

#SoloPR Chat – 2/15/2012

1. Client worked w/vendor on new website & msging- result is sub-par, may affect my efforts, but client likes! What to do?
2. My client has a terribly generic company name, which makes a lot of our efforts more difficult. Tips/suggestions?
3. Many of you were part of the chat when we discussed having a [#solo](#) conf- we're moving forward, w/plans for Feb 2013! Weigh in on our FB poll re: best days of week: <http://on.fb.me/A0v3yJ> Also, what are your thoughts on fees, content, etc?



[SoloPR Feb 15, 1:55pm via TweetGrid.com](#)

Remember, we keep chatting on the hashtag all week! Transcript/Storify will be up on [soloprpro.com](#) tomorrow. [#solo](#)



[TerriMallioux Feb 15, 1:55pm via Twitter for iPhone](#)

and gumbo & beignets plz! RT “@[KristK](#): FYI: Mardi Gras 2013 is Feb. 12. Please have conference after. (I'll bring beads and boas) [#solo](#)”



[SoloPR Feb 15, 1:55pm via TweetGrid.com](#)

Aha! Yes, will do a poll. Thanks in advance everyone- and thanks for joining us for the chat! [#solo](#)



[joeldon Feb 15, 1:55pm via TweetDeck](#)

A rose by any other name would smell as sweet. RT @[jgombita](#): A2. Can You Say Sysomos? [video] [shar.es/fNIPA](#) cc @[KateRobins](#) [#solo](#)



[akenn](#) Feb 15, 1:54pm via TweetChat

And maybe coordinate with Northeast's school vacation week while you're at it? :-) [#solopr](#)



[TerriMallioux](#) Feb 15, 1:54pm via Twitter for iPhone

@[SoloPR](#) Plus, time to think about topics, discussions, suggestions of a [#solopr](#) conference in Atlanta, Feb '13, would be good.



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Ah, thanks for reminder! RT @[KristK](#): FYI: Mardi Gras 2013 is Feb. 12. Please have conference after. (I'll bring beads and boas) [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:54pm via TweetGrid.com

And my spare tiaras RT @[KristK](#): FYI: Mardi Gras 2013 is Feb. 12. Please have conference after. (I'll bring beads and boas) [#solopr](#)



[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:54pm via TweetChat

And the King Cake! RT @[KristK](#): FYI: Mardi Gras 2013 is Feb. 12. Please have conference after. (I'll bring beads and boas) [#solopr](#)



[jgombita](#) Feb 15, 1:54pm via web

@[40deuce](#) I found it already, Sheldon. cc @[KateRobins](#) and hashtagged with [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:53pm via TweetGrid.com

RT @[KristK](#): FYI: Mardi Gras 2013 is Feb. 12. Please have conference after. (I'll bring beads and boas) [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:53pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

FYI: Mardi Gras 2013 is Feb. 12. Please have conference after. (I'll bring beads and boas) [#solopr](#)



[KerseyKnowsBest](#) Feb 15, 1:53pm via [Twitter for Android](#)

Looks like I'm goint to [#Atlanta](#) next feb! [#solopr](#) .. Provided the world doesnt end



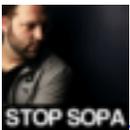
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Thanks everyone for your enthusiasm! We're excited -- all you amazing smarties in one place? Awesome. [#solopr](#)



[mdbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:53pm via [TweetChat](#)

Gotta go folks. Sorry I didn't make it the whole hour. Have a great week! [#solopr](#)



[40deuce](#) Feb 15, 1:52pm via [HootSuite](#)

@[jgombita](#) @[KateRobins](#) give me 15 mins and I'll be at a computer to share [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:52pm via [TweetDeck](#)

@[SoloPR](#) There ya go. :) [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:52pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

Maybe folks are a little shy to share thoughts here? Maybe we'll do a quick surveymonkey poll to capture input- would that work? [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:51pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

RT @[SoloPR](#): Q3 cont: Weigh in on our FB poll re: best days of week: [on.fb.me/A0v3yJ](#) Pls share thoughts on fees, content, etc [#solopr](#)



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:51pm via [TweetDeck](#)

@[SoloPR](#) Count on me to help you coordinate :) [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:51pm via [TweetDeck](#)

@[SoloPR](#) Happy to. [#solopr](#)



[TerriMallioux](#) Feb 15, 1:51pm via [Twitter for iPhone](#)

Fantastic! RT @[SoloPR](#): Many of you were part of the chat when we discussed having a [#solopr](#) conf- we're moving forward, w/plans for Feb '13



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:50pm via [TweetDeck](#)

RT @[SoloPR](#): Yay! Atlanta RT @[Anita Chauhan](#): I'd definitely be at that conference! Where would it be held? [#solopr](#) < Knew I liked this girl!



