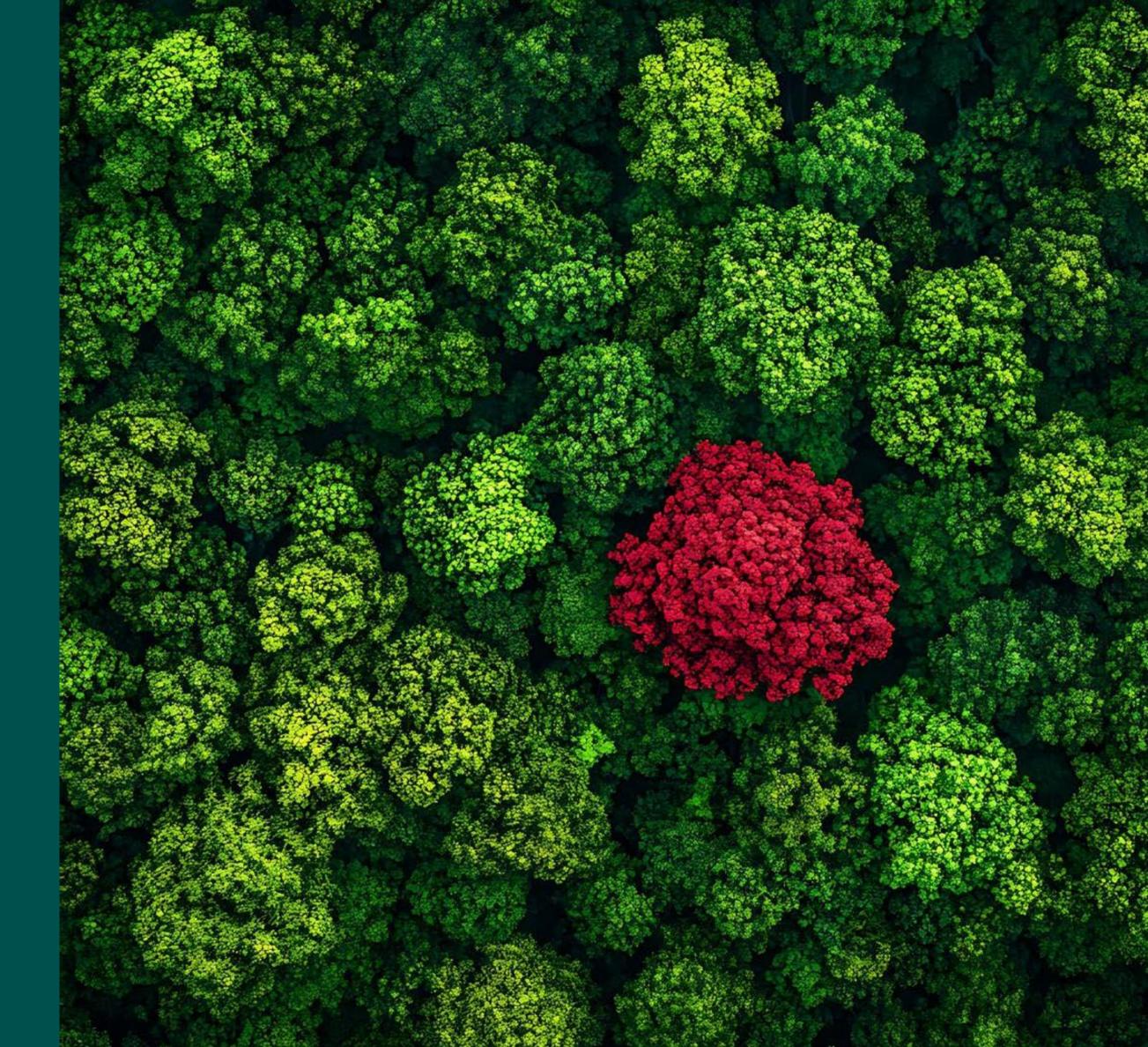
# What is brand? Maximizing your personal value

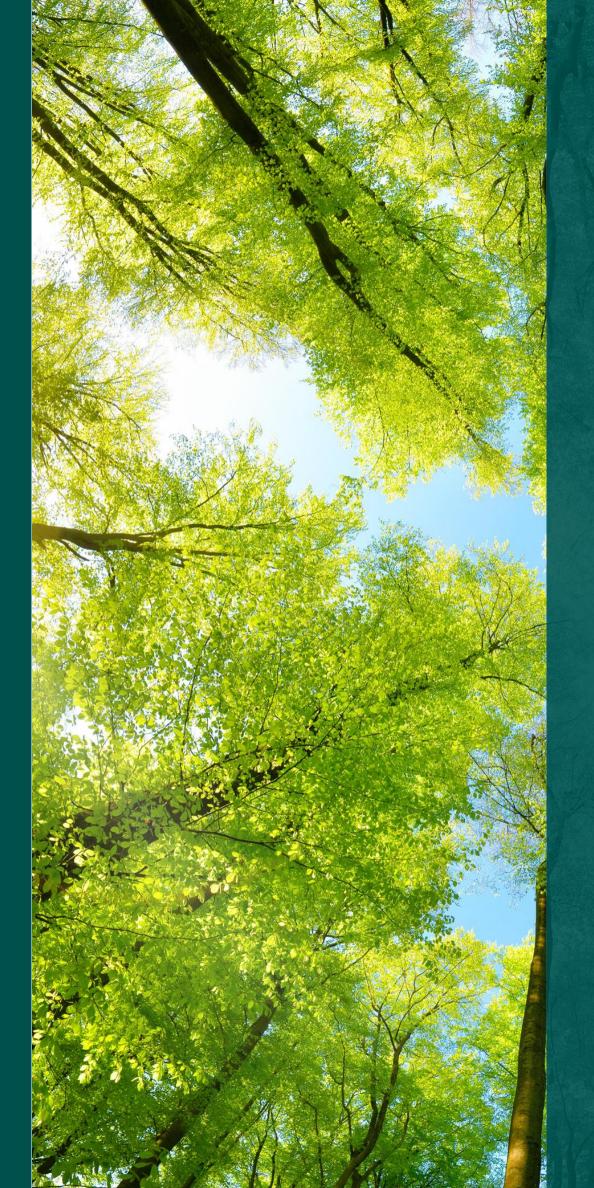
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## Learning objectives

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- Consider what good branding looks like and how this supports growth
- Evaluate how we articulate our personal, company and service offering brand
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## What is the importance of brand? Research tells us this.

