



Twelve Year study exploring how brands tangibly improve peoples' lives functionally, enhance their personal well-being, and contribute to wider society.





The Meaningful Brands Study is unique within the industry

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Dating from 2009, was the FIRST GLOBAL FRAMEWORK to connect brands with human well-being

PROPRIETARY
METRIC of brand
strength for business
and marketing
planning

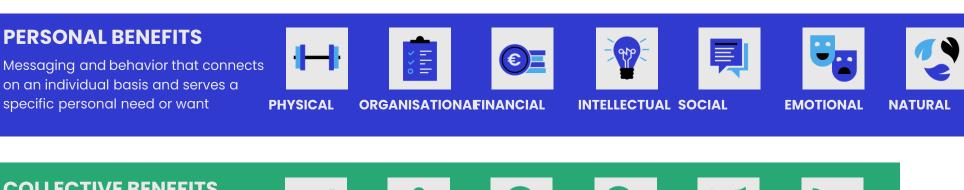
Helps us identify how and where to MEANINGFULLY ENGAGE with people through customer, brand and media experiences





A Tangible Definition of 'Meaningful'

Understanding what matters across 3 pillars and 14 dimensions



COLLECTIVE BENEFITS

Company initiatives, behaviors, and actions that respond to and connect at the social and cultural level



ECONOMY



EMPLOYER



ETHICS





GOOD LIVING ENVIRONMENT SOCIAL



JUSTICE

FUNCTIONAL BENEFITS

Rational benefits focused on product functionality, customer service, interactivity, and technology







Brands are measured against specific attributes pertinent to their category - within each pillar



FUNCTIONAL

How the product or service delivers

- Banking app
- Best Camera
- Clear Info
- Comfortable clothes
- Compatibility
- Data privacy
- Delivers
- Designs
- Digital experience
- Easy journey
- Easy returns
- Easy Switch
- Exclusive exp.
- Fair Prices

- Fix cuts
- Handling
- Handset Change
- Helpful Staff
- In charge
- In store experience
- Inclusive Collection
- Innovative
- Interactions
- Leader
- Multisensorv
- Price's consistency

- Proactive
- Quality brands
- Quality Prods
- Range
- Respect
- Safe & Responsible
- Safety features
- Scents
- Tariffs Range
- Technologydriven
- Tools & services
- Unique
- Upright



PERSONAL

How brands improve peoples' lives



- Healthy
- Attractive



ORGANISATIONAL

- Life Easier
- Better Habits
- Save Time



FINANCIAL

- Best interests
- Savings
- Wealth



INTELLECTUAL EMOTIONAL

- Trendy
- Skills
- New Ideas



SOCIAL

Closer



- Belonging
- Sharing
- Connecting

- Me Happy
- · Makes me content
- Self-Esteem
- Peace of Mind
- Show-off/Pride
- Self expression
- Privileged
- Relaxed



NATURAL

- Env. Enabler
- Sense of Purpose



COLLECTIVE

A brands role in society



- Local Suppliers
- Development
- · Benefits the Economy



- Miarants
- LGBT+ rights
- Women's rights
- Anti-racism Social Leader
- Improve access Food security
- Diversity

- Transparent
- Causes
- Data protection
- Ethical



GOOD LIVING

- Healthy lives
- Education
- Culture access
- Poverty

ENVIRONMENT

- Respects Animals
- · Sust.
- consumption · Climate change
- Respects Nature
- Sust. Energy
- Sust. Innovations
- · Clean supply chain
- Food waste





