

ASOCIACIÓN PARA LA INVESTIGACIÓN DE MEDIOS DE COMUNICACIÓN

# AT THE END OF THE TUNNEL?: A "NEW WAY" TO CARRY ONLINE MEASUREMENT IN SPAIN

Carlos Lozano & Fernando Santiago (AIMC)







#### **Start of the History**

#### AIMC-IAB agreement

- Formal establishment of the Framework agreement: June 2007
- Objective:

"Define the ideal conditions to improve audience measurement in interactive media and to boost growth of investment"

#### Situation until the agreement

- Nielsen: activ operator since 2002, widespread leader, but...
  - ★ Without reference data accepted by the market
  - ★ Without independent audit
  - ★ Without Clients Committee (CC)





#### The agreement AIMC-IAB: effects in the market

- Digital Group (June 2007)
  - White Paper (June 2008):
     "Guidelines for good practise in digital audience measurement"
- Digital Measurement Council (June 2009)
  - Requirements for online measurement

Reference data (EGM-AIMC)

**Clients Committee** 

External Audit (AIMC)

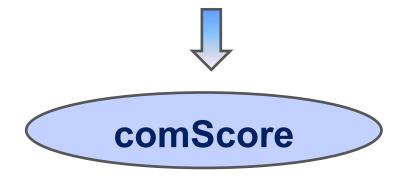
But it is not enough...





#### The agreement AIMC-IAB: effects in the market

- Request for proposals about online measurement services (July 2011)
  - To establish the Contracting Committee (December 2010)
    - ⋆ Define the Technical Specifications
    - ★ Evaluation of the offers
  - Tender resolution (October 2011)





#### **And now: The monitoring Committee**

- Monitoring (January 2012)
  - Control and monitor of comScore measurement operation
  - Establishment a roadmap with milestones to complete





## The process





## 2007-2009: Digital Group IAB/AIMC





#### **Digital Group**

- Created in June 2007 and coordinated by AIMC and IAB
- It is a forum, that works like a JIC, and composed of industry representatives
  - Advertisers (1) / Agencies (3)
  - Media (2) / Web Portals (2) / Ad Networks (1)

#### Aims:

- To define the best conditions to improve the online audience measurement (the White Paper)
- To increase the invesment in advertisement
- To reach an agreement about the online measurement





#### **Digital Group**

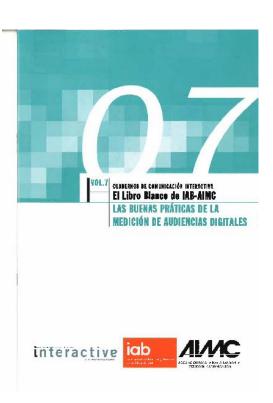
- Actions:
  - Intermediate with the current or potential measurers (Nielsen / Nedstat / Weborama / ComScore)
    - ⋆ Comunnicating market needs
    - ⋆ Proposing quality recquirements
    - ★ Working towards the existence of control and audit organs
  - Looking for transparency
  - Communicate to the market the work evolution
    - ★ Attend to forums (VII Encuentros Internacionales AIMC, nov. 2007, nov. 2011; Inspirational IAB, nov. 2008 y nov. 2009)





#### **Digital Group**

- White Paper IAB-AIMC: "Guidelines for good practise in digital audience measurement" (June 2008)
- General Principles of Digital Audience Measurement
  - Uniqueness
  - Usefulness for advertising
  - Adaptability to local market
  - Consensus
  - Transparency
  - Solvency and viability







## 2009-2010: Digital Measurement Council (DMC)





#### Functions

- monitor the implementation of White Paper
- boost Clients Committee
- advice the CC
- ensure the existence of an auditory for the measurers
- work for the implementation of methodological and technical improvements.





#### Actions (1)

- Evaluation of activ measurers in Spain
  - ⋆ Demoscopic methodological: Nielsen y ComScore.
  - ⋆ Technical methodologies: Weborama y Nedstat

#### Benchmarking of the measurers

- ★ How the measurers work
- ★ Willingness to control and audit
- ⋆ Panel Methodology, meter, hybrid data
- ⋆ Data management





#### Benchmarking of the measurers → 1Q 2009

#### **OPERATIONAL**

Total countries
Total Europe
Audience measurement
United Kingdom
Italy
Germany
France
Holland
Sweden
Spain

Workforce in Spain
Business template
Technical staff
Customers in Spain
Autonomy of operation
Troubleshooting

