The Distribution Puzzle





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- B2C tour operators and travel agents
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- Next steps

























Every rate a hotel distributes is connected to every other rate in

multiple ways





























The Major Wholesalers





Trip.com Group







Booking Holdings B2B Distribution







3 December 2021

Agoda announced the launch of Beds Network, its first foray into wholesale distribution, with the aim to help properties around the world distribute their wholesale rates more efficiently and effectively. Leveraging Booking Holdings' connection to over 10,000 affiliate partners network across various markets and verticals such as airline partners, offline travel agencies, credit card companies and more, Beds Network's partners will also access Agoda's advanced distribution technology to increase productivity of their inventory.

30 December 2021

Booking Holdings Inc. (NASDAQ: BKNG) today announced that it has successfully completed its previously announced plan to acquire Getaroom from Court Square Capital Partners for approximately \$1.2 billion. Getaroom is a B2B distributor of hotel rooms and will roll into Booking Holdings' Priceline brand to form a new Strategic Partnerships business unit with the Priceline Partner Network.





























Expedia B2B Distribution



17 September 2019

In an industry first, Expedia Group will next month become the exclusive distributor of Marriott International wholesale and promotional room rates, availability, and content to bedbanks, and other redistributors when they don't have a direct connection with the hotel chain. The bigger hotel bedbanks, such as Spain's HotelBeds, Australia's WebBeds, and Indonesia's MG Bedbank, will be directed by Marriott starting October 15 to establish ties with Expedia's business-to-business unit, Expedia Partner Solutions, if they want to continue to access Marriott's rates and availabilities from any of the chain's 7,000 properties in 132 countries and territories.

In 2020, Expedia Group expanded their exclusive distributor model to all large and medium sized lodging partners.















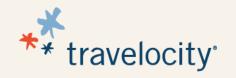
















Managing The Wholesalers

- Never give a better offer or extra commission (compensation) just to one!
- Any promise that a 'special offer' will only be for their company is not true. Their B2B distribution model means these rates go EVERYWHERE!
- Any promise that a country or regional offer will have limited distribution is not true. These go EVERYWHERE!
- Expedia & Booking membership rates are re-distributed.
- Expedia & Booking Holdings will undercut parity when night time in hotel country and hotel revenue department is closed.





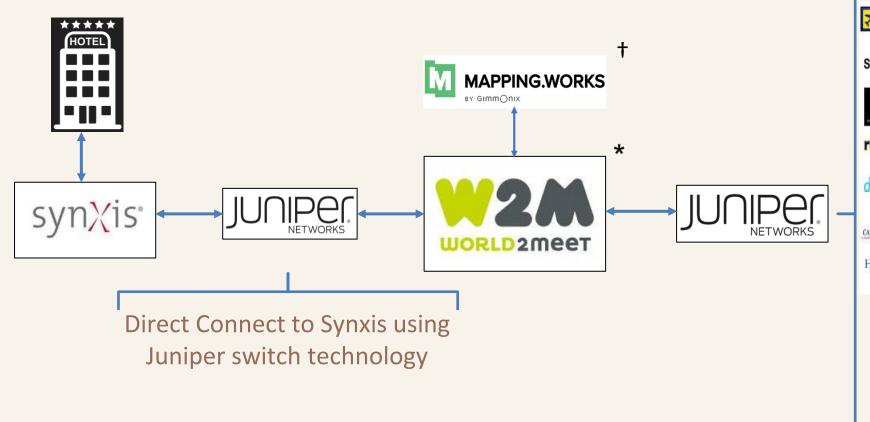








Typical Wholesaler Distribution Model



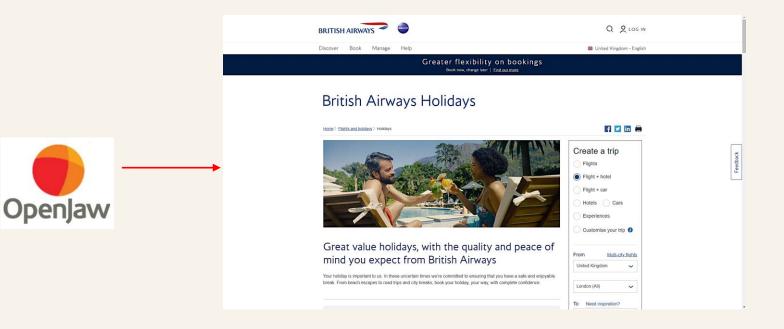
- * World2Meet 100% owned by Iberostar Group
- † Gimmonix technology to map rates to demand clients





British Airways Holidays Distribution Model





Lowest net rate is selected through OpenJaw – only rates used for that supplier for hotel and no other.



Managing B2C Relationships

- B2C agents and tour operators usually take feeds from more than one supplier.
- They want a direct relationship with hotels for:
 - Customer service relationship (next slide example)
 - Static content control (images & descriptions)
 - Environmental policy and health & safety information
 - Value add and special offers THAT WILL NOT BE RE-DISTRIBUTED!
- If an agent or tour operator has the same rate to sell in their direct contract as their other supplier feeds, then they will sell their direct contract rates.
- If another supplier's rates are cheaper (same policies), they will sell those rates and hotels will not know which company made the booking. The booking will come through with the name of the wholesaler only.











Trustpilot Reviews







Self Booking Tools - SBT

- Also referred to as Corporate Booking Tools CBT
- Used by TMCs, consortias, companies, tour operators and travel agents to aggregate rates for air, hotel & car rental bookings.
- Take multiple supplier rate feeds.
- Mandate a travel policy for health & safety, environmental and budget compliance.
- Tools supplied by specialist companies, GDS's and TMCs.
- Display setup controlled by the user, not the supplier feed.
- Can show all rate options or only the channel with the lowest rate.