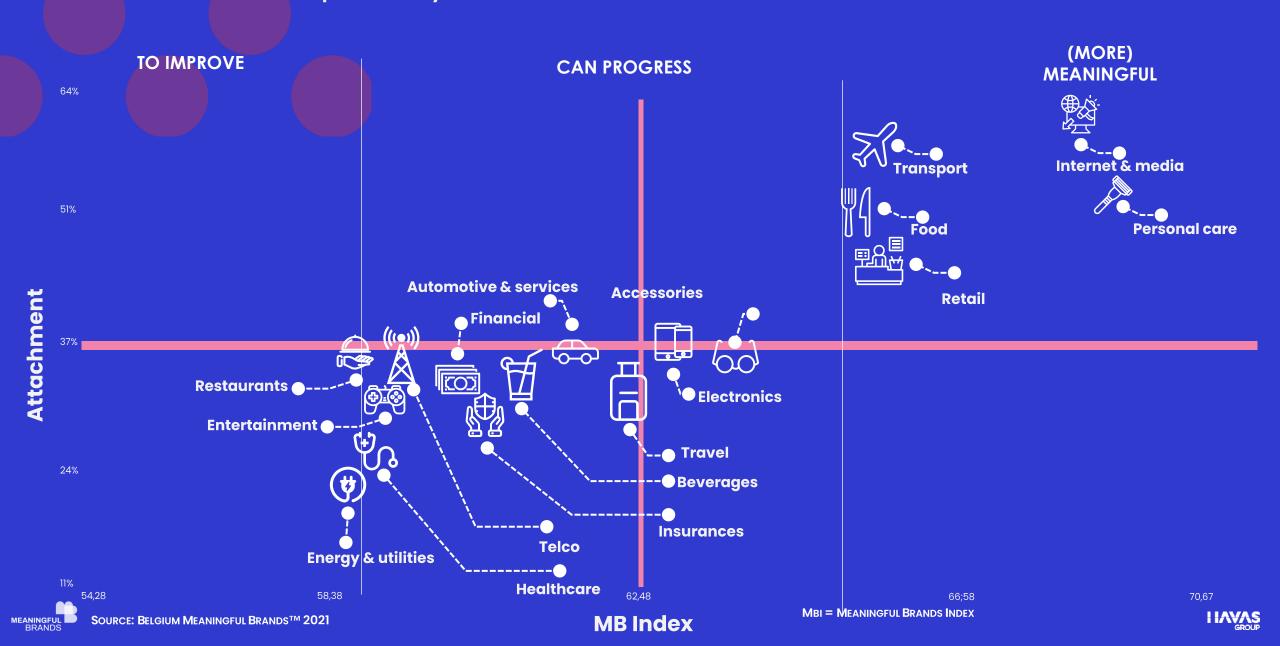
- Jobs
- Invests



In orange: Attributes specific to a category

MBi & Attachment per category

Transport industry & Telco have seen their MBi increase in 2021



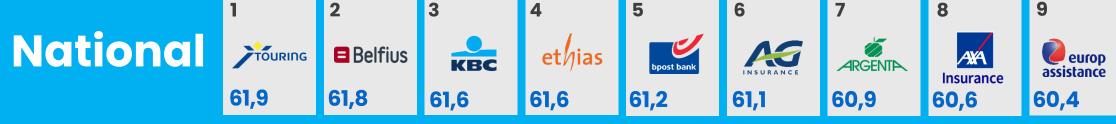
Top Financial market: BANKING & INSURANCES multiple splits

Ranking mostly dominated by banks at national level



















Nord









































GenZ Belfius ING 3

















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KBC 60,4

VAB

ARGENTA.

■ Belfius



Banks should delivers what they say with clear info, Peace of Mind, Self-esteem & savings and transparency are important





FUNCTIONAL

Deliver a good product / service

40%

- 107 Delivers
- 105 Clear Info
- 105 Helpful Staff
- 105 Quality Prods
- 104 Tools & services



PERSONAL

Improve peoples'

32%

- 117 Peace of mind
- 1115 Self-Esteem
- 110 Savings
- 109 Skills
- 109 Save Time



