

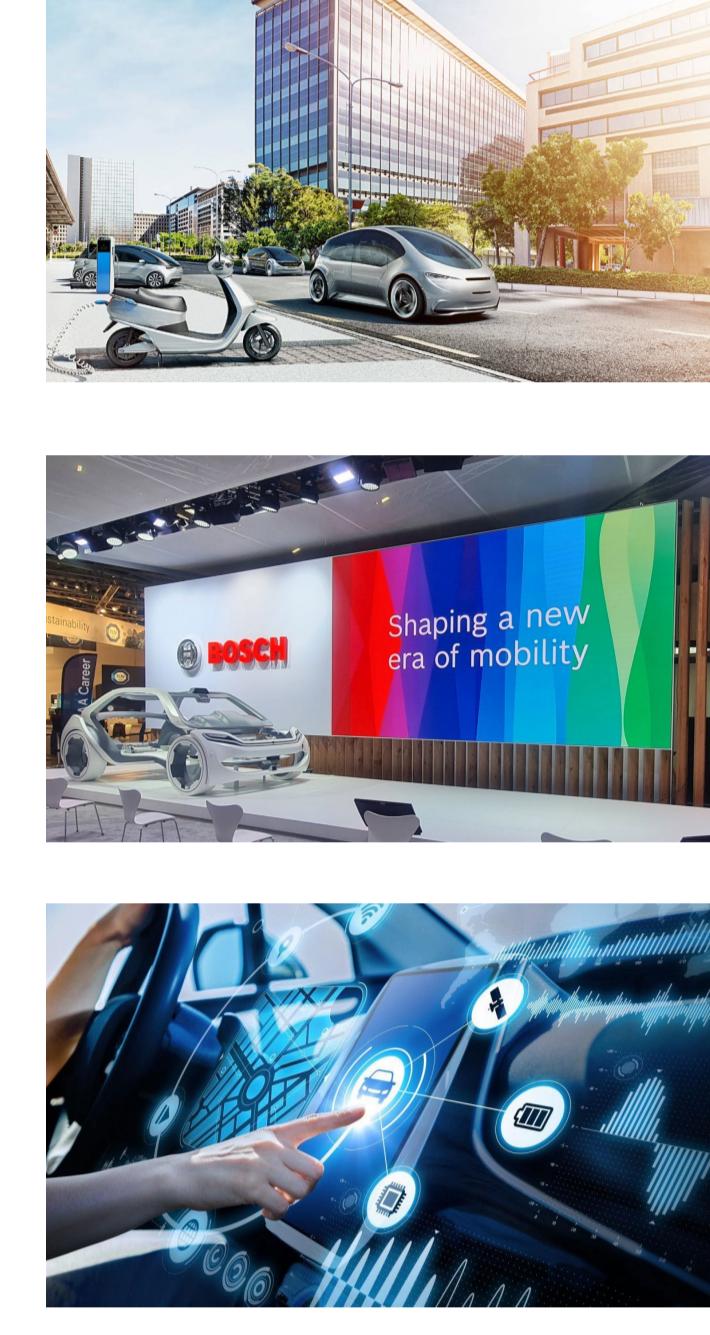
Transformative Marketing in B2B – Facing Dynamic Changes in Mobility Ecosystems

(Ph.D. Projekt)

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Projektbeschreibung

Mobilitätsunternehmen sehen sich derzeit mit einer intensiven Transformation ihres Ökosystems konfrontiert. Dynamische Veränderungen wie Technologietrends (z. B. autonomes Fahren, E-Mobilität), neue Marktteilnehmer, neue (digitale) Geschäftsmodelle und andere Variabilitäten üben erheblichen Druck auf die Akteure aus. Aufgrund ihrer „Vorwärts-Rückwärts-Integration“ innerhalb der Lieferkette sind etablierte B2B-Unternehmen besonders betroffen. Dies gilt auch für den Mobilitätssektor von Bosch, der als langjähriger Automobilzulieferer vor herausfordernden Transformationsprozessen steht. Als Rahmen für eine erfolgreiche, marktorientierte Transformation hat sich der Ansatz des Transformativen Marketings (TM) herauskristallisiert. In Anbetracht der unzureichenden Forschung zu B2B TM in disruptiven Mobilitätsökosystemen trägt das Promotionsprojekt dazu bei, bestehende Forschungslücken zu schließen und den Weg für eine konsequenter Anwendung in Theorie und Praxis zu ebnen.



