

# Capital Markets Day

Let's make media better.

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## **Speakers**



Moderation **Jenny Rosberg** Founder & CEO at ROPA, Rosberg & Partners Ltd (AB)

#### Verve



Remco Westermann CFO

Mishel Alon

CEO Jun Group



**Paul Echt** CFO



Sameer Sondhi CRO



**Alex Stil** CCO





**Prasanna Prasad** CTO Verve Ad Tech



**Carl Liverstam** MD Verve Nordics

#### **Experts**



Peter Huijboom Former CEO Media & Global Clients at Dentsu and current Member of the Board Verve



Rowena Lam Senior Director of Product at IAB Tech Lab



**Guillaume Leygues Director of Customer Engineering** Nordics at Google Cloud



**Jonathan Seim** Customer Engineer, Smart **Analytics Google Cloud** 



## Agenda

| CEST                                      | Topic   | Presenter  |
|---|---|--|
|   | Part One - Verve Business Update  |  |
| 10:00<br>10:30<br>11:00                   | Commercial Update<br>Financial Update<br>Jun Group becomes part of Verve  | Remco Westermann, CEO Verve<br>Paul Echt, CFO Verve<br>Mishel Alon, CEO of Jun Group   |
|   | Part Two – Expert Sessions: Advertising, a Dynamic Market   |  |
| 11:45                                     | State of the advertising market and upcoming trends   | Peter Huijboom, Board Member Verve and former CEO Media & Global Clients at Dentsu   |
| 12:15<br>12:45                            | Gen Al, Al and Al cloud development   | Guillaume Leygues, Director of Customer Engineering Nordics at<br>Google Cloud / Jonathan Seim, Customer Engineer, Smart<br>Analytics Google Cloud |
| 13:15                                     | Privacy and targeting   | Rowena Lam, Senior Director of Product at IAB Tech Lab   |
|   | Part Three - Verve Deep Dive into "Let's make media better."  |  |
| 13:45<br>14:15<br>14:45<br>15:15<br>15:45 | Better Outcomes for Publishers Better Outcomes for Advertiser Responsible Media – Verve's Privacy First Al Targeting Solutions Emerging Channels – Verve's Focus on Emerging Channels Closing remarks | Sameer Sondhi, CRO Verve<br>Alex Stil, CCO Verve<br>Prasanna Prasad, CTO Verve<br>Carl Liverstam, MD Verve Nordics<br>Remco Westermann, CEO Verve  |

## At Todays Capital Markets Day...

We inform you about what we have achieved at Verve since CMD 2023

- Commercial Update
- · Financial Update
- Jun Group becomes part of Verve

Experts will give you an overview of what is happening in the industry

- State of the advertising market
- Al, Gen-Al and Al-Cloud development
- Privacy and targeting

We explain what is behind our mission "Let's make media better." and how we plan to drive strong ongoing organic growth

- Better Outcomes for publishers
- Better outcomes for advertisers
- Responsible media
- Emerging channels



# Part One Verve Business Update



# Introduction & Commercial Update

Remco Westermann, CEO Verve



## A strong Q2'24



Let's make media better.

We continued our strong growth path, outperformed the market, being in the top tier of the sector

> 26% Organic Growth

37% Adj. EBITDA 30% Adj. EBITDA Margin

2.8x Leverage Ratio +33% Software Clients<sup>1</sup> 9% Adj. Net Result Margin

Strong ongoing organic revenue growth and margin expansion lead to strong increase of EBITDA



## Highlights in Q2

**01** Rebranding to Verve: one company, one brand. Clarity and efficiency gains

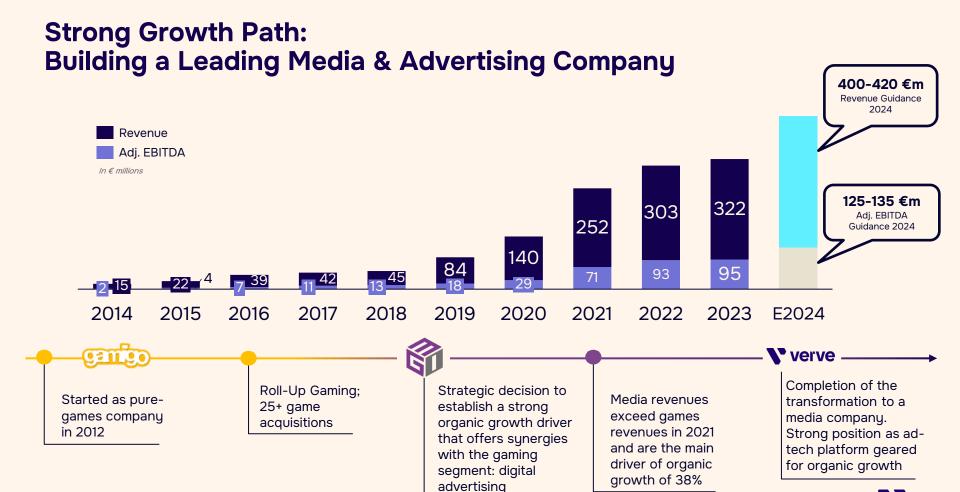
**02** | Strong new customer growth as well as scaling of existing customer base

**03** | Profiting from the market shift to more privacy, due to e.g. ATOM, SKAN and Moments.Al

**04** | More supply and data + Al platform optimizations improved targeting, driving revenues **05** | Strengthening our demand side and adding critical mass by acquiring Jun Group

**06** Improving our capital structure and decreasing proforma leverage to 2,4x





## **Board with Extensive Media / Tech Expertise and Experience**



**Holdings**: 1,209,228 shares and 500,000 ESOP

Experience:

mobilcom <

Tobias M. Weitzel (Independent) Chairman (2022) and Member of the Board (2018)



Holdings:
N/A
Experience:
IHUFFPOSTI
CRITEO

Greg Coleman (Independent) Member of the Board (2024)



Holdings: N/A Experience:

dentsu

Peter Huijboom (Independent) Member of the Board (2024)



**Holdings**: 1,457,847 shares and 500,000 ESOP



Elizabeth Para (Independent) Member of the Board (2020)



Holdings: 4,900

Experience:

GP.Bullhound

Johan Roslund (Independent) Member of the Board (2022)



Holdings: 4,625 Experience:



Franca Ruhwedel (Independent) Member of the Board (2022)



Holdings: 45,520,587 Experience:



Remco Westermann (Dependent) Member of the Board (2012) CEO (2012)<sup>1</sup>

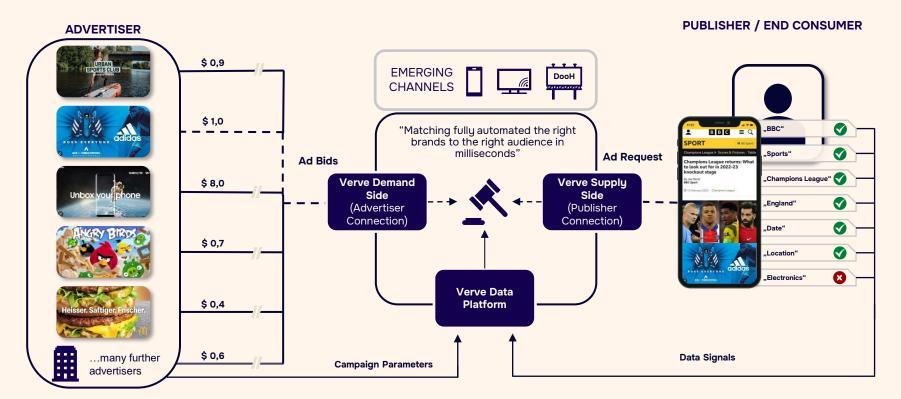


## A Strong Team Driving our Mission Globally



#### Verve Covers the Full Value Chain

We automate the buying and selling of ads on all digital devices





# We Are a Leading Digital Media Company

That enables better outcomes for publishers and advertisers

With responsible advertising solutions

In emerging channels

Our mission

Let's make media better.



## **Enabling better outcomes for advertisers and publishers**

Better outcomes for advertisers



Efficient user acquisition

**Better outcomes for publishers** 



Best monetization at scale

#### **Enabled through**

#### **Bespoke Data**

Zero, first- and third party data and contextual

#### **Sector Solutions**

Curation, segments, measuring, ..

#### **Global Supply**

Direct multi-channel supply

#### **SPO**

Direct, transparent, efficient

#### **Targeting**

Al & Data optimized

#### Scalable

Efficient, global platform

#### **Enabled through**

#### **Global Demand**

Direct brand as well as performance demand

#### Fill rates / CPM

Ad-space optimization

#### **Publisher Solutions**

SDK's, data-integrations, ...





## With Responsible Advertising Solutions

#### A selection of the advertisers we work with



































#### A selection of the agencies we work with

VISA











#### A selection of the DSP's we work with













#### The right solution for the right audience

- Strong contextual solutions for a changing privacy environment (ATOM, Moments.Al ...)
- Sector solutions; eg shopper-cart, QSR, entertainment
- Curation; a wide variety of targeting segments
- Privacy and brand safety by design
- Carbon footprint; measuring and reducing
- Access to a wide range of external data and measurement parties





## **And Focus on Emerging Channels**









Mobile

CTV

DOOH

Retail Media & Audio / Podcast

Very strong Upcoming Early stage Strong Bring the power of sound to in-app Access to 2 billion mobile State of the art DOOH Access to 300m CTV screens phones enriched with datapoints Sweden and Norway have the largest from our platform e.g. number of monthly listeners by 60% household reach in the US 20,000 in-app SDK integrations time-based or live percentage of internet users weather Premium Supply Retailers developing advertising as an important income stream

**10%**<sup>1</sup> CAGR 2024 - 2027

**10,5%**<sup>2</sup> CAGR 2024 - 2027

**9%³** CAGR 2024 - 2027 **9%**<sup>4</sup> CAGR 2022 - 2027



# Verve has Achieved a Strong Position

#### **Strong operating performance**

Leading in terms of reach and quality of our supply



A dominant presence in the emerging channels





High industry recognition for our privacy solutions



**Increased KPIs** 



#### Resulting in strong financial performance

26%

Organic growth (Q2 2024)

45%

Revenue CAGR<sup>1</sup>

308%

Earnings per share growth (Q2 2024)

18



Notes: (1) 2018 - LTM Q2 2024

## Our Four Main Growth Drivers Will Propel Further Fast Growth





- Improved AI routines and data models continue to learn + data from Jun Group
- Platform synergies through direct connecting of Demand and Supply
- Reduce OPEX through scale & Google Cloud

3 New products



- · ATOM 3.0, Moments.Al, Schema, ..
- New Ad-formats & growth in new channels
- Curated market places, segmented supply
- Sector specific solutions for advertisers

2 Customer expansion



Adding Demand + Supply + New Verticals & Geos



Growing Share of Wallet

1 Market growth



Structural growth of emerging channels accelerated by consumer time spent on screen



12% market growth Mobile in-app (2024)



14% market growth CTV (2024)



## Thank You



# **Financial Update**

Paul Echt, CFO Verve



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Financial Highlights Q2 2024

What Drives the Organic Growth

What is the Outlook of the Business



## **Second Quarter Financial Highlights**



#### **Highly Profitable and Cash Generating**

#### **Profit Growth %**

37%

40%

Adj. EBITDA growth

Adj. EBIT growth

#### Strong Margin %

30%

23%

Adj. EBITDA margin

Adj. EBIT

#### **High Cashflow**

31 €m

-9 €m

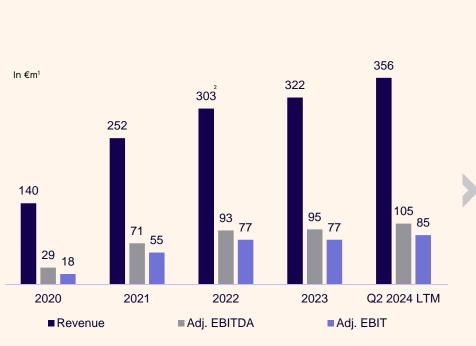
Operating Cash Flow before change in WC

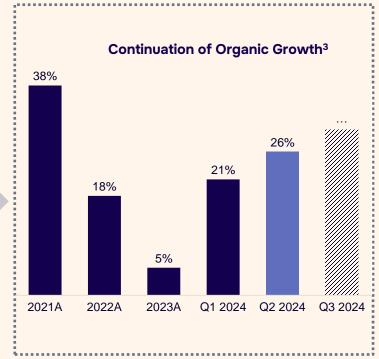
Investing Cash Flow



## **Further Acceleration of Organic Revenue Growth**

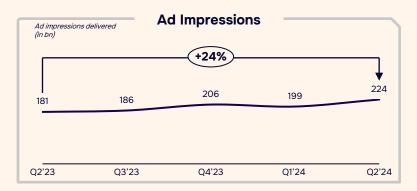
Highly scalable and profitable business model





