

MAG POWERPOINT PRESENTATION GUIDELINES

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General PowerPoint Guidelines



Thank for you being a valued MAG partner and sharing your expertise and insights with our growing membership community!

We appreciate you utilizing these guidelines along with the MAG's standard PowerPoint presentation template.

On the following slides you'll find guidelines on how to build your presentation.

Purpose

To make your presentations easier to create and more effective as a communications tool, while contributing to the MAG's goal of a more unified look to improve its visibility.

Content Ownership and Formatting



MAG retains control over the presentation of sessions, topics, and materials, and all session materials become the property of MAG.

Basic Elements

- Use Calibri or Arial fonts
- Use black, gray, or white; blue can be used as a secondary accent color
- Simple backgrounds in white or black
- Consistent placement and size of headers
- Utilize: Images and videos that enhance content delivery
- Avoid: Animations, Slide Timing and Transitions
 - Slides automatically advance when webcast starts if "Use Timings" is enabled and saved on any slide.
 - Hidden slides will convert and display in Studio

Presentation Size and cover options



PowerPoints utilize a 16:9 format

Changing the size of a presentation in “Page Setup” will stretch and distort graphics. Copy and paste graphics into a pre-sized document to avoid any distortion.

Maximum PowerPoint file size

The maximum file size is 300MB

Cover Slide

Utilize the cover slide provided in the PowerPoint template.

Session Title and Presenter Name Slides

Utilize the Presentation Title and Presenter Name Slides provided in the PowerPoint template.

Template Examples



Logo Usage: Partner Logos



External Presenter Logo

MAG often conducts its work in association with partners. One aspect of being a good partner is sharing credit.

Your company logo may be inserted only on the Introduction page of the presentation. Commercial logos and marketing messages are prohibited in presentations.

MAG Logo / Footer

To maintain brand recognition, external presentations will contain the MAG Conference footer referencing the MAG logo and conference details.

Avoid altering or covering this up unless full screen layout is required for select slides.

Content slides: Typography



Primary Font

Calibri or Arial are the MAG's standard typeface.

Alternate Font

If Calibri is not available, use the similar font Arial.

Emphasis

Bolding or italics can be used for highlighted content.

Accent Colors

Black, gray or white can be used as accent colors. Blue can be used as a secondary accent color.

Content slides: Header/Subheader



Header size and typography

**HEADER: CALIBRI/ARIAL BOLD, UPPERCASE
36 POINTS**

Subhead: Calibri/Arial , 32 points

Consistent placement

Keeping the header in the same position from slide to slide makes it easier for the viewer to quickly identify the topic for that slide.

Concise headers

Avoid utilizing long headers. In cases where your header cannot fit into the frame, reduce the font size consistently or utilize a Subheader.

Content slides: body text



Body text typography size

Font size will depend on the amount of content on the slide, included graphics and the size of the conference room. Be consistent with your selections.

Recommended size when slide doesn't contain Images:

Paragraph Header: Calibri/Arial Bold, 26-28 Points

Paragraph body text: Calibri /Arial regular, 24-26 points when possible

12 points is starting to get really tiny, try to avoid going this small...

and 32 points is getting too large

Recommended size when slide contains Image:

Paragraph Header: Calibri/Arial Bold, 24-26 Points

Paragraph body text: Calibri /Arial regular, 22-24 points when possible

Content slides: Content Area



Frame

The page frame contains the areas within which your content should be contained. You may reformat the space but Do NOT go beyond the frame boundaries.

Exception

There are circumstances where the most effective display of an image is full screen. Use this sparingly and only when the best option for delivering content.

IMAGE Guidelines



- Utilize crisp images that are not pixelated, warped or blurry
- Utilize owned, public domain, royalty free or non-watermarked images
- Crop images to make them fit your layout (or selectively go full screen)
- Replace words with relevant images wherever possible
- Graphics are easier to read than tables of information
- Avoid obscuring slide content with too many photos
 - As a general rule, do not exceed more than five small-sized images, three medium-sized images or two large images per slide

Tips and best practices



RELEVANT TITLE

Create a Relevant Title

Submit a topic description and learning objectives to be included on the MAG registration site

BACKGROUND

Provide a topic Overview

Assume that attendees are not yet familiar with concepts

ACRONYMS

Define Acronyms

If you use an acronym, call out what it stands for the first time mentioned

USE CASES

Include Merchant Use Cases

Examples that cross multiple industry verticals and diverse tech teams ensures relevancy

RELEVANT

Relevant Topic and supporting content

Focus on market-ready solutions (Limit far off or future roadmap solutions)

TAKE-AWAYS

Summarize Key Concepts

What are the key points the merchant should take away from this presentation?

