In the process of becoming compliant with various consumer protection regulations, marketing has experienced a cultural split.

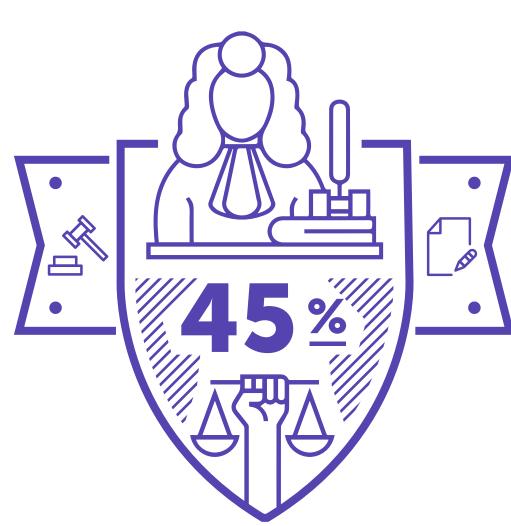
Some have found themselves with a legal-first - rather than marketing-first mindset, creating two distinct tribes. As marketing undergoes a great era of change, which side will win?

## THE TWO TRIBES

## **MARKETING-FIRST**

55% of businesses are using GDPR compliance as an opportunity to better engage with customers and prospects



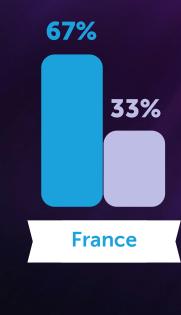


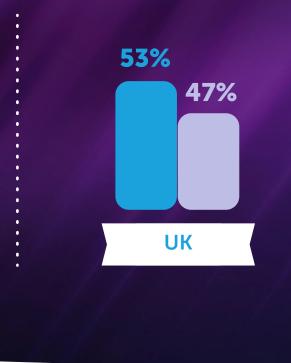
## **LEGAL-FIRST**

45% of businesses are doing what they need to do to become GDPR compliant, and changed their marketing to be in line with these requirements

## MARKETING-FIRST | LEGAL-FIRST

THIS SPLIT IN ATTITUDE VARIES BY COUNTRY







THERE'S ONLY ONE WINNER

businesses who are putting the customer front and centre are doing better than those who are merely aiming to be legally compliant.

Customers want relevance. The best marketers are the ones who achieve this in a

proactive, engaging and meaningful way. The figures back this up. Marketing-first



Consistently meets targets

forecasts

Positively

influenced

revenue



**72%** 

## Constantly exceeds targets 28% 46%



We've seen customers disconnect from businesses like never before.

### Only one in four actually trust companies with their

WHAT CUSTOMERS THINK

of consumers think are worried about the amount of personal

personal information

information companies might have access to

businesses will find a way to get around GDPR

# OVERCOMING THIS CYNICISM WON'T BE EASY



believe reliance on

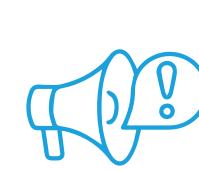
be their biggest

customer consent will

challenge to achieving

marketing objectives GDPR to put the customer at the heart of their engagement strategies.

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However, there's

good news for

marketing-first

businesses.

of consumers are more likely to share information if they think it'll result in

relevant, tailored

communication

This sentiment is great news for marketing-first businesses who are using

GDPR has fundamentally changed how marketers use data, but not how marketers should work. It's given us a massive opportunity to refocus on the customer, taking a marketing-first approach that puts the people who really matter front and centre. To find out more about what you can learn from the best marketing-first businesses out there, and why consumers will always respond to relevant, targeted marketing, download our new report The Two

**Tribes of Marketing today.**