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:50pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

Any and all inpt is welcome! RT @[KateRobins](#): @[SoloPR](#) Awesome! [#solopr](#)



[jgombita](#) Feb 15, 1:50pm via web

A2. Can You Say Sysomos? [video] shar.es/fNIPA cc @[KateRobins](#) [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:49pm via TweetGrid.com

Yay! In Atlanta RT @[Anita Chauhan](#): @[SoloPR](#) I'd definitely be at that conference! Where would it be held? [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:49pm via TweetGrid.com

RT @[farida_h](#): A2: If main site doesn't rank high despite SEO, landing pages focused on specific products could be an alternative. [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:48pm via TweetDeck

@[SoloPR](#) Awesome! [#solopr](#)



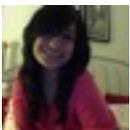
[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:48pm via TweetGrid.com

RT @[SoloPR](#): Q3: Many of you were part of the chat when we discussed having [#solopr](#) conf- we're moving forward, w/plans for Feb 2013!



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:48pm via TweetGrid.com

Q3 cont: Weigh in on our FB poll re: best days of week: on.fb.me/A0v3yJ Also, what are your thoughts on fees, content, etc? [#solopr](#)



[Anita Chauhan](#) Feb 15, 1:48pm via TweetDeck

@SoloPR I'd definitely be at that conference! Where would it be held? [#soloopr](#)



[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:47pm via TweetDeck

ITA, brands can get too clever. RT @TerriMallioux: A2: "generic" doesn't have to mean "bad." simplicity of a name can be a plus. [#soloopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:47pm via TweetGrid.com

Q3: Many of you were part of the chat when we discussed having a [#soloopr](#) conf- we're moving forward, w/plans for Feb 2013!



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:46pm via TweetDeck

@[jgombita](#) What a great, albeit minor invasive, way to show customers their man-on-the-street response to their name. [#smwto](#) [#soloopr](#)



[akenn](#) Feb 15, 1:45pm via web

If you ever struggled w/ marketing a generic named co/brand, check out great ideas/suggestions on today's [#soloPR](#) chat



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:45pm via TweetDeck

@[akenn](#) People usually mean it like it's a bad thing. [#soloopr](#)



[jgombita](#) Feb 15, 1:45pm via web

@[KateRobins](#) if @40deuce is online right now (been seeing him at [#smwto](#), including yesterday's panel), maybe he can link to video. [#soloopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:45pm via [TweetDeck](#)

@[LoveINpower](#) Bad for environment. Make creosote in chimney when you use them to light a fire.
[#businesscards](#) [#soloPR](#) [#PRSA](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:44pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

Excellent insights, as always! Q3 is coming up... [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:44pm via [TweetDeck](#)

@[jgombita](#) I LOVE THAT!! [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:44pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

RT @[LoisMarketing](#): As PR advisor, I'm not focused on their name. I'm focused on the company. More importantly, its people, product [#solopr](#)



[jgombita](#) Feb 15, 1:43pm via [web](#)

@[akenn](#) do you know anyone (still alive) from the Great Depression, who went from being farm owners to sharecroppers? c @[Lkinoshita](#) [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:43pm via [TweetDeck](#)

@[TerriMallioux](#) No kidding! I wish I'd claimed KRPR . Was doing it back before domain name mattered much. Now it's like ACME. [#solopr](#)



[JanetLFalk](#) Feb 15, 1:43pm via [web](#)

Missing [#soloPR](#) chat today due to volunteer project. Catch up on transcript.



[jgombita](#) Feb 15, 1:42pm via web

A2. Do what [@sysomos](#) did: go out on the street and ask people how to pronounce the name...videotape it; spread through social media. [#soloPR](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:42pm via TweetGrid.com

A2: is generic name making it hard for you to monitor media coverage or is it having neg impact on their bottom line? BIG difference [#soloPR](#)



[LoveINpower](#) Feb 15, 1:42pm via TweetDeck

What are your thoughts on plastic business cards? [#businesscards](#) [#soloPR](#) [#PRSA](#)



[akenn](#) Feb 15, 1:42pm via TweetChat

[@Lkinoshita](#) [@jgombita](#) probably opening a can of worms w/this question...but is 'sharecropping' a bad thing? [#soloPR](#)



[KellyeCrane](#) Feb 15, 1:42pm via TweetDeck

A2: Once you determine your plan of action, be consistent in all communications. Convince client this is imp. [#soloPR](#)