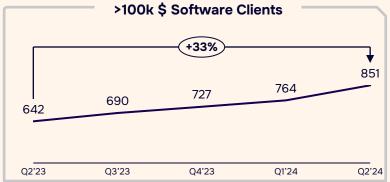


## Strong Volume Growth Driven by New and Existing Clients





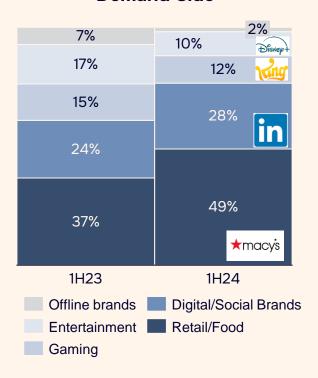




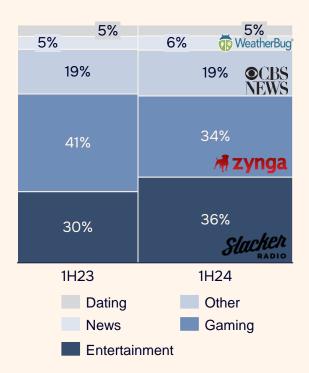


## **Expansion into New Industries Drives Customer Onboardings**

#### **Demand Side**

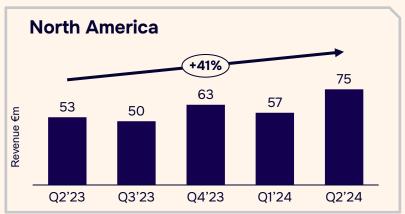


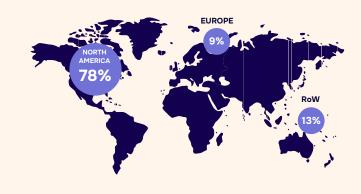
#### **Supply Side**



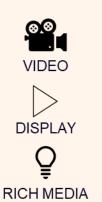


## **Expanding Revenues in North America and Scaling New Ad-Formats**

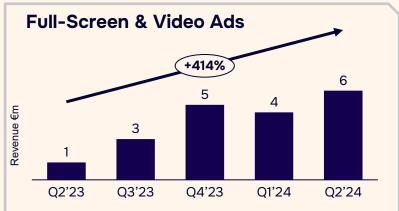






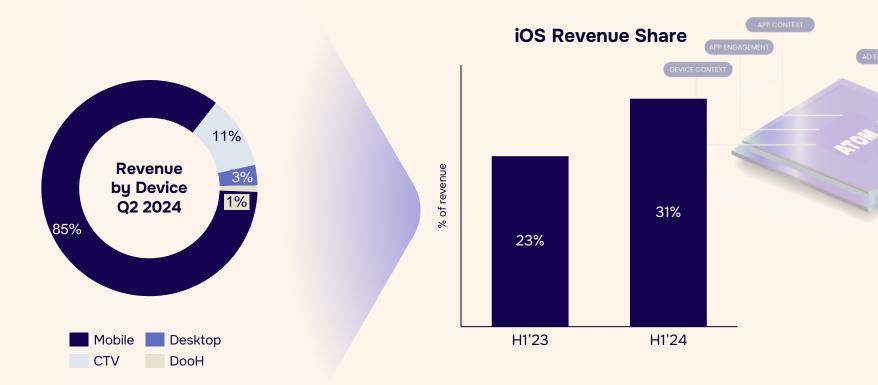






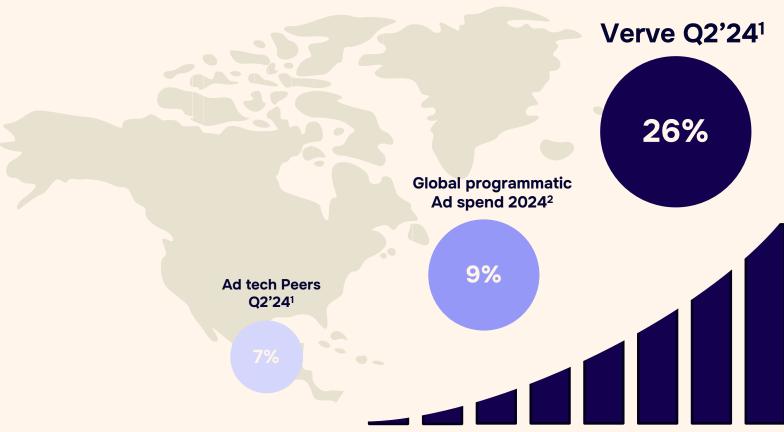


## Privacy First Targeting Solutions on Apple iOS as Growth Driver





### **Verve Takes Market Share and Becomes More Relevant**





## The Benefit of the Jun Acquisition

#### Revenue share DSP vs. SSP



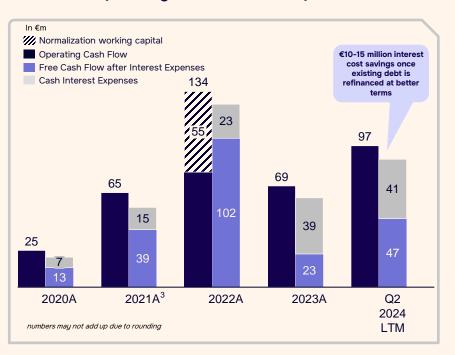
#### €30-40 Million Revenue Opportunities With Jun



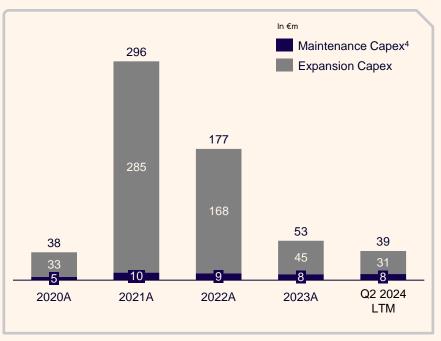


## Strong Free Cash Flow, Continuous Investments in Organic Growth

#### Operating cash flow development<sup>1,2</sup>

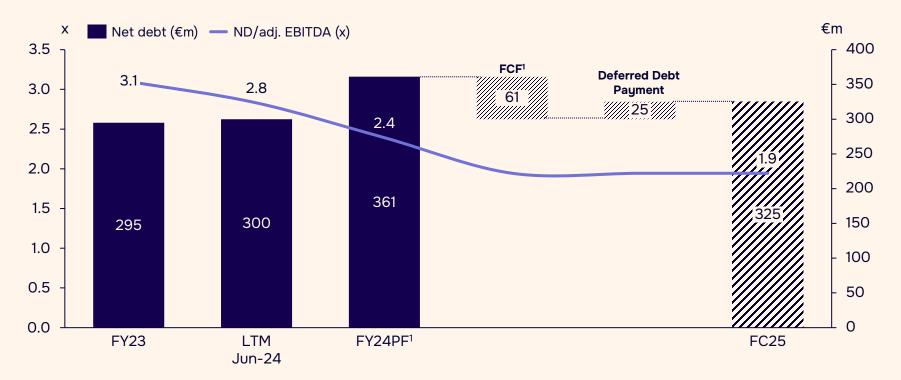


#### **Capex development**





## **Strong Deleveraging in Place**





### **Increased Guidance 2024**

Based on a strong first half year 2024 with visibility into August



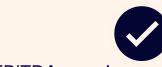


## **Verve Already Achieves its Mid-Term Financial Targets**



Revenue CAGR

25-30%



EBITDA margin

30-35%



EBIT margin

20-25%





1.5-2.5x

**Further Acceleration** of Organic Growth in Q3'24

**Further Margin Expansion** in Q3 2024

Below 2.0x by 2025



## Our Four Main Growth Drivers Enabling Continued Organic Growth





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## Verve is on an Attractive Journey

01 | We are able to grow at very high rates based on our leading market position & ad-technology

02 | We are a much more diversified and stronger company now



04 | We improved our quality of earnings which enables a strong free cashflow generation

05 | We will deliver a successful integration of Jun Group and win further market share

06 | We will generate material shareholder value in the years to come



# **Time for Questions**



# Jun Group Becomes Part of Verve

Mishel Alon, CEO Jun Group



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# Intelligent advertising that inspires trust

Jun Group has built a world where consumers are in control of their advertising, and brands can reach them directly.

\$81M Revenue

(LTM Jun 2024)

\$39M

Adi. EBITDA (LTM Jun 2024)

270+

Clients (LTM Jun 2024) 90%

Viewabilitu (2024E)

2.7B+

Publisher Page Views (LTM Jun 2024) 90

**Team Members** Globally (Jun 2024)



# Strong Demand-Side Position with the World's Best-Known Brands, Agencies and Media Companies

#### BRANDS

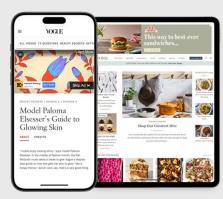
Personalized, in-app mobile ads that deliver high performance and ensure brand safety Deliver real business outcomes using consent-based, zero-party data with purpose-built AI.



90%+ Viewabilitu 1.4B+
Delivered impressions<sup>1</sup>

#### MEDIA COMPANIES

The world's largest media companies use Jun Group to amplify editorial, video, and branded content. Zeroparty targeting drives high-quality, unique users to leading media companies.



2.6B+

99% Human traffic<sup>2</sup>



## Premier Media Companies, Brands & Agencies

#### **LEADING BRANDS & AGENCIES**

































































## Technology

- 1 Overview
- 2 Schema
- 3 Vera



# Unique Tools Engineered for the Future State of Digital Advertising



## Explore our proprietary software development kit

Jun Group's brand-first SDK provides a direct line to consumers to drive awareness and conversions.



#### SCHEMA

## Get a full picture of your customers with Schema

Our machine learning tool, Schema, leverages zero-party polling data and modeling to target audiences at scale.







#### Build and Optimize Audiences with Schema & Vera

Jun Group's targeting algorithm, Schema, combined with machine-learning tools results in a unique and privacu-first targeting solution. Here's how:

#### Polling & data collection

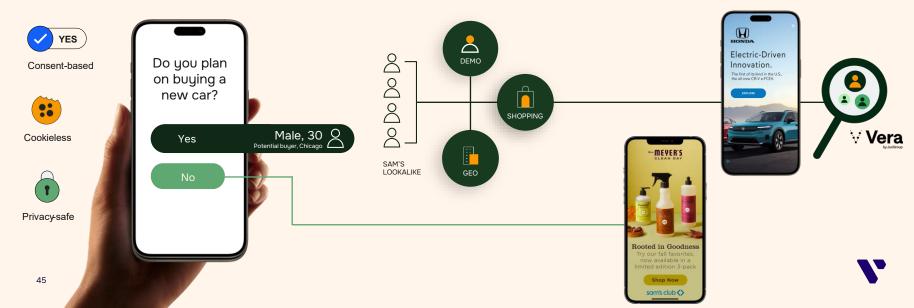
We collect first-party data, such as age and gender, through our SDK integration with Apps in our network. In addition, we collect and analyze zero-party data by polling our audience in-app.

#### **Building lookalikes**

We'll combine the data-set with other targeting touch-points, such as past purchases and behavioral attributes, to build a rigorous targeting strategy.

#### **Execute & optimize**

Our Schema is applied across inventory channels. Vera, our machine learning platform, monitors and analyzes the campaign in real time.





## Proprietary Technology:

# Vera Enables Tracking & Optimization of Campaign Performance

Jun Group's artificial intelligence engine, Vera, automatically optimizes campaigns using POS data, targeting information, and creative performance, among other data points across devices, to deliver sales in person and online.

















#### SDK Polling

Ask consumers directly about their interests, lifestyle, and occupations.



#### Point-of-Sale & Purchase Data

Access consumers' shopping behaviors and past purchase information.



#### **Demographics & Location**

Responsively target based on page interactions with business and financial web content.



Influence

## Retail App Usage & Retail Affinity

Extend the reach of your campaign to any digital channel or format.



## **Lines of business**

Overview

**Brand Solutions** 

Media Companies



## Brand Solutions: Deliver Campaigns with Peace-of-Mind

Personalize ads with zero-party data and deliver real business outcomes with purpose-built Al. Craft unique consumer experiences that are dynamic, interactive, and contextualized.

#### Target consumers with precision

Uphold the highest standards of trust, privacy and transparency. Inspire trust with Schema.



#### Grab attention with robust ad formats

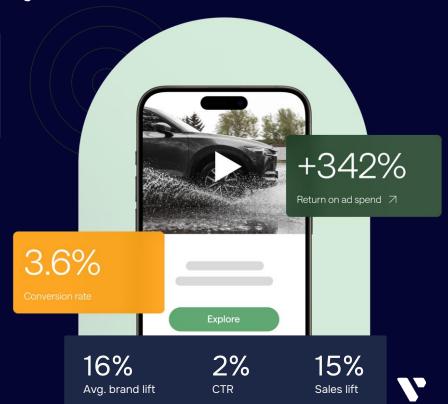
Our in-house creative team builds custom ads that are dynamic, interactive, and contextualized.



#### Cross-platform measurement

Tailor Vera to your use case and see results faster. Track and optimize towards any goal.





## Full-screen

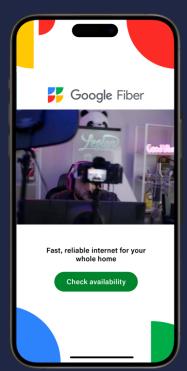
Dominate the attention economy with full-screen opt-in and interstitial display and video formats delivered in brand-safe, premium mobile apps.













# Shoppable

Simplify the path to purchase with direct-to-cart integrations across major retailers, regional grocers, and e-commerce.



guaranteed cartings



return on ad spend



stock aware



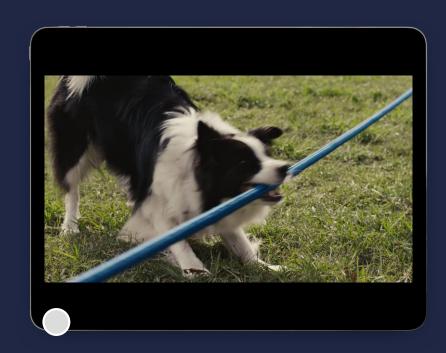
**VIDEO** 



**DISPLAY** 



**RICH MEDIA** 





# In-app audio

Extend the reach of audio creative with our first-to-market placement that brings the power of sound to in-app.



Volume detection

Delivered only when sound is on.



Companion banner

Drive engagement with accompanying banners.





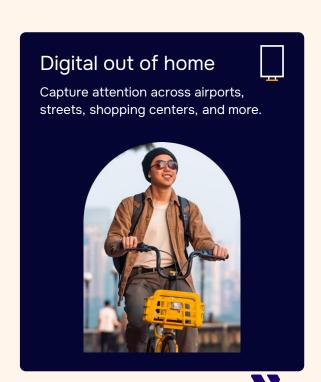
## Coverage for Every Channel

Reach consumers wherever they are.









## Capturing Impressive Sales Lift for Reckitt Finish Ultimate

Business Line: Brand

Impressions: 37M+

#### Situation Overview

- Reckitt wanted to drive unit sales for their Finish Ultimate product at Walmart, Target and Publix
- Jun Group used zero-party polling, as well as purchase and visitation data, to reach Walmart, Target and Publix category shoppers



## Media Companies: Driving Qualified Visitors to Any Web page

Deliver millions of impressions among qualified audiences, powered by consent-based, zeroparty data that intelligently recommends content based on survey responses.

#### Achieve monthly user and marketing goals

Our placements allow consumers to interact with your website. Web pages appear full-screen and provide your complete site experience.



#### Amplify content with immense scale

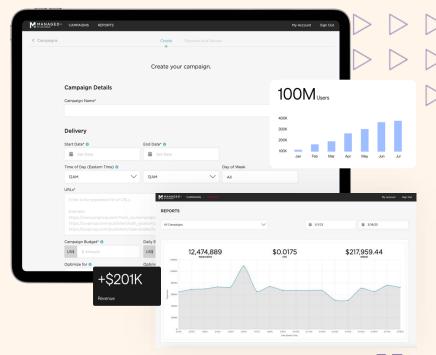
Reach audiences at scale and boost content performance to 100 million monthly unique users with cost-effective CPCs.



#### 100% brand safe

Protect your reputation with direct inventory sourced from our SDK.







## Generating Significant ROI for Sharecare

Business Line: Media Company

#### Situation Overview

- Sharecare engaged Jun Group to direct consumers to their website
- Jun Group is leveraging proprietary zero-party data and third-party medical condition segments to ensure these are relevant, interested consumers



**Podcast** Promotion for Any Size Audio Creator

Reach targeted listeners across top mobile apps with 100% share of voice and a full-screen player that immerses listeners with audio and artwork. Encourage continued listening by opening episodes on Spotify, Apple Podcasts, and more, with just a tap.

#### Who

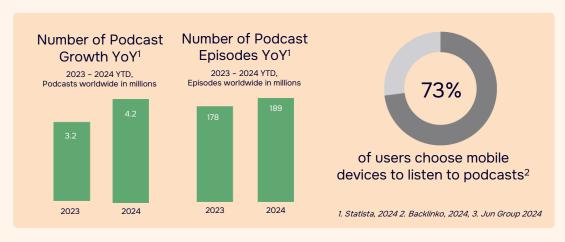
We help independent producers, networks, and brands inspire people to tune into their show.

#### Why

Promote episodes to new listeners and boost listenership and streams with audio-visual content across premium mobile apps.

#### How

Ads are embedded directly in our in-app placements, where people opt-in to listen and follow.



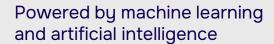


# Industry Leading Expertise That Brands and Media Companies Rely On

## Unique and diverse capabilities designed to perform

The best-known brands, agencies, and media companies partner with Jun Group to deliver smarter, more effective media.

- 111M+ in-network reach
- Proprietary zero-party data
- Cookie-less, consent-based targeting
- Diverse, full-screen units with 100% Share of Voice
- Industry leading performance



We leverage proprietary machine learning and artificial intelligence tools to dynamically optimize campaigns, deliver industry-leading campaign performance, and maximize ROI.



## End-to-end campaign and client management

Our industry expertise is built from years of work crafting unique consumer experiences that are dynamic, interactive, and contextualized. We work diligently for every client to foster meaningful relationships and drive successful performance.





## Verve + Jun Group Revenue Synergies

A partnership dedicated to making media better.