The Bain and Company research into banking and financial product purchase in 2023 finds that brand is of greater importance when associated with financial decision-making behaviours...

81%

OF CONSUMERS
NEED TO TRUST A
BRAND TO
CONSIDER BUYING
IT

Building trust with clients is essential for 1st time brand engagement.

Trust = increased engagement and referral likelihood

65%

OF CONSUMERS
SAY THAT A BRANDS
CEO AND
EMPLOYEES
INFLUENCE THEIR
DECISION TO BUY

Authenticity is key in choosing financial advice partners

Connection with a brand is influenced by those representing it

Employees can drive client engagement.

## What is the importance of brand? Research tells us this.

The LinkedIn Brand Statistics report from August 2024 tells us that brand brings benefits for revenue and profitability...

25%

CONSISTENT BRANDING CAN INCREASE REVENUE BY UP TO 23% Consistent branding is a powerful tool that drives success.

A recognizable brand identity builds trust and loyalty.

Familiarity = increased client retention and Acquisition = revenue

55%

OF BRAND FIRST IMPRESSIONS ARE VISUAL You never get a second chance to make a first impression!

Visual elements are key on first engagement.

Consider design elements such as logos, colour schemes, fonts, and imagery.

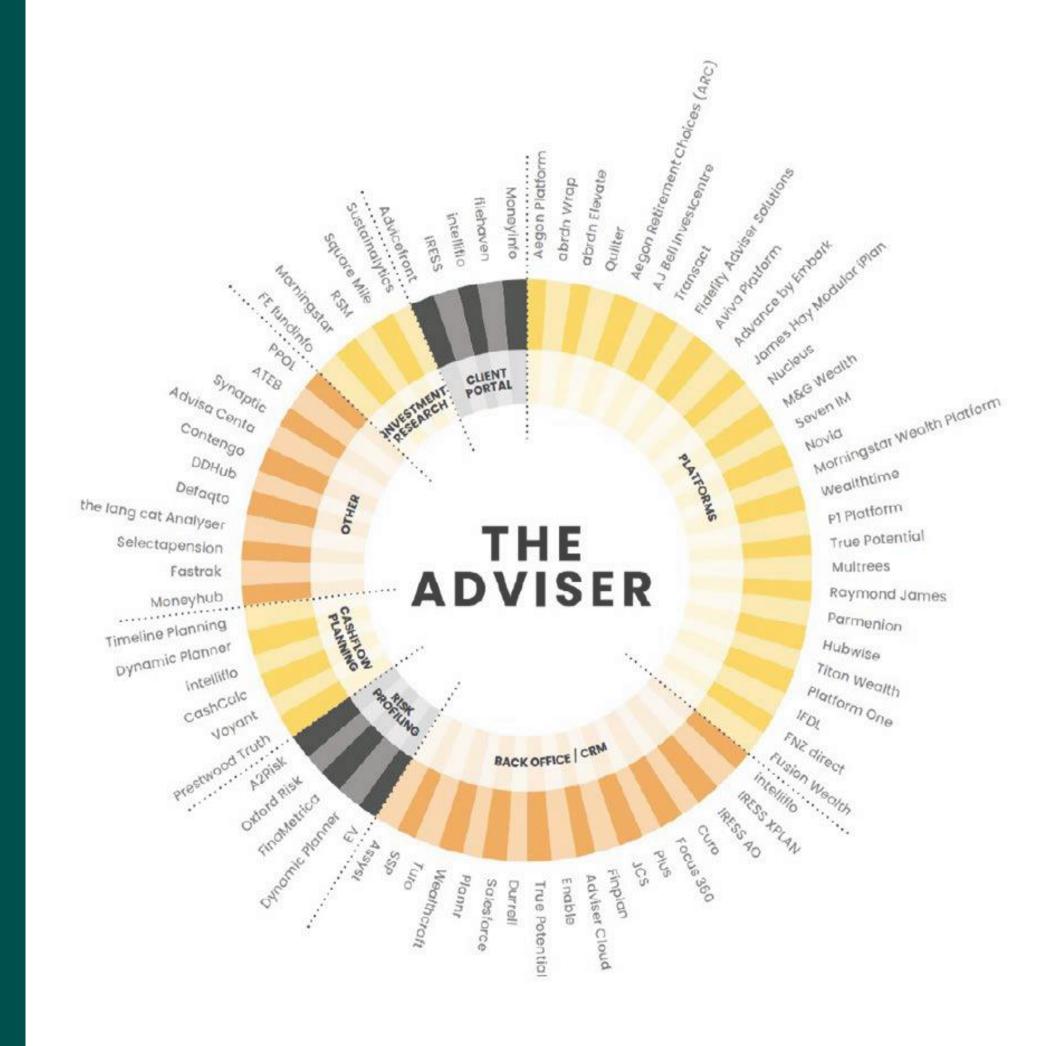
# Adviser support a world of brand choices

Langcat Fragmented World 2023
IFA Tech Choices

#### How do you choose yours?

**100+** Technology companies including:

- 29 adviser platforms
- 21 back office / CRM
- 12 risk profilers (Defaqto!)
- 8 cashflow planners
- 7 investment research (Defaqto!)
- 8 client portals



### What is the importance of brand?

Challenges for a couple of our household favourites with very strong brands... Consistency is key