Allgemeine Informationen

Bei dem Promotionsprojekt handelt es sich um eine kooperative und internationale Zusammenarbeit, die artikelbasiert und in englischer Sprache durchgeführt wird.

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- » Prof. Dr. Marc Kuhn (Zentrum für Empirische Forschung – DHBW Stuttgart), *akademischer Betreuer*
- » Prof. Dr. Lars Meyer-Waarden (Toulouse School of Management (TSM) - Universität Toulouse 1 Capitole), *akademischer Betreuer*

Ausblick

- » Beginnend im September 2019, verfolgt dieses Dissertationsprojekt eine vierstufige, paper-basierte Vorgehensweise.
- » Die Fertigstellung der Promotion ist bis Ende 2024 geplant.

Kooperative Partner



Konferenzbeiträge (Auswahl)

- » Strobel, S. L., & Kuhn, M. (2023). Business Ecosystems as Vertical Networks. Outlining a Criteria-based, Multidimensional Ecosystem Landscape, 2023 Academy of Marketing Science Annual Conference, New Orleans, USA, May 17-19.
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Project Description

Mobility companies are currently facing one of the most intense ecosystem transformations. Dynamic changes such as key emerging trends (e.g. software & service, e-mobility, autonomous driving), new market entrants, new (digital) business models and other variabilities exert significant pressure on the respective players. Due to their forward-backward integration within the supply chain, established B2B companies are especially affected. This also applies to the mobility sector of Bosch, which as a large, long-standing automotive supplier is facing challenging transformational processes. As a framework for successful, market-oriented transformation, the approach of Transformative Marketing (TM) recently emerged. Considering the scarce research on B2B TM in disrupting ecosystems, this PhD-project contributes to closing extant research gaps and pave the way for a more rigorous application in both theory and practice.

Research Approach: Paper-based, mixed-method structure

	PAPER 1	PAPER 2	PAPER 3	PAPER 4
Main research questions	How can the Business Ecosystem (BES) be delineated and characterized for B2B?	What is the current state of TM research and, based on this, which research agenda on TM can be outlined?	What drivers/ resources/marketing tools influence transformation success?	What quantified impact do the drivers/resources/instruments have on transformation success?
Methods	Systematic literature review (qualitative content analysis; bibliometric review approach)	Systematic literature review (Theory, Context, Characteristics-TCCM-Method; bibliometric review approach)	Qualitative methods, (expert interviews, qual. content analysis & semantic topic modeling)	Quantitative methods (survey, structural equation modeling & semantic topic modeling)