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:42pm via TweetDeck

As their PR advisor, I'm not focused on their name. I'm focused on the company. More importantly, the people and product. [#soloPR](#) A2



[farida_h](#) Feb 15, 1:41pm via TweetChat

A2: If main site doesn't rank high despite SEO, landing pages focused on specific products could be an alternative. [#solopr](#)



[Lkinoshita](#) Feb 15, 1:41pm via HootSuite

I admire how HubSpot claimed phrase "Inbound Marketing" a few yrs ago, now they have "Inbound2012" summit with top speakers [#solopr](#)



[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:41pm via TweetDeck

[@farida_h](#) [@KristK](#) See also: the hilarious [@Oatmeal](#) on "how a web design goes straight to hell" (fave) [bit.ly/yMVvQW](#) [#soloPR](#)



[TerriMallioux](#) Feb 15, 1:41pm via Twitter for iPhone

A2: I think we have to remember that "generic" doesn't have to mean "bad." Many times the simplicity of a name can be a plus. [#solopr](#)



[KerseyKnowsBest](#) Feb 15, 1:41pm via TweetGrid.com

RT [@KristK](#): A2: Find out how customers find them now. Know thy keywords. [#solopr](#)



[mndbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:40pm via TweetChat

Good point. Does the customer/target see an issue? Define issue. RT [@KristK](#): A2: Find out how customers find them now. Know keywords [#solopr](#)



[Anita Chauhan](#) Feb 15, 1:40pm via TweetDeck

Learning so much following the [#solopr](#) chat ([@SoloPR](#))



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:40pm via TweetDeck

[@LoisMarketing](#) Right. "The you name it-here-in-8th-grade-English company." [#solopr](#)



[KellyeCrane](#) Feb 15, 1:40pm via TweetDeck

A2: As others have noted, good SEO can be critical in these cases. If the others w/same name aren't well known, you can rise to top [#solopr](#)



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:39pm via TweetDeck

Move quickly beyond a generic name to uncover what is unique and valuable about the company, spotlight that. [#solopr](#) A2



[Lkinoshita](#) Feb 15, 1:39pm via HootSuite

If Zappos, Amazon, Yahoo and Google can brand those once meaningless and silly names, then you can brand your own tagline too! [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:39pm via TweetGrid.com

A2: Find out how customers find them now. Know thy keywords. [#solopr](#)



[jgombita](#) Feb 15, 1:39pm via web

Yes, @ConversationAge was the first person I knew to describe building a property on FB as "sharecropping" @Lkinoshita #solopr



[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:38pm via [TweetDeck](#)

@SoloPR It was a franchise, w/ everything marketed under the product/service brand, which was not the co. name. #solopr



[Lkinoshita](#) Feb 15, 1:38pm via [HootSuite](#)

Regarding taglines, it's what you do with it that counts, not the tagline per se #solopr



[KellyeCrane](#) Feb 15, 1:38pm via [TweetDeck](#)

A2: I think a lot of tech companies are founded by those focused on tech- and they pick bad names. J #solopr



[Lkinoshita](#) Feb 15, 1:37pm via [HootSuite](#)

@jgombita we call that "sharecropping" over here. Building content for other sites is not an investment in your own biz #solopr



[mdbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:37pm via [TweetChat](#)

RT @KristK: A2: What about developing their main service/product instead of company name? company name could be almost a footnote. #solopr



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:37pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

@3HatsComm You mean, there was a product-related brand? Or the company brand was different from its name? #solopr



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:37pm via TweetDeck

@[KristK](#) Interesting [#solopr](#)



[mdbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:37pm via TweetChat

RT @[3HatsComm](#): A2 Worked for company where the brand name was different than company. Used that logo, tagline, message everywhere. [#solopr](#)



[farida_h](#) Feb 15, 1:37pm via TweetChat

A2: Implement solid SEO to make sure site ranks high. Lots of content creation, real estate on imp. social media sites will help. [#solopr](#)



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:36pm via TweetDeck

I would move beyond a generic name to the unique people and services offered, spotlight them. [#solopr](#) A2



[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:36pm via TweetChat

A2 Worked for company where the brand name was different than company. Used that logo, tagline, message everywhere. [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:36pm via TweetDeck

Ohhhh....MT @[joeldon](#): When the CEO decides to take a DIY approach ...[#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:35pm via TweetGrid.com

A2: What about developing their main service/product instead of company name? company name could be almost a footnote. Hmm. [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR Feb 15, 1:35pm via TweetGrid.com](#)

