Engagement priorities in Investor Relations - How to get most out of investors' events

Insights from the Rivel Intelligence Council

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RIVEL BACKGROUND



- Established in 1991 with a unique specialty investment community perception research
- We help public companies mitigate risk and improve valuation ...
 - Custom investor perception research 150+ projects annually
 - IR best practices: Intelligence Council (200+ member companies)
 - Corporate Governance division
 - Board Evaluation service
 - 10,000 telephone interviews with investors globally each year
 - Clients include half of the Global Fortune 100 and the S&P 500





75%

Of the Global Buy-side Believe Good IR Affects a Company's Valuation





VALUE OF SUPERB IR

(Among the global buy-side)

+10%
Superb IR premium

The Valuation Delta

-20%
Poor IR discount

Challenge

% of Companies with Superb IR

31%





VERY PERSUASIVE INFORMATION RESOURCES





MANAGEMENT ACCESS (In Addition to Quarterly Earnings Calls)

Who:

- Top Shareholders 2-3 meetings/year
- Important Targets 2-3 meetings/year
- Secondary Shareholders up to you
- Governance and ESG issues (passive investors)

Possibly more than 200 interactions with investors per year for management





MANAGEMENT ACCESS

Average Number of One-on-Ones/Small Group Meetings Executives Conduct Annually (As reported by IROs globally)

CEO: 60

CFO: 75

IRO: 135

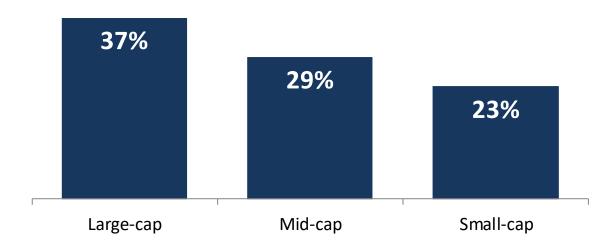




MANAGEMENT ACCESS

Percent of One-on-Ones/Small Group Meetings Held by IR on a Solo Basis (Without Senior Management Present)

MARKET CAP



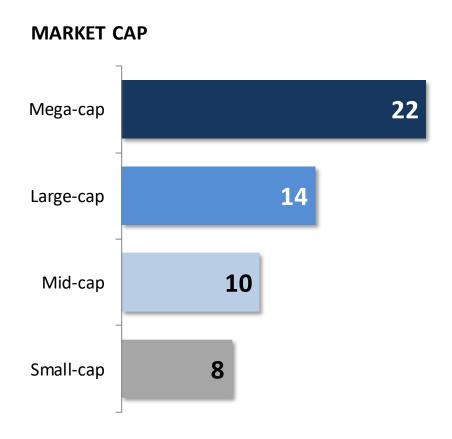






AVERAGE NUMBER OF NON-DEAL ROADSHOW DAYS CONDUCTED ANNUALLY

(among IROs globally)

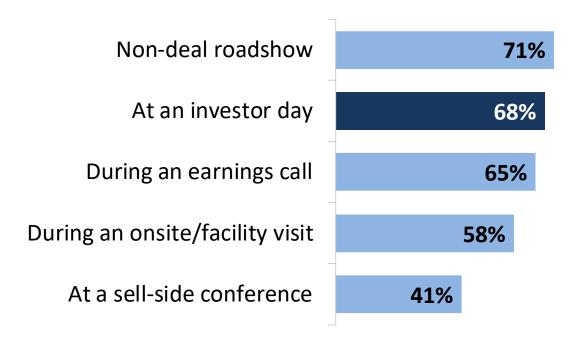






THE CASE FOR INVESTOR DAYS

Where Does the Global Buy-side Prefer to Hear Management Speak?





INVESTOR DAYS MISMATCH

28% of companies hold investor days at least once a year

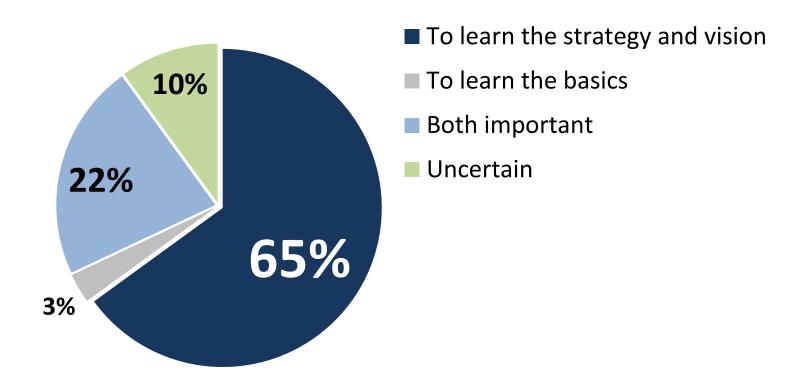
of the global buy-side thinks investor days should be held at least once a year





Primary Reason for Attending an Investor Day

(Among Global Buy-side)





WHY INVESTOR DAYS ARE IMPORTANT ...

