# Harvesting Insights From Social Media

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# Real-life uses of social media

Get leads to new information

ID/validate an expert

**Professional development** 

Monitor a live event / news

Monitor mentions of your org





# **Privacy concerns**









Create Ads

Manage Ads

Activity Log

News Feed Preferences

Settings

Log Out

Help

Support Inbox

Report a Problem

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# Use this to modify:

Who can see your posts (past and future)

Who can send you a friend request

Who can find you via email or phone #

Who can tag you

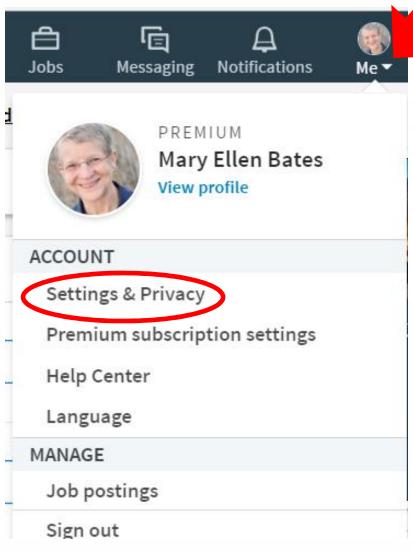
Who can post on your timeline

Who can follow you

etc....



# LinkedIn





# Use this to modify:

Who can see your full name

Who can follow you

What portions of your profile are public

Who can see your connections

Who can see if you've viewed their profile

Who's notified when you update your profile

etc....



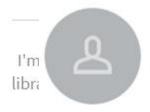




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# **Twitter**





# Use this to modify:

Who can view your tweets

Who can tag you in photos

Whether your email or phone number is searchable

Who can send you a direct message

etc....



# Search DOs and DON'Ts





### DOs

DO remember what you're searching People's thoughts & pointers, not articles

DO manage clients' expectations

DO understand your org's policies re: social media research





### DOS

Do use Advanced Search (LinkedIn, Twitter, Google)

**DO** manage your privacy settings

DO consider premium accounts (LinkedIn, HootSuite/Tweetdeck)



### DON'Ts

DON'T just lurk – participate!