PRE-2017

2017-2021

2021

2024





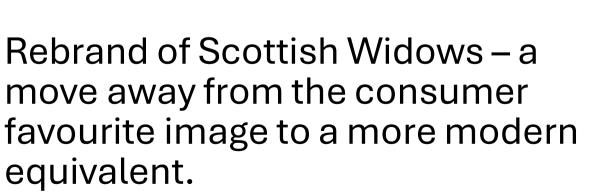




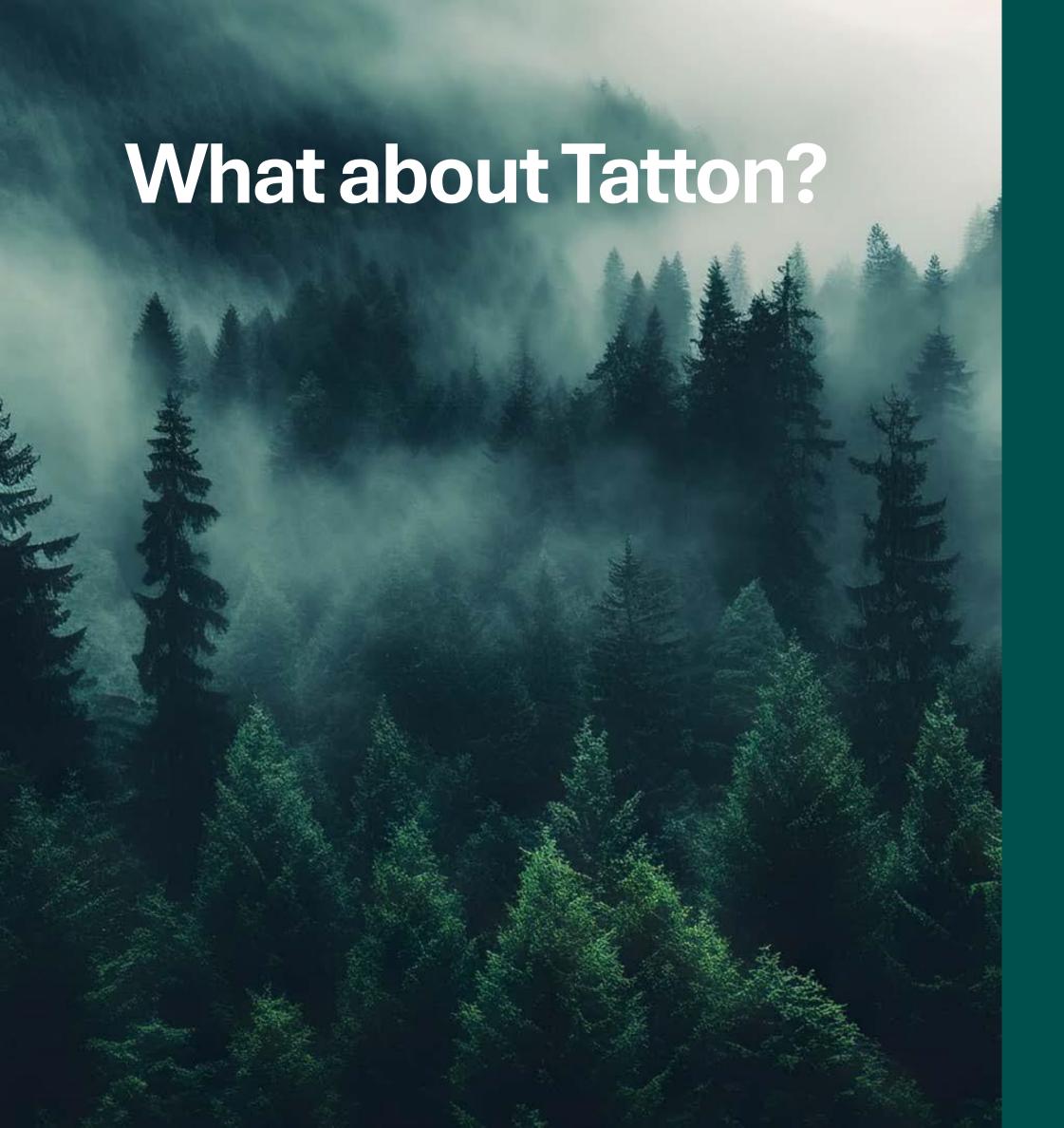
Standard Life Aberdeen rebrand to abrdn in 2021 – a leap of faith but settled now!

Good to make a noise?





**Lots of buzz!** 

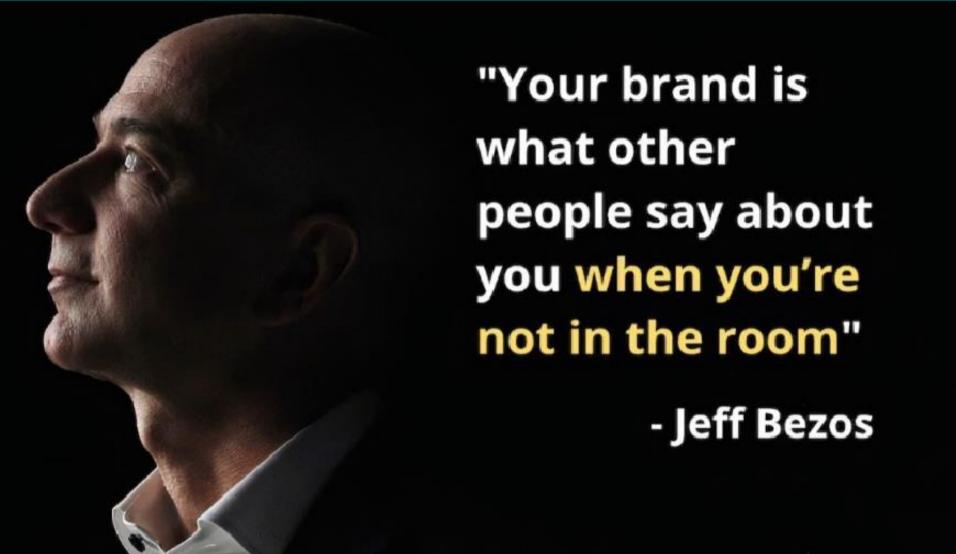




- Created on a walk!
- Responding to IFA feedback
- Logo based on a favourite tree
- Clear focus support IFA's
- Price / Performance / Service
- Consistency on all 3
- Listening to feedback evolution

### What are the key components of brand?

Name	Distinctive, identify the brand and differentiate from competitors	Colgate
Logo	Visual symbol or design representing brand, makes is recognisable	Colgate
Values & mission	Principles and beliefs guiding brand's actions, purpose and goals	Sparking Optimism in everyone, every day
A brand promise	A commitment to your target audience about your service	On a mission to make you smile





Let excellence be your brand... when you are excellent, you become unforgettable.

- Oprah Winfrey



The most powerful and enduring brands are built from the heart.