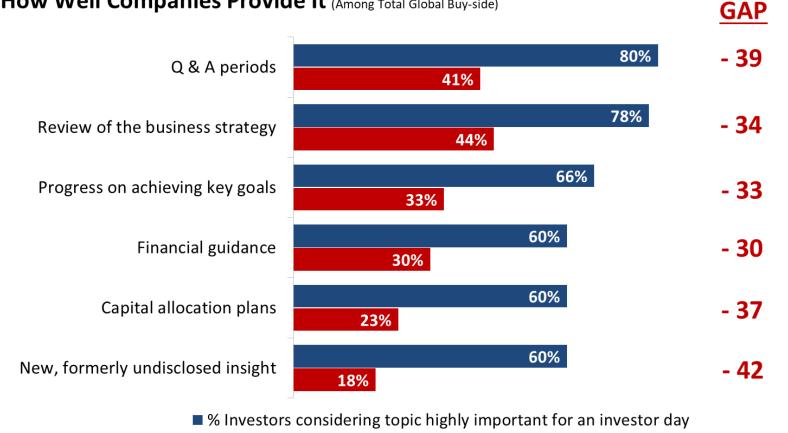
- > A singular opportunity to:
 - Explain strategy
 - Foster credibility (setting and meeting goals)
 - Provide management access
 - Showcase bench strength
 - Differentiate from peers
 - Communicate competitive advantages

ENGAGEMENT PRIORITIES



Investor Day Gaps: What Investors Want Versus How Well Companies Provide It (Among Total Global Buy-side)

Mind the gaps!

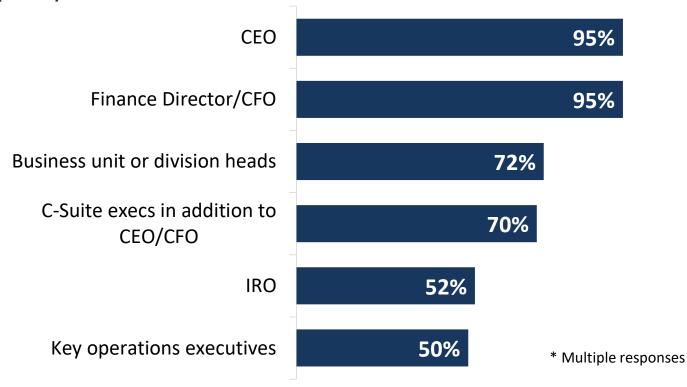


■ % Companies seen as doing a good job during an investor day



INVESTOR DAYS SHOULD SHOWCASE BENCH STRENGTH

Executives Important to Have Attend an Investor Day*
(Aided)



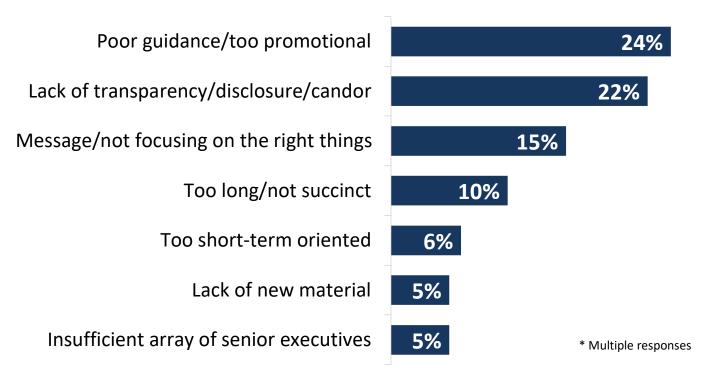
Note: Among the global buy-side





Biggest Mistakes Companies Make Conducting Investor Days*

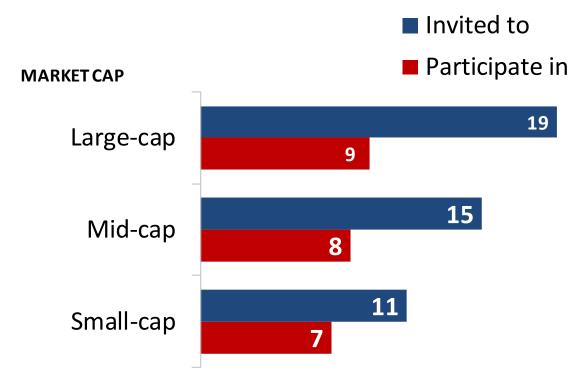
(Among global buy-side)





SECTOR CONFERENCES

Average Number of Broker-Sponsored Conferences Companies Invited to/Participate In (among IROs globally)

