IKEA.COM Evaluation Approach Report

1. Scope Definition

Website/App Selected: www.ikea.com @ Hej! Welcome to IKEA Global

Business Requirements: E-commerce platform selling furniture and home goods

Target User Demographics:

• Age Range: 25-55 years

Income: Middle to upper-middle class

• Primary Goals: Home furnishing, interior design, convenient shopping

2. Evaluation Methodology

Tool: Provided Heuristic Evaluation Checklist **Evaluation Method:** Systematic review across 8 key usability principles

3. Detailed Heuristic Evaluation

A comprehensive chart is attached.

4. Data Analysis & Key Findings

Based on the initial evaluation, here are the primary insights:

Strengths:

- Consistent color scheme
- Intuitive navigation
- User-friendly product descriptions
- Clear visual selection states

Areas for Improvement:

- Icon design consistency
- Page title clarity
- Descriptive headers for some sections

5. Recommendations Report

Executive Summary

Our heuristic evaluation of IKEA.com revealed several opportunities to enhance user experience through targeted UX improvements.

<u>Top 5 Actionable Recommendations</u>

1. Standardize Icon Design

- Develop a comprehensive icon style guide
- Ensure visual consistency across all website sections
- Implement tooltips for complex or ambiguous icons

2. Enhance Page Titles and Headers

- Add descriptive, concise titles to all pages
- Ensure headers clearly communicate page content and purpose
- Use a consistent heading hierarchy (H1, H2, etc.)

3. Improve Error Messaging

- Create clear, constructive error messages
- Provide specific guidance for error resolution
- Use friendly, non-technical language

4. Optimize User Control

- Implement robust "undo" functionality
- Allow easy navigation between sections
- Provide clear paths to return to previous states

5. Enhance Visibility of System State

- Add more explicit loading indicators
- Provide clear feedback for user actions
- Show progress for multi-step processes like checkout

Expected Impact

- Improved user navigation
- Reduced user frustration
- Increased conversion rates
- Enhanced brand perception

Next Steps

- Review detailed heuristic evaluation
- Prioritize recommendations
- Develop an implementation roadmap
- Conduct user testing to validate improvements