



About PGi

PGi has been bringing people together to collaborate and innovate for more than 20 years. The company's cloud-based solutions offer a simpler approach to conferencing, with scalable solutions for businesses of all sizes, and a range of value-adding services including operator-assisted calls and webcasts.

What is PGi's impact?

In the last five years, PGi has hosted more than 1.1 billion people from 137 countries in over 250 million online meetings. The business has more than 45,000 enterprise customers, including 75% of the Fortune 100.

Who are the target audience?

PGi targets a varied and sometimes wide-ranging IT buying committee. This can include CMOs, CTOs and VPs, but also influencers at all levels of seniority and across a range of departments. Identifying the most influential decision-makers for each potential customer is a key requirement.

What was the sales challenge?

According to Ciara Lucy, Director of Marketing Programmes for EMEA and India, finding smarter ways to map accounts, and identify and interact with leads was a key priority for PGi's sales teams.

"The lightbulb moment was our Sales Kick-off back in 2012 when two of our guys stood up and presented about the clever ways they were using LinkedIn and the amazing effect this was having on their blueprinting," she says. "It was clear that we had to build on this - and that's where the investment in Sales Navigator came in."

Ciara started by investing in 14 Sales Navigator licenses, shared amongst her acquisition-focused 'hunter' sales reps. By June 2014, this had grown to 26 and by September it was up to 60, covering over half the sales team. With strong demand from the remaining sales reps, this rate of growth seems set to continue.

What about the results?

Sales Navigator's increasingly central role for PGI has been driven at every stage by compelling results: accelerated sales cycles, wide-ranging new opportunities, prospects unearthed, key accounts saved and an investment that has paid for itself 22 times over.

Among the key numbers delivered by Sales Navigator are:

An increase in PGI's social selling proficiency, as measured by the **Social Selling Index (SSI)**, of



22x ROI for the investment in LinkedIn Sales Navigator



\$900k

in revenue directly attributable to LinkedIn

Sales rep Harry Wade used Sales Navigator's Advanced Search feature to follow his instincts and prospect for opportunities amongst a customer segment he could see was active and open on LinkedIn. "It turned into one of the biggest deals of the summer and that has made an absolutely huge difference to my year," says Harry.

Plenty of other colleagues have similar stories to tell, including a deal worth more than \$65,000 directly attributable to LinkedIn. And Sales Navigator's contribution hasn't been limited to acquisition. When £100K in monthly revenues came under threat after a client switched responsibility for online meetings from one region to another, Advanced Search and TeamLink helped identify the new decision-maker. The account manager was able to make contact using InMail Messages, and secured the on-going business.

In their own words:

The key features of LinkedIn Sales Navigator for PGI

Discussion groups

"I think people like to work with people they have common ground with. When leads look at my profile they can see that I follow the same discussions and have the same interests."

Harry Wade,
Account Executive

"Joining groups has made a big difference to all areas of sales. They get to know leads, discuss things collaboratively and listening to the discussions produces great opportunities."

Ciara Lucy
Director of Marketing Programmes, EMEA and India

InMail Messages

"It's InMail that makes sure we take advantage of the insight we gain on LinkedIn."

Operator-assisted calls are an important revenue area for PGI and there are many, many occasions when we've been able to send an InMail straight to the right person - and have a call booked within 24 hours."

Ciara Lucy
Director of Marketing Programmes, EMEA and India

CRM Integration

This is one of the fantastic things with Sales Navigator. When a lead comes into us from Salesforce, we can bring up the LinkedIn company profile and have all the important information right in front of us. It saves hours of time, and it ensures we start from a better understanding of that business."

Kathleen Grace
EMEA ISO Manager

Advanced search

"It's made our blueprinting process a whole lot easier and enabled us to work smarter. You can pinpoint the exact person you should be speaking to."

Ciara Lucy
Director of Marketing Programmes, EMEA and India

"With other tools a lot of the data is out of date, and that's such a waste of time. With LinkedIn it's always up-to-date and current."

Harry Wade,
Account Executive

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