HTC CAPTURES OUTSTANDING BRAND AWARENESS VIA TARGETING AND SOCIAL STRATEGY. Sizmek and OmnicomMediaGroup maximize HTC campaign results via contextual targeting.

**Marketing goal: Build awareness in a new market**
A global designer and manufacturer of smartphones and tablet devices, HTC wanted to drive brand awareness in Turkey for its M9 smartphone – its first major campaign in that market.

**Solution: Start broad, then optimize**
As a relative newcomer in the region, HTC needed to quickly and cost-effectively build an understanding of its Turkish audience, striving for clicks and mindshare.

Working with Sizmek and OmnicomMediaGroup, the advertiser launched its awareness campaign by casting a wide net, with nearly 94 million impressions served, using a run-of-exchange campaign across a range of targeted content segments and various channels to gather performance information at a low cost.

This approach provided a strong foundation for subsequent optimization and retargeting. After a week, the Sizmek team analyzed which content segments were performing best and began optimizing bids toward high-value contextual segments and retargeting by recency. Low-performing segments were removed from the rotation.
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Results: CTR 2X industry standard
The near 94 million impressions drove users to HTC’s site, generating a CTR of 0.21% for HTC, twice the industry standard.

Mobile was key for brand awareness, driving the highest CTR of 0.71%. Social resulted in 0.41% CTR with a 95% rate of engagement (Facebook page and post likes, comments, or shares).

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Sizmek enabled us to keep our costs low while the algorithms got the lay of the land. We then quickly ramped up performance with an end-to-end, multichannel campaign.

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