## Connected TV



Activate a competitive CTV offering using Verve's supply for Jun Group brand clients, maximizing margin across Verve.

## Marketplace demand enablement



Enable Verve-sourced demand to run via the HyprMX SDK, expanding reach.

# Brand app installs



Build processes with Verve DSP to elevate app install opportunities for brand clients.

## International expansion



Access Verve's global sales resources, evaluate scale and cost, and develop international go-to-market strategy.

## Bolster sales strategy



Enhance collaboration between Verve and Jun Group sales teams and create a unified story for brand clients in the U.S.

## Revenue & EBITDA synergies



~ €9m

~ €8m

Revenue

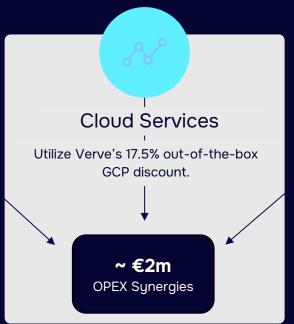
**EBITDA** 

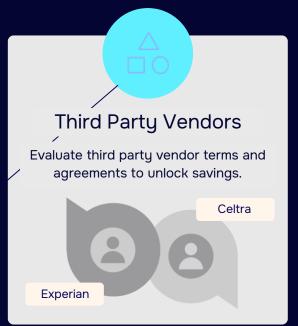


## Verve + Jun Group COGS & OPEX Synergies

Create efficiency through technology, shared sales resources, and joint operations team.







## Verve's Supply Opportunities

Utilize Verve's marketplace relationships to grow Jun Group's client base and revenue.



Site List Integrations

Review Verve's app and site list and identify turnkey integrations to expand Jun Group's scale & reach.



Media Companies

Pinpoint media companies that are part of Verve's supply and add to Jun Group's book of media clients.





Expand globally by Identifying which international apps can support Jun Group on an international scale.





# **Time for Questions**



# Part Two – Expert Sessions: Advertising, a Dynamic Market





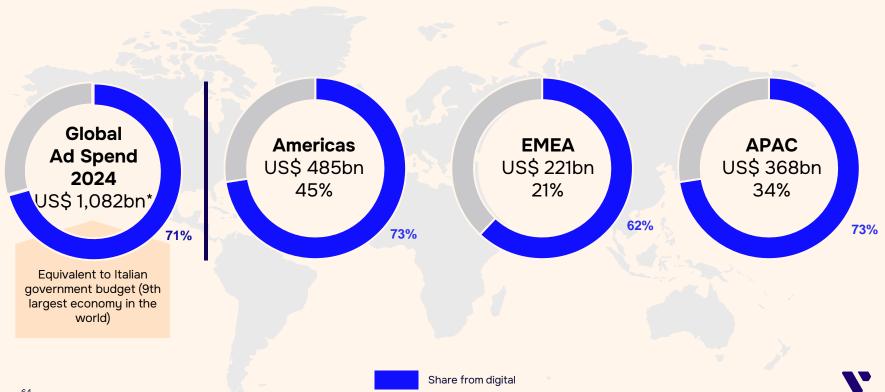
# State of The Advertising Market

Opportunities in Media

**Peter Huijboom** 

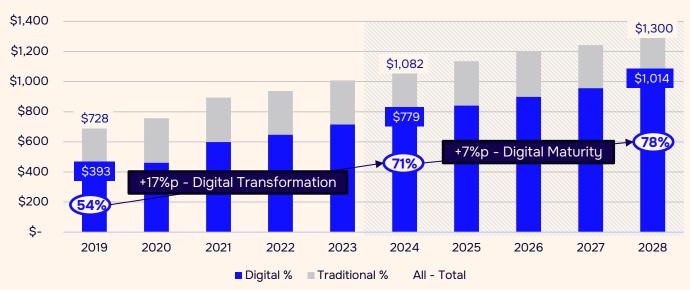
Board Member Verve and former CEO Media & Global Clients at Dentsu

## **The Big Picture**



### **Consistent Growth in Digital Advertising Revenues**

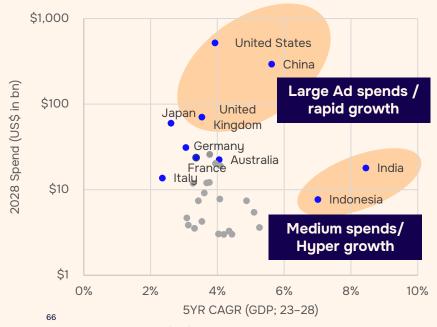
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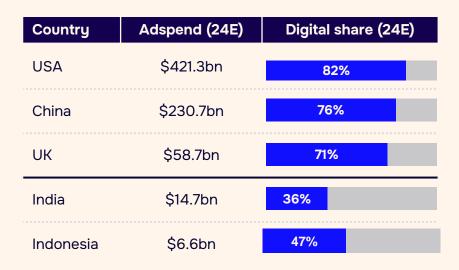




#### **High-Growth Geographies and Segments**

The biggest pools of revenue growth lie in two principal areas: regions that are already big and growing relatively rapidly, and those that are relatively small and growing extremely quickly, owing to significant headroom for digital ad spend.







Source: Statista (link).

#### **Growth Channels and Segments**

Programmatic spend is maturing, but huge embedded growth opportunities remain - retail media and CTV are set to grow 21% and 14% respectively and become a meaningful component of digital spend.

#### Digital Ad Spend (Programmatic) - Global (US\$, Bn)



## Digital Ad spend Growth (2024e) driven by:

Retail Media +21% YoY

Connected TV +14 YoY

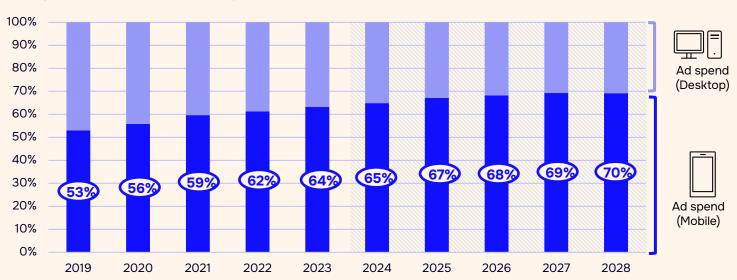
**DOOH + 9% YoY** 



### **Mobile is Now the Dominant Device Type**

Spend continues to migrate towards mobile, where Verve is more advantaged.

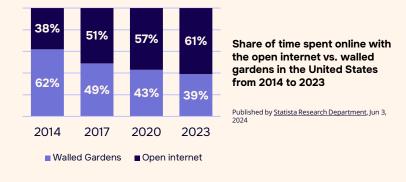
#### Digital Ad spend per device type – Global (US\$, Bn)

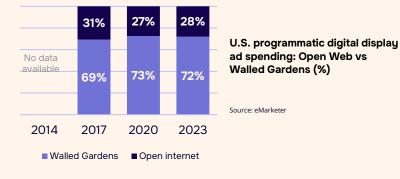




#### **Open Internet vs. Walled Gardens**



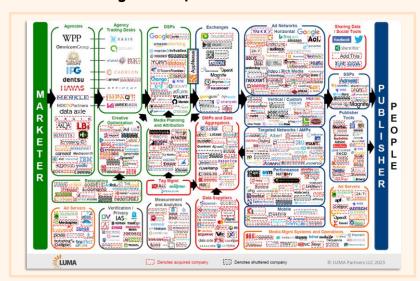






# Underneath These Calm Seas of Growth, Lies a World of Rising Complexity and Crowding Out Effects

#### Media industry landscape



The Media Industry landscape is increasingly complex, fragmented and duplicated.

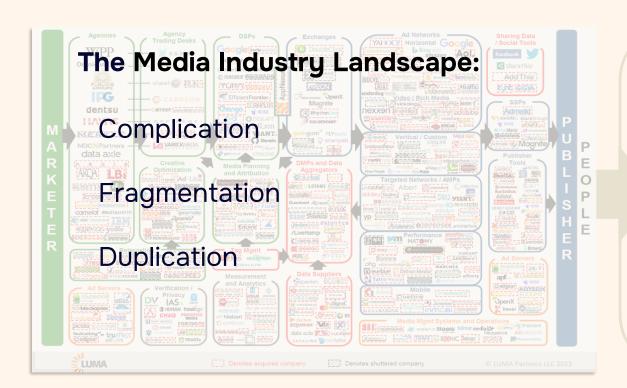
#### Advertising spend per capita (2024E, US\$)



Never have advertisers spent this much per capita, with the U.S. getting close to the \$1,250 per capita milestone.

Source: Statista (link)





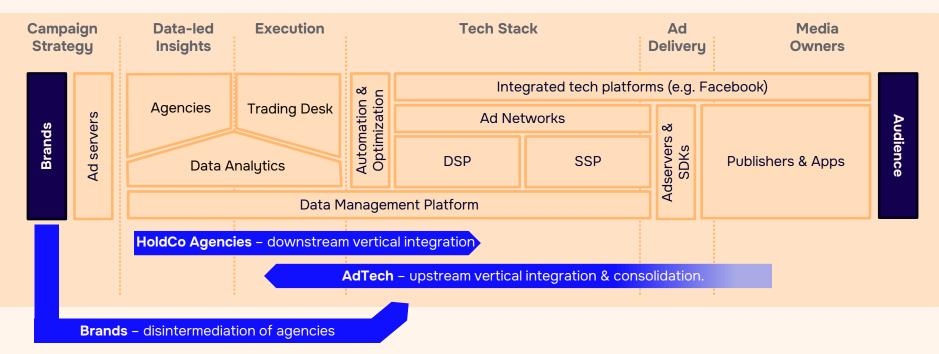
Simplification

Consolidation

Integration



# Consolidation, Simplification and Integration in the Media Landscape





### The Need for further Consolidation

"Ad Tech is a Peter Pan industry. It refuses to grow up. What we need is rationalization of an industry like every other industry over time, and especially one at the scale that we have here."

Luma Partners

Ad Tech M&A activity picking up (Q2 2024)



### AdTech M&A Activity Reflects these Trends







Walmart will acquire VIZIO for \$11.50 per share in cash, valuing VIZIO at about \$2.3 billion. This acquisition aims to enhance Walmart's U.S. media business, Walmart Connect, by combining it with VIZIO's advertising solutions.

#### Jun Group



Verve Group will fully acquire Jun Group, a mobile advertising firm focused on the demand side, from Advantage Solutions.

#### sharethrough



Global Ad Tech company Equativ has announced its merger with omni-channel ad exchange Sharethrough. The merger aims to create one of the world's largest ad marketplaces, helping advertisers, media owners, and tech partners optimize programmatic value and scale.

### (C) ADTHEORENT



Cadent, a leading CTV advertising solutions provider, will acquire AdTheorent, a machine learning performance advertising company, for \$3.21 per share in cash. This merger will form one of the largest independent omnichannel audience activation platforms for advertising buyers and sellers.

Source: Luma, 2024 Q1 & Q2 Market Reports

# Increasing Need for Digital Expertise Among Advertisers and Agencies

CMO survey \$1M - where would you invest it?

**16.5%** Hiring and talent development

10.3% Digital Advertising

7.9% Brand & Awareness

7.0% Al and Automation

#### 1. Increasingly Complex Ecosystem

"The technology ecosystem is becoming increasingly complex. We need specialist outsourced partners to navigate this for us"

#### 2. Shift towards Privacy and Identity-based Models

"We are currently talking to a lot of people including the walled gardens, agencies and advertisers to understand what they are doing, and, more importantly what we should do"

#### 3. Industry-wide Resource Constraints

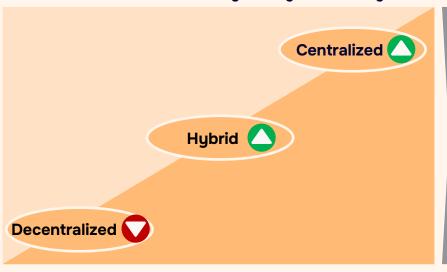
"We have serious talent issues – our attrition rates are really high"

Source: Deloitte & Duke Fuqua - The CMO Survey.

N=2085 marketing leaders in the US. Q: If you had an extra \$1M of budget given to the marketing organization to use any way you wanted, where/how would you invest it? (% of respondents using budget for activity)

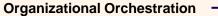
# Large Advertisers are Consolidating Budgets and Strategies at the Global and Regional Level

As advertisers are adopting deeper organizational orchestration of their marketing strategies and budgets...



...we observe the rise of in-housing and global and regional digital hubs.







### The Battle for Consumer Attention in a Saturated Media Landscape

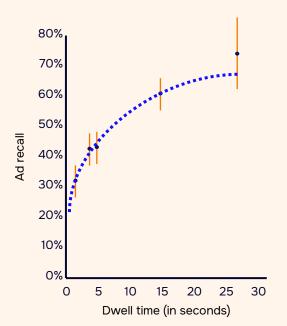
## The Media Landscape is becoming increasingly saturated

Ad spend per capita - USA (US\$, Bn)

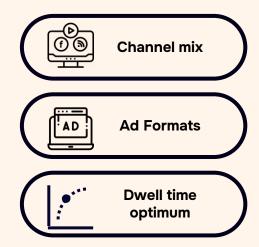


### Viewability ≠ Attention

Ad recall versus dwell time (how long someone looks at the ad)



### Optimizing Media plans for Attention for...

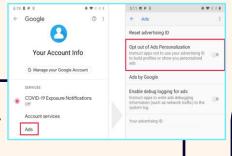




Source: Lumen Research

Google Cookie Deprecation, or Not? It Doesn't Matter, Internet

**Addressability is Becoming More Complex Anyway!** 



63%

Current Addressability
Before Google activates "User Choice"

Chrome's Current Market Share

Chrome Addressability
due to privacy settings, Incognito mode, etc.

Open Web Addressability 37%

permission to track you across apps and websites owned by other companies. Your data will be used to deliver

our data will be used to delive personalized ads to you.