DON'T assume the usual 80:20 rule Look at the 4th page of search results

DON'T believe everything you read

DON'T disbelieve anything you don't agree with



# Searching LinkedIn



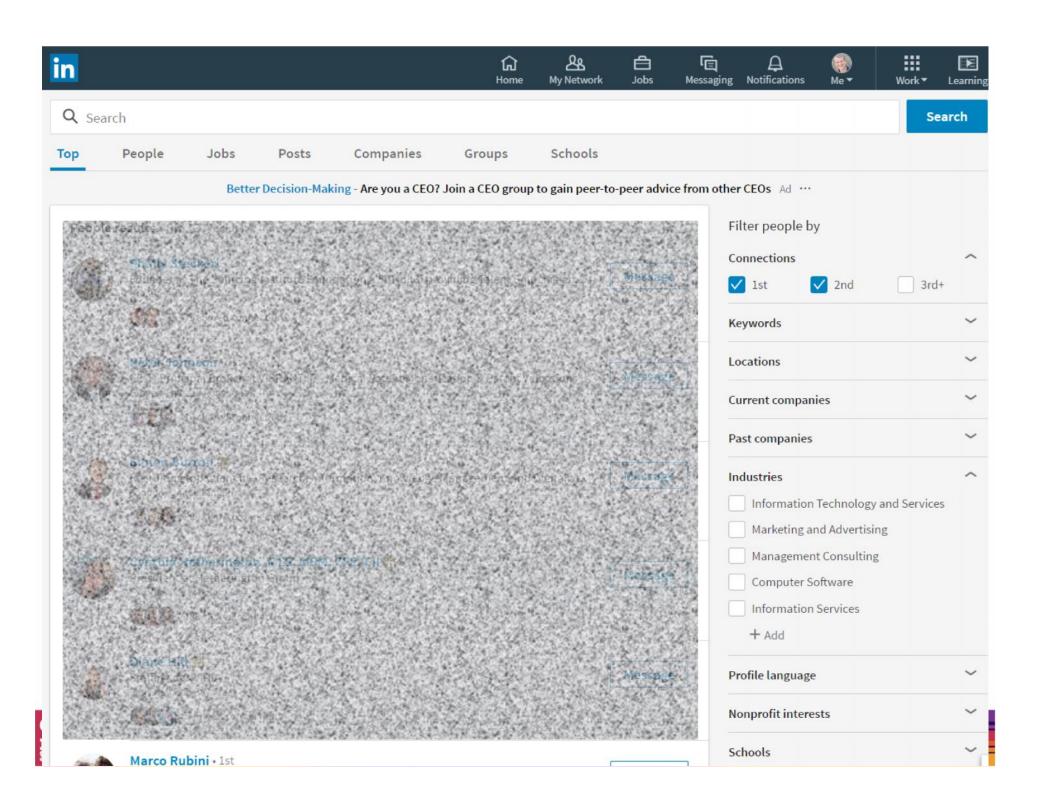


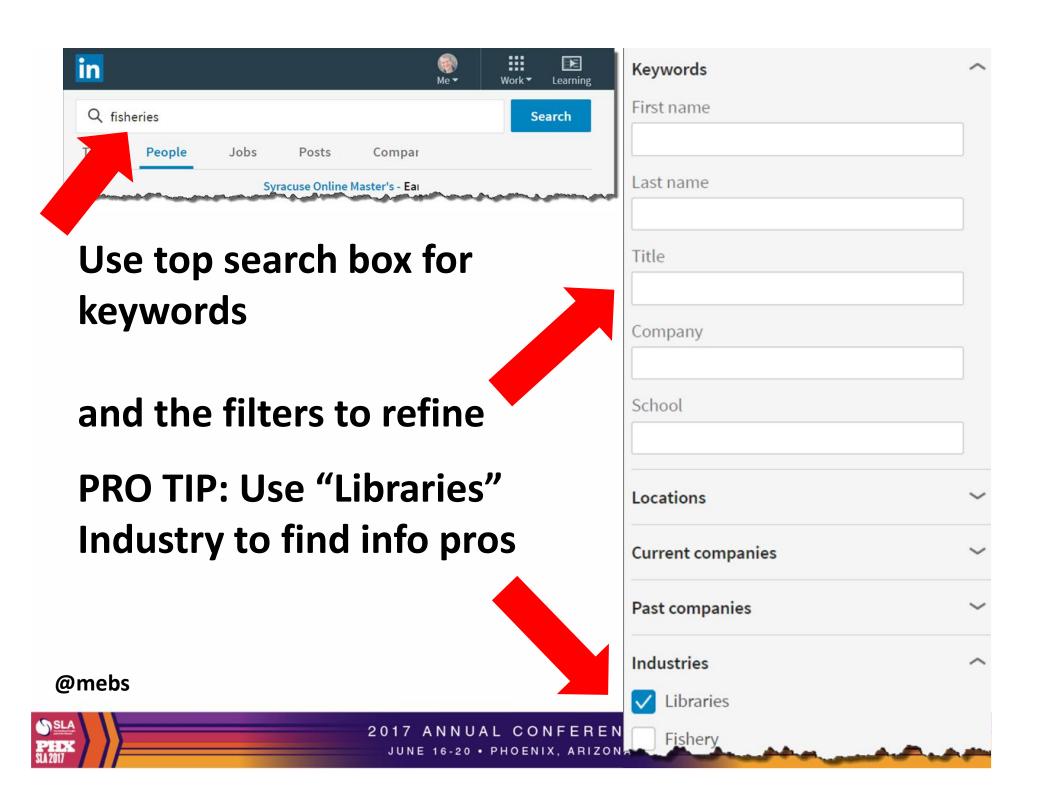
## Where's Advanced Search???



#### Click the search box







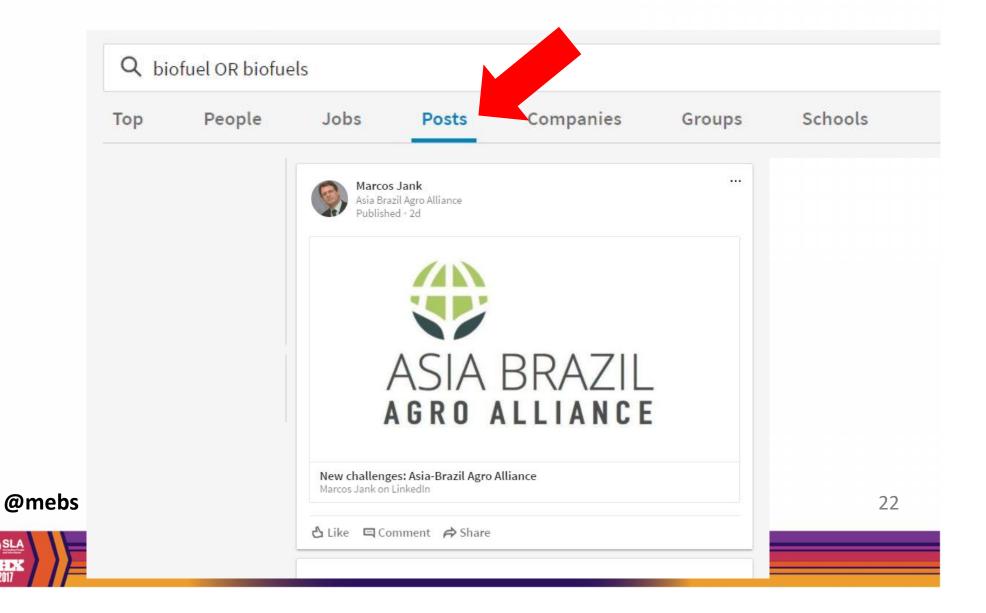
# LinkedIn search tips

Know what clues to look for in results Industry, location, alternative names

Reverse-image search the person's profile photo Google Images, Bing Images, TinEye