RT @mdbarber: A2 - generic name means focus on benefits/services even more important. Add consistent tag/brand as well. [#solopr](#)



[Anita Chauhan Feb 15, 1:35pm via TweetDeck](#)

RT @LoisMarketing: Remember that in many cases branding, logo, tagline, etc. is outside the PR sphere. What can we do through PR? [#solopr](#) A2



[LoisMarketing Feb 15, 1:35pm via TweetDeck](#)

Supplement the brand and reputation with effective and consistent PR -- and be unique! [#solopr](#) A2



[ShryerPR Feb 15, 1:35pm via TweetGrid.com](#)

I'm getting real-time search results at TweetGrid [tweetgrid.com](#) [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR Feb 15, 1:35pm via TweetGrid.com](#)

MT @KerseyKnowsBest: @SoloPR Unique logo/branding. Stand out with your look and feel. Make sure your website is optimized [#solopr](#)



[LoisMarketing Feb 15, 1:34pm via TweetDeck](#)

Remember that in many cases branding, logo, tagline, etc. is outside the PR sphere. What can we do through PR? [#solopr](#) A2



[dariasteigman](#) Feb 15, 1:34pm via TweetDeck

@[kkellerpr](#) And if the brand image is dull, maybe slowly work a little more zest into it. Keep to brand guidelines, but "improve." [#solopr](#)



[joeldon](#) Feb 15, 1:34pm via TweetDeck

When the CEO decides to take a DIY approach to company name & image, wrap good PR content around it. Best I could do. [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:34pm via TweetGrid.com

RT @[akenn](#): A2: can you think of a more descriptive (but succinct) tagline and use that everytime name is mentioned? [#solopr](#)



[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:34pm via TweetDeck

@[farida_h](#) @[Kristik](#) Speaking as a creative type, design as well as writing, it's very hard to teach taste. [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:34pm via TweetDeck

@[Anita_Chauhan](#) Welcome, Anita. [#solopr](#) [#excited](#)



[hospitality_co](#) Feb 15, 1:34pm via HootSuite

A2 An interesting company philosophy and/or messaging can combat a name (but a cool name helps a lot). [#solopr](#)



[KellyeCrane](#) Feb 15, 1:34pm via TweetDeck

A2: If you can come up w/a related moniker or partial abbrev., and use everywhere (socmed, domain, etc.), that can work. [#solopr](#)



[dariasteigman](#) Feb 15, 1:34pm via TweetDeck

@[TerriMallioux](#) Hi Terri. Glad you could join. [#solopr](#)



[mdbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:34pm via TweetChat

A2 - generic name means focus on benefits/services even more important. Add consistent tag/brand as well. [#solopr](#)



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:33pm via TweetDeck

Help the client create a name for themselves! By spotlighting their civic or community involvement for example. [#soloPR](#) A2



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:33pm via TweetDeck

@[KateRobins](#) Sorry about that, Anita. I'm having some bizarre trouble here with Tweetchat. Welcome!! [#solopr](#) [#solopr](#)



[TerriMallioux](#) Feb 15, 1:33pm via Twitter for iPhone

Sorry I'm late. But better late than never. [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:33pm via TweetDeck

@[dariasteigman](#) show off! :) [#solopr](#)@Anita_Chauhan [#solopr](#)



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:32pm via [TweetDeck](#)

Be creative with press and photo opportunities. Keep the people, not the name, in the forefront. [#solopr](#) A2



[Anita_Chauhan](#) Feb 15, 1:32pm via [TweetDeck](#)

@[TechJetCA](#) Oh check it out, it seems pretty awesome. AND informative. I may just jump in right now and join [#solopr](#)



[mdbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:32pm via [TweetChat](#)

RT @[dariasteigman](#): A2 When did they brand? And is there an option to develop a sub-brand/ tagline that can be de facto name for PR? [#solopr](#)



[dariasteigman](#) Feb 15, 1:32pm via [TweetDeck](#)

@[KateRobins](#) More like making up for being absent for a little while. :) [#solopr](#)



[farida_h](#) Feb 15, 1:32pm via [web](#)

@[3HatsComm](#) If they don't 'get' it, then it's back to the flowchart where the arrow points to banging head on desk as @[KristK](#) [#solopr](#)



[akenn](#) Feb 15, 1:32pm via [TweetChat](#)

A2: can you think of a more descriptive (but succinct) tagline and use that everytime name is mentioned? [#solopr](#)



[KellyeCrane](#) Feb 15, 1:32pm via TweetDeck

@[3HatsComm](#) @[joeldon](#) I think a lot of cos think they should do website first, then hire PR counsel. Problematic, as you note. [#solopr](#)



[mdbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:31pm via TweetChat

A2 - this one's tough wo more information. Can a tagline help differentiate? Name change is HUGE step. [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:31pm via TweetDeck

@[dariasteigman](#) show off! :) [#solopr](#)



[jgombita](#) Feb 15, 1:31pm via web

@[farida_h](#) some are skipping formal websites in favour of Tubmlr (blogs)! [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:31pm via TweetGrid.com

RT @[SoloPR](#): Q2: My client has a terribly generic company name, which makes a lot of our efforts more difficult. Tips/suggestions? [#solopr](#)



[TechJetCA](#) Feb 15, 1:31pm via web

@[Anita_Chauhan](#) Sayyyy what??? What is this [#SoloPR](#) chat all about? :-)



[dariasteigman](#) Feb 15, 1:31pm via TweetDeck

A2 When did they brand? And is there an option to develop a sub-brand/ tagline that can be de facto name for marketing? [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:31pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

@[Anita_Chauhan](#) You can join in now, if you'd like! :-) [#solopr](#)



[Lkinoshita](#) Feb 15, 1:31pm via [HootSuite](#)

@[LoisMarketing](#) I agree. We have to be sensitive to client's budget appetite. Value is in the eye of the client. [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:30pm via [TweetDeck](#)

@[mdbarber](#) I look forward to this disc. I have a client w/ sort-of similar issues. [#solopr](#)



[KerseyKnowsBest](#) Feb 15, 1:30pm via [web](#)

@[SoloPR](#) Unique logo/branding. Stand out with your look and feel. Make sure your website is optimized and easy to find [#SoloPr](#)



[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:30pm via [TweetChat](#)

Would, could, should. RT @[joeldon](#): Yup, thats why PR should be part of all site re-designs & content dev [#solopr](#)



[joeldon](#) Feb 15, 1:30pm via [TweetDeck](#)

Tough, been there. Client name was same as business market category. @[SoloPR](#): Q2: My client has a terribly generic company name. [#solopr](#)



[dariasteigman](#) Feb 15, 1:30pm via TweetDeck

Doing a little double dipping: [#solopr](#) and digging into the solopr pro forums.



[Anita Chauhan](#) Feb 15, 1:29pm via TweetDeck

Watching the [#solopr](#) chat today for the first time. Casual observer. Will join in next week. [#excited](#).



[mdbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:29pm via TweetChat

RT @SoloPR: Q2: My client has a terribly generic company name, which makes a lot of our efforts more difficult. Tips/suggestions? [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:29pm via HootSuite

RT @Speakeasy_Media: A1: as long as web design/layout highlights content; timely, relevant, and accessible content gets results [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:29pm via TweetGrid.com

Q2: My client has a terribly generic company name, which makes a lot of our efforts more difficult. Tips/suggestions? [#solopr](#)



[KerseyKnowsBest](#) Feb 15, 1:28pm via web

So sad I have to leave [#SoloPR](#) chat for a meeting.. 99% of the time I can work around.. not today [#DayOfMeetings](#)



[farida_h](#) Feb 15, 1:28pm via TweetChat

@[jgombita](#) Agreed. From my experience, a lot of SMEs look for cheap versus quality. Changing that kind of attitude is tough. [#solopr](#)



[joeldon](#) Feb 15, 1:28pm via [TweetDeck](#)

Yup, that's why PR should be part of all site re-designs & content dev @[3HatsComm](#): ...problem. Clients don't always seek counsel of [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:27pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

Very good advice and tips here- thanks. Q2 is up next... [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:27pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

@[akenn](#) The Forums are part of the Solo PR PRO Premium site (bit.ly/rDFeQa). Join in the convo! c.
@TracyShryerPR [#solopr](#)



[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:27pm via [TweetChat](#)

ITA but what if they don't 'get' the difference? RT @[farida_h](#): A1: Show examples of great websites..
[#solopr](#)



[Speakeasy_Media](#) Feb 15, 1:27pm via [HootSuite](#)

A1: as long as web design/layout highlights content; timely, relevant, and accessible content gets results
[#solopr](#)



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:26pm via [TweetDeck](#)

Be careful in suggesting major rework. Begin w minor copy changes, maybe an image change, a new page, etc. One step at a time [#solopr](#) A1



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:26pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

RT @[LoisMarketing](#): Supplementing the result can be the 'bridge' between initial product and any needed overhaul. You'll be hero [#solopr](#)



[jgombita](#) Feb 15, 1:26pm via [web](#)

A1. What's really interesting @[joeldon](#) is how many SMEs don't want to spend much time and money developing a website at all! [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:24pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

RT @[farida_h](#): A1: Showing examples of great websites by competitors may help client understand why current one is sub-standard too [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:24pm via [TweetDeck](#)

RT @[joeldon](#): Client probably doesn't want to hear negatives after time, effort, \$\$\$ spent. Counsel on site growth & "enhancements" [#solopr](#)



[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:24pm via [TweetDeck](#)

@[joeldon](#) Agree but that's part of problem. Clients don't always seek counsel of [#soloPR](#) B4 (not wanting to spend \$) .. hence subpar msg.