COLLECTIVE

Play a role in society & environment

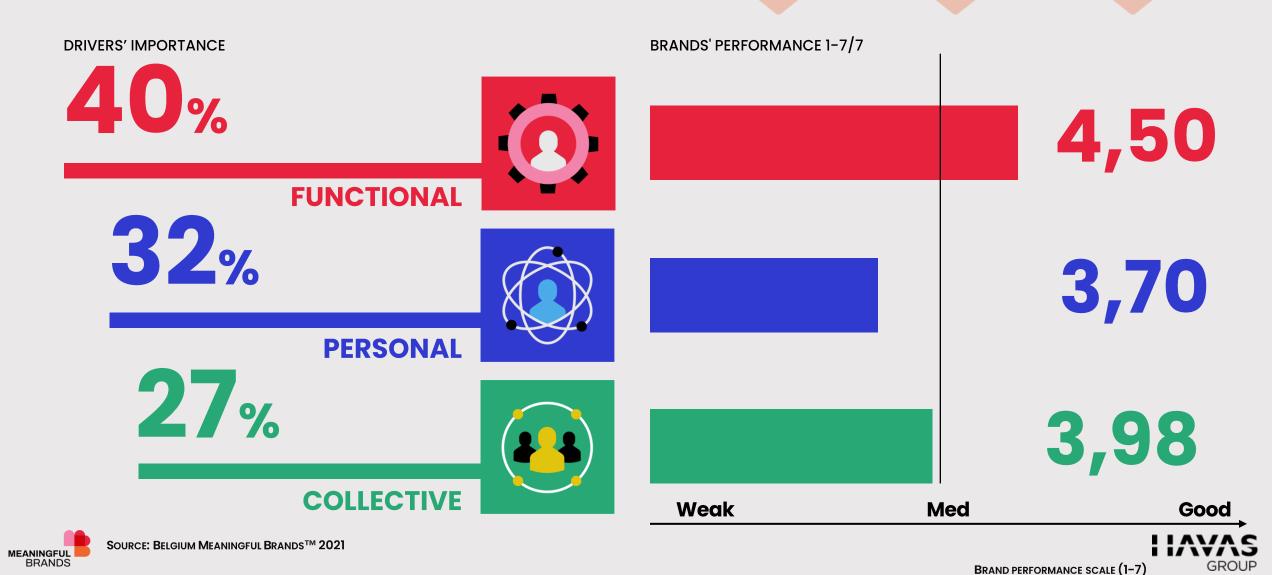
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- 106 Invests





Banks perform well on functional benefits, less so regarding personal benefits expectations





In the North, functional pillar has less importance with a reinforced collective aspect





FUNCTIONAL

Deliver a good product / service

38%

- 108 Delivers
- 105 Quality Prods
- Clear info
- 104 Tools & services
- 104 Respect



PERSONAL

Improve peoples' lives

33%

- 112 Peace of Mind
- 112 Self-Esteem
- 109 Savings
- 108 Best interests
- 108 Skills



COLLECTIVE

Play a role in society & environment

- 113 Transparent
- 108 Development
- 106 Benefits the Economy
- 106 Sust. Innovations
- 106 Social Leader





Helpful Staff, Save time and Ethical are key attributes in the South





FUNCTIONAL

Deliver a good product / service

41%

- 106 Helpful Staff
- 105 Delivers
- 105 Clear info
- 104 Quality Prods
- 104 Tools & services



PERSONAL

Improve peoples' lives

32%

- 119 Peace of mind
- 117 Self-Esteem
- III Save Time
- 110 Life Easier
- 109 Skills



COLLECTIVE

Play a role in society & environment

- 120 Good employer
- 119 Transparent
- 112 Ethical
- 110 Invests
- Benefits the Economy





Gen Z are more into personal benefits, with a desire to learn and improve their financial skills to effectively manage their personal banking





FUNCTIONAL

Deliver a good product / service

38%

- 110 Digital experience
- 108 Delivers
- 107 Fair Prices
- 106 In store experience
- 106 Clear info



PERSONAL

Improve peoples'

34%

- III Self-esteem
- 110 Skills
- 107 Peace of Mind
- 107 Savings
- 106 Best interest



COLLECTIVE

Play a role in society & environment

- Benefits the Economy
- 109 Good employer
- 109 Social Leader
- 108 Causes
- 106 Development





Functional pillar essential for boomers in terms of quality, helpful Staff & clear info. A transparent bank is highly important for them.





FUNCTIONAL

Deliver a good product / service

43%

- 109 Quality Prods
- 107 Helpful Staff
- 107 Delivers
- 107 Clear info
- 106 Respect



PERSONAL

Improve peoples'