- Howard Schultz





# Luxury cars.... longstanding battle of the brands



- Mercedes and BMW longstanding luxury brand rivals
- Premium travel, lifestyle, high end, wealth, prosperity
- Established sector with new entrants but longstanding competition prevails
- Creative tension between brands but same target market
- Symbiosis of approach sum of the whole

## Importance of brand loyalty and storytelling – "free at last" BMW / Mercedes

BMW Video marking retirement of Mercedes Benz CEO Dieter Zetsche in 2019



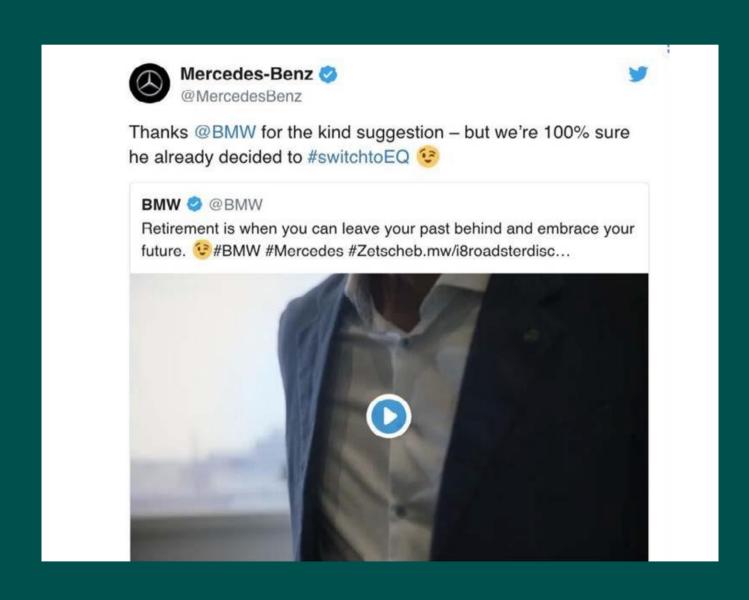
Dieter Zetsche announced retirement from Mercedes in 2019. Many tributes but the one that is remembered is from a key rival – BMW.

Masterclass in marketing strategy, emotional intelligence and powerful storytelling. BMW strengthened own brand by respecting Mercedes and in particular their CEO.

Transcending competitive values at it's best.



## The importance of storytelling and corporate endorsement



- BMW's video strength lay in use of storytelling
- Viewers taken on a journey- humanizing Zetsche and envoking empathy
- Narrative broke away from corporate exchanges and resonated on a human level.
- Emphasized BMW's brand without undermining the respectful tone
- Succeeded in honouring CEO's legacy without becoming a blatant BMW promotion