"Your App" would like

Ask App Not to Track

### **Future Addressability**

Once users need to opt-in

Allow Tracking

| Open Web Addressabilitu  | 11% |
|--|-----|
| Assumption based on comparable rates for GDPR-compliant cookie consent notices | =   |
| Chrome Opt-Ins   | 17% |
|  | x   |
| Chrome's Current Market Share  | 63% |



### **Major Trends in Advertising**

| CASE FOR CHANGE          | <ul> <li>Consolidation, integration, simplification</li> <li>Carbon management, Attention Economy</li> <li>Addressability opportunities in the open internet</li> </ul>   |
|--------------------------|---|
| PRIVACY/TARGETING        | <ul> <li>Identifiers disappearing</li> <li>Regulation increasing</li> <li>Addressability becoming more difficult without 1P data</li> </ul>   |
| EMERGING GROWTH CHANNELS | <ul> <li>Consumer behavior continues to change</li> <li>Mobile, CTV, DOOH, Digital Audio, Retail Media</li> <li>The industry is adapting</li> </ul>   |
| IMPACT OF AI             | <ul> <li>Al is revolutionizing the AdTech industry</li> <li>Hyper-personalization, privacy-compliant targeting, automated campaign optimization, fraud detection and creative innovation</li> <li>Leading to more efficient and effective advertising strategies</li> </ul> |



## Thank You



## **Lunch Break**

Next presentation starts at 12:45 (CEST)



# Gen Al, Al and Al Cloud Development

Guillaume Leygues, Director of Customer Engineering Nordics at Google Cloud Jonathan Seim, Customer Engineer, Smart Analytics Google Cloud

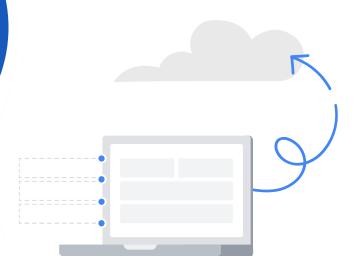






# Verve Group & Google Cloud Capital Markets Day Presentation

August 2024



### Agenda





### Gen Al, Al and Al cloud development



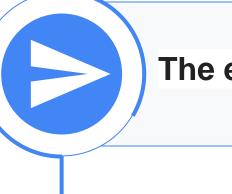
The evolution of Al

Impact and opportunities for advertising companies

How Google Cloud supports the optimization of Al applications

The partnership between Google Cloud and Verve

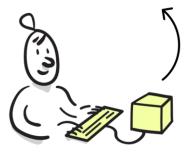




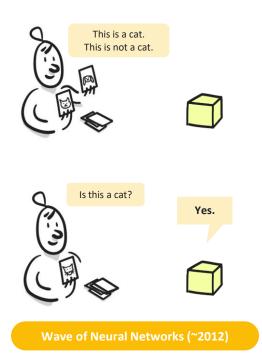
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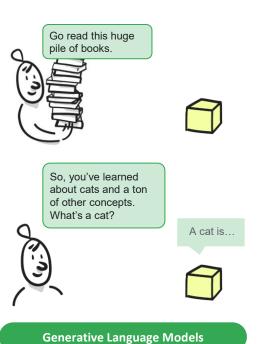
### We're in an Al-driven revolution

type: animal
legs: 4
ears: 2
fur: yes
likes: yarn, catnip



**Traditional Programming** 







## Why are large language models different?



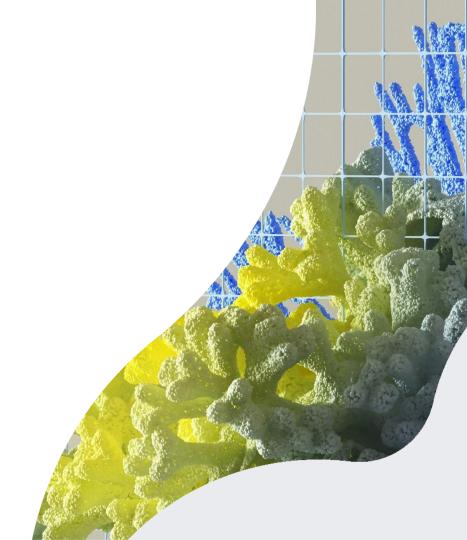
LLMs are characterized by **emergent abilities**, or the ability to perform tasks that were not present in smaller models.



LLMs contextual understanding of human language **changes how we interact** with data and intelligent systems.



LLMs can find patterns and connections in massive, disparate data corpora.





# Al is evolving from analysis to creation based on human language prompts.

Prediction Classification Understanding Generation



Research

Infrastructure

Responsibility



Research

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Research

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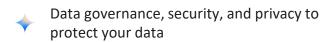




Research

Infrastructure

Responsibility



Indemnity for generative AI training data and generated outputs

Data residency and ML processing for your global regulatory needs

RAI tooling to make every model safe for your use cases



### Google is a Leader in recent Forrester Wave evaluations

#### THE FORRESTER WAVE™

Al Infrastructure Solutions



Google is a Leader in The Forrester Wave™: Al Infrastructure Solutions, Q1 2024 - receiving the highest scores of all vendors evaluated in the Current Offering & Strategy categories

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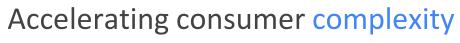












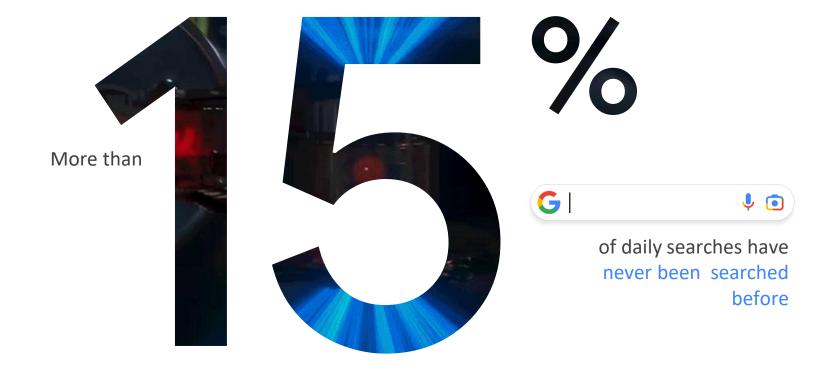


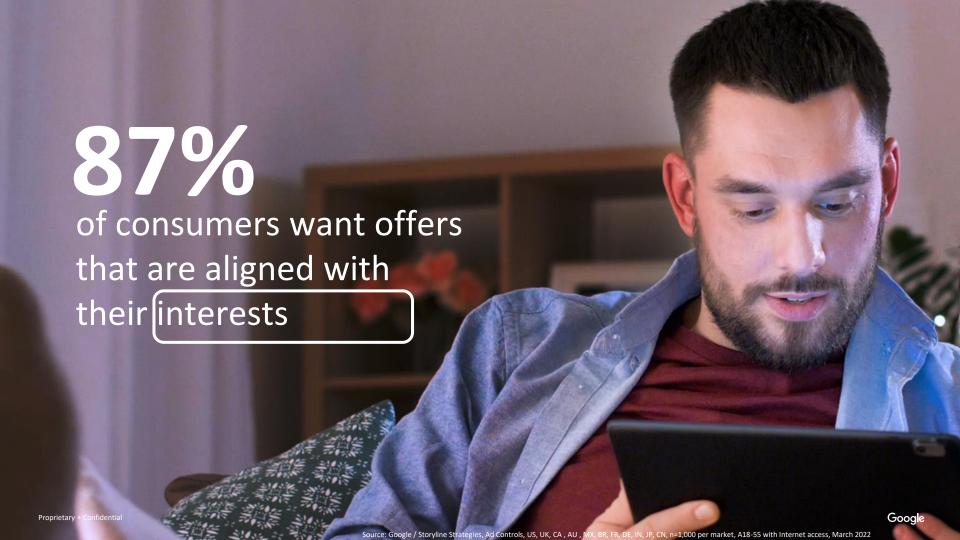


















is only as good as the data you put into it

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Show my product to
18-25 year-old women with
an interest in pickleball
shoes

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Sell my product profitably to whoever's interested in it

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of marketers deem creative quality key to marketing effectiveness

# Accelerate ads creation

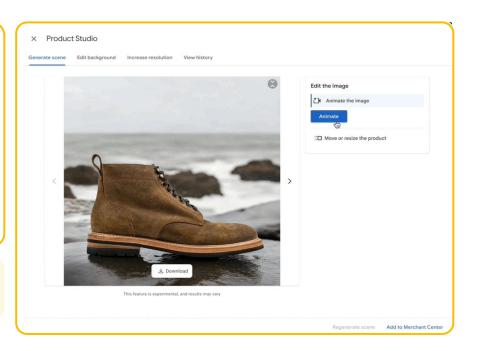
Scale your creative vision in just a few clicks



# Accelerate ads content

Enhance and create product images to drive relevance – including video

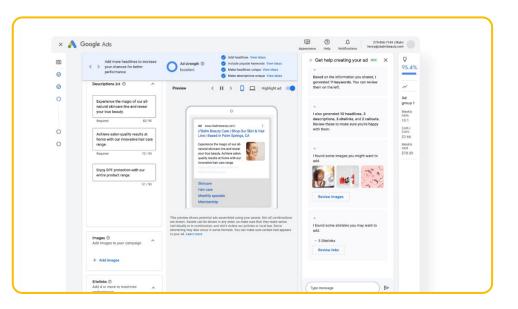




# **Accelerate** campaigns

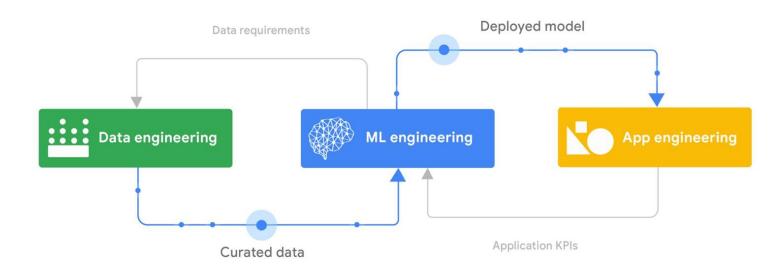
Eg. build and modify Search campaigns





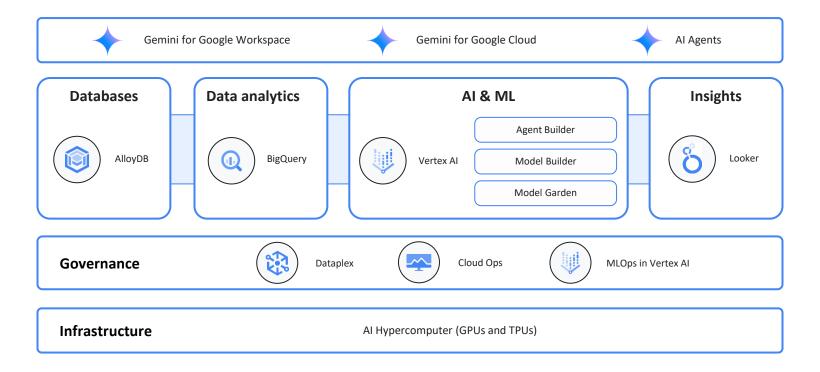


# **Engineering an ML-enabled approach**





# A unified platform from data to deployment





### Flexibility and curation at every layer of the stack to avoid lock-in











### Data

Single unified access layer for all data: structured, unstructured, streaming



**BigQuery** 



GCS

Omni for Multi-cloud (AWS S3, Azure Storage)

### Compute

Ultra performant AI hypercomputers for any workload





**GPUs** 



### **Frameworks**

An open & comprehensive AI stack fueling the Gen AI revolution









### Models

The best foundation models from Google, Partners, and the Open ecosystem in the Model Garden



**Imagen** 









kaggle

**Hugging Face** 



### **Agents**

Comprehensive tools from Google and partners to build and deploy agents.



Vertex Al



LlamaIndex





# **Best platform TCO for all AI use cases**

### FORRESTER®

The Total Economic Impact<sup>TM</sup> of Google Cloud Vertex AI

70%

Less time preparing data and creating/training models

40%

Less time deploying models

397% **ROI** 

Over three years



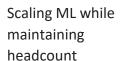
60%

Faster model explainability

60%

Less time monitoring models

Unquantified benefits



Improved compliance, governance, and security

Enhanced employee acquisition and retention

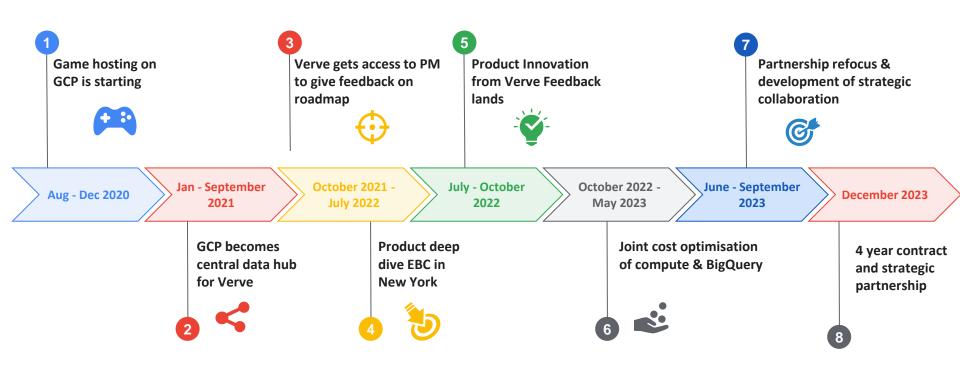
### If you remember nothing else

- We're in an AI driven revolution: Generative AI is an accelerator across every business, including ML development.
- 2. Increased customer complexity: First party data and AI transforms marketing into a profit center.
- 3. All presents an opportunity to improve the advertising process beyond bidding and allocation, providing more efficient tools for marketers and publishers with creative and agentic workflows.
- 4. With Google Cloud Verve tap into a purpose built platform for AI and advertising technology, accelerating time to market holding the lowest possible TCO.





### **Joint Journey since 2020**





# An era of mutual investment begins

Since the signing of a four year term Cloud contract both sides have intensified their collaboration. Google is supporting Verve with:

- Funding for various Partners and Professional Services
- Unique Executive-led partnership governance which contains various cadences with the upper Google Cloud Management
- Access to Product Managers
- Access to Alphas & Betas
- Commercial funding for POCs and the Onboarding of new Workloads
- Best in Class AI Technology and Infrastructure



### Outlook



### Google

#### Workstream 1

### **Migration & Unification**

- Create an overview of the footprint of all stack components of all Verve subsidiaries across different providers
- Conduct a migration assessment with Google & Partner to understand benefits, cost and timeline of migration and unification of all components

#### Workstream 2

#### **Data Architecture**

- Set up a deep dive session to design a unified data architecture incl. federation & syndication
- Zoom in on CDPs and evaluate potential to strategically enrich offering with Generative Al capabilities from Google

### Workstream 3

# Al Roadmap & Privacy Sandbox

- Understand to what extent Google plans to enrich its advertising features by leveraging AI
- Create even greater strategic alignment with the privacy sandbox leadership team to incorporate principles into product development to improve position in market

### Workstream 4

### **DV360-Integration**

- Identify potential and necessary steps to integrate Verve stack with Google stack to create strategic alignment beyond cloud
- Connect ADs and cloud through one partnership framework

**Business Case** 

Transform current costs, future workloads and value drivers into a holistic business case

Program Mgmt.

Set-up DD governance, cadence and communication channels and monitor progress to ensure success









# **Privacy and Targeting**

Rowena Lam, Senior Director of Product at IAB Tech Lab

# **Balancing Privacy and Targeting in Digital Advertising**

- Consumer sentiments towards privacy and digital advertising
- Evolving regulatory landscape
- Privacy-driven platform changes
- Role of technical standards and the IAB Tech Lab
- Opportunities

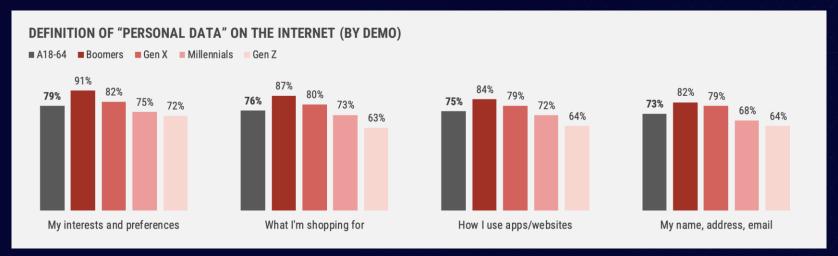


Consumers are increasingly aware of and better understand personal data and its use in digital advertising



# Consumers are Mostly Aware of What Personal Data Means on the Internet

About **three-in-four** consumers understand that personal data can include their website/app usage history, interests, and shopping behavior as well as identifiers including name, address, and email.



Source: IAB, The Free and Open Ad-Supported Internet. Available at: <a href="https://www.iab.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/IAB-Consumer-Privacy-Report-January-2024.pdf">https://www.iab.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/IAB-Consumer-Privacy-Report-January-2024.pdf</a>

# Consumers Understand the Benefits of Sharing Their Personal Data

Roughly **two out of three** consumers will share personal data regarding their preferences, interests, and habits so they can receive more personalized content and services, get better deals, and see more relevant ads.