31%

- 124 Peace of mind
- 122 Save Time
- 119 Self-esteem
- 119 Savings
- 115 Skills



COLLECTIVE

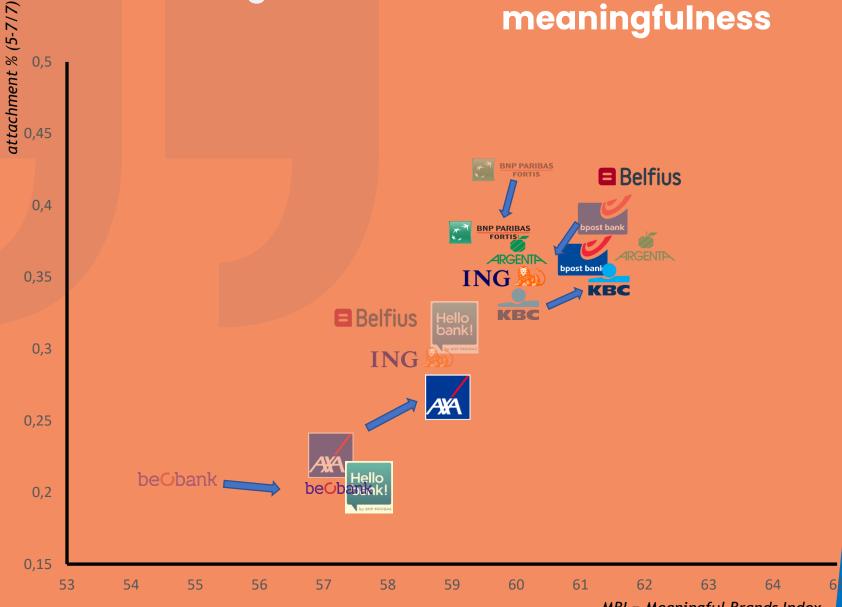
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- Benefits the Economy
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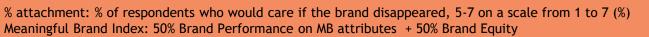


Banks ranking: Belfius & KBC takes the lead with a remarkable increase in meaningfulness



Evolution Meaningful Brand index (MBi) AUTOMOTIVE Ranking 2021 (14) 2019 (14) **MBI** #1 **Belfius** #2 KBC post banqu #3 KBC #4 **BNP PARIBAS ARGENTA BNP PARIBAS** #5 #6 ING 🎒 **Belfius**







Top Banks multiple splits

National





































GenZ















61,1 +4

Boomer



ARGENTA. **57,6** -1,9

Belfius 57 -0,9

AXA

bpost bank 56,9 -0,2 BNP PARIBAS FORTIS

7 1+2

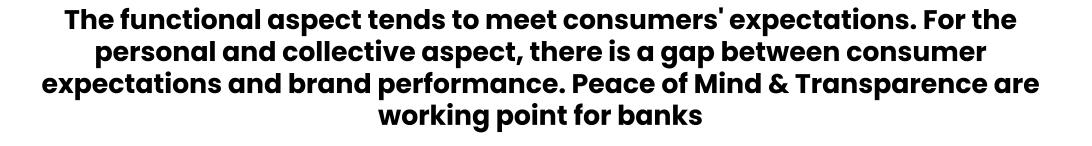
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Hello bank!

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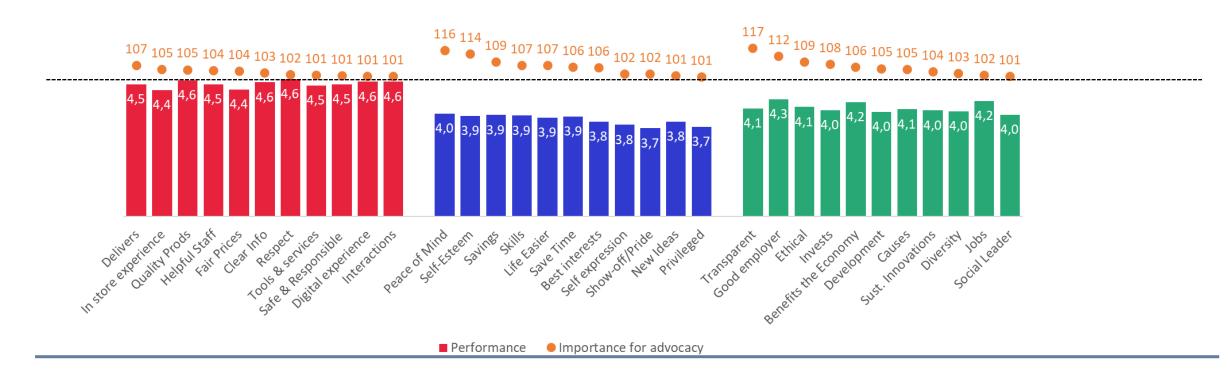




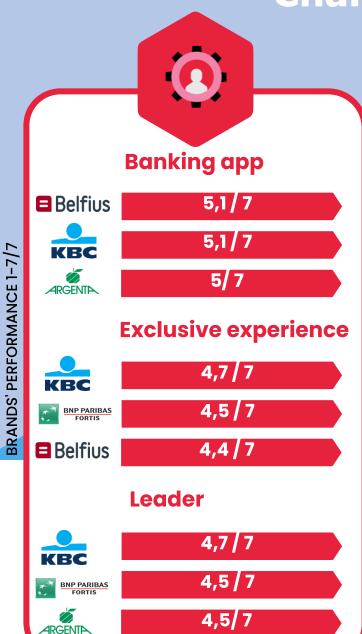




Attributes contributing to willingness to advocacy from clients in the banking environment in 2021



