

Why does online influence matter for EU advocacy?



Today's digital landscape favours the divisive and dishonest.

To make an impact, we must shape our own digital frontier.



What is digital impact?



The capacity and willingness to reach, engage and influence the people you care about.



Why measure digital impact?



- Understand your digital landscape
- Snapshot of your online influence
- Establish new processes, habits
- Continually test, measure and learn
- Incremental progress, higher ROI



Score your digital impact, chart your progress



How to create a D Scale

- 1. Survey the digital landscape
- 2. Develop a custom formula
- 3. Apply to digital profile/s
- 4. Calculate Digital Impact Score

Repeat every 3 months.



The D Scale – The MEP Edition



Data sample: 10 Leaders of 7 Political Groups in the European Parliament

Data extracted: 31 October 2019



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The MEP Edition OCT 2019



21 quantitative metrics/variables in 10 weighted categories = max 10 points

1 qualitative metric (bonus) = max 1 point

Digital Impact Score = max 11 points



The MEP Edition - Formula (1)

Primary Twitter profile	2
Follower/Following ratio divided by 10	1
Add 0.1 for every 1k followers	0.5
Add 0.1 for every tweet with 10+ interactions in last 7 days	0.5
LinkedIn profile	1
Connections/followers (0.1 for every 100)	0.5
Published at least 1 x post in the last month	0.5
Personal Instagram profile	1
Published at least 1 x post or story in the last 7 days	1
Subtract 0.1 for every hashtag found in the latest post caption	-0.5
Primary Facebook page/profile	1
Published at least 1 x Facebook post in the last 7 days	0.5
A post generated a comment thread of 2 or more replies in the last month	0.5



The MEP Edition - Formula (2)

Video content	0.5
Published at least 1 x original video content on YouTube in the last 30 days	0.5
Live content	0.5
Published at least 1 x live content in the last 30 days	0.5
Access and interaction	1
Has a "contact" area/box on personal website	0.2
Direct messaging is enabled on Twitter profile	0.2
Replied to a no-blue-tick Twitter user in the last 7 days	0.2
Direct messaging is enabled on Instagram and/or Facebook	0.2
Replied to a user comment on Instagram and/or Facebook in the last 7 days	0.2
EU influencer score	1
Add 0.1 for every Top 40 #EUInfluencer following Twitter profile	1



The MEP Edition - Formula (3)

Google rank	1
Website appears on first page of name Google search conducted in Brussels	0.5
Website appears on first page of name Google search conducted in home country	0.5

Wikipedia	1
Has a Wikipedia page (English and/or home language)	0.5
Wikipedia page includes at least 10 x "References"	0.5

The Right Street bonus point (qualitative)	1
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Future editions of The D Scale



- MEPs "The EU40 Edition"
- European Commissioners
- Associations, NGOs
- Corporates
- Any organisation or individual





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