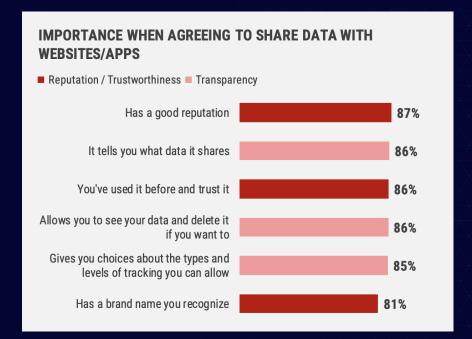


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# Reputation, Transparency and Trustworthiness are Top Considerations When Deciding to Share Data

Consumers want to feel comfortable with the websites/apps they share their personal data with.



74%

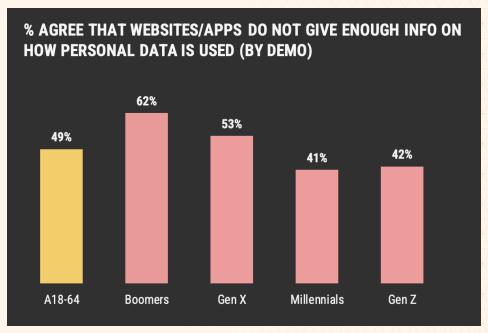
agree that if they were **assured that their personal data is protected and secure**, they'd be more likely to share it.

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# Consumers Want More Transparency From Website / App Owners

Half of consumers (49%) think that websites/apps do not give enough information regarding how their data is used and protected.





# However, Consumers are More Concerned About Criminal Activity Than Ads

When asked what concerns are top of mind regarding how websites/apps collect and use data, criminal activity and selling/sharing data are the top concerns while ad targeting is of little-to-no concern.

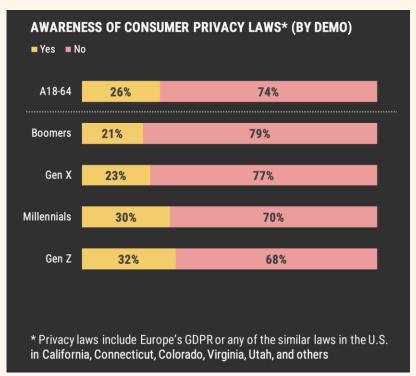


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# Although Laws Exist to Protect Consumers Around Data Sharing, Awareness is Low

Only about one-in-four consumers (26%) are aware of data privacy laws in the U.S. and Europe.



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The Regulatory Landscape is Continuously Evolving



# **GDPR + CCPA: A Turning Point**



# General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

### **Effective**

May 2018

### **Key Provisions**

Set a global standard for data privacy, emphasizing clear consent, transparency in data practices, and enhanced consumer rights, including access, correction, and deletion of personal data

#### **Fines**

Up to €20 million or 4% of the company's annual global turnover for serious violations



# California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA)

### **Effective**

January 2020

### **Key Provisions**

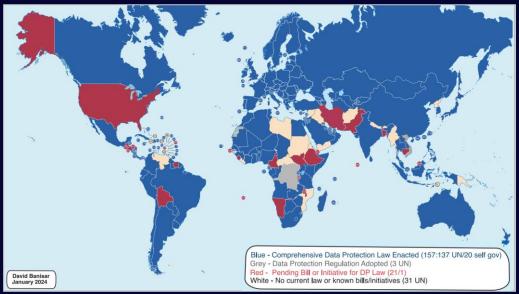
Introduced key privacy rights for Californians akin to GDPR, including data access, deletion, and the option to opt out of data sales, and was the first significant state-level privacy regulation in the U.S.

### Fines

Up to \$7,500 per intentional violation



# **Global Data Privacy Regulation Landscape**



Source: Banisar, David, National Comprehensive Data Protection/Privacy Laws and Bills 2024 (January 27, 2024). Available at SSRN: https://ssrn.com/abstract=1951416

160 countries and self-governing jurisdictions and territories have adopted comprehensive data privacy laws

**82%** of the global population lives in a jurisdiction with comprehensive data protection law or regulation



# **Beyond Omnibus Laws**

Regulations such as the DSA and Washington's My Health My Data Act are crucial for the industry to watch, as they impact digital advertising practices and also require compliance.



### **Digital Services Act (DSA)**

### Scope

Aims to regulate online platforms and digital services within the EU.

### Impact on Digital Advertising

Requires clear ad disclosures, user optout options for personalized ads, and content moderation to manage harmful content and disinformation.



### My Health My Data Act (MHMDA)

### Scope

Focuses on health data privacy for Washington state residents.

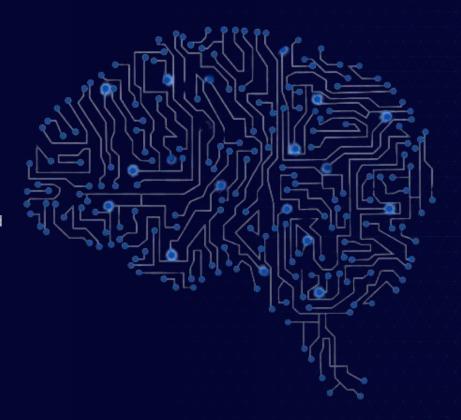
### **Impact on Digital Advertising**

Limits the use and sharing of health data and grants rights to access, correct, and delete health information, affecting targeted advertising practices.



# Privacy Concerns Around Al and Automated Decision Making

- Regulatory focus on AI and automated decision making:
  - EU Al Act
  - CPPA's draft rulemaking for automated decision-making technologies
- Automated decision making is already widely used in digital advertising for audience creation, campaign optimization, and other purposes





# **Challenges to Regulatory Compliance**

- Regulatory focus on data minimization
- High bar for data to be considered anonymous or deidentified (hashing is not enough)
- Challenges in complying with data privacy regulations across channels
  - In CTV, consumer transparency and choice mechanisms may be difficult to implement



Identifiers are Experiencing More Constraints From Large Platforms



# **Platform changes**





# Platform changes "Continued"





"Industry Frameworks and Technical Standards Help Navigate the Complexities of Safeguarding Consumer Privacy"



Member-driven, member-developed

1000+ companies

23+ working groups

3000+ participants

44+ countries





### Vision

**Establish open technical** standards across the ad-supported digital economy, enabling people and businesses to prosper from the societal and economic benefits of the internet



### Develop global, open interoperable technology standards supporting the growth of a secure and private

ad-supported digital economy.

**Mission** 

# Global Board + Local IABs + Member Companies







Transparency & Consent Framework: Over 87% of web inventory in Europe with a TCF signal, 79% of apps with a TCF signal





800+ companies have adopted sellers.json globally.



160+ OM SDK certified integrations (50% non-US); on 3B+ devices



# **IAB Tech Lab Pillars**



Supply Chain Foundations



Addressability & PETs



Privacy



Measurement



**Advanced TV** 



### Role of technical standards



### Privacy

Technical standards to aid in regulatory compliance:

- Transparency & Consent Framework (TCF)
- Global Privacy Platform (GPP)
- Digital Services Act (DSA) Transparency
- Accountability Platform
- Data Deletion Request Framework



# Addressability & Privacy Enhancing Technologies (PETs)

Technical standards for rethinking addressability while prioritizing privacy:

- Data Clean Rooms Guidance
- Differential Privacy Guide
- ID Solutions Guide
- Open Private Join and Activation (OPJA) and Publisher Advertiser Identity Reconciliation (PAIR)
- Seller Defined Audiences (SDA)



Ensuring consumer privacy is more than just a requirement; it can also be a strategic advantage



#### **Opportunities**

 Adopt a privacy-by-design approach and keep FIPPS in mind – many of the data privacy regulations are rooted in these principles

#### **Fair Information Practice Principles (FIPPS)**

A collection of widely accepted principles that agencies use when evaluating information systems, processes, programs and activities that affect individual privacy.







Access & Amendment

Accountability

**Authority** 





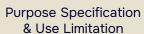


Minimization

Quality & Integrity

Individual Participation







Security



Transparency



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#### **Privacy Enhancing Technologies**



Secure multi-party computation (SMPC)



Trusted execution environments (TEE)



On-device learning



Differential privacy



K-anonymity



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- Getting privacy right resonates with consumers; this is important for consumer-facing businesses as well as non-consumer facing businesses:
  - Improved consumer trust
  - Improved partner trust





### Thank you!



#### Part Three

Verve Deep Dive into "Let's make media better."



# **Better Outcomes for Publishers**

Sameer Sondhi, CRO Verve



- 1. What Publishers want?
- 2. Verve's position on the Supply side
- 3. Our Solutions for the Supply Side
- 4. Verve's Roadmap for the Supply side

#### Agenda

#### Direct Supply

#### Make me feel Special (Supply)

upply to be treated differentl

"Demand will follow the Supply, when supply is treated and handled in a Special way and not just like same supply via another SSP – that's what we do at "Verve" when we claim "Let's Make Media Better"







access to ad inventory



#### **Our Premium Direct-Publisher Partnerships**

#### **Entertainment**

























#### Gaming



























#### **News**























#### Other

meltu美图 amazon



imgur















Our publishers feed our platform with

700 **–** 800bn ad requests per day

We serve our publishers

4 - 5bn impressions per day

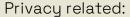




What Publishers want?

#### **Publishers Are Facing Several Challenges**





- pressure from ever changing privacy policies
- cookie impact
- consent collection /opt in for device-ID for data usage for better targeting

How to make revenue in a world with fewer or no identifiers.



Quality related:

- Ad-quality issues, low quality ads, IVT traffic
- Integration issues with SSP & Demand sources, eg conflicts with App updates

How to ensure Publishers get quality of service and still retain position



#### Market related:

- Walled gardens own optimization leads to less traffic & rev-share
- Open internet/advertisers focus on top 100 publishers
- Cost; traffic, personnel, etc generate cost pressure
   How to ensure enough traffic and market-share of revenue



#### What Publishers want from an SSP



Trust & service with SSP that they work with.



Curation capabilities: make audiences & ads also available for programmatic marketplace (PMP's), programmatic quaranteed (PG)



Revenue generation good fill rates and high CPM's, lead to better revenue



Payments: Ease of receiving payments – regular & on time.



Quality Ads help to retain users. Ads that annoy or lead users to other pages are less liked.



Tools and technology that 'works' is reliable, free of issues, lightweight, easy to integrate.



#### What Publishers Also Would Like to Get



Know more about their Users with respect to audience / behavior / content consumption patterns.



Transparency: Having more visibility into the food chain



Customer Acquisition/ Multichannel: Acquire new users across Apps, CTV, Web, DOOH and Audio



SPO: Supply path optimization where in the chain?



Cost benefits: more efficient connection, cheaper cloud / infra costs, tools



Sustainability: less Carbon emission, being a responsible publisher working with responsible platforms





Verve's Position on the Supply Side

#### Verve is Beyond being "just another" SSP

#### Verve focuses on Emerging channels

- Mobile App has been our core strength from start. CTV & OTT is one of the fastest growing channels that we are in as well.
- Targeting with strong Al and data propositions is a key focus area, where we generate audiences with and without ID's & provide sophisticated Al driven targeting capabilities.
- A global scalable platform: Al & ML drive Yield optimization for in bound supply and outbound request to DSP's, focus is on efficiency.
- Unique formats & experiences, self-generated demand from our internal DSPs and brand demand sources



"Unique SSP offerings with solutions for emerging channels, extending our marketplace beyond InApp, CTV, mobile web towards audio and DOOH"



#### **Key USP's Part I**

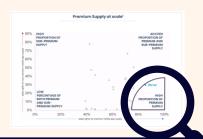
Mobile SDK



CTV



SPO



Verve has a leading global open source SDK with footprint across various verticals such as eg. Gaming, utilities, entertainment, news

Our SDK is integrated in over 20.000 Apps

Verve has a leading CTV footprint in the NA, having almost all larger and many smaller CTV publishers connected.

Over 60% household reach with CTV in NA

Verve has a leading position in direct prime publisher integrations for in-App and CTV

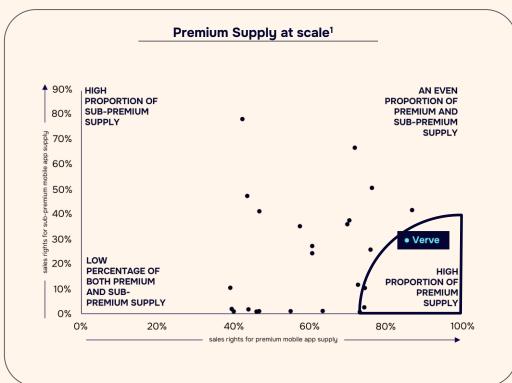
Leading U.S. direct in-app and ctv supply position





#### Mobile In-App and CTV SSP Market Leader

The Jounce Media RTB Supply Path Benchmarking Report<sup>1</sup> confirms our leading direct supply position



#### Sub-Premium<sup>2</sup>

Leads to unnecessary hoops between marketers and publishers, chronically invisible ad placements or user-hostile ad experiences

#### Premium supply<sup>2</sup>

Maximally direct supply chains that result in inventory that is proven to influence consumer purchasing decisions



#### **Key USP's Part II**

Contextual targeting



Owned & Operated supply



Trust





Our early focus on privacy changes made us invest in contextual, ATOM, SKAN, etc. enabling publishers to make revenue from non-consent & ID-less traffic.

Leading position in contextual targeting with several solutions available

With our 080 gaming, giving us unique ad-spaces, first-party data, a testing environment for our SDK and perspective into life of a publisher.

A.o. a leading mobile racing game with > 1bn downloads

Verve has been Consecutively
Ranked
as Leaders in
Seller Trust Index
on Mobile & CTV

Good & trusted relations are key to a successfull business



#### A Leading and Growing Emerging Channels Supply Position

#### **Channels**

Leading : Mobile



Strong: CTV



Upcoming: DOOH



Early: Retail /Audio / Mobile web



Low focus: PC-web



#### Countries

Leading: North America

Strong: Scandinavia & Brazil

Upcoming: Netherlands, UK

Early: India and APAC

No focus: China & Russia



#### Further growth plans:

- Getting stronger where we are strong already.
- Solving for the weaker positions, hiring extra sellers for our weaker & newer channels, as well as in missing geo's.



Our Solutions for the Supply Side

#### **Optimal Demand for Publishers**

Making sure that every Ad-impression is sold in an efficient way

Bring **Premium Brand** with **global** reach

As well as **Performance buyers** 

**Demand** for **supply** with & without ID's

**Demand** for all **formats** 

**Demand** via **Open Auction** & **Waterfall setup** 

**Demand** via **Curated Marketplace** (PMP/PG)

**Demand** from our own **DSP & 80+** plus DSP's







#### **Generating More Value Per Ad Impression**

#### Making the publisher inventory more Valuable

- Scale Matters: Verve marketplaces reache 2 billion+ devices
- Enrichment of signals via bidstream down to DSP's
- Addressability: ATOM, ID's and ID-less graph solutions enable addressability challange.
- Best-in-class demand & supply shaping for optimizing of traffic.
- Internally optimized and uniques AI and ML models and solutions to optimize right ads to reach the right users to maximize the KPIs of advertisers.