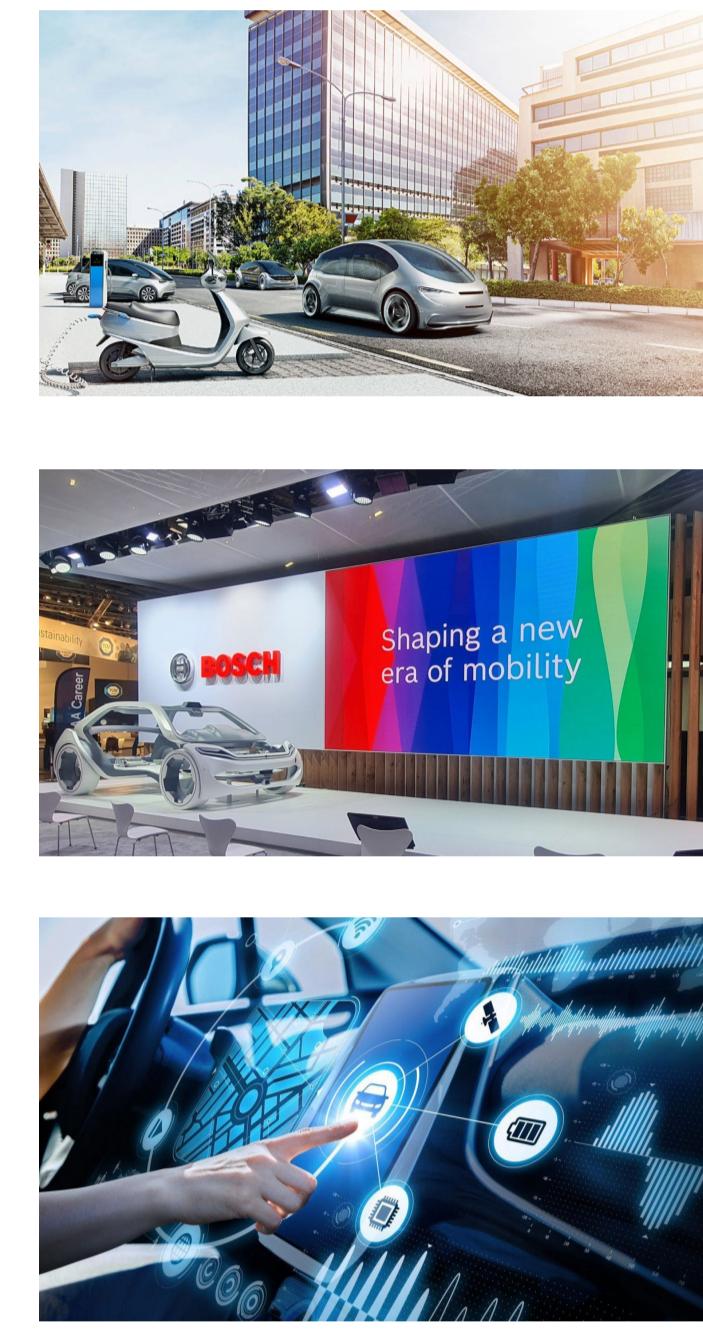
Preliminary and expected results

- » The first paper suggests a novel collection of eight BES characterization criteria and outlines a novel, multidimensional landscape classifying the business ecosystem (BES) into a structure of twelve horizontal and vertical ecosystems.
- » The second paper presents a novel analysis on the current research state on Transformative Marketing (TM), reveals that current TM lacks multiple foundations and angles necessary for a systematic advancement and rigorous and outlines a comprehensive research agenda on TM comprising 27 angles.
- » The third paper explores the topic of B2B TM in disruptive BES from the resource-based lens using the example of the mobility market. As a result, we offer an extensive collection of variables relevant in transformational processes.
- » The fourth paper empirically tests a conceptual model for B2B TM in disruptive mobility ecosystems resulting from the previous analyses. The model sets the course to successfully design a TM approach under consideration of different regions, supply-chain positions, company types and other factors.

Key Contributions

- » Study of existing literature on BES and TM onto specific characteristics in B2B mobility and other sectors.
- » Identification/differentiation of drivers and resources of transformation success in general and with special focus on B2B mobility markets.
- » Creation and empirical testing of a conceptual framework for transformation success in B2B mobility ecosystems.

General information



The Ph.D. project was a cooperative and international collaboration, which was article-based and conducted in English:

- » Selina Strobel (Bosch, Zentrum für Empirische Forschung – DHBW Stuttgart, Toulouse School of Management), *PhD candidate*
- » Prof. Dr. Marc Kuhn (Centre for Empirical Research – DHBW Stuttgart), *academic supervisor*
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Outlook

- » Beginning in September 2019, this dissertation project follows a four-step, paper-based approach.
- » The completion of the PhD is planned by the end of 2024.

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Conference papers (selection):

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