#### **CONTROL ARRANGEMENT**

Users Committee in Spain
Users Committee - Other countries
Power decision
Composition CU Spain

agencies media portals associations others

CC Membership in other countries
Decision on its composition
Audit in Spain
Auditing - Others
auditors

audit scope
Frequency of audit

Disposal for local audit Disposal for collaborators

Partners in other countries

Examples of collaboration with third parts

#### **METHODOLOGY**

Project in Spain -

Methodology Panel in other countries Reference Data

Spain other countries

Panel - Market Reference
Capture system of the sample
Panel Management Documentation
Labelling - Sociodemographic
Selecting respondents

Mobile Phone Consoles / Other

PC

Labelling - Type of content

Labelling - Devices

Pages Video audio flash applications Widgets

#### **DATA MANAGEMENT**

**Data Tools** 

Data Query / rankings

Minimum unit of analysis

Historical data

Targets creation

sociodemographic disaggregated

consumption

attitudinal

Planning and probabilistic data modules

Sample Data

Access to raw data / disaggregated



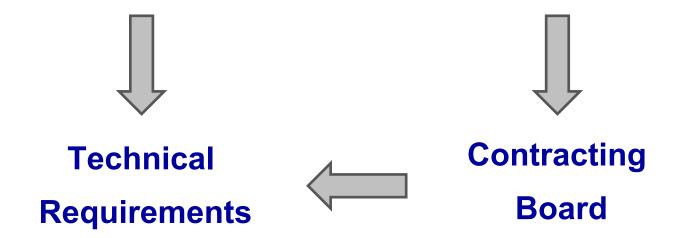


- Actions (2)
  - Requirements for measurers (closed terms)
    - ★ Universe reference data from EGM (AIMC) → 4Q 2009
    - **★** Clients Committee → 4Q 2009
    - ★ External panel audit (AIMC) → 1Q 2010
  - Approaches to the hybridization process of Nielsen and comScore
  - Measurement tools of advertising activity





- Conclusions
  - Situation Report of measurers (March 2010)
  - Measurer did not complete the minimum required
- It was recommended a call for tenders about OM







- Technical requirements to play in online audience measurement (June 2010)
  - ★ Compliance with the General Principles of the White Paper
  - ⋆ Acceptance to be audited
  - ⋆ Users' Committee representative and Statutes
  - Adapting to the local market benchmark
  - Methodological transparency to the auditor
  - Provide databases for management
  - Sufficient human, technical and service resources
  - Maintaining the measurement operation at least 3 years





## 2010-2011: Contracting Board





- Approval of the Contracting Board (september 2010)
  - Representatives of all market sectors
  - technical profiles
    - ⋆ Agencies (3)
    - ★ Media (2)
    - ★ Audiovisual groups (2)
    - ⋆ Pure native (portals, blogs, social networks ...) (3)
    - ★ Advertising Networking (1)
    - ⋆ Mobile Companies (1)
    - ⋆ Spanish Association of Advertisers (1)
- Coordinated by AIMC and IAB





- Objectives
  - to develop the technical specifications (Request for proposal),
  - analyze and evaluate the different offers,
  - raising to the Boards the recommended measurer
- Bids submitted: Nielsen / comScore / Kantar Media
- The CB recommended "comScore" to AIMC & IAB Boards, but adding some requirements
- The Executive Boards comunicate the winning bid
- +20 meetings to do it





## Technical Specification ingredients

#### **INDEX**

INTRODUCTION

TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ONLINE MEASUREMENT

**OBJECTIVES** 

ASPECTS THAT INCLUDE THE ONLINE MEASUREMENT

- 1. POPULATION
- 2. TYPE OF USE
- 3. QUANTIFICABLE ASPECTS
- 4. DATA MINING
- 5. TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR ONLINE MEASUREMENT
- **5.1 PANEL MEASUREMENT**
- **5.2 CENSUS MEASUREMENT**
- **5.3 HYBRID MEASUREMENT**
- 5.3.1 METHOD OF CALCULATION
- **5.3.2 REPRESENTATION OF MEASUREMENT**

**TOOL DATA MANAGEMENT** 

**AUDIT OF THE ONLINE MEASUREMENT** 

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE PROCEDURE

**DEVELOPMENT OF PROCEDURE** 

PLANNING A RESOLUTION OF THE TENDER

STRUCTURE OF THE OFFER

**EVALUATION OF THE OFFER** 

Economic criteria

**Technical Criteria** 

ANNEX 1: LIST OF SPECIFICATIONS





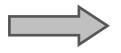
Tender timing

Public Communication of the Tender

(October 26th, 2011)