Champion brands by attributes: NL

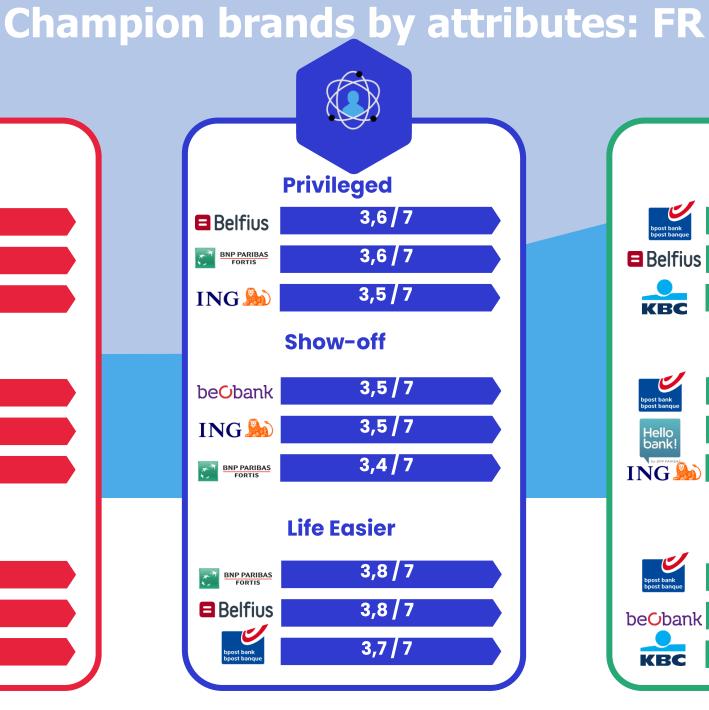






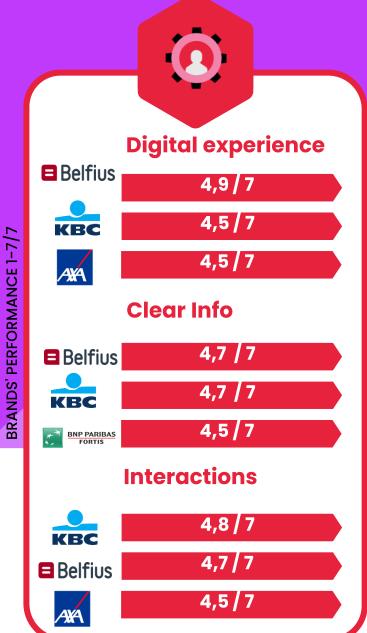
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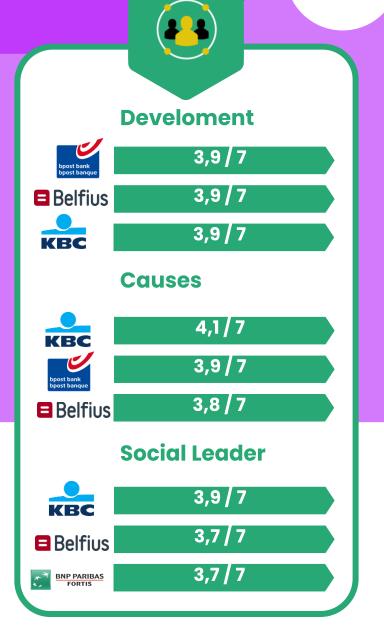