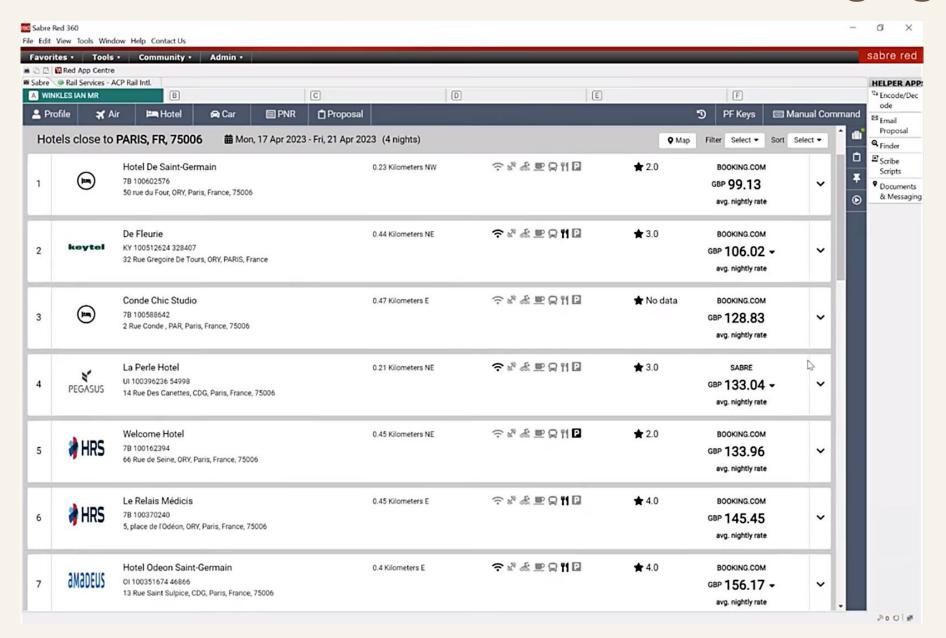


SBT - TravelPerk



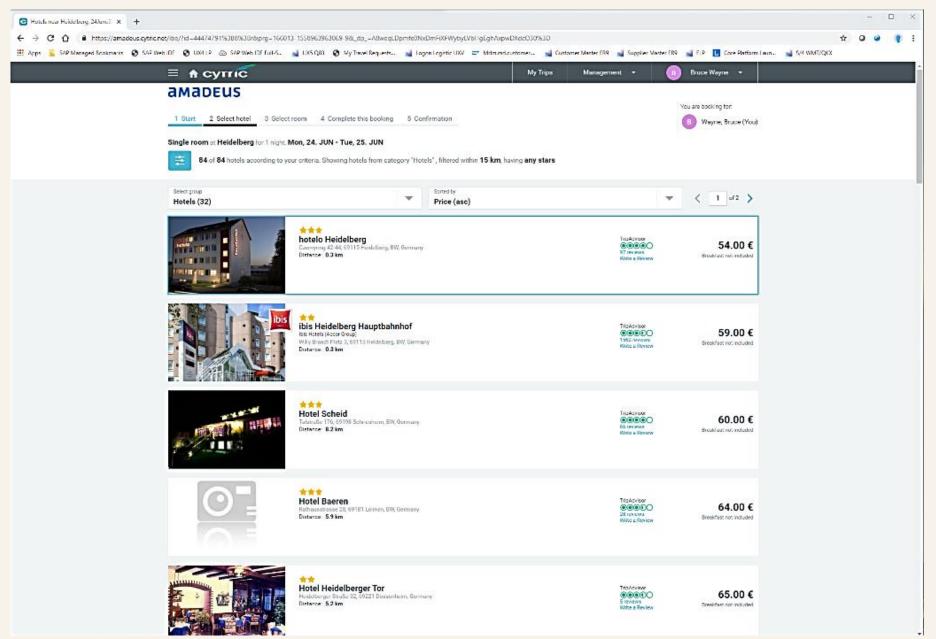


SBT – Sabre Red360 Content Services for Lodging – CSL

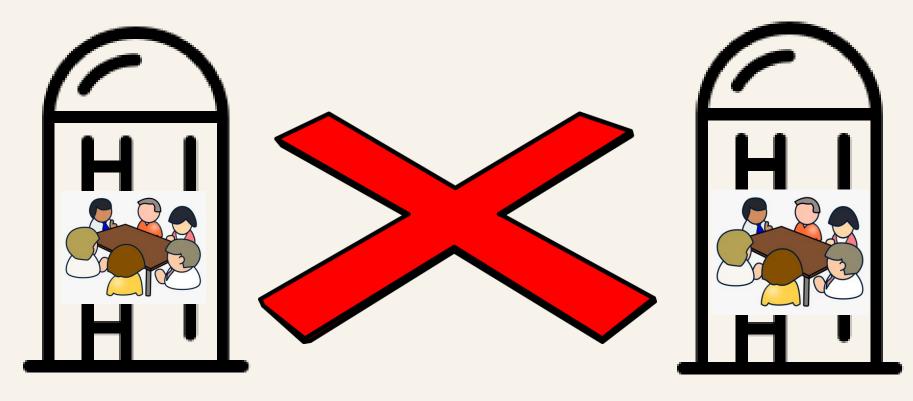




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Revenue Management



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