

"Customer loyalty 2004"

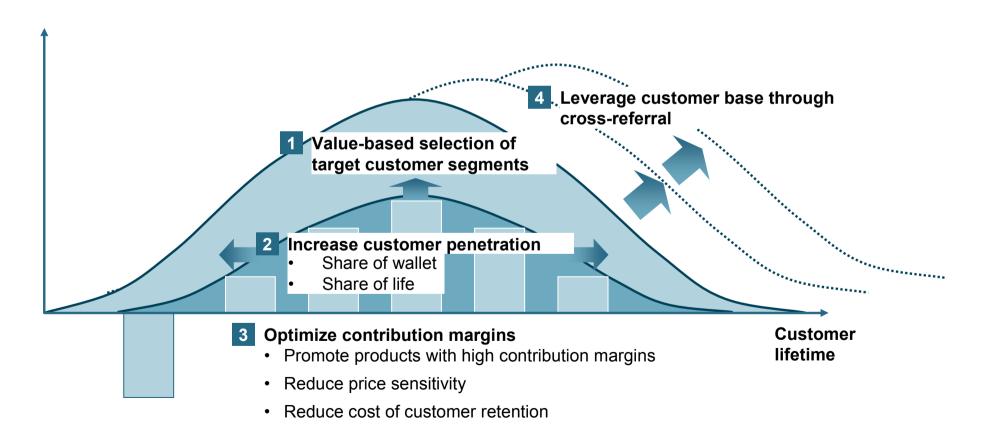
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The goal of customer loyalty management is to better exploit the value of the customer base

Exploitation of customer value





Companies recognize customer loyalty as a key issue, but it is often poorly implemented

Customer loyalty in practice

CURRENT RESEARCH

- Customer loyalty case studies 2004 10 case studies based on interviews with CRM experts and desk research
- Roland Berger customer loyalty study 2003
 82 leading B2C companies

RESULTS

- Customer loyalty is the key success factor in marketing
- Goals of customer loyalty programs often not achieved
- Customer loyalty actions must be integrated into the marketing mix
- Many complex approaches to customer loyalty exist, but practical implementation is often inadequate
- Customer data integration is essential as the basis for segmentation and differentiated customer support concepts

INTERPRETATION

- Customer loyalty recognized as a success factor – many activities already launched
- Lack of customer understanding hinders success
 - Lack of data integration
 - Rudimentary segmentation approaches
- Success not always or not adequately measured
- Complexity of the concepts requires pragmatic implementation



Companies interpret customer loyalty quite differently, which requires tailor-made concepts

Quotes from marketing/CRM managers

"It is hard to verify the link between customer satisfaction and customer loyalty in day-today business."

European telecommunications provider

"Customer surveys show that even satisfied customers switch to other brands, while dissatisfied customers remain with our brand."

Global automotive group

"Customer loyalty is achieved by targeted adaptation of the marketing mix. Pricing, sales channels and communication are segment-specific."

Large German bank

"Customer loyalty actions cover all activities which actively address and support the customer."

Large German bank

"Customer loyalty is a strategic success factor."

European mobile telecommunications provider "Especially in retail, CRM lived out in the form of a premium brand has a decisive influence on how the customer experiences the brand."

German automotive group

"Customer loyalty aims in particular to achieve customer connection by means of advocacy for a brand."

Global automotive group

"To achieve customer loyalty, you need more than just customer satisfaction."

European mobile telecommunications provider



Customer loyalty campaigns are constantly being refined based on prioritized segments and client status

Logic of the approach

Customer loyalty cycle Our consulting approach Content **Analyze the current** Determine current **segmentation** Systematic, targeted analysis; situation and customer loyalty comparison with best-practice approaches companies (benchmarking) **Determine customer** Expand and/or realign customer Project experience in customer segmentation segmentation segmentation by value, needs, lifecycle, etc. Draw up segment-Introduce targeted customer Customer loyalty campaigns specific concepts lovalty campaigns for prioritized including cards/points schemes developed with customers segments Implement/ Quickly implement segment-Activity management, business monitor success specific campaigns (quick wins) planning, HELP tool, scenario analysis



The Marketing & Sales CC has extensive skills in conducting and supporting customer loyalty projects

Collective skills in

TOOLS

- Segmentation approaches by customer value and customer needs
- HELP = Holistic evaluation of loyalty programs

customer loyalty within the Marketing & Sales CC

- Several projects in the following areas
 - Customer segmentation (value, needs, etc.)
 - Evaluating, designing, relaunching and implementing loyalty programs
 - Developing and implementing customer loyalty programs and campaigns

PROJECT EXPERIENCE

MARKET STUDIES AND DATABASES

- RB customer loyalty study 2003 conducted among 82 leading German companies
- Case collection with around 10 examples of loyalty programs in practice
 - HELP database with 170 customer loyalty card programs in Europe
 - Issue paper on customer loyalty management
- Dissertations and practical studies on relevant topics
 - Drivers of customer loyalty
 - Customer lifecycle management
- Speeches and articles

CONCEPTUAL KNOWLEDGE



Roland Berger's customer management tools can be combined and have been tested in numerous projects

Project references

Issues	Project content
Customer segmentation – based on value/ needs/benefits	 Combined value-based and needs-based segmentation Customer lifecycle valuation Needs-based segmentation with conjoint analysis Improved commodities marketing through better customer orientation, including needs-based segmentation and pricing Value-based segmentation as the basis for a pricing strategy Improvement of customer orientation and pricing model in the commodities business
Setup of CRM and loyalty programs	 Development of a multi-partner loyalty program Development of a points-based customer loyalty program Business model and detailed financial planning for a loyalty program startup Development of comprehensive CRM approach Differentiation of customer processes (touchpoint logic)
Review/strategic repositioning of customer loyalty programs (HELP)	 Coaching managers in the strategic realignment of loyalty programs Model for churn prediction and concept for churn prevention and win-back activities Improving the efficiency of loyalty program marketing