

Elevating Engagement: The Loyalty Landscape in Asia Pacific

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APAC is a diverse region in terms of economics and demographics Economic slowdown require companies to restrategise customer engagement Digitalisation in APAC is accelerating, with superapps embedded in consumers' lives Enhanced digital connectivity does not guarantee deeper consumer engagement Retailing landscape impacts consumers' engagement levels with a brand Earning points and being "loyal" have different meanings for consumers in APAC Embracing diverse communication channels to drive efficient loyalty programmes Measuring the impact of loyalty: Sizing loyalty contribution within a market Loyalty contribution level differs by industry and by market Understanding the loyalty contribution

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