Strategies to combat ad blocking: how to convert the challenge into a solution

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Company Background



Launched in 2015



Offices in NY, Seattle, Berlin, London



Founded by Ben Barokas, Founder of Admeld



\$10M Series A announced June 2015



20+ Employees and growing

Leadership Team











Investment Partners





2015: The Year Of Ad

Blocking



Review

Apple's move to support **content** blocking with the release of iOS9. This led to an introduction of ad blocking apps, including Focus by Mozilla. NBC's Today Show ran a segment on ad blocking. Howard Stern introduced Ad Block Plus to millions of listeners in October. Likewise, South Park dedicated three episodes to the subject.

Ad Block-by-Default

Mobile Carriers

Wireless carriers to ship mobile devices with ad block enabled

Web Browsers

Web browsers come prepackaged with ad blocking capabilities **Anti-Virus** Software Providers to offer basic

services with ad block

2016: A Look Ahead



Publishers start taking action

Strategies

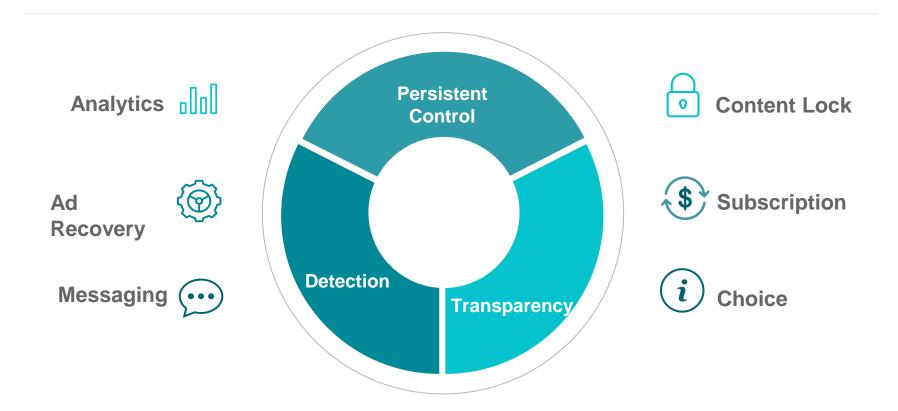
Digital businesses are feeling the pressure to communicate with and monetize ad block users.

We asked publishers which strategies that they are likely to test in the near future.

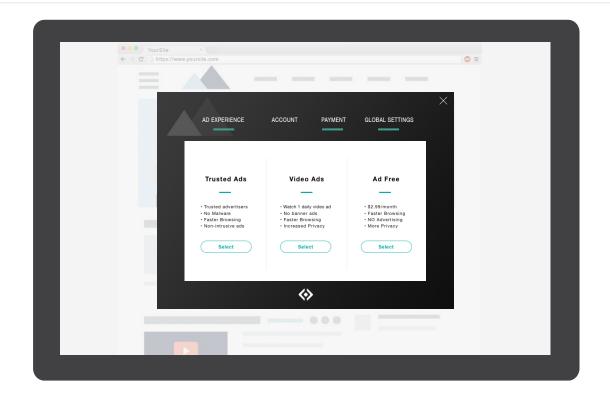
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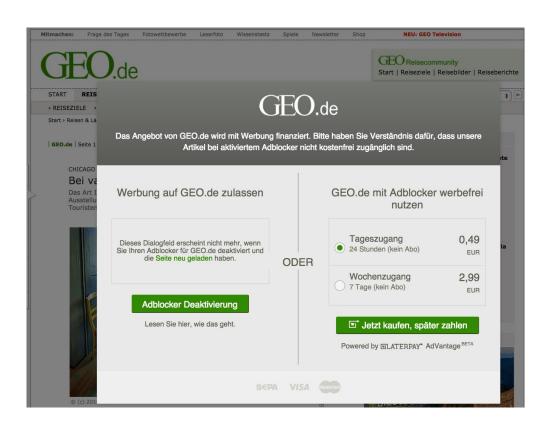


User choice: offer compensation options



Steps of user choice in practice

User choice: two alternatives to choose







User choice: two alternatives to choose



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User choice: two alternatives to choose



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User choice: One option for users





Key learnings from various activities

- Do not underestimate the strategic relevance of ad block for a lot of departments.
- Offer users multiple ways for compensation.
- Collaborate with competitors, advertisers etc.
- Combine legal with technical protection.
- Make better ads for all user.

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