## Breakout Session in your own groups



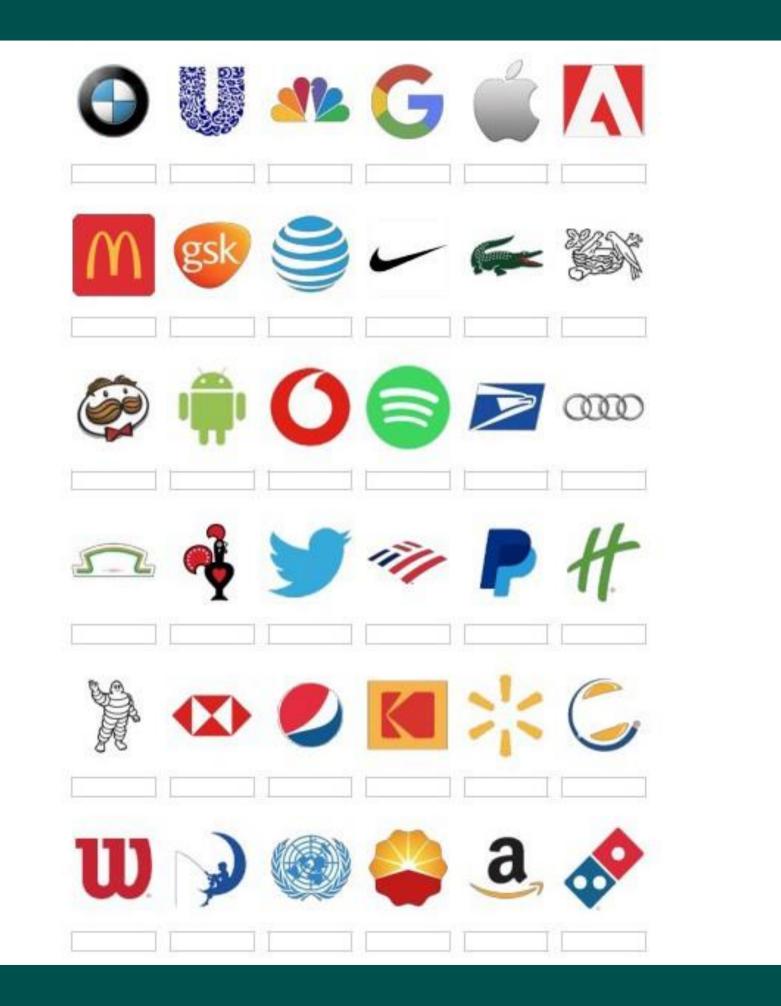
### **Breakout session**

#### Get your creativity flowing!

Workshop booklet on your tables

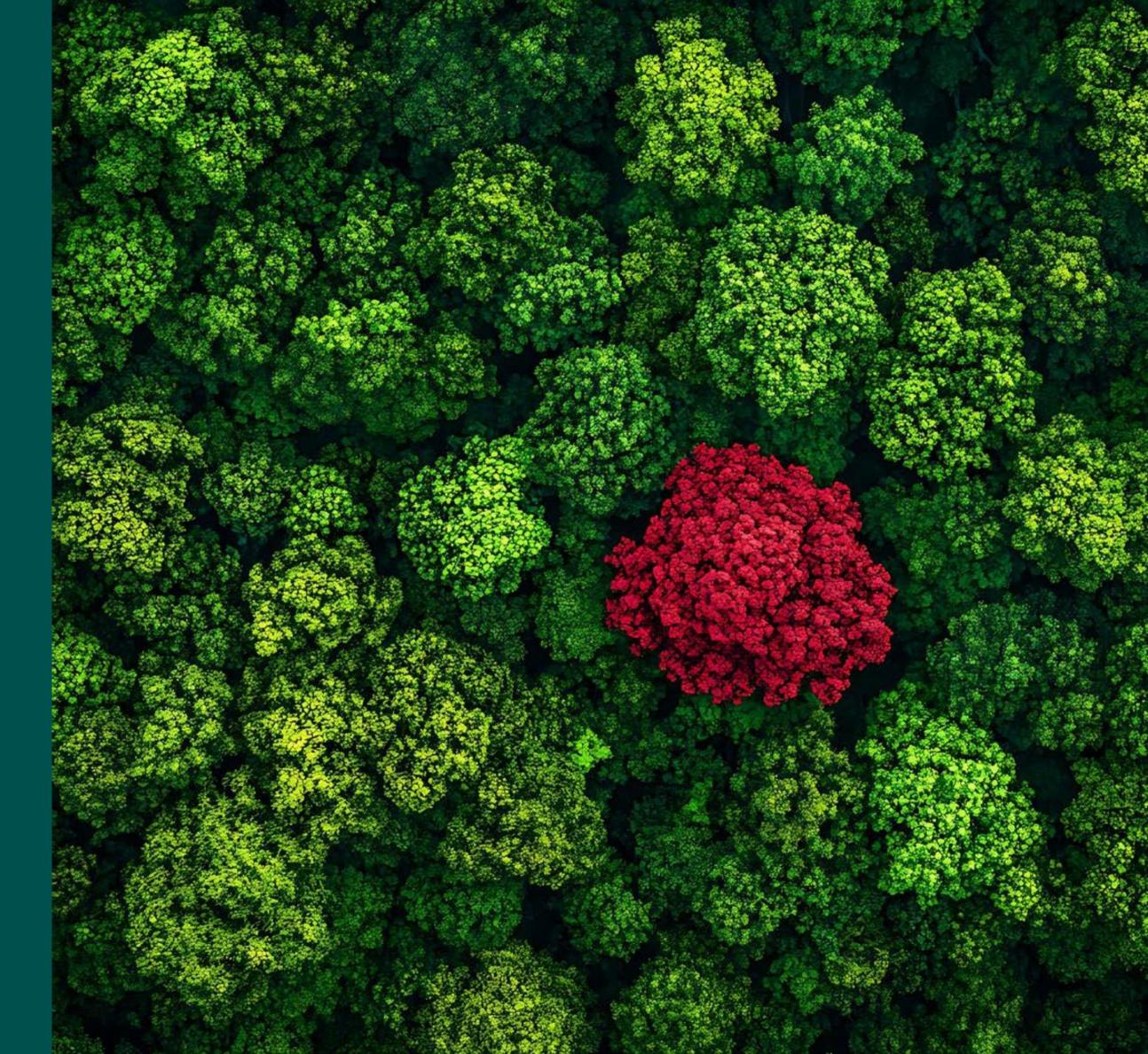
- Group work Quiz points mean prizes...
- Group work when brand goes wrong...
- Individual work front page news / cocktail party
- Individual work today/tomorrow/ mind the gap!

Share back with group



### Welcome Back...

Brand Success
Brand Failure
Building Brand



# Brand excellence - Coca-Cola and Pepsi – decades of war



- Decades of brand rivalry but both successful
- Strong brand identity, logo recognition and fierce customer loyalty
- Which do you favour? In past 10 years, Coke's market share has risen slightly by 0.3% but Pepsi's has fallen by 1.9%
- "Thinking outside the can" constant innovation needed – new entrants
- Health trends away from caffeine and sugary product driving innovation
- Carbonated drinks market still over \$92Bn in USA alone in 2023 so plenty to play for!

## Cola wars 2001 – when Coca-Cola outsold Pepsi 4x



Coca-Cola announced sales had outstripped Pepsi by 4 times

Pepsi responded with a short, punchy ad which still resonates today even if it was banned!

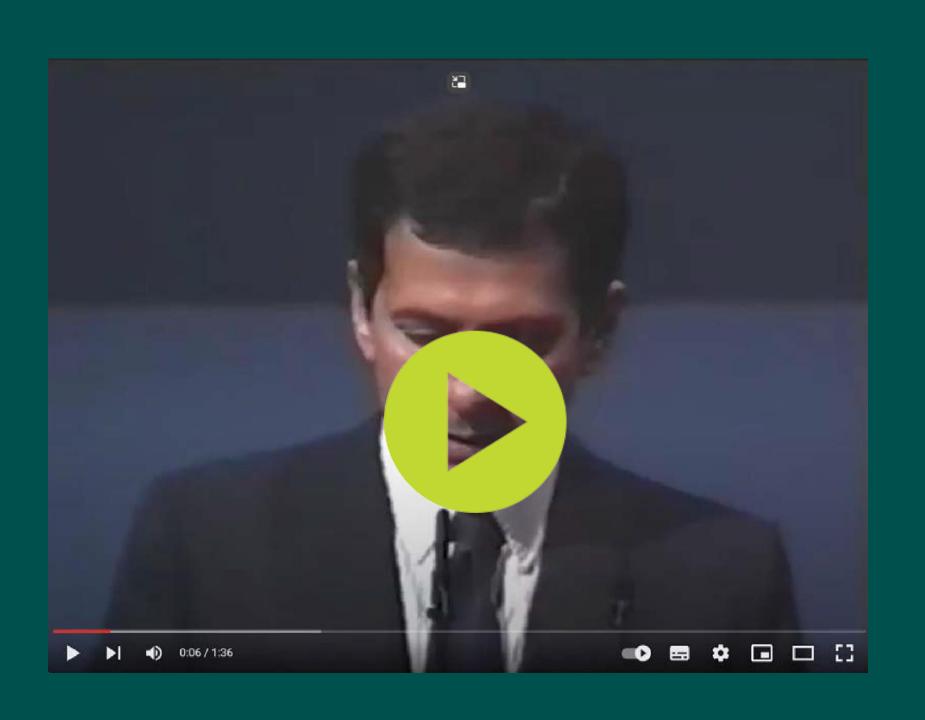


## Cola wars – when Coca-Cola outsold Pepsi 4x in 2001 – what happened next?

- Recognised as one of the most controversial adverts of all time - banned after Coca-Cola complained to the advertising standards regulator but still heavily discussed today
- The advert's playful jab at Coca-Cola emphasizes Pepsi's appeal and humour
- Whilst controversial it went viral and boosted Pepsi's visibility and profits
- A simple yet creative idea can achieve big results
- Referencing the competition is a risky strategy and can backfire... yet
- Creativity and humour are the best tools in advertising



