

7 aspects of messaging

event "What's it called?"

date "When does it happen?"

subject "What is it about?"

target "Who do I address?"

message "What do I want them to know?"

ask "What do I ask them to do?"

channels "How do I reach out to them?"

A very general example →

general

event	"What's it called?"	"ExampleCon!"	
date	"When does it happen?"	23 March 2042	
subject	"What is it about?"	networking for project managers in my field	
target	"Who do I address?"	everyone there	
message	"What do I want them to know?"	My project is great.	
ask	"What do I ask them to do?"	Get involved.	
channels	"How do I reach out to them?"	face to face, on-site	

too...

general

event	"What's it called?"	"ExampleCon!" ok
date	"When does it happen?"	23 March 2042 whatever
subject	"What is it about?"	networking for project managers in my field unspecific, but well, ok
target	"Who do I address?"	everyone there Peers? Partners? Critics? Press? Different motivation/objectives.
message	"What do I want them to know?"	My project is great. Sure. But everyone says that. What's special about yours?
ask	"What do I ask them to do?"	Get involved. How?
channels	"How do I reach out to them?"	face to face, on-site Not in advance, no material?

Compare a more specific example. Same time, same place →

general specific 1

event	"What's it called?"	"ExampleCon!"	"ExampleCon!"
date	"When does it happen?"	23 March 2042	23 March 2042
subject	"What is it about?"	networking for project managers in my field	networking for project managers in my field
target	"Who do I address?"	everyone there	peers who look for a job
message	"What do I want them to know?"	My project is great.	My great project needs help in order to evolve.
ask	"What do I ask them to do?"	Get involved.	Join my project. I'm hiring.
channels	"How do I reach out to them?"	face to face, on-site	business card, 60 second Youtube video, f2f, job description (print/online)

Or get completely different messaging by changing your target group →

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"ExampleCon!" "ExampleCon!" event date 23 March 2042 23 March 2042 networking for project networking for project subject Change managers in my field managers in my field starts here: tech journalists target peers who look for a job No fancy talk, journalists need: My great project changes My great project needs message facts + reason to write how your readers do [y] help in order to evolve. Notice the different

channels

ask

...lead to different tools you need. And different preparation.

objectives, which...

press release to select media, event info, fact sheet

Write about my project.

business card, 60 second Youtube video, f2f, job description (print/online)

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