Digital Marketing Environment

Environmental Factors

- Following factors affect in digital marketing
 - Legal
 - ▶ Technological
 - Market-related factors

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Legal Factors

- Legislation of a country affects the digital marketing strategies
- Privacy of the consumer's personal data
 E.g.: Opt-out e-mail
 Spams
- Opportunity for fraud activities through new technologies
 - It is complex to capture due to the networked world

Technology

- Use technology to target customers based on their online behavior
- Lower cost since no paper work and less human effort
- Costly investments
- Web page development
- expensive hardware and software
- Obsolete of technology time to time

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Technology

Digital marketing has

- ▶ Technological enhancements
 - Customer relationship management
 - > supply chain management
 - ▶ electronic data interchange
 - ▶ News groups
 - Forums, blogs

Internet Properties

- Information can be stored, sent and received immediately
- Communicate and share data irrespective of the location
- Automated transactions and payments
- ▶ Identify location (e.g. FedEx package delivery)
- ▶ Store large amount of data using cloud technology
- Mass Customization (e.g. personalized web pages at Amazon)

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Consumer Expectation

- Privacy
- ▶ Prevent children from offensive sites
- Request for permission before sending commercial e-mail messages
- Want convenient, self-service, speed, good customer service, personal attention, and value

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Questions

- What are some of the key legal issues that affect e-marketing?
- How does technology both raise and lower costs for companies?
- As a technology, how does the Internet compare with the telephone?
- What are some of the marketing implications of Internet technologies?

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Discussion Questions

- As a consumer, are you likely to benefit when ebusiness becomes "just business" (i.e. only buying & selling) in the near future? Explain your answer
- What concerns about consumer privacy are raised by the increased use of wireless computing and handheld devices outside the home or workplace?

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