#### And Much More Behind It

#### **Further optimizations & focus**

- Easy, low touch integration and activation across all major platforms.
- Among our industry peer-set, we are the only large player with an open-source SDK – publishers trust and work with us because of the transparency.
- Our first class SDK Footprint and Creative rendering as well as ATOM
  in the SDK brings Brand & Performance formats to maximize fill rate
- Because on our multichannel focus we can do reach extension onto formats – video, display, native, audio, DOOH, CTV, app, mobile-web
- PMP capabilities: Provide the best-in-class PMP feature set for the publishers for seamless PMP packaging / targeting and execution
- Preferred Publisher Partnership: being more accretive for a publisher



Verve's Roadmap for the Supply side



#### **Product Development & Innovation**

- Mobile: invest and improve video, full screen, rewarded video experience via our SDK. Continued enhancements for mobile brand & performance specific Ad units.
- CTV: Invest into CTV, audience packaging, targeting, SSAI components and enrich creative experiences.
- DOOH & Audio: improvements in ad offerings
- Data: Improvements in ID and ID less Graph solutions in Verve Audiences Store services, also focus on cross-platform
- ATOM: further develop, scale & innovate ATOM for Android / CTV and Web
- **Platform:** further improve and invest into targeting; Al and ML approach across the platform components, enriching bidstreams with data.



#### Improve Publisher Relations & Grow Revenues

- Sales and Internationalization: grow Verve's direct (global) publisher base, increase sales teams and focus on global & local supply in the emerging channels.
- **Farming:** improve account management for publishers and DSP's, increase Ad Ops teams.
- PMP & PG: focus on curation and making inventories available
- ATOM: roll out our solution for the privacy first, identifier-less App economy, extended and bespoke Cohort creation for DSP partners.
- **Publisher relations:** we continue to invest and innovate in products that will help improve and solve problems for the Publishers.

All investment are focused on growth drivers for advertisers - that way we lock in more supply and serve them better.

## Thank you



# Better Outcomes for Advertisers

Alex Stil, CCO Verve



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# Developing Agency and Brand Business on a Strong Foundation

Verve is building further on the market leading position in in-app and CTV supply. Now bringing the value proposition directly to agencies and brands.

Top <u>5</u> 224bn+ Ranked among Ad impressions the top globally quarterly for CTV 300M+ RTB supply path **CTV**<sub>screens</sub> coverage and quality +2bn 20+ Connected devices offices

#### What Makes Us Unique & Relevant For Agencies and Brands



#### PREMIUM SUPPLY

Number one In-App Position Own SDK Strong across CTV Substantial DOOH

Reaching people everywhere with impact



#### **BESPOKE DATA**

Wide data sources; O&O,SDK. Contextual, Zero and 3rd Party Unique data graphs & segments

Privacy first principle



#### **SOLUTIONS**

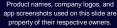
Delivering results in a responsible way (brand safe, high quality and sustainable )

Balancing outcomes with doing good



#### **Extending Our Relationships With Top Brands & Agencies**





verizon

PHUT



J.P.Morgan



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Bank of America.



ExonMobil









Hilton





IACO BELL

accenture

StateFarm

United Healthcare

Morgan

**PROGRESSIVE** 

LOWE'S

#### **Delivering on Divers Objectives**



#### **Providing Flexible Solutions Based on Client Needs**



#### SOLUTIONS MANAGED SERVICES

Custom solutions (created with our supply, data, creative solutions and tech) fully managed by us for you delivering on your objective

**Transactional sales** 

Mainly monthly -quarterly campaigns



#### CURATED AND CUSTOM SUPPLY

Access to our supply and combining our proprietary and partner data to create **bespoke curated deals** that can be activated in your DSP of choice

**Transactional /Consultative sales** 

Monthly to always on campaigns



#### SELF SERVICE TECHNOLOGY

**Demand technology** to access emerging channels and extra value/efficiency when leveraging rest of verve ecosystem

**Consultative sales** 

All campaigns of brand / agency



Verve Focus: Let's make media better.

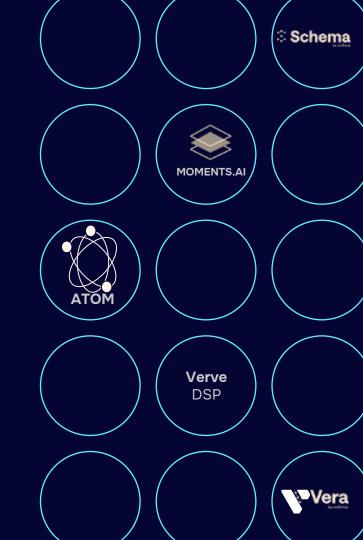
We are the leading digital media company that **enables better outcomes** with **responsible advertising solutions** in **emerging channels** 



## **Enabling Outcomes With**Responsible Advertising Solutions

Privacy first, transparency, brand safe, future proof

- 1 PINPOINTING AUDIENCES
- 2 LEVERAGE BEST SUPPLY AND DATA
- 3 BEST IN CLASS CREATIVES
- 4 KPI FOCUSSED MEASUREMENT AND TARGETING
- 5 FUTURE PROOF TECHNOLOGY
- 6 CUSTOMIZED TO VERTICAL SPECIFICS



## **Build and Optimize Audiences with Schema & Vera**

With Verve's targeting algorithm, Schema (JunGroup), combined with machine-learning tools results in a unique and privacy-first targeting solution. Here's how:

#### Polling & data collection

We collect first-party data, such as age and gender, through our SDK integration with Apps in our network. In addition, we collect and analyze zero-party data by polling our audience in-App

#### **Building lookalikes**

We'll combine the data-set with other targeting touch-points, such as past purchases and behavioral attributes, to build a rigorous targeting strategy.

#### **Execute & optimize**

Our Schema is applied across inventory channels. Vera, our machine learning platform, monitors and analyzes the campaign in real time.



### Moments.Al For a Non-Identifier World: Contextual

`Reach consumers with accuracy and speed

Visual content analysis, keywords, semantics, meta tags, and more are all analyzed and assigned a confidence score within 10 milliseconds. With Verve's breakthrough data-processing technology, reach consumers in meaningful moments that align with your brand's values.

Choose from 700+ IAB interest segments, 11 GARM brand safety segments, and a library of other contextual segments or mix and match to create bespoke segments









## **ATOM on Device Targeting For a Non-Identifier World**



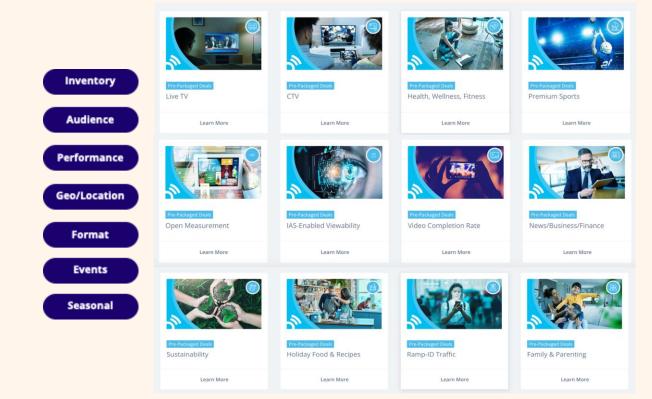
ATOM uses machine learning to process contextual signals to engage with IDFA-less users with relevant cohorts, delivering high campaign ROI





## **Curated and Custom Supply Packages**

Strategically curate supply that can also be customize to align with client unique marketing goals





## **Creative solutions: Creative and Innovative Formats in-app**

Based on our large SDK base: many possibilities to also do non-standard executions



Expandable Banners



Wheel of fortune/ gamification



Panel and Quiz Engagement



Interactive Formats



## **Creative solutions: Innovative DOOH**

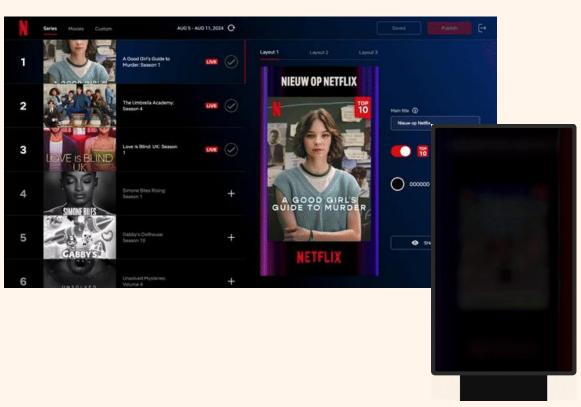
From planning to leveraging data and creative possibilities to create impactful messaging





## **Netflix Case Study**

Custom creative control



#### Get full control

For Netflix, we created a unique user interface, allowing them full control over the creative: at any time of day, they can adjust the content and thus feature a different series or movie on any Digital out of Home screen.

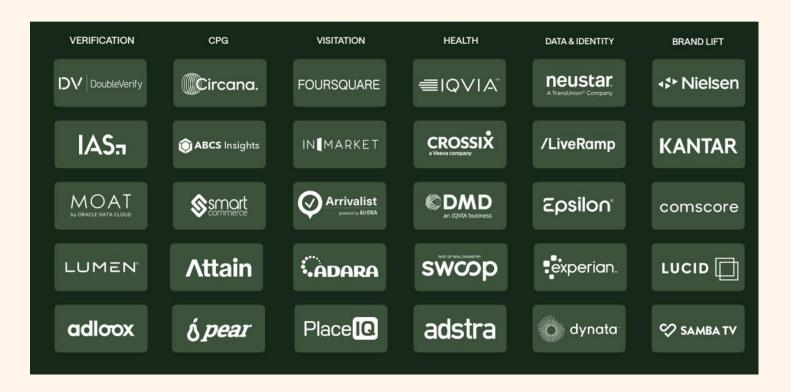
#### Additional possibilities

- Adjust ads on the fly
- Promote new products
- •Combine with count down to run flash discount
- •Combine with location to adjust creatives based on the location of the screen and contextual conditions



## Measurement & Targeting: Expanding Our Third-Party Partnerships

Partnerships that enable specific targeting, measurement and verification based on advertisers KPI's



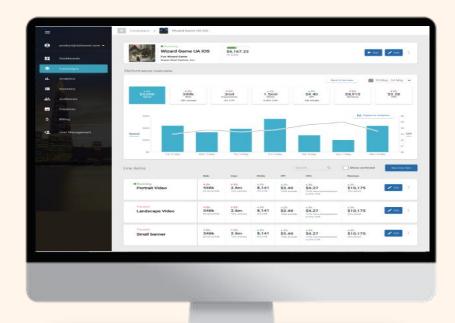


### **Verve DSP: Our Contextual Mobile DSP**

Putting app marketers fully in control of their paid UA efforts

We provide modern mobile marketers with all the tools they need for programmatic success in the privacy-first world.

Unlike traditional DSPs, Dataseat works with advertisers to build and maintain their own ML models to suit their business needs. Creating their own private bidder.





## **Solutions Created For Specific Verticals**



#### Retail

Drive in-store traffic and online sales, with shopper driven marketing,

Simplify the path to purchase across major retailers with shoppable ads with direct-to-cart\* technology.



#### **Automotive**

Leveraging specific data and supply to enable brochure request and test drives, including specific hyper local car dealer programs.



#### **Gaming**

Best-in-class user acquisition for games companies based on our own experience with our owned and operated games



#### **Entertainment**

Enabling full screen rich media interactive experiences to generate awareness and engagement



## **Growth and Expansion**

Growth coming from 4 dimensions, existing and new

**PINPOINTING AUDIENCES** 

LEVERAGE BEST SUPPLY AND DATA

**BEST IN CLASS CREATIVES** 

**KPI FOCUSSED MEASUREMENT & TARGETING** 

**FUTURE PROOF TECHNOLOGY** 

**CUSTOMIZED TO VERTICAL SPECIFICS** 











## Responsible Media

Prasanna Prasad, CTO Verve



## Agenda

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Privacy Safe Targeting



Industry leading targeting & measurement

02

AI - Led Outcomes



State-of-the-Art Al-led optimization

03

Cloud and Platform Efficiencies



Driving sustainable Advertising

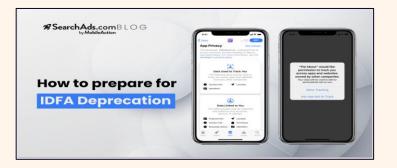


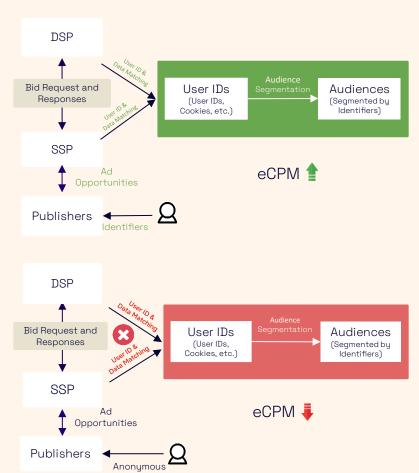
## The Evolving Privacy Landscape







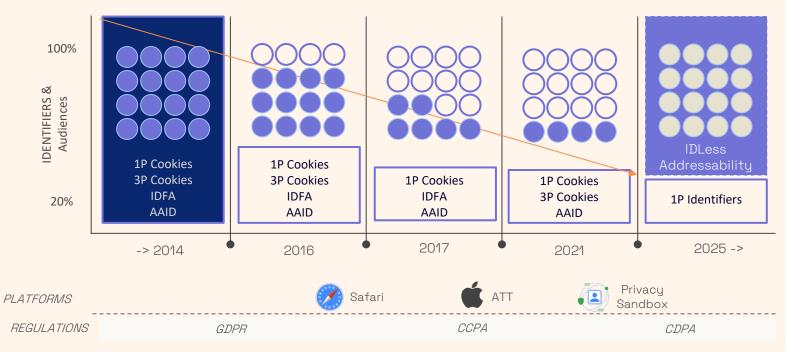


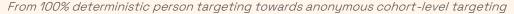




## The Evolution of Addressability

Regulations and competition drives privacy which decreases person tracking capabilities



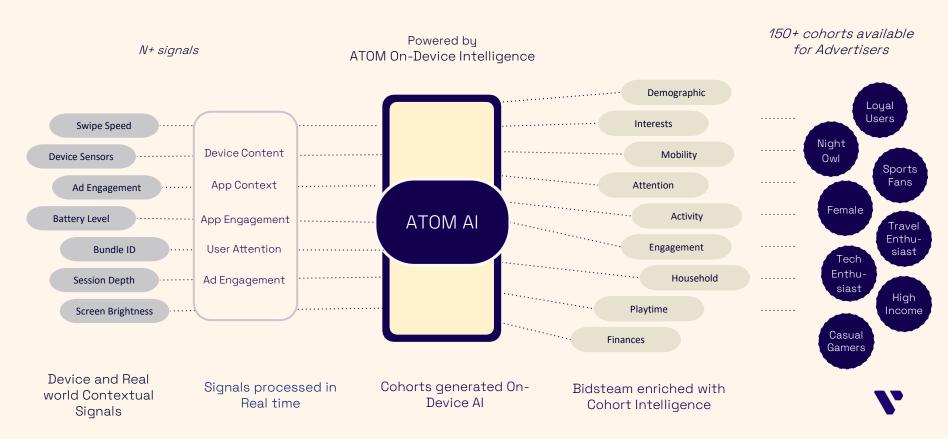






### Best In Class On-Device AI - How ATOM Builds Models

ATOM packs powerful artificial intelligence computing models right within the user's device. The model processes device signals and real-world context of users to predict user traits and classify them into cohorts. All data stays on the device.



## **ATOM Customer Segments - Brand Awareness**

Unleash Your Inner Explorer Campaign

**OBJECTIVE** 

**EXECUTION** 

ATOM COHORTS

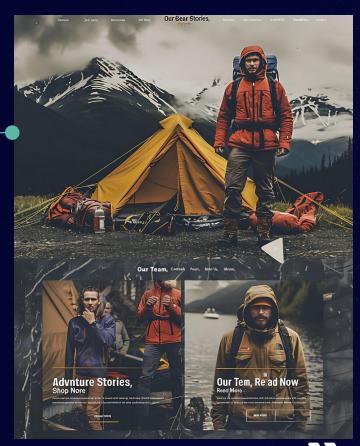
Increase brand awareness and drive traffic to the website of an outdoor gear and adventure brand.

