>News automation Robots as Resources

In times of digital transformation, automated content is a growing opportunity for media companies to uphold their mission to inform and serve readers with essential and interesting journalism. Not only do robots deliver large amounts och high-quality and reliable content at low costs. By doing the legwork on selected volume reporting, they also allow newsrooms and reporters to take time for quality journalism, featured or investigative.

Leveraged right, robots are a perfect complement to reporters.



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Approximate time it takes the robot to write an article – and it can produce 100s in parallel. Topics include sports, traffic incidents, house sales, company registrations and more



Low cost

Automated content is a low cost way to generate volumes of articles (+ inventory) suitable for geo-targeting, personalisation, new vertical sites etc



Two

Number of extra fulltime reporters needed to do the writing the robots do at tiny local Swedish publisher Bärgslagsbladet / Arboga Tidning, in a newsroom of 5 reporters + Editor-in-chief.



2000-4000

Number of pageviews a particularly popular robot written article can generate. Equals 2–3 days work by reporter (Mittmedia)



Advantages of robot content

Automation – no manual tasks involved
Speed – text created instantly
Reliability – correct data = correct text
Consistency – whenever there's new data
Strategic distribution – publication can
be scheduled and through #s of channels
Free up reporter time – use robots for
routine reporting



20%

Proportion of articles written by the real estate robot in a newsroom of 100 journalists at Norwegian Bergens Tidende. The automated real estate content is responsible for 1,000 subscription sales a year (@ €24 / month).



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Average CPM boost for data enriched inventory from robot texts

In 2019 Mittmedia's robot texts

generated:Average of €15 CPMs for adjacent

inventory Pageviews – 7,3 million Ad impressions – 11 million



> Robots and humans, both, should be focused where they have the most impact.