		1		1			T	
Month	mon	tue	wed	thu	fri	sat	sun	
								/
						2	3	1 Publication of the RFP
jul.	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	8 Reception of doubts from bidders
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24 /	22 Response to questions to this doubts
	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	
aug.	1	2	3	4	5	6	/7	1
	8	9	10	11	12	13	<b>/ 14</b>	
	15	16	17	18	19	20/	21	
	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	
sep.	29	30	31	1	2	/ 3	4	2 Last day for submission of tenders
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
	12	13	14	15	1,6	17	18	14 Initial assessment and "Questions To The Offers" document
	19	20	21	22	<b>/23</b>	24	25	22 Face defense of tenders
	26	27	28	29	<b>/</b> 30 [	1	2	29 Final assessment of tenders
oct.	3	4	5	6/	7	8	9	4 Development of recommendations to the AIMC & IAB Boards
	10	11	12	1/3	14	15	16	
	17	18	19	<b>/20</b>	21	22	23	
	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	26 Public communication of the recommended measurer
nov.	31	1	2	3	4	5	6	
1		•	_	-	•	•	•	1

And the recommended measurer is...



comScore





#### **Contracting Board / Executive Boards AIMC-IAB**

#### Requirements added to comScore

- General safeguards
  - ⋆ Transition Plan
  - ⋆ Technical and human resources
  - ★ Billing milestones
  - ★ Improve the online panel and launch the offline panel
  - ★ Signing agreements for auditing census measurement

#### Measurement Panel safeguards

- ⋆ Adoption of universe: 4 + years
- Improving the collection online data (sociodemographics)
- ★ Transparency in the recruiment panelists
- ⋆ Deadlines for mobile measurement





- Requirements added to comScore
  - Measurement Census safeguards
    - ⋆ demographic data
  - Hybrid measurement safeguards
    - ⋆ measuring hybrid phones, Mac, consoles & TVs connected
  - Advertising measurement safeguards
    - ★ timetable for Admetrix
  - Financial proposal safeguards
    - ⋆ upgrade price / customer base





- Create a Monitoring committee (February 2012)
- Signing a Framework Agreement between AIMC-IAB & ComScore
  - open to the customers

#### Note:

This Framework Agreement is not a JIC. AIMC and IAB are associations that support the tender process and issue a decision regarding the recommended measurer. This freely provides its contractual relationship with each customer, within a framework of protection established by the collaboration agreement. The Framework contain a series of measuring conditions





## **2012: Monitoring Committee**





#### **Monitoring Committee (February 2012 - February 2013)**

- Objectives
  - check the compliance with the commitment in due time
  - facilitate the work and clear the doubts
  - Composed by 6 people plus two coordinators of AIMC and IAB
    - ⋆ Media (2)
    - ⋆ Digital Natives (2)
    - ⋆ Agencies (1)
    - ⋆ Advertisers (1)
  - Start: February 2012 (7 meetings until now)





### **Monitoring Committee (February 2012 - February 2013)**

- Milestones in the roadmap of Monitoring Committee
  - economic procurement
  - audit of the Panel, the meter and hybridization algorithms
  - certification of Direct tool, essential in the process of hybridization
  - adoption of universe referential (4 and over)
  - creation of an offline panel
  - monthly monitoring of the online panel situation
  - the process of tagging
  - development of unified data (hybrids)
  - development of Admetrix
  - multi-device & multiplatform measurement





#### **Monitoring Committee (February 2012 - February 2013)**

# and here is how the things are

#### TRACKING CONTROL OF ONLINE MEASUREMENT AUDIENCE OF COMSCORE ACTIVITIES AND TIMING

TRACKING OBJECTIVES	TIMING	
Economic recruitment 50% 60% 75% 90% 100%	jan-12 apr-12 jul-12 oct-12 jan-13	ok ok
Audit  Start of the audit  Availability according to OJD audit clients (*)  (*) dependent on the final date of the OJD certification process	jan-12 mar-12	ok jun-12
4 + Universe production data	aug-12	
Offline Panel recruitment production tests beta data	feb-12 apr-12 may-12	may-12 may-12 ?
Monthly Online Panel monitoring	jan-12	ok
Tagging and UDM data  Total UDM data published  Total diary data UDM published	dec-12 mar-13	
Direct (access shared)	jan-12	ok
Admetrix admetrix test set up	aug-12 mar-13	
Multidevice and multiplatorm measurement  Mobile  Mac  videoconsoles  Connected TV	? 3Q-2013 3Q-2013 3Q-2013	

now



ASOCIACIÓN PARA LA INVESTIGACIÓN DE MEDIOS DE COMUNICACIÓN

## Thank you for your attention!

