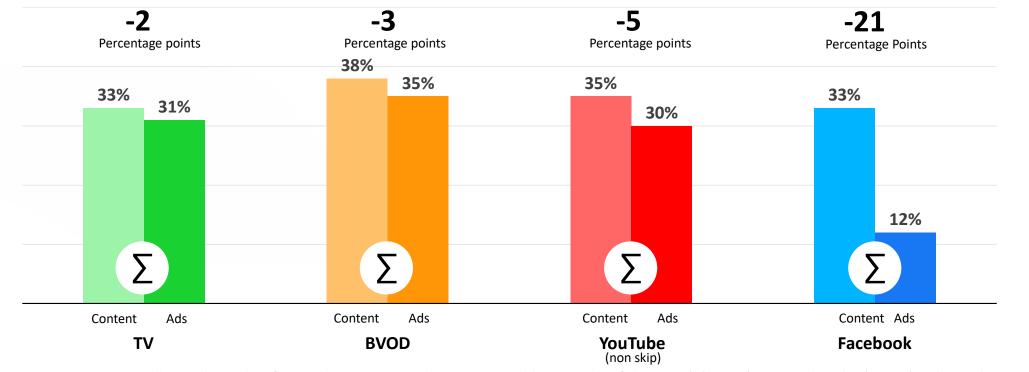


Average time of positive emotions shown per advertising in sec. Number of ad contacts: N (TV) = 476, N (BVOD; arithmetic mean of TV and Smartphone) = 804, N (YouTube; arithmetic mean of TV and Smartphone; 100% Non-Skippable) = 774, N (Facebook; arithmetic mean of optimized and standard spots) = 380.



## **Facebook advertising loses heavily**

Differences in the overall emotionalization from content to advertising





Overall emotionalization: Share of emotionalization in %; Comparison between content and advertising. Number of ad contacts: N (TV) = 476, N (BVOD; TV and Smartphone) = 804, N (YouTube; TV and Smartphone) = 774, N (Facebook; arithmetic mean of optimized and standard spots) = 380. Content: N (TV) = 120, N (BOVDTV and Smartphone) = 274, N (YouTube; TV and Smartphone) = 225, (Facebook) = 148.



#### **Highest excitement on YouTube and BVOD**

Activation (peaks/minute) during advertising





Activation response: Average number of peaks per minute during ad contact on media platforms. Number of ad contacts: N (TV) = 384 N (BVOD; arithmetic mean of TV and Smartphone) = 678, N (YouTube; arithmetic mean of TV and Smartphone; 100% Non-Skippable) = 617, N (Facebook; arithmetic mean of optimized and standard spots) = 301.



#### **TV: Change to advertising smallest**

Change in activation (peaks/minute) from content to advertising





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### Classic TV as a relaxing medium

Basic activation level across all four usage settings.



**TV** Relax with content and advertising



### YouTube

Advertising gets in the way of relaxation



**BVOD** Television mood despite selection



### Facebook

Surf through the Facebook feed





# Special Analysis Devices





### Usage patterns: TV vs smartphone

Where does advertising work better?



### So far:

Comparison of small and big screens

### Next up:

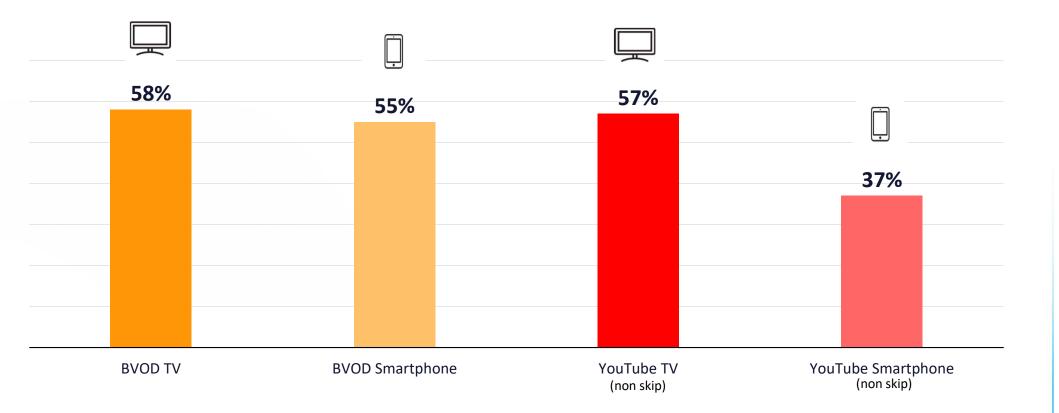
- Direct comparison of TV and smartphone.
- Investigated with BVOD and YouTube (content the same)