[KerseyKnowsBest](#) Feb 15, 1:24pm via [web](#)

NEVER trash you competitors- so tacky. Be better than that @[KellyeCrane](#) A1: stay away from overtly bashing another vendor. [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:23pm via TweetDeck

RT @[LoisMarketing](#): Supplementing the result can be the 'bridge' between initial product and any needed overhaul. You'll be hero. [#solopr](#) A1



[mndbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:23pm via TweetChat

A1 - Doing it together will help the client see it, rather than you telling. Makes a stronger team for long-term growth. [#solopr](#)



[tiponamission](#) Feb 15, 1:23pm via Twitter for iPhone

yes “@[joeldon](#): Client prob doesn't want to hear negatives after time, effort, \$\$\$ spent. Counsel on site growth & "enhancements" [#solopr](#)”



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:23pm via TweetDeck

Supplementing the result can be the 'bridge' between initial product and any needed overhaul. You'll be hero. [#solopr](#) A1



[ShryerPR](#) Feb 15, 1:23pm via TweetGrid.com

[#SoloPR](#) maybe you shud answer this. RT @[akenn](#): @TracyShryerPR what forums? [#solopr](#)



[mndbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:23pm via TweetChat

A1 - Ask the client what they like? Assuming you've developed messages together, review the site together based on those. [#solopr](#)



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:22pm via [TweetDeck](#)

Rather than looking at poor result as detrimental to your efforts, consider how your efforts can bolster/enhance. [#solopr](#) A1



[mdbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:22pm via [TweetChat](#)

RT @[KellyeCrane](#): A1: All of the advice has 1 thing in common: stay away from overtly bashing another vendor. Can cause turf battles. [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:22pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

Good point MT @[KristK](#): A1: client reaction may be based in relief that website project is "done." ...Proceed with care [#solopr](#)



[akenn](#) Feb 15, 1:21pm via [TweetChat](#)

@TracyShryerPR what forums? [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:21pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

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[joeldon](#) Feb 15, 1:21pm via [TweetDeck](#)

Sites are not supposed to be static these days; leverage new content & design opps. [#solopr](#)



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RT @joeldon: Client probably doesn't want to hear negatives after time, effort, \$\$\$ spent. Counsel on site growth & "enhancements" [#solopr](#)



[farida_h](#) Feb 15, 1:21pm via [TweetChat](#)

A1: Showing some examples of great websites by competitors may help client understand why current one is sub-standard too. [#solopr](#)



[KellyeCrane](#) Feb 15, 1:21pm via [TweetDeck](#)

A1: All of the advice has one thing in common: stay away from overtly bashing another vendor. Can cause turf battles. [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:20pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

RT @3HatsComm: A1 If they like it and you know it's bad.. you'll have to show how X changes will earn the Y results they want [#solopr](#)



[ShryerPR](#) Feb 15, 1:20pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

RT @KateRobins: @mdbarber Yes. Busy = good. [#solopr](#)



[EmpressSpade](#) Feb 15, 1:20pm via [HootSuite](#)

RT @tiponamission: A1: I agree with @roundpeg. Be honest suggest changes that will align and work with your efforts [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:19pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

A1: client reaction may be based in relief that website project is "done." They may be ready to move on mentally. Proceed with care. [#solopr](#)



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[ShryerPR](#) Feb 15, 1:19pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

For all the solopr pros here, PLEASE remember to check out the forums!!! It's no fun writing to myself. [#solopr](#)



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[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:19pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

RT @[hospitality_co](#): A1 Why can't clients just listen to us all the time? Present scenarios of where the messaging could go wrong. [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:18pm via [TweetDeck](#)

RT @[KellyeCrane](#): A1: Sometimes you can improve messaging in deliverables you create, then if client likes, suggest updating website [#solopr](#)



[joeldon](#) Feb 15, 1:18pm via TweetDeck

RT @[KellyeCrane](#): A1: Sometimes you can improve messaging in deliverables you create, then if client likes, suggest updating website [#solopr](#)