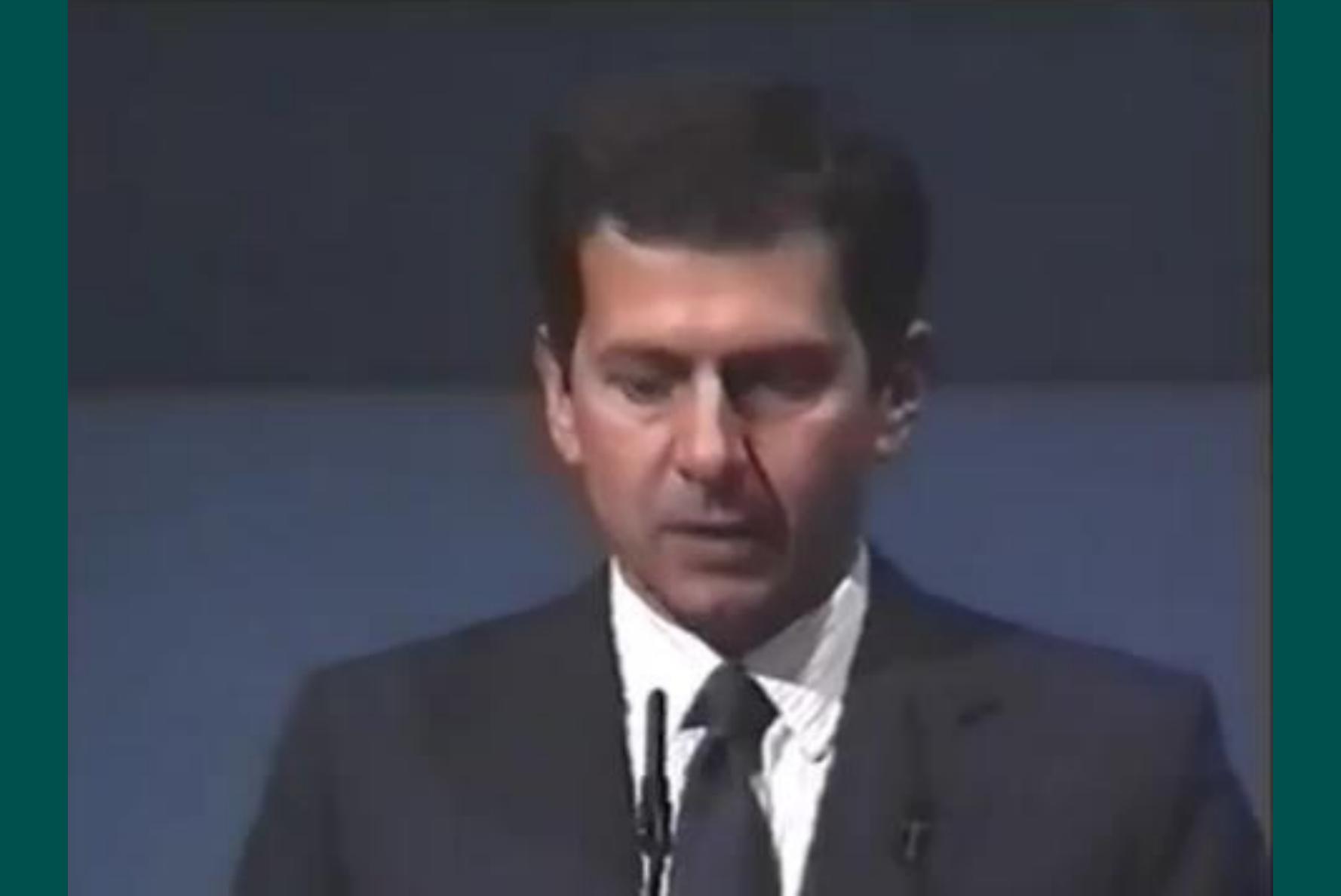
### When brand goes wrong... "doing a Ratner, 1991"



#### Gerald Ratner speaking at IOD dinner

Ratner joined the family business in 1966 and built a hugely successful brand, 1000's of stores globally

- As CEO, Ratner made comments about the jewellery brand's products and devalued the business by an estimated £500m
- One mis-spoken line: "People say, "How can you sell this for such a low price?", I say, "because it's total crap."
- Brand destruction in a public setting not adhering to brand values = loss of trust



## Building a memorable brand – how to stand out in a crowded IFA landscape

Branding is increasingly critical in a digital age Abundance of information / ease of comparison are key.

A strong and well-crafted brand identity is essential for a financial advising firm's sustained growth and credibility.

2023 Salsify Consumer Research Report found that 86% of consumers are willing to pay more for services offered by a brand they trust. Clients are actively seeking firms that stand out from the rest.



Source: White Glove Feb 24

## Building a memorable brand – how to stand out in a crowded IFA landscape

### Define Your Unique Value Proposition

What makes YOU special?

Your communication?

Your visual identity?

The experience you offer?

Your breadth of offering?

Tailor your message effectively



## Brand attributes and client loyalty – differentiation is key

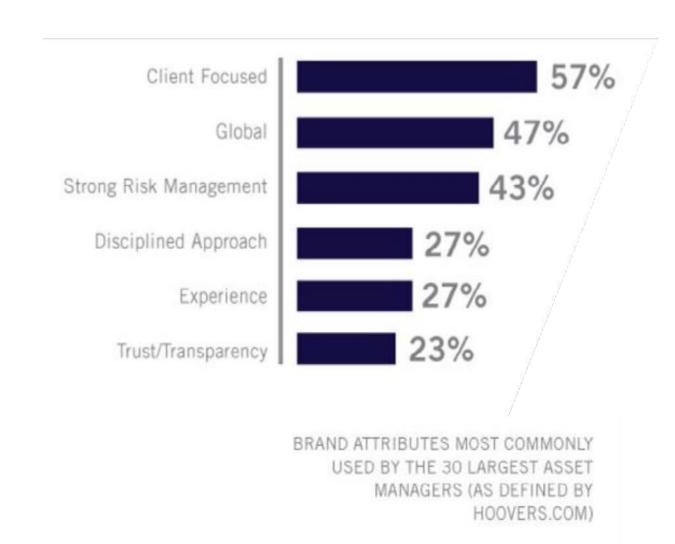
## Which attributes are most valued by clients in wealth management?

