

Social media and related technology: Drivers of change in managing the contemporary sales force



SALES AND MARKETING

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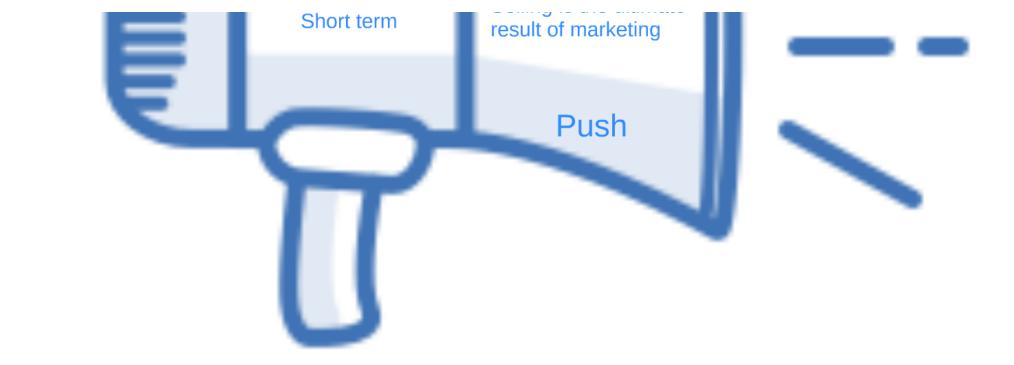
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Sales is a transaction between two parties where the buyer receives services in exchange for money.



Marketing is the systematic planning, implementation and control of business activities to bring together buyers and sellers.

Sales

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Once a product/service has been created for a customer need, persuade the customer to purchase the product to fulfill their needs.

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Short term

Selling is the ultimate result of marketing

Push

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Market research, Advertising, Marketing Mix development, Public relations, Customer service and satisfaction, social media engagement

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