[dariasteigman](#) Feb 15, 1:18pm via TweetDeck

Great pt. RT @[KellyeCrane](#): A1: Sometimes you can improve messaging in your deliverables; if client likes, suggest updating website [#solopr](#)



[KellyeCrane](#) Feb 15, 1:17pm via TweetDeck

A1: Sometimes you can improve messaging in deliverables you create, then if client likes, suggest updating website [#solopr](#)



[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:17pm via TweetChat

Almost every day. ;-) RT @[KristK](#): A1: Cover bruise on forehead from banging head on desk.. [#solopr](#)



[ShryerPR](#) Feb 15, 1:17pm via TweetGrid.com

A1: I make recommendations and help develop strategy based on goals. The client makes the final decisions based on my input.. [#solopr](#)



[tiponamission](#) Feb 15, 1:17pm via Twitter for iPhone

A1: I agree with @[roundpeg](#). Be honest suggest changes that will align and work with your efforts [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:17pm via TweetDeck

RT @dariasteigman: A1 I'd broach misgivings - esp if strategic, but also look for 1-3 "easy" fixes to sugg as a short-term solution. [#solopr](#)



[farida_h](#) Feb 15, 1:17pm via TweetChat

RT @mdbarber A1 Find out what it is the client likes. What they like may give u a window to discuss the changes u want in messaging. [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:16pm via TweetGrid.com

MT @KristK: A1: Cover bruise on forehead from banging head on desk & start measuring site's impact, others' reactions (pos or neg) [#solopr](#)



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[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:16pm via TweetChat

A1 - Are you being consulted for changes, or is this a 'done deal'? Why were you not involved before in went bad? [#solopr](#)



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:16pm via TweetDeck

As trusted advisor you should be able to voice concerns and offer suggestions. Begin w praise for what's 'right' about site/product [#solopr](#)



[makasha](#) Feb 15, 1:16pm via TweetChat

A1: Try not to come across like a know it all by suggesting small changes that match the over communications goals [#solopr](#)



[dariasteigman](#) Feb 15, 1:16pm via [TweetDeck](#)

A1 2 different issues: site (brand, look/feel, architecture); and messaging. Figure out which one is most imp't to tackle. [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:15pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

A1: Cover bruise on forehead from banging head on desk and start measuring site's impact on efforts, others' reactions (pos or neg) [#solopr](#)



[farida_h](#) Feb 15, 1:15pm via [TweetChat](#)

A1: Point out nicely how and why it can be better. If u hv good reasons, i'm sure client will see sense in it(or one can hope) [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:15pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

MT [@dariasteigman](#): A1 I'd broach my misgivings- esp if strategic, but also look for 1-3 "easy" fixes...as a short-term solution [#solopr](#)



[tiponamission](#) Feb 15, 1:15pm via [Twitter for iPhone](#)

Hello my fellow [#solopr](#). I haven't joined in a while, but I'm just breezing through.



[dariasteigman](#) Feb 15, 1:15pm via [TweetDeck](#)

[@KellyeCrane](#) I did see your initial query. I'm hip & irreverent, but I need the Urban Dictionary. So clearly not my thing. :) [#solopr](#)



[Lkinoshita](#) Feb 15, 1:14pm via [Twitterrific](#)

@[KristK](#) build trust over time, use data, empirical facts to show what changes are needed and why [#solopr](#)



[mdbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:14pm via [TweetChat](#)

RT @[SoloPR](#): Q1: Client worked w/vendor on new website & msging- result is sub-par, but client likes!
What to do? [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:14pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

RT @[roundpeg](#): Suggest small changes Q1 [#solopr](#)



[ShryerPR](#) Feb 15, 1:14pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

Hello everyone! Hope you had a loving valentine's day. [#solopr](#)



[mdbarber](#) Feb 15, 1:14pm via [TweetChat](#)

Trying to join you all today. Hope it works. Busy is good though, right? Alaska PR pro w 30+ yrs; APR & chair College of Fellows [#solopr](#)



[Speakeasy_Media](#) Feb 15, 1:14pm via [HootSuite](#)

oh good; i'm not the only one late for [#solopr](#) -- catching up now...



[KellyeCrane](#) Feb 15, 1:14pm via [TweetDeck](#)

Edgy is my word for something targeting young, irreverent, cursing-types :-)
[#solopr](#) RT @[dariasteigman](#):
@[KellyeCrane](#) What is "edgy" anyway?