Define target persona to drive awareness and intent against.

#Outdoor #Traveller #Adventure #Activewalker



ATOM AI DATA Motion modeling -> Walking Activity history -> Active Content browsing -> Adventure, nature Time zone -> Frequent changes Area history -> Parks, countryside



#### ATOM - Use Case Example - Performance

Food Delivery App Install Campaign

**EXECUTION COHORTS OBJECTIVE** Focus on people The goal of this #Age\_18-45 who work at campaign is to #Lunch\_hrs home. drive new installs #Dinner\_hrs and are active of a food #Urban area during lunch and delivery app. #Weather dinner hours. Motion modeling -> At home Motion modeling -> At work ATOM AI Screen interactivity -> Medium DATA Daypart-> Lunch, dinner time Area -> Residential, office area



## ATOM Customer Segments - Publishers



Acquisition
Increase User
scale by going
after ideal
audience personas
through
advertising.

Look-alike for additional scale

Insights for Retention and churn reduction



Monetization
Enable privacy
safe segments to
buyers for
targeted
advertising driving
higher CPMs

Personalized and targeted ARPU maximization

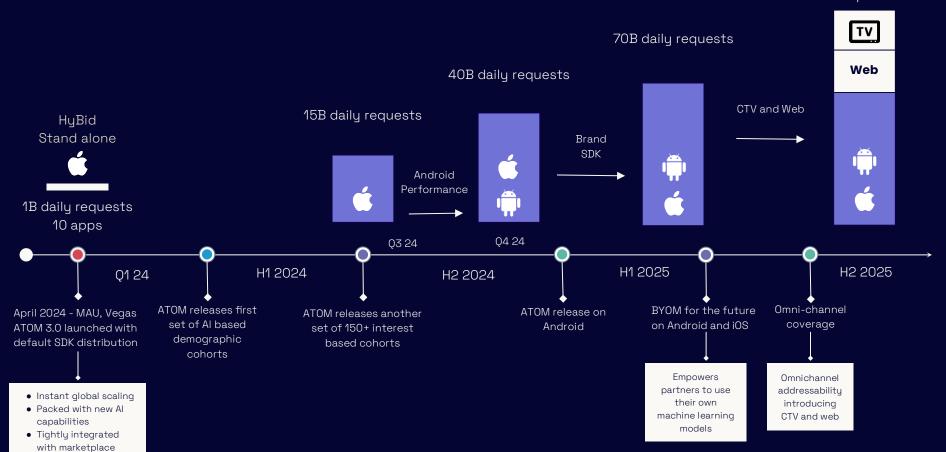


Retention Understand user intent and activity and maximize retention.



## Rounding Up - Milestone+Scale View

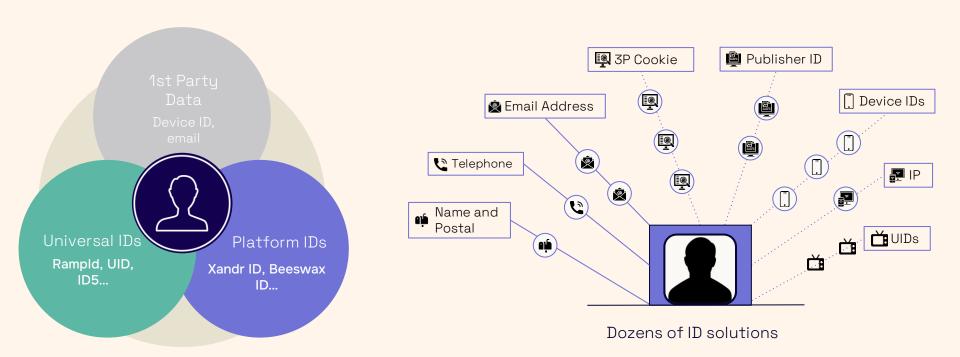
170B mobile daily requests 200 CTV publishers



## Identity Solutions



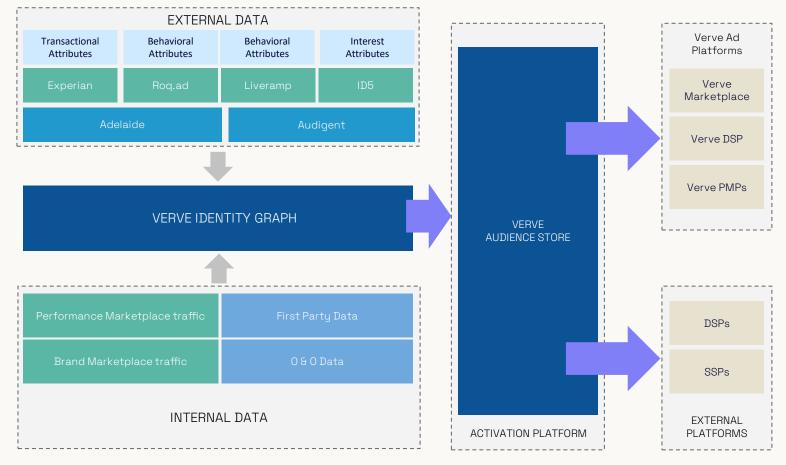
## The Identity Landscape



A person is linked to dozens of ID solutions via devices and channels



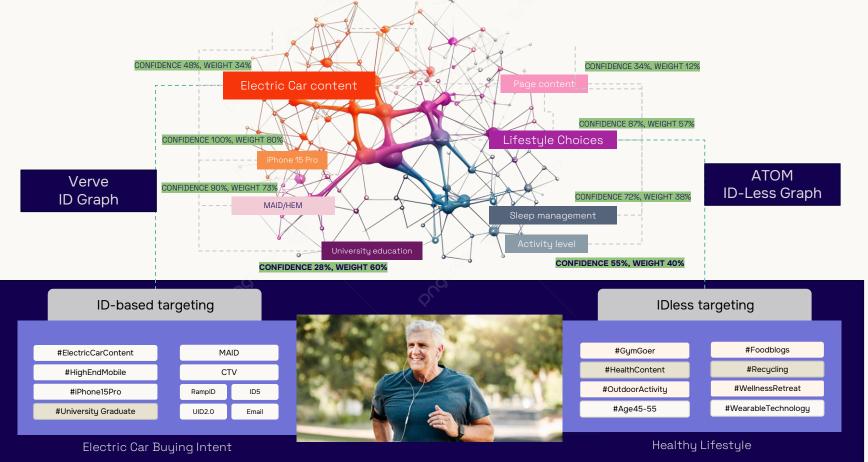
## The Identity Solution @Verve





## Seamless Advertising across ID and IDLess

Future-proven addressability, with and without IDs.





## A Systemic Approach to Al Transformation

LEARN



- State of the Art Modeling Techniques
- Customer specific Models

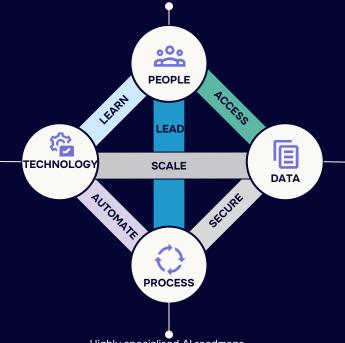
#### **ACCESS**

- I. Isolated data islands
- 2. Centralized data & ML assets with a unified data model

#### SCALE

- 1. Fully managed serverless ML & data services
- 2. End-to-end ML & data pipelines using ML accelerators

- Accelerated investment in global Al talent and Subject Matter Experts
- Culture of hackathons and innovation



- Highly specialised Al roadmaps for customer problems.
- Accelerated experimentation and iterations through MLOps Tools.

I. Hiring DS and ML, and talent upskilling

2. Focus on innovation and with industry expertise

#### LEAD

Al adoption driven by individual contributors
 Dedicated budget and centralized teams

- Integrated Data Lake across assets
- Access to data democratized through unified tools
- Data Governance and quality

#### **SECURE**

Ensure privacy and enable data protection
 Establishing Al ethics and Fair ML systems

#### AUTOMATE

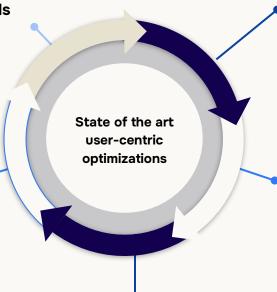
Ad-hoc data processing & ML model training
 Automating MLtraining and data pipelines

## **State-of-the Art User Centric Optimizations**



#### **Data & Privacy Controls**

minimizing friction with automated signal discovery



#### User/cohort Centric

Providing AI driven solutions for an ID free privacy friendly world.

Device & Context specific Signals allow for interest based relevant ads with minimal waste improving user experience



## Neural Network Models

State of the art deep learning models capturing complex bid stream patterns in real time and constantly adapting the system for delivery towards business objectives





Optimizing for user intent and advertiser goals in real time with *deep learning* for better outcomes for advertisers and making our advertising channels more efficient

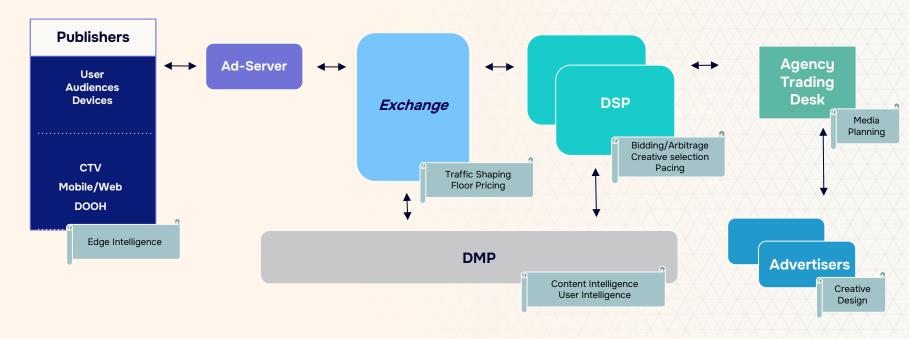


#### Experimentation

Rapid experimentation framework enabling automated feature discovery, model selection and optimal delivery in a continuously evolving real time advertising landscape



## **Digital Advertising Ecosystem - Process Optimization Challenges**



## Current — Pushing barrierson Core Problems

- Traffic Shaping
- Price Optimizations –
   Floors & Bid

#### 24 H2 — Hands-off Autopilot

- KPI optimization
- Content Classification
- Audiences

#### 25 H1-H2 — Demand Focus

- Brand Safety
- Supply forecasting
- Demand forecasting
- Creative customization



## Case Study: Al led optimizations on Verve DSP SKAN

# ◆ Targeted 1:1 advertising through IDFAs Introduction of ATT & SKAdNetwork (SKAN)

- Apple launching the App Tracking Transparency (ATT) with iOS 14.5.
  - 80% users opt-out

#### **SKAN revisions**

- Multiple attempts at getting IDLess attribution right through SKAN.
- SKAN 2, 3 evolution to support CTA, VTA, multi-touch attributions.

#### **Privacy Manifests**

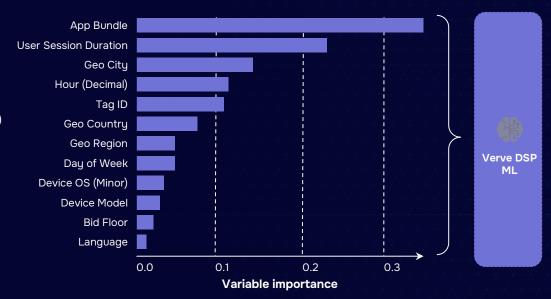
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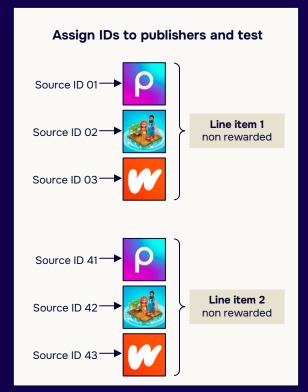
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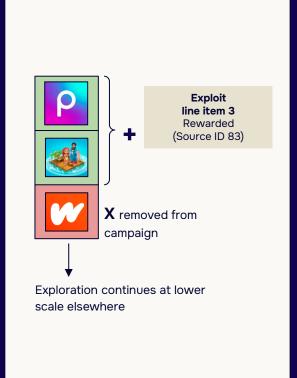
- Privacy Manifests require app owners to declare
   third-party SDK functions, preventing connection to tracking domains.
  - This measure aims to eliminate fingerprinting and ensure exclusive use of SKAN for attribution.

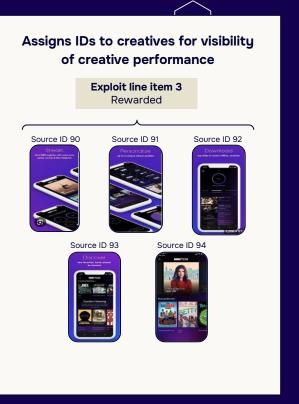


- 1. **Initial training:** Identify signals/features that maximise performance for a specific campaign to then train **ML models** to only bid on best performing traffic.
- 2. Custom bidding algorithms per advertizer/campaign.
- **3. Result:** campaign performance at the same level as with ID targeting and **Predictive Analytics** to fill the gap in SKAN data and support tricky APIs.
- 4. Machine Learning and AI to enhance bidding and campaign management.
- 5. Proprietary Methodology for SKAN setup to overcome privacy thresholds and richest portfolio to plan, execute and analyse campaigns.

## **The Explore Exploit Agent**

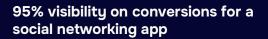






## The Customer Impact





"Null" conversion value down to **only 5%** within the first 2 weeks running for a social networking app. We got full visibility on **95% of conversions very quickly.** 



Top Mobile Game



Fast food

25% lower CPI with the industry's first Alpowered SKAN campaign optimization

Verve DSP was **the first** to find a way to use **SKAN data and Machine Learning** techniques **together**. A 25% CPI improvement for a top-tier game when plugged into Dataseat's machine learning for SKAN campaign optimization.

1.5 years of repeatable success while massively scaling campaign

1.5 years of app install campaigns for a global restaurant chain, and still consistently overachieving their CPA goal. No ceiling reached due to the scale of SKAN-enabled inventory.

Verve DSP drives performance with the industry's longest-standing SKAN experts and technology. **Verve DSP is privacy-first by design.** On iOS, SKAN is among their core areas of expertise. Clients get access to the most SKAN-ready DSP, and our proprietary SKAN campaign templates based on their own SKAN setup methodology.



## **Acceleration Through Google Cloud Partnership**



- Economies of scale and group synergies on data sharing.
- Better Specialization of skills and approach to platformization.
- Drives ~20M in bottom line efficiencies over four years.



- Leverage best-in-class
   Google Al platform and model capabilities.
- Co-build with Google R&D.



- Deeper integration into Google Advertising Products.
- First adopters of Privacy initiatives on Chrome or Android.