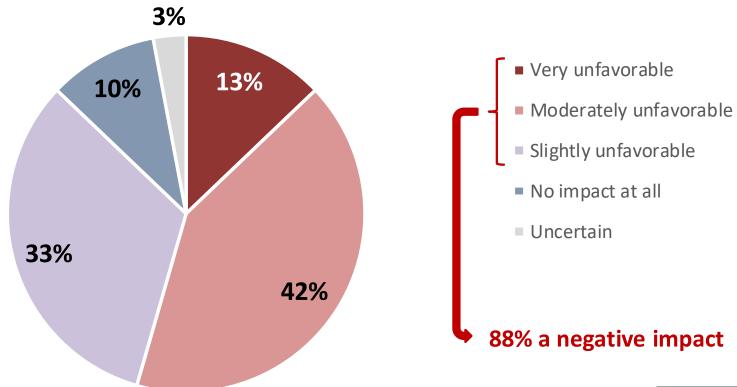






IR WEBSITES

What kind of impact on your investment interest does a poorly designed/incomplete website have? (Among the Buy-side Globally)



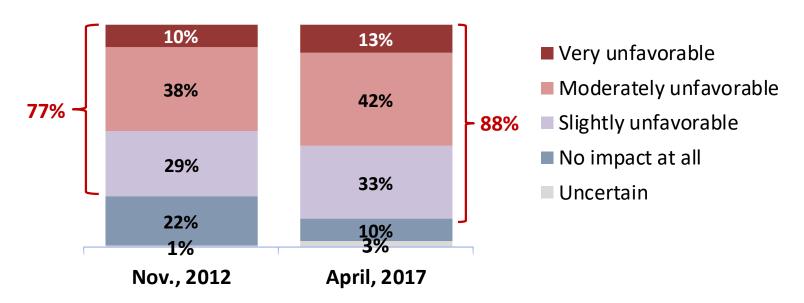




INCREASING RISK OF A POOR IR WEBSITE

Impact of a Poor IR Website on Investment Interest

(Among Global Buy-side)

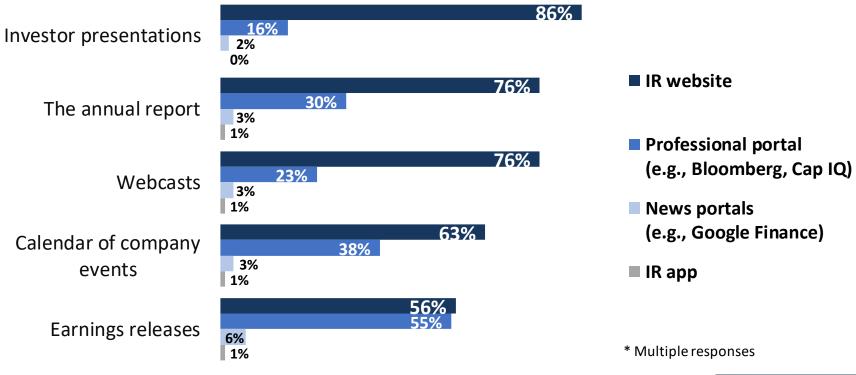






IR Websites – A Choice of First Resort

Where do you usually go to access each of the following pieces of information



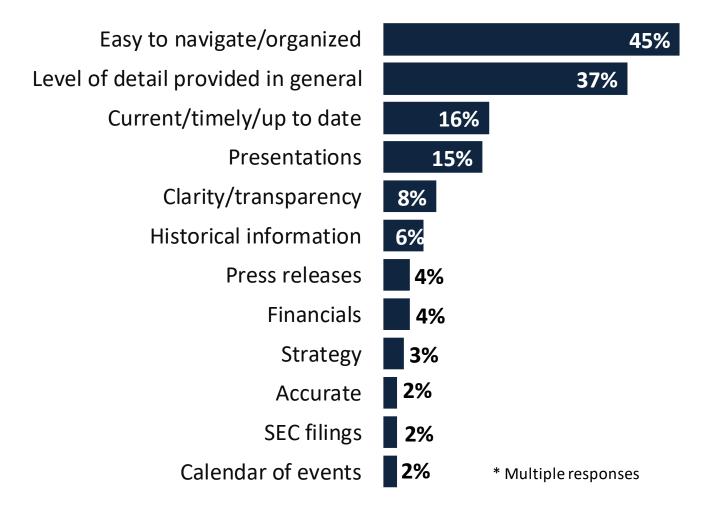


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What Makes IR Websites "Best in Class"* (Unaided)

(Among the Buy-side Globally)





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Things Investors Have the Most Difficulty Finding on IR Websites

(Among the Buy-side Globally)







INTANGIBLES ARE MOST CRITICAL

The Top 10

Management credibility (77%)

Sound capital deployment strategy (65%)

Effective business strategy (57%)

Strong balance sheet (56%)

Reliable cash flow (54%)

Sustainable margins (52%)

Good ROIC (51%)

Revenue growth potential (47%)

Attractive EPS growth (44%)

Strong corporate governance (43%)



Note: Among the global buy-side





Messaging Rules of Thumb

- > Communicate the strategy and why it's unique
- > Focus on a few key messages
- > Show progress on previously articulated goals
- > There is no substitute for candor
- > Reinforce!





COMPETING VOICES

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companies an investor/analyst typically owns/covers/follows

DIFFERENTIATION MATTERS





Thankyou Mulţumesc

