

# **ADRIAN GHISA MULTIFACETED VP OF MARKETING**

TRAVEL/OTA TECHNICAL PRODUCT LEADER

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# **TOP SKILLS**

#### PRODUCT MARKETING LEADERSHIP

Marketing Strategy B2C e-Commerce Marketing Analytics Mobile Marketing Brand Storytelling Affiliate Marketing Audience Development SEM & SEO **Email Marketing** Customer Segmentation Customer Acquisition **Brand Awareness** Online marketing **Customer Experience** 

## MARKETING TECH & DEVELOPMENT

HTML RESTful APIs CSS, JavaScript Postman JIRA SOL

Confluence Marketing Automation

Azure DevOps CMS Splunk Enterprise CRM

#### STRATEGY TEAM LEADERSHIP

Team Management Project Management C-level Partnershins **Business Development** Product Management **Contract Negotiations** Resource Allocation **Vendor Partnerships Budget Management** Big Data Analysis Sales ROI Analysis **Expense Controls** Performance Gap Analysis Team Training

# **DIGITAL MARKETING PLATFORMS**

Google Analytics Mailchimp Adobe SiteCatalyst Sitecore Google AdWords Wordpress **Full Story** Sage Hotjar Salesforce CJ HubSpot Meta Business Manager Zendesk

Quora Ad Manager Active Campaign Linkshare Impact Radius

# **ADDITIONAL WORK**

Founder/CEO | 2018 - Present Meta Solutions | Toronto, ON

Volunteer Marketing Director | 2013 - Present The Healing Cycle Foundation | Toronto, ON

# **EDUCATION**

Post-Grad Diploma | Marketing Management George Brown College | Toronto, ON

**Bachelor of Engineering** University Politehnica of Bucharest

# **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Director of Marketing, Product Partnerships **Director of Affiliate Marketing** 

March 2021 - Present November 2019 - March 2021

Fareportal | New York, NY & Toronto, ON

Manage all business development, product marketing strategy, negotiations, partnerships, P&L, SEO, affiliate marketing, API, & white label channel strategy for non-air OTA products worth \$3M+

- Partner with the executive team on non-air product strategy, marketing & global expansion
- · Collaborate with Product, Design, & Engineering teams to build, launch, & optimize product features
- Strategize how to improve customer engagement, retention, & drive new revenue growth
- · Direct company-wide project planning, resource allocation, identify deficiencies & risk mitigation
- Oversee budgets, forecasting, revenue analysis, & \$15M annual spend for marketing affiliate spend
- Work closely with Product Tech team to optimize product APIs for fasters SLAs

# **Recent Accomplishments:**

- Managed launch of vacation packages API in Microsoft-Bing Travel Hub; daily booking grew 15%
- Oversaw optimization efforts of white-label partner InsaneCheapFlights; drove 120% growth YoY
- Led cashback API integration in 3 shopping engines for perks programs, growing daily bookings 30%
- Launched affiliate program for Cheapoair & OneTravel; 50% increase in traffic + 18% conversions
- Mitigated COVID OTA impact by negotiating with publishers, which saved \$200,000
- Collaborated with Product & Design teams to redesign newsletters, increasing click-through rate 8%

**Director, Customer Acquisition** 2017 - 2019 2013 - 2017 Sr. Marketing Manager, Customer Acquisition

FlightNetwork | Toronto, ON

Managed 11 Marketers & oversaw C-level relationships, partnership integrations, P&L, negotiations, operations, optimization, pricing, digital acquisition strategy, metasearch, affiliate & PPC channel strategy

- Oversaw Flight Network's international launch in 45 markets; tripled bookings in less than 2 years
- Managed budgets exceeding \$35M annually for marketing acquisition channels

Google Flights, Wego in 18 countries, which increased conversions by 60%

- Grew Metasearch channel 300%, which was largest revenue source via conversion rate optimization
- Built & launched product in 15 markets in US, LATAM, & EMEA, which grew revenue 160%
- · Coordinated API integration with Google Flights, Kayak, Skyscanner, Tripadvisor, Cheapflights, etc.
- Created & launched "Facilitated/Direct Booking" solution with META partners Kayak, Skyscanner,

Country Manager - Romania Sr. Account & Media Manager

2010 - 2013 2009 - 2010

POSSIBLE, WPP | Bucharest, Romania

- Grew business over 150% & increased clients signed by YoY by 30%
- Coordinated 400+ digital acquisition & brand campaigns across 25 countries
- · Led, coached, & inspired team of 20 Client Service, Sales, Designers, Developers, & Copywriters
- Recipient, Central & Eastern Europe Creative Agency of the Year Award 2011

**Account Manager** 

Greenlight | Bucharest, Romania

2001 - 2009

- Oversaw successful national medical newspaper launch in 45 districts, growing agency revenue 5x
- Managed Top 15 major customer accounts, which drove 250% YoY growth