## **Technology Vision - Efficiency at Scale**

#### **PLATFORMIZATION**

- Modules vs. Monoliths
- Flexible and configurable execution flows
- Highly reusable and customizable business specific modules
- Easy to integrate with further Exchanges and SSPs

#### **SPECIALISATION**

- Allowing for high degree of specialization and automation of vertical specific flows
- Integrated Customer Experiences
- Streamlined product development and delivery process

#### **INNOVATION**

- Al from the get go
- Support a growth mindset mentality and foster continuous new technology validations
- Easy Data Accessibility derive insights & ideas
- Foster GenAl usage in engineering and building Al driven knowledge base

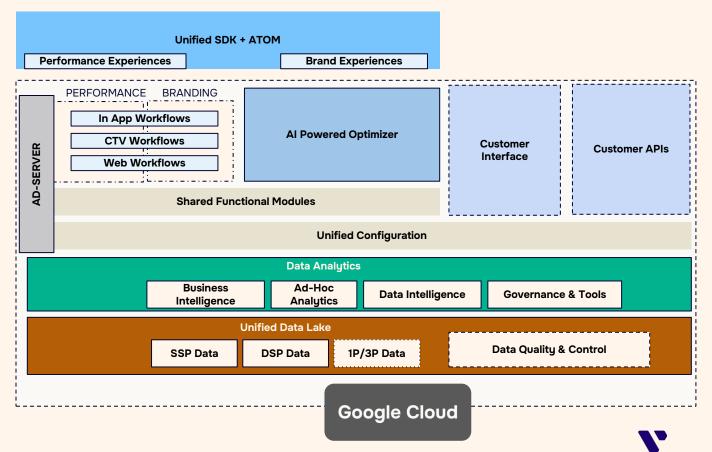
Our **integrated** and **customisable platform-first vision** allows deploying and scaling new products in an advantageous manner. applying **one core** to solve for the **needs of different customer** segments.

One Unified modular platform project under works for integrating our two biggest business lines into 1 combined platform in 2024-25 specialising for the Performance and Brand Verticals.



#### The Unified Platform and Data Backbone

A Unified Technology
Platform means moving
away from legacy isolated
stacks to a common
Blueprint servicing all
layers of the tech stack
while specialising for
customer outcomes and
needs.



#### Wrap Up

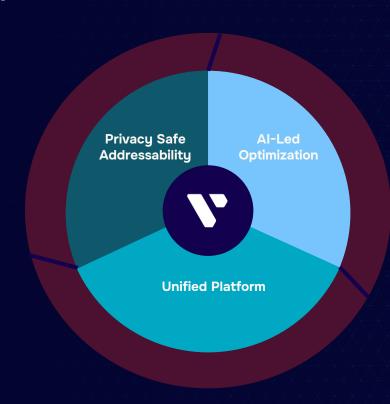
We are the leading digital media company

that enables better outcomes

with responsible advertising solutions

in **emerging channels** 

for advertisers & publishers.





# **Emerging Channels**

Carl Liverstam, MD Verve Nordics



## **Table of Content**

Why we focus on emerging channels

How do emerging channels evolve and what is driving their growth

Our position in the emerging channels



## Why We Focus on Emerging Channels





## **Advertising Channels**

#### **Emerging Channels**

- Mobile Advertising
- Connected TV Advertising
- Digital Out of Home Advertising
- Digital Audio and Podcast Advertising
- · Commerce Media Advertising
- ..

#### **Digital Channels**

- Display Advertising
- Video Advertising
- Email Marketing
- Content Marketing
- Search Engine Marketing
- Social Media Advertising
- Affiliate
- · Influencer Marketing
- ...

#### **Traditional Channels**

- Television
- Radio
- Print Media
- · Outdoor Advertising
- Direct Mail
- Event Marketing
- Product Placement
- ...



## **Advertising Channels and their Lifecycle - Illustration**

# **Emerging Channels** Mobile Advertising Connected TV Advertising **Digital Out of Home Advertising** Digital Audio and Podcast Advertising Commerce Media Advertising

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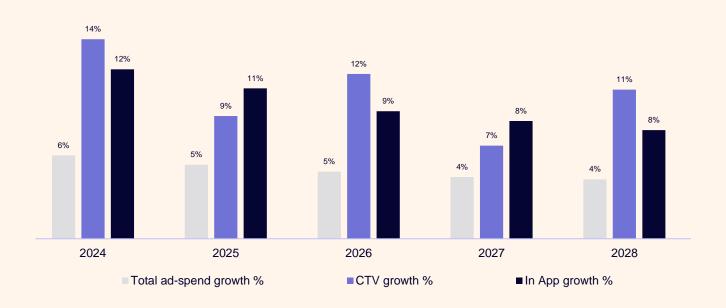
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- Television
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Introduction Growth Maturity Decline

## **Strong Growth in Emerging Channels**

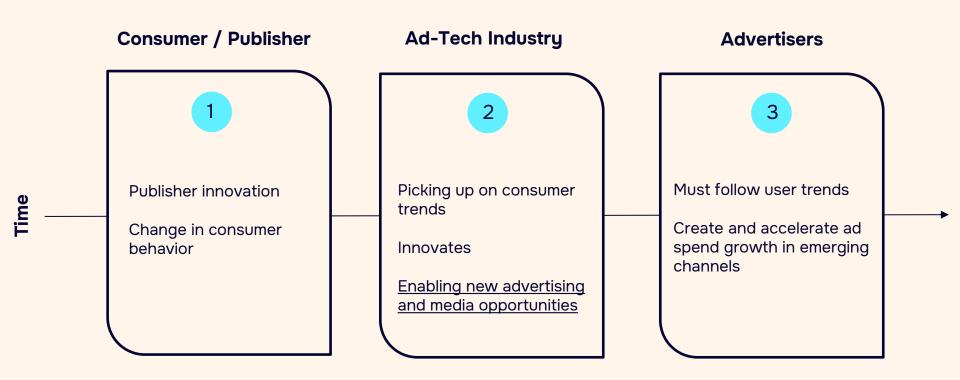




# How Do Emerging Channels Evolve and What is Driving Their Growth



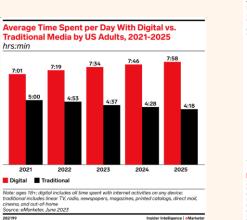
### **Emerging Advertising Channels as Growth Drivers**



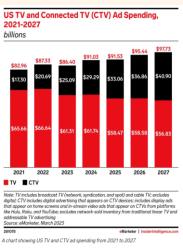


## **Change in Consumer Behavior**

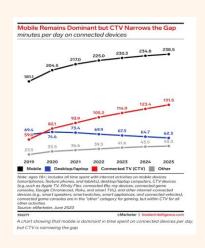
From traditional towards digital



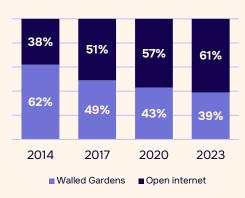
From traditional TV towards connected TV



From desktop towards mobile and CTV



From walled gardens towards open internet



Consumers are leaving traditional (digital and non-digital) channels and moving into emerging channels (mobile, ctv, audio etc...) outside the walled gardens



## **Ad-Tech Industry Picking Up on Consumer Trends**

Early stage banner ad

ver Who Swerved Into



Later stage native ad





Current stage interactive full screen ad





Enabling new advertising and media opportunities

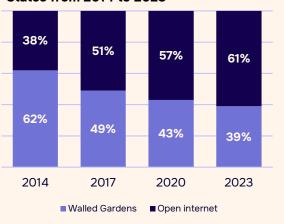
Improvement of advertising creatives, targeting, reporting and data privacy

Further innovate and respond to trends and changes



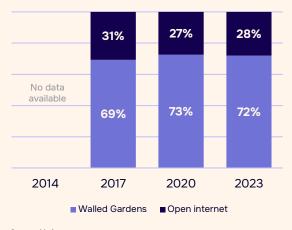
#### **Advertisers Must Follow User Trends**

## Share of time spent online with the open internet vs. walled gardens in the United States from 2014 to 2023



Published by Statista Research Department, Jun 3, 2024

#### US programmatic digital display ad spending: Open Web vs Walled Gardens (%)

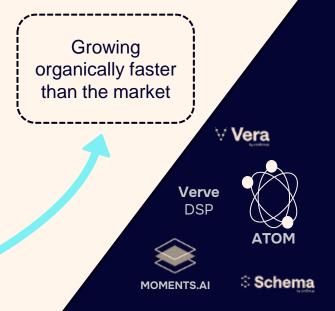


Source: eMarketer



## **Embracing Growth in Emerging Channels**

We need to be innovative and adaptable to find solutions to make media better



## **Our Position in The Emerging Channels**



## **Very Strong in Mobile**

## Verve's responsible advertising solutions for mobile











### **Strong in CTV**

Top 5 globally for CTV

#### Value-add from

- ✓ Cross platform (multi-channel) approach
- ✓ Cross platform identity / targeting
- ✓ Unique O&O data and audiences exclusive to Verve customers



Al-Powered

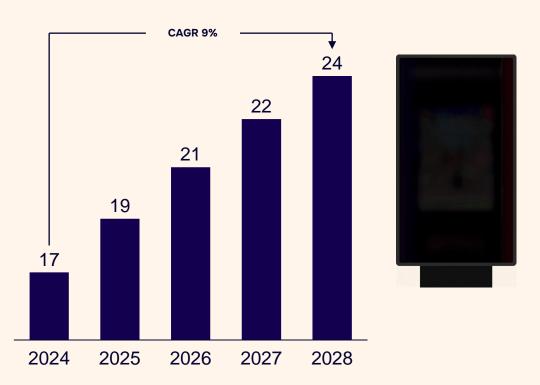
Privacy-First

Contextual & Behavioral Targeting





#### **Upcoming in Digital Out Of Home**



- Dynamic Content: Ability to update ads in real-time with fresh, engaging content.
- Targeting Capabilities: Geotargeting and contextual targeting based on location and time of day.
- Interactive Features: Integration with mobile devices and interactive elements.
- High Visibility: Large, eye-catching digital screens in high-traffic areas.
- Data Analytics: Real-time data collection and analysis for campaign performance.
- Flexibility: Easy to modify and schedule ads, enabling timely and relevant messaging.
- Sustainability: Reduced need for physical materials compared to traditional billboards.
- **Enhanced Creativity**: Opportunities for creative, animated, and multimedia content.

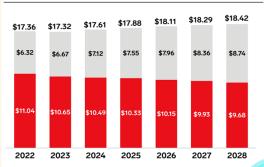
#### Early Stage in Digital Audio & Commerce Media

#### High growth potential

#### Early stage

#### Despite Shrinking Broadcast Radio Ad Revenues, Audio Ads Power Ahead Thanks to Digital Audio

billions in US ad spending, 2022-2028



Radio Digital audio

Note: radio includes local and national broadcast of traditional on-air radio sta and satellite radio services that are delivered over the air; digital audio include advertising revenues for local and national broadcast radio stations, satellite r services, purely online radio stations, and streaming music services such as Pa and Spotify; includes podcast advertising and sponsorship; includes both audio nonaudio ad formats

Source: EMARKETER Forecast, March 2024

+21%

E2024 ad spend growth in retail / commerce media

#### Digital audio

Verve is ramping up audio ads

Jun Group has a first footprint in digital audio (audio ads and Podcast)

#### Retail media

Verve has started to invest in commerce media

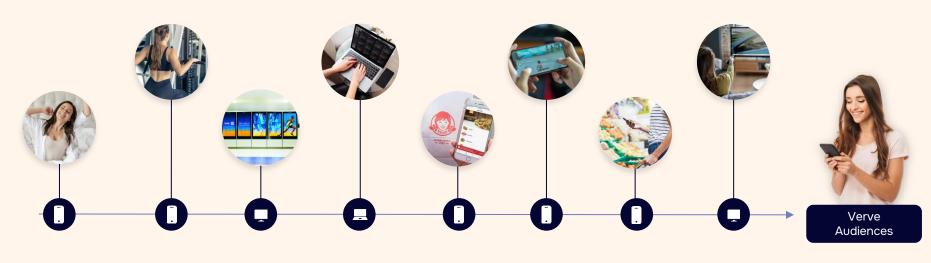
Substantial part of Verve demand is coming from retail

Jun Group has a product suite for retailers



### Fuel Omnichannel Engagement to Maximize Conversion

Ensure consumers interact with your brand through their preferred channels



06.30 AM | 05.30 PM | 07.00 AM 08.00 AM 09.00 AM 12.30 AM 06.30 PM | 08.00 PM | Wakes up, Heads to gym Takes subwau Reads news Stops at On subway Stops at At home, streams checks nearby house. to office. at work. Wendy's for a home, plays nearby Target shows on CTV. weather app. quick lunch to shop. games. (Mobile Ad) (CTV, Digital (DOOH, Digital (Desktop, (Mobile & (Mobile & (Commerce (CTV Ads & Dual Audio, DOOH) Audio, Mobile) Mobile) Commerce Ad) DOOH) Ads) Screen Mobile Ads)



We are the leading digital media company that enables better outcomes with responsible advertising solutions in emerging channels



## **SUMMARY**



# Thank You



# **Closing Remarks**

Remco Westermann, CEO



#### **Our Aim for Today Was:**

We inform you about what we have achieved at Verve since CMD 2023

- Commercial Update
- Financial Update
- Jun Group becomes part of Verve

Experts will give you an overview of what is happening in the industry

- State of the advertising market
- Al, Gen-Al and Al-Cloud development
- Privacy and targeting

We explain what is behind our mission "Let's make media better." and how we plan to drive strong ongoing organic growth

- Better Outcomes for publishers
- Better outcomes for advertisers
- Responsible media
- Emerging channels



We showed you our focus and USP's

that enable better outcomes for publishers and advertisers

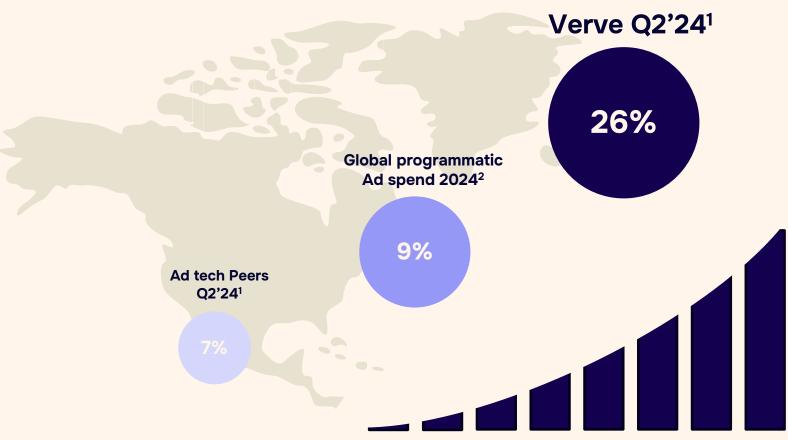
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in emerging channels

Our mission: Let's make media better.

#### **Verve Takes Market Share**





#### Our Four Main Growth Drivers Enabling Continued Organic Growth





- Improved AI routines and data models continue to learn + data from Jun Group
- Platform synergies through direct connecting of Deman Supply
- Reduce OPEX through scale & Google Cloud





- ATOM 3.0, Moments.Al, Schema, ...
- New Ad-formats & growth in new channels
- Curated market places, segmented supply
- Sector specific solutions for advertisers



2 Customer expansion



Adding Demand + Supply + New Verticals & Geo's



Growing Share of Wallet



1 Market growth



Structural growth of emerging channels accelerated by consumer time spent on screen



12% market growth Mobile in-app



14% market growth CTV





#### **Increased Guidance 2024**

Based on a strong first half year 2024 with visibility into August





### **And We Also Updated Our Mid-Term Financial Targets**



25-30%



30-35%



20-25%



1.5-2.5x



### I Would Like to Thank Our Speakers



And those who where in the background and prepared!



## But the biggest thanks is to you

Our investors
Our analysts
And all other partners

Thank you for your trust and support!



## One Brand, One Team, One Mission

Let's make media better.