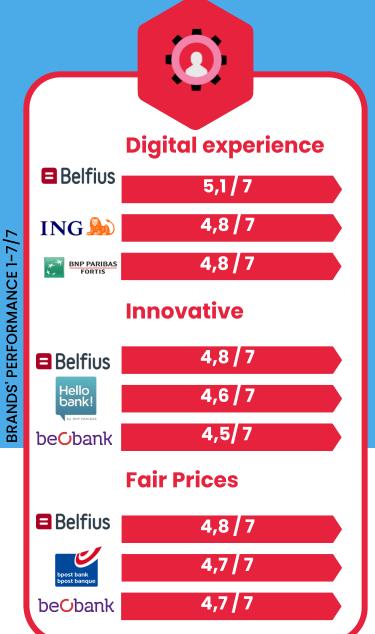




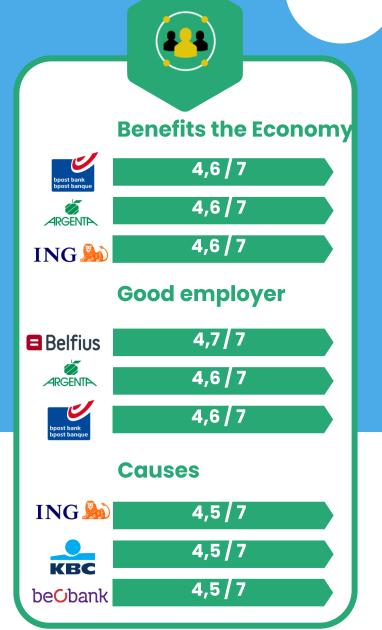














Priority is Quality Prods, Respect, Peace of Mind, Life Easier and Transparence.





FUNCTIONAL

Deliver a good product / service

43%

- 112 Quality Prods
- 108 Respect
- 108 Delivers
- 107 Clear info
- 107 In chargee



PERSONAL

Improve peoples'

31%

- 135 Peace of mind
- 129 Life Easier
- Savings
- 107 Self expression
- 106 Privileged



COLLECTIVE

Play a role in society & environment

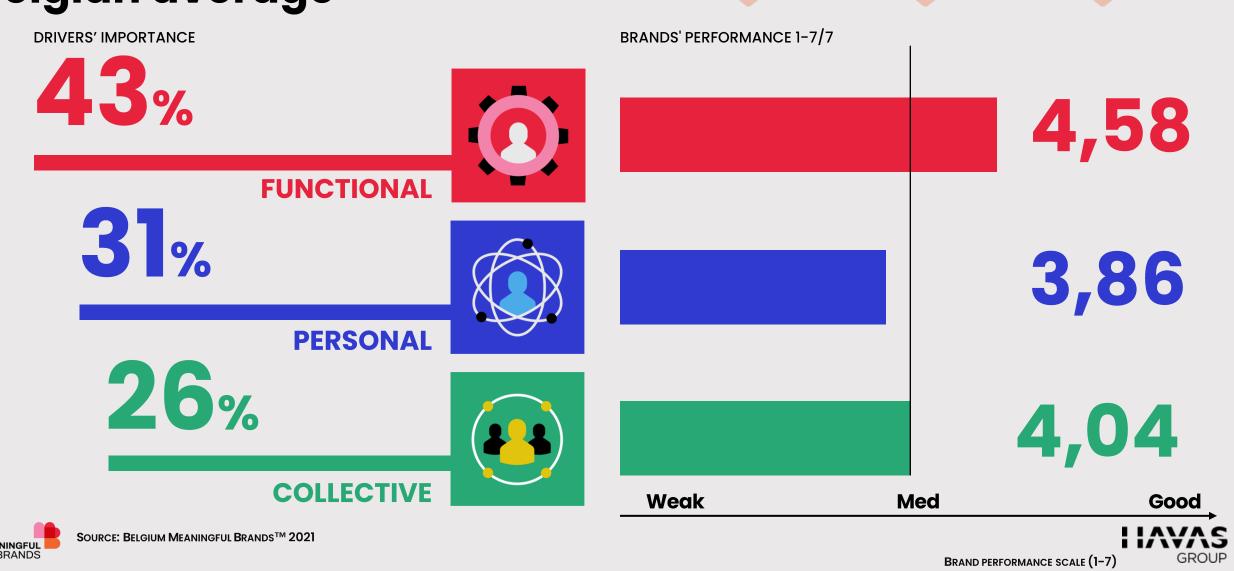
- 130 Transparent
- Jobs Jobs
- 117 Ethical
- Good employer
- Benefits the Economy