Tips and best practices



Include

- ✓ Educational content
- ✓ Vendor-neutral information
- ✓ Use case examples/call-to-action recommendations
- ✓ Your contact information on closing slide

Avoid

- ⊗ Company overview slides
- ⊗ Specific details about products your company sells
- ⊗ Product pricing or business pitches

Content: Tips and best practices



Keep in mind why the audience is here

The best presentations focus on industry solutions, practical recommendations, innovative solutions, case studies, industry trends relevant to the attendee organizations.

Use the Notes Section

Keep notes and extra details that you would like to mention, but don't need to show, off the slide by adding them into the notes section.

Content: Tips and best practices



One Slide, One Idea

Consider each slide as representing a single idea. The same for images. Clustering images adds clutter and dilutes your message.

Minimal Verbiage and Maximum White Space

Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication yielding greater impact and easier, quicker reading.

Avoid Busy Transitions

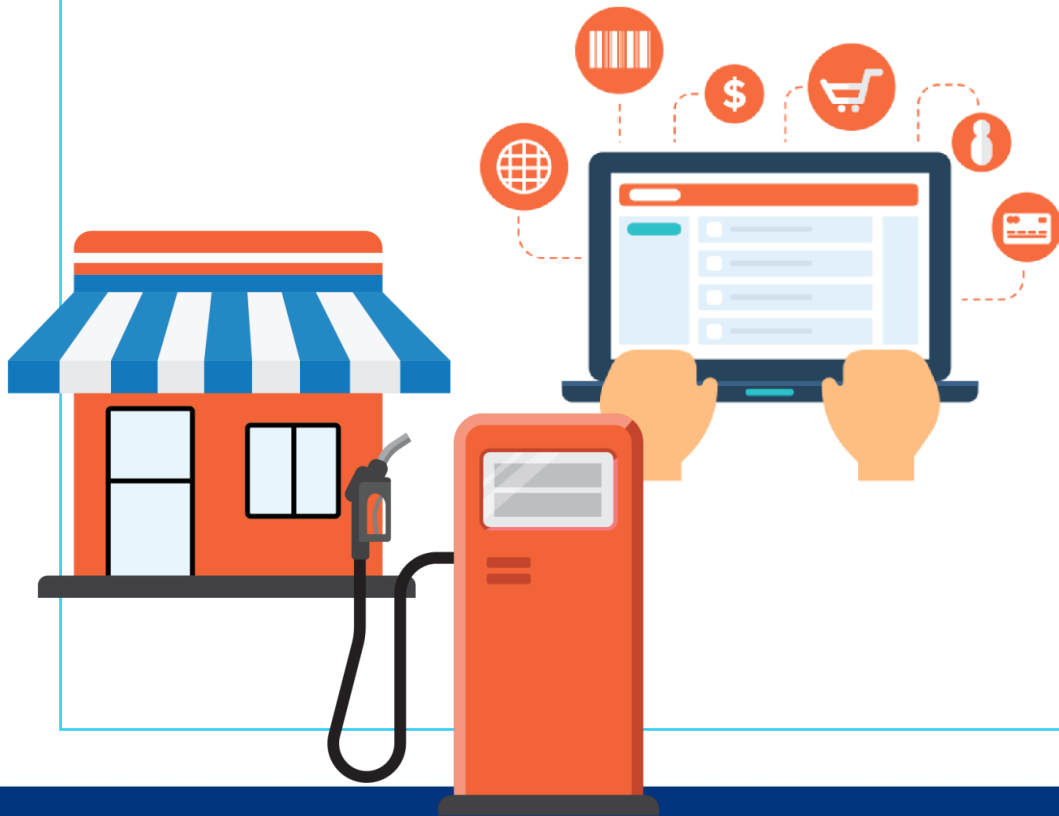
Animations, Slide Transitions and Word Art Object animation

Images: Tips and Best Practices



DON'T Scatter/overlap Images

Avoid images falling off page

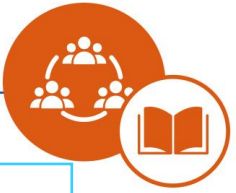


DO Align and Crop Images

Images remain within Content area



Slide Format: Tips and Best Practices



Headers are a title for slide content, the purpose is not to explain slide content – keep short!

Point 1 Paragraph
Point 2 Paragraph
Point 3 Paragraph
Support
Conclusion



Short/Concise Header

Core slide concept paragraph



Make your point:

- Keep text to minimum
- Highlight important aspects
- Leave the context to your speech

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

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