How to develop business opportunities thanks to Matomo? A feedback talk

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About the speaker

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Purpose of this talk

- To give you some feedback about how to make a living from Matomo Analytics.
- This talk is mainly for agencies and freelancers.
- Business oriented talk.

My business history

- 2010: first client signed for a training thanks to a landing page.
- 2011: I wrote a book about Piwik Analytics.
- From 2012 to 2014: I created two websites to attract leads I gave some conferences here and there, I have been involved into MeasureCamp. I started to have more leads regarding training.
- From 2015 to 2016: I joined an incubator and took the bet that one can get a living based on Matomo, mission accomplished in 3 months (including various missions from consulting to teaching).
- From 2017 to 2019: I joined the InnoCraft team.
- From 2019 to now: I doubled my revenues from 2015.

Different services which can be offered with Matomo Analytics

- 1) Web hosting (what most agencies are providing).
- 2) Consulting (solving complex issues).
- 3) Training (sharing knowledge about how to use Matomo).
- 4) Translation (hardly ever the case).
- 5) Custom development (plugin).
- 6) Documentation.

1) Web hosting

- Pros:
 - Bring constant revenues.
 - Bring a lot of opportunities to sell other services.
- Cons:
 - Scaling a Matomo is more complex that it seems.
 Every minute count.
 - Mostly for agencies.
 - Need to have system administrators on board all the time.

2) Consulting

- Pros:
 - Bring constant revenues.
 - Big contracts if you are a "good" sales person.
- Cons:
 - Can be super complex.
 - Sometimes hard to get your money back.

3) Training

- Pros:
 - Bring high revenues in a short period of time.
 - Easy to sell consulting afterwards.
- Cons:
 - One shot revenue.
 - If you lose your ressource you have to start back from scratch.
 - It takes a lot of time to train a trainer.

4) Translation

- Pros:
 - Easy and valuable task.
- Cons:
 - Never suceeded in selling one.

5) Custom development

- Pros:
 - Unknown project.
- Cons:
 - It can take a while before the project to start so to get paid.

6) Writing documentation

- Pros:
 - It allows you to ask yourself the right questions.
 - Develop your marketing materials.
- Cons:
 - Not so many projects.
 - Licenses can be restrictive.

Biggest mistakes I am seeing on the field

- You cannot know everything. You have to learn about subcontracting.
- Matomo is not Google Analytics.
- You have to understand the Free software philosophy.
- It is a long term return on investment.
- You cannot succeed if you don't love the software.

How to promote your Matomo services?

- It is a mix of everything.
 - Write a book / Tutorials.
 - Have a website introducing your services.
 - Give talks/conferences.
 - Network.
 - Mention to it to your existing clients.
 - Involve yourself within Free software projects.

Any questions???