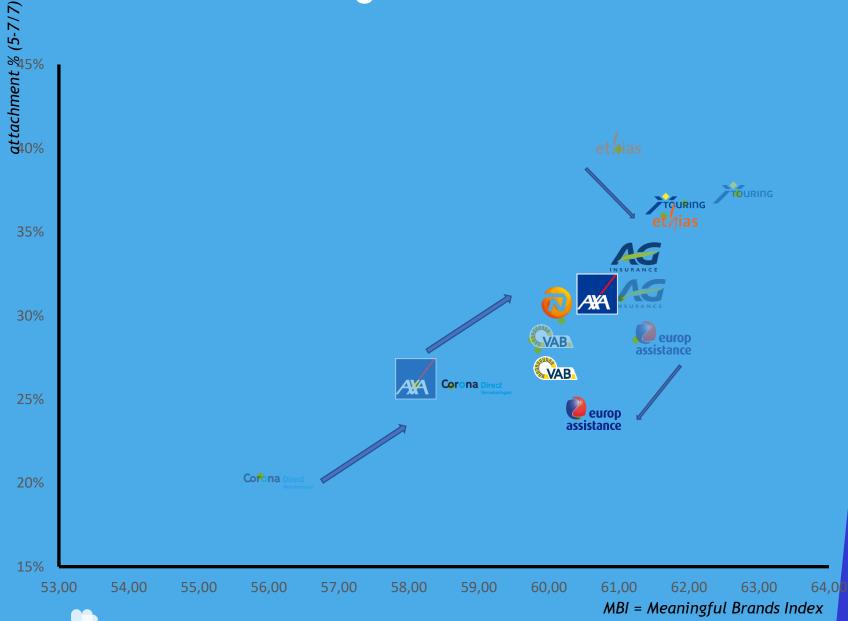


A performance for the insurance sector slightly above the banking sector but still below the Belgian average





Insurance ranking: Ethias & Corona Direct make significant progress







Top INSURANCES multiple splits















Nord CVAB. 2 1-1































VAB **52,5** -1,6

GenZ 11+4 2 NN

















europ

60,7 -1,7

58,4 -0,4

Boomer

1 ++2

TOURING

3 1-1 europ

AS INSURANCE

5₁₊₁ VAB

Corona Direct **56,3** +0,5

In the north, Peace of Mind & Life Easier are key attributes for Personal pillar. Consumers expect Transparency & Economic benefits from insurance companies





FUNCTIONAL

Deliver a good product / service

40%

- 116 Quality Prods
- 109 Clear info
- 108 Respect
- 107 Fair Prices
- 106 Delivers



PERSONAL

Improve peoples'

32%

- 126 Life Easier
- 125 Peace of mind
- 108 Self expression
- 104 Privileged
- 103 New Ideas



COLLECTIVE

Play a role in society & environment

- 121 Transparent
- 113 Benefits the economy
- 113 Ethical
- 112 Jobs
- III Sust. Innovations





Again, South is way more functional with an importance of a good support





FUNCTIONAL

Deliver a good product / service

43%

- 108 Quality Prods
- 108 In charge
- 107 Respect
- 107 Delivers
- 106 Clear info



PERSONAL

Improve peoples' lives

31%

- 135 Peace of Mind
- 127 Life Easier
- 114 Savings
- 107 Self expression
- 106 Privileged



COLLECTIVE

Play a role in society & environment

- 133 Transparent
- 118 Good employer
- 117 Jobs
- 117 Ethical
- 115 Benefits the economy





For Gen Z, collective aspect of insurance is much more important. These companies must play a role for society



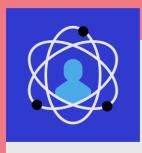


FUNCTIONAL

Deliver a good product / service

38%

- Quality Prods
- 109 Delivers
- 108 Clear info
- 108 Leader
- 107 In charge



PERSONAL

Improve peoples'

32%

- 115 Peace of Mind
- 114 Life Easier
- 108 Savings
- 107 Self expression
- 106 Save Time



COLLECTIVE

Play a role in society & environment

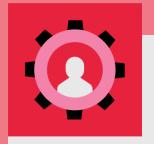
- 118 Jobs
- 111 Causes
- Transparent
- 107 Benefits the Economy
- 107 Good employer





Functional aspect predominates for boomers. Unlike young people, the societal aspect is not important





FUNCTIONAL

Deliver a good product / service

50%

- 112 Quality Prods
- Fair Prices
- 110 Delivers
- 108 In charge
- 108 Clear info



PERSONAL

Improve peoples' lives

29%

- 159 Peace of Mind
- 153 Life Easier
- 124 Savings
- Privileged
- 110 Self expression



COLLECTIVE

Play a role in society & environment

- 157 Transparent
- 140 Benefits the economy
- 134 Jobs
- 130 Good employer
- 123 Ethical