Huge consistency in claims of brand attributes from large asset managers

Critical to differentiate – being client focused alone is not enough!

## How do you set yourself apart?

- Heritage?
- Breadth of offering
- Long relationships
- Recommendations
- Accessibility
- Flexibility of offering



### What does good look like for financial services?

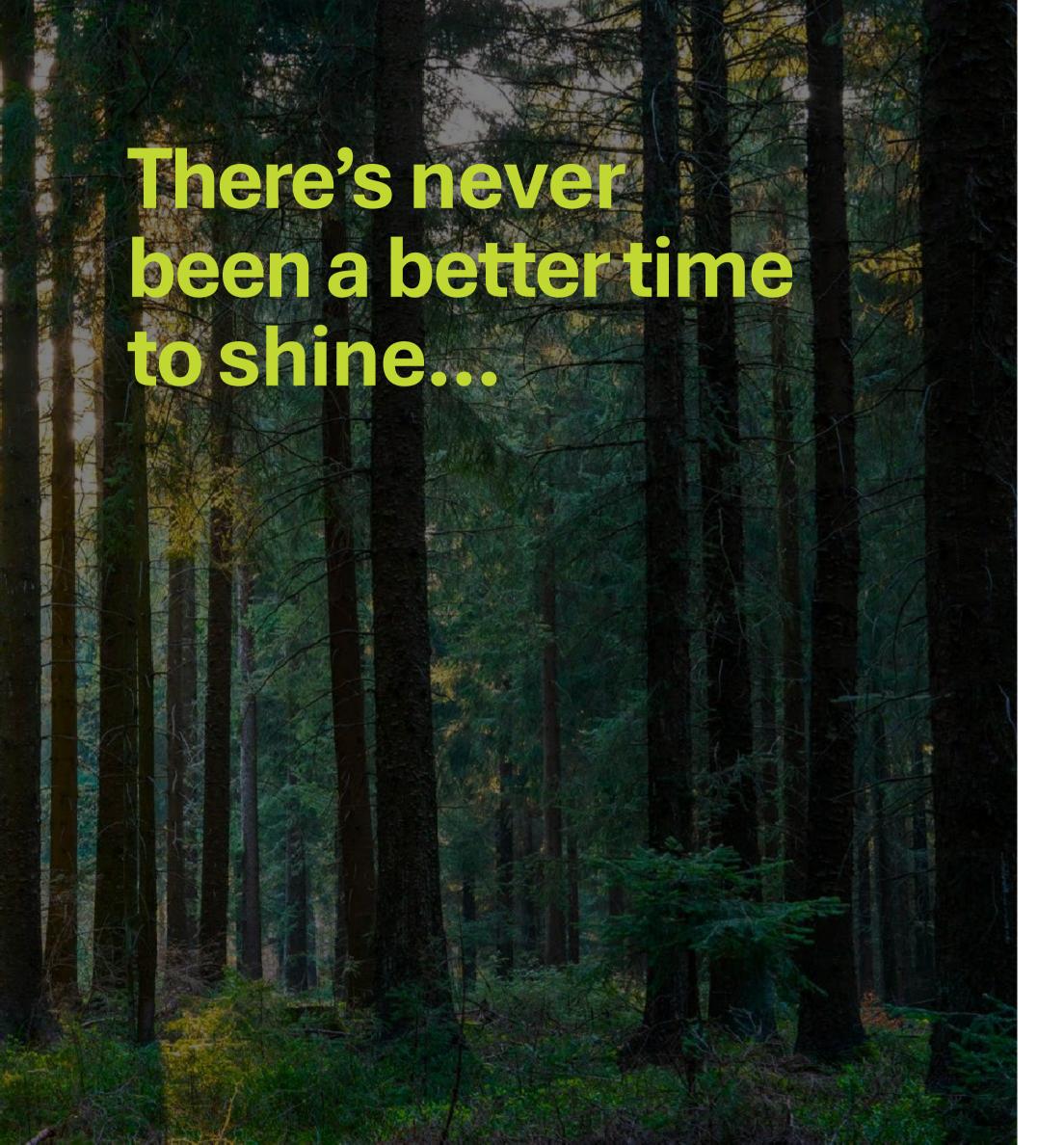
1	PayPal	Most popular financial services brands according to YouGov survey Q2/24?
2	AVIVA	Familiarity
3	BARCLAYS	Consistency
4	SCOTTISH WIDOWS	Awareness
5	Legal & General	Association with trust

### Bringing it back to advice – trust is key...

Building a memorable brand

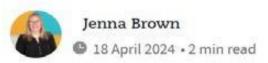
Keeping it simple but personal to you and your business