[roundpeg](#) Feb 15, 1:13pm via [HootSuite](#)

Suggest small changes RT @[SoloPR](#): Q1: Client's new website & msging-is sub-par, may affect my efforts, but client likes! What to do? [#solopr](#)



[dariasteigman](#) Feb 15, 1:13pm via [TweetDeck](#)

A1 I'd broach my misgivings -- esp if strategic, but also look for 1-3 "easy" fixes to suggest as a short-term solution. [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:12pm via [TweetChat](#)

ugh RT @[SoloPR](#): Q1: Client worked w/vendor on new website & msging- sub-par result, may affect my efforts; client likes! What do? [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:12pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

RT @[SoloPR](#): Q1: Client worked w/vendor on new website & msging- result is sub-par, but client likes! What to do? [#solopr](#)



[farida_h](#) Feb 15, 1:12pm via [web](#)

@[dariasteigman](#) Hi Daria! Good to see you on [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:11pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

Q1: Client worked w/vendor on new website & msging- result is sub-par, may affect my efforts, but client likes! What to do? [#solopr](#)



KateRobins Feb 15, 1:09pm via TweetChat

@tracybb Welcome back! [#solopr](#)



SoloPR Feb 15, 1:09pm via TweetGrid.com

Glad to see a great crowd gathering! Q1 is up next... [#solopr](#)



tracybb Feb 15, 1:08pm via TweetChat

I'm Tracy, 16 years experience, 9 as indy. Based in Los Angeles. I haven't been to solopr chat in a while. [#solopr](#)



akenn Feb 15, 1:08pm via TweetChat

Hello, from snow-free Boston! [#solopr](#)



joeldon Feb 15, 1:08pm via TweetDeck

Checking in. PR, SM and an app for our biz [#solopr](#)



KateRobins Feb 15, 1:08pm via TweetChat

@jbrownpr If I told you you'd be jealous. [#solopr](#)



SoloPR Feb 15, 1:08pm via TweetGrid.com

And by "me," I mean @KellyeCrane. Sorry- thanks! [#solopr](#)



[3HatsComm](#) Feb 15, 1:08pm via [TweetDeck](#)

Joining [#soloPR](#) chat, hello all.



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:07pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

Welcome everyone! While we gather, if you work in home decor or edgy/social site media rel, I have poss new biz opp. DM me! [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:07pm via [TweetChat](#)

RT [@rockstarjen](#): 80% of Press Release Headlines Too Long for Google, According to New Study [bit.ly/AyDKgQ](#) [#pr](#) [#solopr](#) [#solopr](#)



[LoisMarketing](#) Feb 15, 1:07pm via [TweetDeck](#)

Hi all :) [@KellyeCrane](#)'s neighbor in Atlanta, independent marketing and PR advisor specializing in small biz/professional svcs [#solopr](#)



[KateRobins](#) Feb 15, 1:07pm via [TweetChat](#)

RT [@SoloPR](#): Its time for this weeks [#soloPR](#) chat for independent pros in PR and related fields (and those who want to learn more) [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:06pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

Hello everyone, I'm Kristie (22 years exp, 8 as indy, APR and PR prof based on MS Gulf Coast) [#solopr](#)



[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:05pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

@tracybb Hi! We have several topics, mostly related to client relations/management. [#solopr](#)



[KristK](#) Feb 15, 1:05pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

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[SoloPR](#) Feb 15, 1:04pm via [TweetGrid.com](#)

If you have [#solopr](#) Qs you'd like us to discuss, please @[KellyeCrane](#) without the hashtag (or DM), and we'll add them to the list!



[makasha](#) Feb 15, 1:04pm via [TweetChat](#)

Hi from Montgomery, AL ... [#solopr](#)



[KellyeCrane](#) Feb 15, 1:04pm via [TweetDeck](#)

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[marketingveep](#) Feb 15, 1:04pm via [Twitter for iPhone](#)

@[KellyeCrane](#) you're welcome! Mi amigo @[MackCollier](#) should get the credit for reminding me. [#solopr](#)



[John_Trader1](#) Feb 15, 1:03pm via [TweetChat](#)

RT @rockstarjen: 80% of Press Release Headlines Too Long for Google, According to New Study [bit.ly/AyDKgQ](#) [#pr](#) [#solopr](#) [#solopr](#)



makasha Feb 15, 1:03pm via TweetChat

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SoloPR Feb 15, 1:03pm via TweetGrid.com

If you're joining, please introduce yourself. This is @[KellyeCrane](#) moderating, Atlanta-based blogger at [soloprpro.com](#) [#solopr](#)



tracybb Feb 15, 1:02pm via TweetChat

What is the topic today? [#solopr](#)



SoloPR Feb 15, 1:02pm via TweetGrid.com

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