



# The Future of CTV Transparency Supported by Content Object



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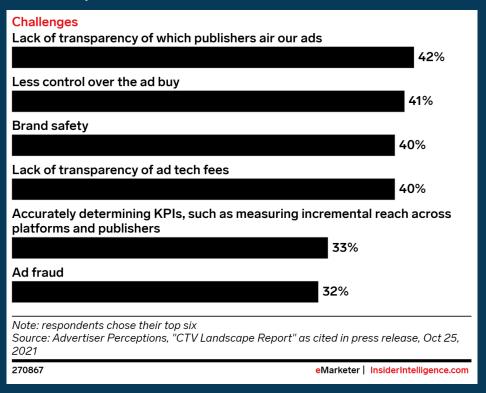
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### CTV TRANSPARENCY - WHY IT MATTERS!

 The biggest problem in connected TV today is transparency

 Advertisers want as much information about the content they're bidding against, similar to linear TV Challenges of Buying CTV Inventory Programmatically According to US Agency/Marketing Professionals (May 2021)



### CTV TRANSPARENCY: SUPPORTED BY CONTENT OBJECT

# CONTENT OBJECT DATA SIGNALS PROVIDE BUYERS WITH TRANSPARENCY INTO CONTENT DETAILS OF WHAT THEY CAN TARGET



Source: 1-IRIS.TV Publisher Case Study — CPM Lift



# WHAT IS IT? CONTENT OBJECT (TARGETING) OVERVIEW

Content Object targeting is a type of contextual targeting, it provides Publishers and Buyers the transparency and brand safety needed to take programmatic CTV to the next level.

- 1. Target against a variety of content object attributes.
- 2. Provides publishers increased demand while maintaining control
- 3. Provides buyers with supply transparency and brand safe protections
- 4. Drives convergence of Linear TV and CTV into a fully programmatic buying experience
- 5. Content Object is part of the IAB's openRTB standard

## WHY IS IT IMPORTANT?

#### **BUYERS**

- Buyers are asking for more transparency into their ad buys to help inform their buying strategy.
- Creates a new opportunity for buyers to curate CTV & OTT inventory that enables them to target against specific content.

Omnicom Media Group Issues Call-to-Action for Industry Adoption of CTV Standards

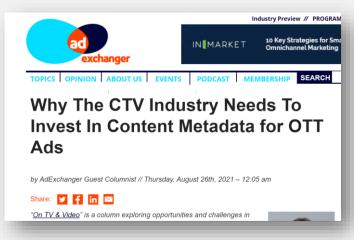
Connected TV Signal Standardization Initiative Launches with Support from Industry Stakeholders

November 2, 2021

https://www.omnicomgroup.com/newsroom/omnicom-media-group-issues-call-to-action-for-industry-adoption-of-ctv-standards/

#### **PUBLISHERS**

 When a publisher passes content object signals, buyers will spend more, (and from other budgets such as linear TV), than when publishers are less transparent.



https://www.adexchanger.com/tv-and-video/why-the-ctv-industry-needs-to-invest-incontent-metadata-for-ott-ads/

### HOW DOES IT BENEFIT PUBLISHERS?



- Increased Revenue Potential: Significant revenue potential through increased demand and repeat business
- Greater Transparency: Provide more transparency to buyers on which video content they can target against to help drive greater demand density
- Informed Pricing & Controls: Set preferrable pricing floors to control your inventory and manage yield
- Gain Competitive Advantage: Generate significant value to advertisers resulting in competitive advantage

### HOW DOES IT BENEFIT BUYERS?



- Contextual Targeting Capabilities: Buyers can curate video and CTV deals that are more tailored to their brand safety needs.
- Increased Addressability: Ramp up addressable strategies by accessing a contextual way of reaching desired audiences in a privacy-first fashion.
- Next Evolution of CTV/OTT Buying: Brings the best of linear and digital buying together through the ease of programmatic execution.
- Expanded Relevance and Transparency: Leverage a range of over 10 frequently targeted content signals and categories to enhance ad relevance.

# SO WHY HAS ADOPTION BEEN SLOW? STATE OF CONTENT OBJECT TODAY

Some publishers are hesitant to pass content object due to:

#### **PUBLISHERS**

Requires Content Mgmt System (CMS) and AdServer compatibility

Lack of adoption (IAB 3.0 Content Taxonomy)

Concerned of interference with direct deals (price erosion)

Lack of controls

Contractual rights to pass this content information

Technical challenges exist on the buy side too:

#### **BUYERS**

Does not ingest content object into the bidder

Perception is that there isn't a lot of demand from buyers

Perception is that there isn't enough supply with content object signals

May rely on SSPs to pass signals through (contractual agreements)

Requires product development and roadmap planning





# WHAT IS INCLUDED? A SAMPLE OF CONTENT OBJECT PARAMETERS AND VALUES

Туре	Parameter	Value	Notes
Content ID	cntid	string	Unique identifier for the video asset
Producer Name	cntproname	string	Represents the production house (e.g. Warner Bros.)
Channel		string	Passed in extension fields to signal the channel (e.g. HGTV, History, ESPN, etc)
Network		string	Passed in extension fields to signal the Network of channels (e.g. Discovery, A+E, ABC)
Category	cntctx	string	Comma separated values of IAB Content Categories
Genre	cntgen	string	Some standardization around IAB Contextual Taxonomy V2 for Movies/TV Shows
Series	cntser	string	This is generally what people mean when they say "Title" (e.g. The Big Bang Theory)
Title	cnttitle	binary	Generally, not what people really want - this is episode name (present/not present)
Length	cntlen	ranges	N/A, >1min, 1-5min, 5-15min, 15-30min, 30-60min, 60-120min, 120-240, Unreadable
Language	cntln	string	Short forms (e.g. EN, ES, DE, etc)
Livestream	cntislive	binary	0= not live, 1= live