## Justine Randall: There has never been a better time to be an IFA

Number of advisers not high enough to service client demand









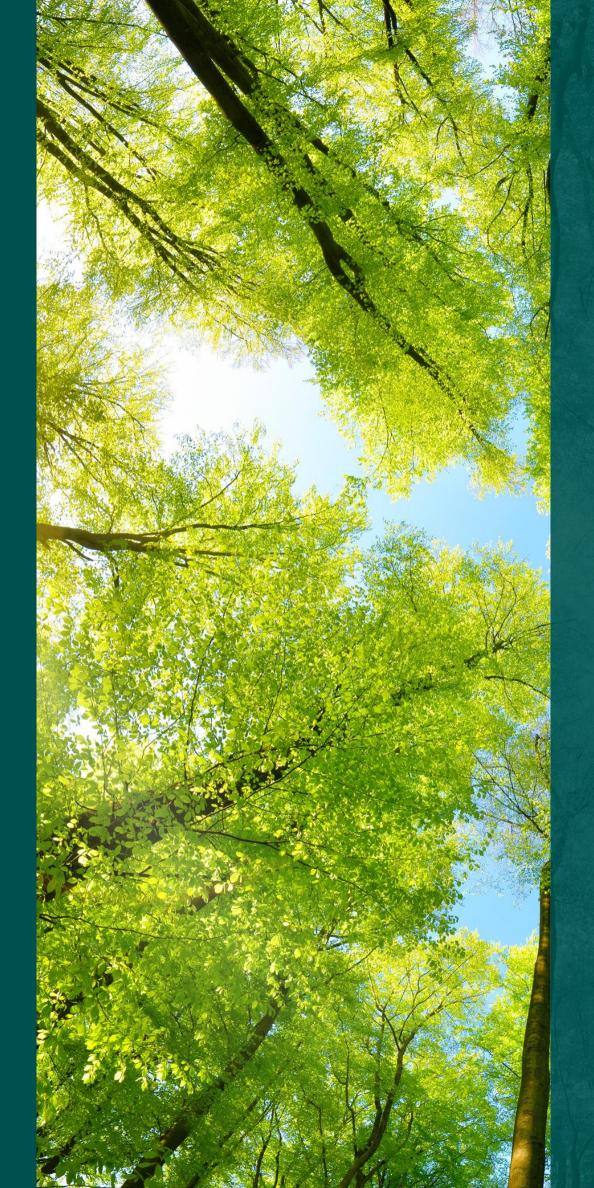




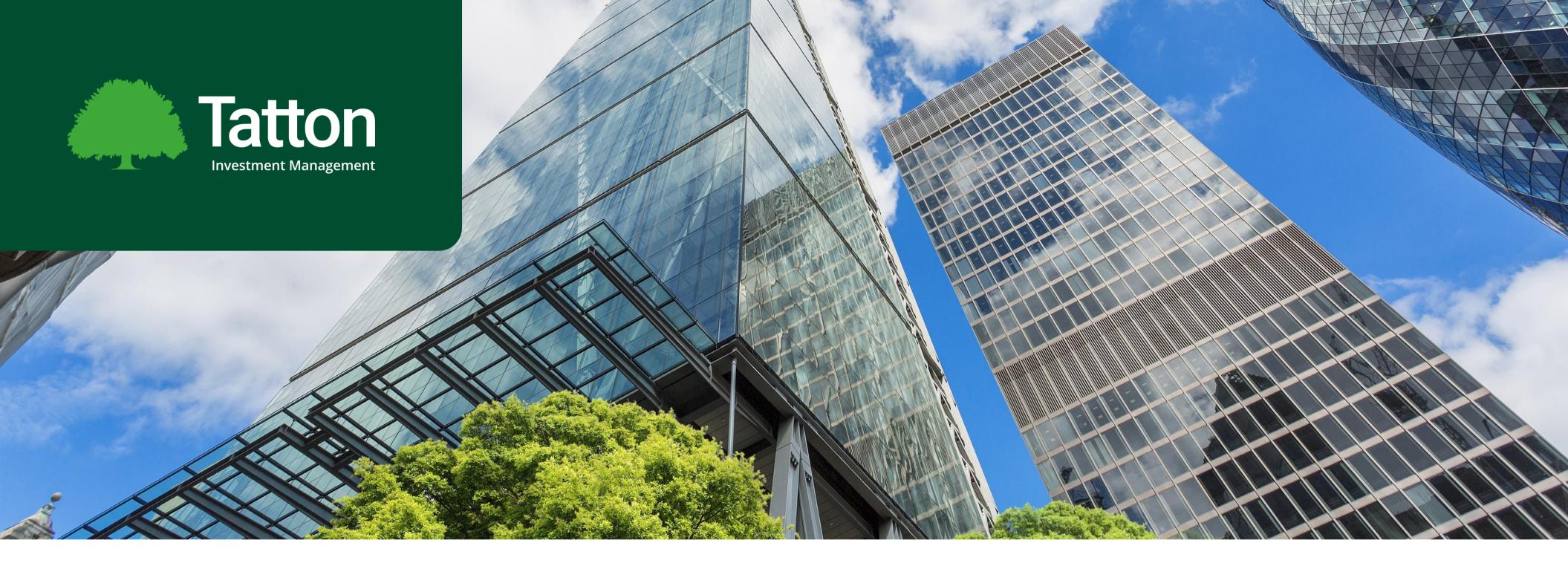


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### **Brief Tatton reminder**

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## The evolution of Tatton, £18.9bn and 1000+ adviser firms



### **Tatton Investment Management**

#### **Managed Portfolio Services**

- Cost challenger access to DFM Services
- @ 0.15% set the price for DFMs
- Available across19 platforms
- Mapped to leading risk profilers

Established Tatton as the IFA's investment manager

#### **Tatton Funds**

- Simple, low-cost investment option
- Broadening access across wrappers, open architecture
- Robust investment process as in DFM MPS

Established Tatton as the cost-effective, multi-asset fund provider

#### **Bespoke Services**

- Tailored solutions for investors with specific requirements
- Available on platform for efficient trading and transparency

Tatton as a cost challenger alternative to traditional off platform bespoke

Three pillars to the business built around the needs of IFAs and their clients

#### **Tatton Portfolios**



## Managed Portfolio Service – two strategic allocations, six risk profiles, 45 model portfolios

Two strategic asset allocations for two different types of client: Classic a higher allocation to UK based investments and the Global which exploits the opportunity of the wider global economy.



#### **Tatton Managed Portfolios**

The Tatton Managed Portfolios are constructed from actively managed funds with both Classic and Global allocations.



#### **Tatton Core Portfolios**

The Tatton Core Portfolios are a hybrid mix of passive and actively managed funds effectively blending returns from the two strategic approaches. Both Classic and Global allocations.



#### **Tatton Tracker Portfolios**

The Tatton Tracker Portfolios are constructed from passive funds with both Classic and Global allocations.



#### **Tatton Income Portfolios**

The Tatton Income Portfolios seek to generate reliable income and capital growth to ensure asset values stay in line with inflation. Classic allocation only.



#### **Tatton Ethical Portfolios**

The Tatton Ethical Portfolios combine negative and positive screening to align portfolios with clients' investment principles. **Global** allocation only.



#### **Tatton Money Market Portfolio**

Tatton's money market portfolio invests in money market funds that track the Bank of England Base Rate and as such is different to all other risk profiles.

Risk categories available:

**Money market** 

**Defensive** 

**Cautious** 

**Balanced** 

Active

Aggressive

**Global equity** 

### The Tatton difference



**Low cost** – places the adviser at the heart of the value chain 0.15% total

**Agnostic on platform**, risk profiler, investment style, charging structure – **you decide "how"** 

Non compete with adviser

**Breadth of Offering** – range of models plus funds

**Client Protection** – Reliance on others approach





### One Big Thank-You



**12** Years

1000+ £18.9bn

120,000+

**Firms** 

AUI

**Clients** 

One incredible team of 53 people Dedicated to the IFA sector

Thank You so much