LUCA BERSAGLIA

DETAILS

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LINKS

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SKILLS

Content Strategy

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Data-Driven Decision Making

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Leadership and Teamwork

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Customer-centric approach

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LANGUAGES

English

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French

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Spanish

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HOBBIES

11x Marathon Finisher, football and outdoor lover.-Avid reader, cinema and music enthusiast and active participant in music festivals.

PROFILE

Results-oriented professional with nearly two decades in the media industry, including significant experience working within international and multi-country environments. Possessing deep expertise in product behaviour and performance analysis, with a proven ability to master and leverage data to inform decisions and address partner inquiries across diverse markets. Skilled in collaborating effectively across cross-functional and international teams, managing requests, and bridging communication for successful marketing and communication initiatives on a global scale.

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY - MEDIA

Programming and Acquisitions Director, The Walt Disney Company

Rome / Milan

Feb 2018 — Aug 2022

Definition of the overall content strategy of Disney+ and linear channels, in terms of:

- <u>Content Strategy</u>: development of programming, merchandising and acquisitions strategy and content workflows for the launch and long-term sustainment of Disney+ in Italy;
- <u>Content merchandising</u>: developing the local merchandising strategy together with the EMEA merchandising team: defining the local priorities and providing insight on titles performances to refine promotional strategies for the Italian audience;
- <u>Local Productions</u>: Sharing insights on content performances with the Head of Production to define the local commissions strategy;
- <u>Digital Marketing Strategy</u>: leading digital marketing initiatives and acting as main point of contact for leadership, technology, product management, analytics and finance.

Main Achievements:

- Launch and success of Disney+ in Italy (number of subscribers Year 1: 3x initial forecasts)
- Definition of a matrix model to implement a new mixed content release strategy (binge and weekly release) based on the specific features of each title
- Re-organisation of the whole Italian content team after the Fox/Disney merger

Programming Director, Warner Bros Discovery

Milan / Paris

Aug 2012 — Jan 2018

Responsible for the overall content and programming strategy for all the male-skewed channels of both the <u>Italian Portfolio</u> (6 channels: DMAX, Focus, Discovery Channel, Discovery Science, Discovery Travel & Living, Animal Planet) and <u>French Portfolio</u> (Discovery Channel, Discovery Science, Investigation Discovery, Discovery Family).

Main Achievements:

- Successful reorganisation of the French Team and launch of two new channels in France (Discovery Investigation and Discovery Family) that led to double the adv revenues
- $\cdot~$ +40% of the advertising revenues of the Italian portfolio in three years.

· Manager of 18 people across two territories

PREVIOUS EXPERIENCES - MEDIA

Mediaset (Strategic Marketing Executive, 2010-2012); Banijay Italia (Marketing 2005-2010); Universal McCann (Insight & Research Coordinator 2004-2005)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY - EDUCATION

Project Lead (Consultant), Anica Academy

Hybrid

Jan 2023 — Present

Currently leading projects on behalf of the educational branch of ANICA (the primary Association in Italy representing companies within the Film, Audiovisual and Digital Industry).

- <u>Program Development</u>: Conceptualising and implementing innovative educational programs aimed at professionals in the audiovisual industry and students
- <u>Project Management</u>: Overseeing all aspects of project planning, execution, and evaluation, ensuring alignment with organisational goals and objectives.
- <u>Partnership Building</u>: Collaborating with key stakeholders to secure funding and support for various projects.

Key Projects:

- "Crossmedia Communication and Cultural Storytelling" (2025): course designed for Regione Toscana
- "Economics and Funding in the Audiovisual Industry" (3 editions- 2024/25):
 Empowered over 50 young professionals with financing skills, leading to the successful funding of new audiovisual projects

Adjunct Professor, Economics of Digital Media, Università di Bologna

Bologna

Sep 2010 — Present

For 15 years, this course (held in English for international students) has been aiming to provide the students with full understanding of the functions and processes of transformations within the media industries and the innovations connected to new digital technologies applied to creative industries.

EDUCATION

Master in Digital Marketing, Luiss Business School

Milan

Sep 2023 — Sep 2024

Master in Marketing and Communication, Publitalia

Milan

Sep 2003 — Sep 2004

Bachelor in Business Administration , Università di Bologna

Bologna

Sep 1997 — Dec 2001