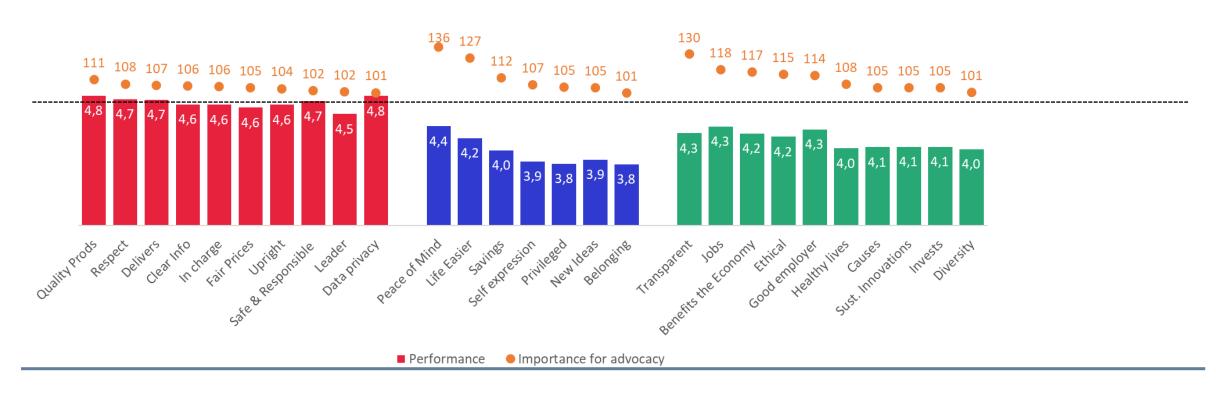








Attributes contributing to willingness to advocacy from clients in the insurance environment in 2021



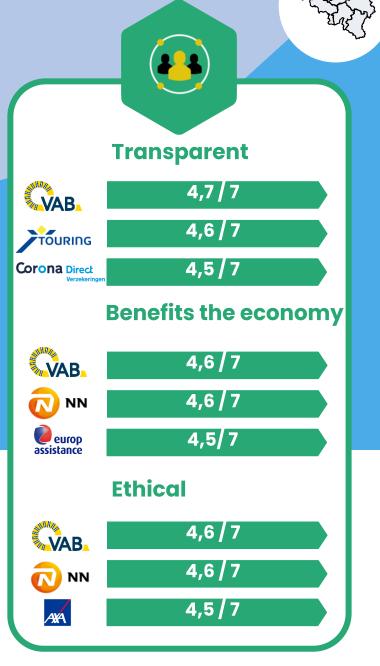
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INSURANCE

4,9 / 7

4,8 / 7









Quality Prods

5,1 / 7

5 / 7

4,7 | 7

Innovative

BRANDS' PERFORMANCE 1-7/7

5/7

4,9 / 7

4,5 / 7

Unique

4,6 / 7

4,5 / 7

4,2 | 7



Better Habits

4,1/7

4/7

3,9 | 7

Content

4,7 / 7

4,4 | 7

4,2 | 7

Priviliged

3,8 / 7

3,7 / 7

3,7 | 7



Clean supply chain

4,3 / 7

4,1 / 7

4,1/7

Diversity

4,2 | 7

4/7

4/7

Sust. Innovations

4,8 / 7

4,7 | 7

4,5 / 7









4,7 | 7



4,7 / 7



4,6 / 7

In store experience



BRANDS' PERFORMANCE 1-7/7

4,9 / 7



4,8 / 7



4,7 / 7

Safe & Responsible



5,2 / 7



4,9 | 7



4,7 | 7



Life Easier



4/7



3,8 / 7



3,8 / 7

Me happy



3,8 / 7



3,7 / 7



3,6 / 7

Environment Enabler



4,1 / 7



3,9 / 7



3,8 / 7



Climate change



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Good employer



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Social Leader



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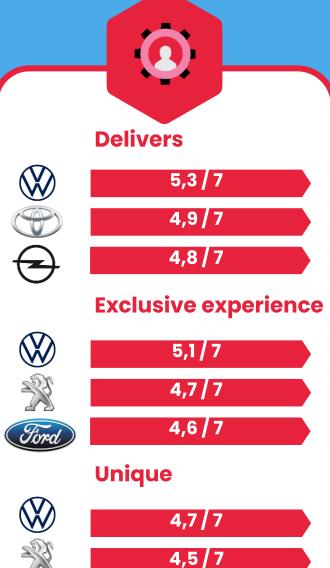


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BRANDS' PERFORMANCE 1-7/7





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