### **BVOD shows lower loss of effectiveness**

Aided ad recall



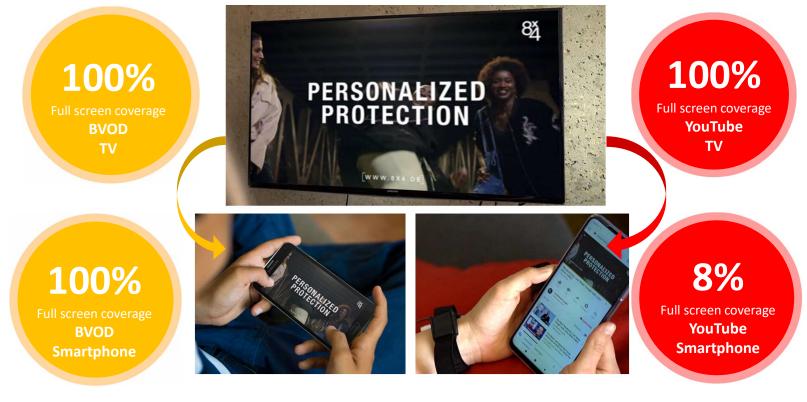


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### **Differences in media screen coverage**

Full screen coverage during advertising (in % of ad contacts)





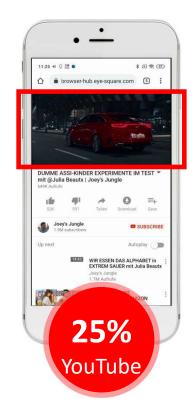
Share of full screen usage by BVOD and Youtube, split by device. Number of ad contacts: N (BVOD TV) = 468, N (BVOD Smartphone) = 332, N (YouTube TV; 100% Non-Skippable) = 426, N (YouTube Smartphone; 100% Non-Skippable) = 347.



### **Screen coverage on smartphones**

Coverage: Percentage of full screen area covered by the advertising displayed





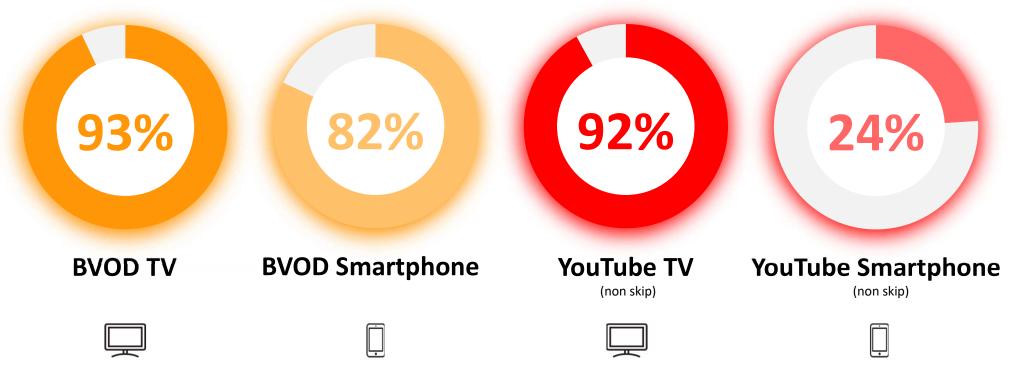


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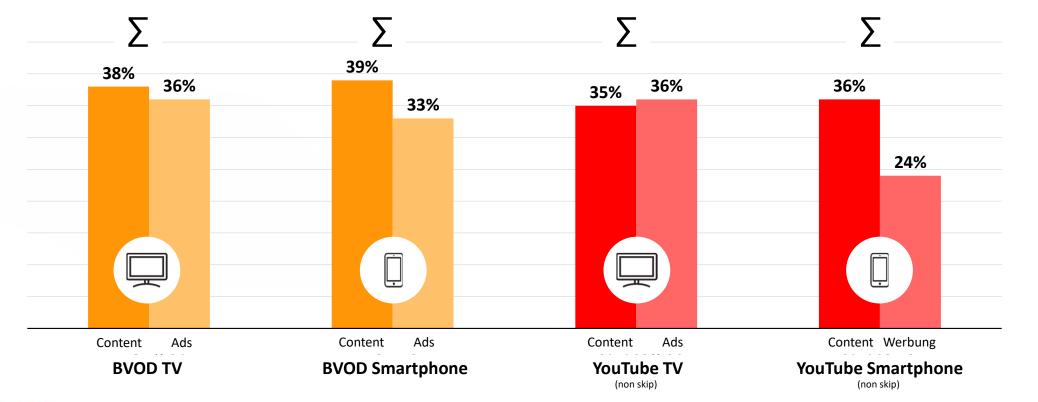


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### **Content-Ad Comparison: Overall Emotions**

Overall emotionalization of content and advertising





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## **Special Analysis** Skippable vs. Non Skippable Ads on YouTube





### The study

The effects of skippable and non-skippable video ads on YouTube have to be researched as well. The participants use YouTube, either on their desktop or smartphone, and collect advertising contacts that are skippable or nonskippable. They are then surveyed.

- N=854 participants
- 8 different commercials (from the main study)
- Desktop vs. Mobile / Skip vs. non skip PreRoll
- Behavioural data (skipping percentage, duration of advertising)
- KPIs: recall performance and purchase intention







### **Skippable ads reduce advertising impact**

If less of the spots are seen, they cannot unfold their effect.

	YouTube Desktop Effect discount	YouTube Smartphone Effect discount	Effect discount overall		
Free ad recall	-16%	-26%	- <b>21%</b>		
Aided ad recall	-20%	-19%	- <b>20%</b>		
Purchase intention	-4%	-6%	-5%		

- As soon as YouTube advertising becomes skippable, the advertising impact drops across all KPIs
- At the same time, the impact discount on smartphones is usually higher especially for unaided KPIs.
- The influence of advertising diminishes as the marketing funnel progresses.



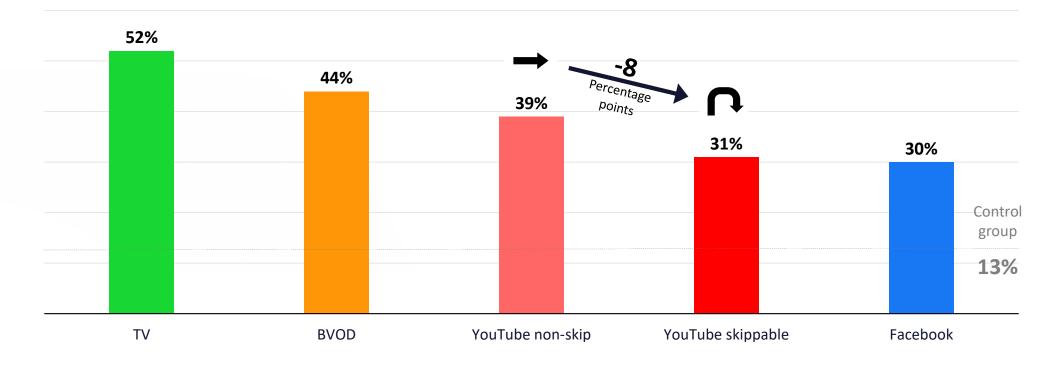
Number of advertising contacts: N (YouTube; mean of desktop and smartphone; non-skip) = 854, N (YouTube; mean of desktop and smartphone; skippable) = 854.

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## Chance to skip lowers free ad recall

Free ad recall





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### Skipping rather the rule than the exception

Skipping behavior of users (total and per device) in % and sec.



(Skipping is only possible after 5 seconds)

- When advertising is skippable on YouTube, 66% of users make use of it.
- Skipping depends on the device: On the smartphone, as many as three quarters of all users skip.
- If a commercial is skipped, it happens after an average of 7.8 seconds.
- Since the skip button only appears after the first 5 seconds, this value shows that the vast majority skips as quickly as possible (only 2.8 seconds longer than technically possible at all).



Number of ad contacts: N (YouTube; desktop, skipped) = 3696, N (YouTube; smartphone, skipped) = 3008. N (YouTube; total, skipped) = 4432. N (average skiptime) = 4432.



### High variance within the ad campaigns

Ranks of spot-discounts demonstrate high influence of creation



- Creation has an obvious effect whether ads are continued and for how long despite the skip option; quality can cushion the blow.
- Very good spots have lower impact losses, while bad spots can lose almost half their impact if they can be skipped.
- However, the introduction of the skip option leads to a drop in relevant effect parameters for all creations.

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Participants = 854. Number of advertising contacts per brand between 315 (min) and 327 (max).



# Outline and Key Takeaways





### **Contact quality accounts for advertising potential**

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TV	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1		1	1	2	1
BVOD	1	1	2	1	2	1	2	2		2	2	1	1
YouTube (non skip)	1	2	3	2	3	3	4	3		3	3	3	2
Facebook	2	3	4	3	4	4	3	4		4	4	3	3
	System 0 (Perception)					System	System 1 (Implicit condition)			System 2 (explicit effect)			



Settings: 1. With sound 2. Full screen ; Perception opportunity: 3. Visibility duration 4. Full screen coverage of advertising 5. Attention to Screen (Eyes on Ad) ; Reaction: 6. Overall emotionalization of advertising 7. Activation of advertising (Difference btw. ad-content, the lower the better) ; Acceptance: Average of Top2-Answers to questions "[Media Platform] is trustworthy" and "commercials are part of it" on a 5-point scale. ; Advertising potential: 9. Free ad recall 10. Aided ad recall 11. Detail remembrance 12. Purchase intention.

### **Further Research Topics in the Study**

- **1.** Second Screen-Usage
- 2. Young vs. Old
- 3. OOH Usage (BVOD and YouTube)



# **Track the Success**

Thank you for your attention!

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