## Search *Posts* for links to resources



# ID similar orgs in LinkedIn



#### **Nordic World Heritage Foundation**

Civic & Social Organization 1-10 employees

#### Home

The Nordic World Heritage Foundation (NWHF) is a category II centre, working under the auspices of UNESCO, supporting the implementation of UNESCO's World Heritage Convention (1972) for the Protection of the World's Cultural and Natural Heritage in cooperation with the World Heritage Centre.

NWHF is organised as a non-profit Foundation supporting international activities within the programme framework of UNESCO.

NWHF has since 1996 worked with the role of culture, nature and environment in development cooperation and has extensive knowledge and experience in the field of bi- and multilateral cooperation. Poverty alleviation, coordination, and partnership development are key themes. The main geographical focus areas are Southeast Asia and Sub-Saharan Africa and the Pacific.

Website

http://www.nwhf.no

Headquarters Norway

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Industry

Type Non Profit

Civic & Social Organization

Company Size 1-10 employees

Similar companies

Nordic Heritage Museum

Museums and Institutions 11-50 employees



OVPM / OWHC / OCPM

Government Relations 11-50 employees



HUGH STUART EXPLORATION CONSULTANTS LTD

Mining & Metals 2-10 employees



American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works

Nonprofit Organization Management 11-50 employees



UNESCO

International Affairs 1,001-5,000 employees

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# Professional development

Develop a voice, share news

Participate in groups

Make it easy for recruiters to find you!



# **Searching Twitter**





### Twitter's advanced search

#### **Search by:**

AND/OR/NOT

**Phrase** 

Twitter handle

**Near a location** 

**Date range** 

twitter.com/search-advanced



# Twitter search hacks

Look for engagement

min\_retweets:n

min\_faves:n

Millennials (brands OR marketing)

min\_retweets:5



# Professional development

Use dashboard: HootSuite, TweetDeck, etc.

Monitor conference via live-tweeting

**Build list of thought leaders!** 



# Searching Facebook



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**Good luck!** 

Syntax that sometimes works

People/friends who like ...

People who work at ...



# Facebook's GraphSearch replicated

#### SearchIsBack.com

Search for people who..., posts by or about a topic (Events and Photos search – meh)



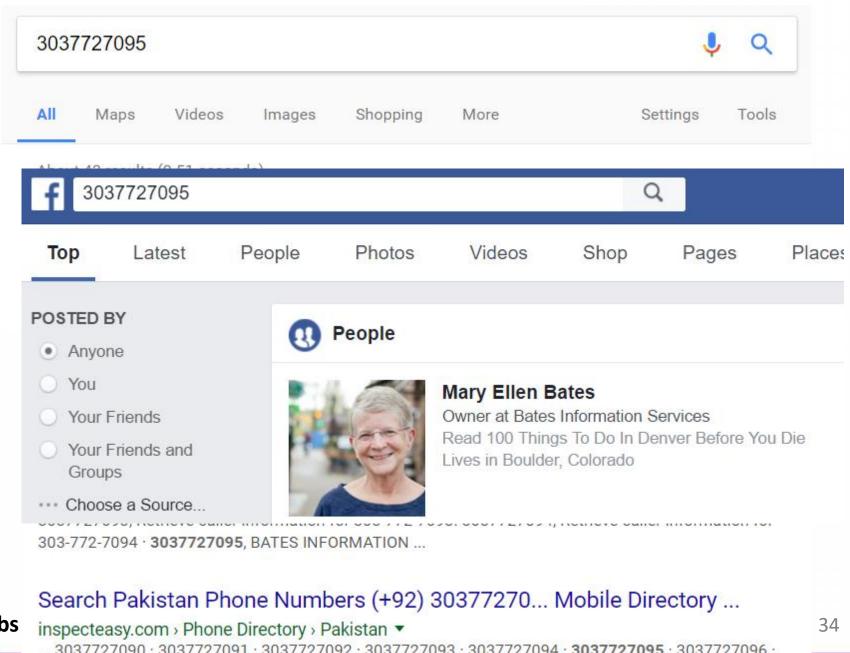
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	Find people!		N F E R E N C E	

# Can't ID a phone number?

Look it up in Facebook!







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#### **Privacy Settings and Tools**

	Review all your posts and things you're tagged in	
	Limit the audience for posts you've shared with friends of friends or Public?	
Who can contact me?	Who can send you friend requests?	Everyone
Who can look me up?	Who can look you up using the email address you provided?	Everyone



# Following breaking news





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#### **Twitter**

#keyword NEAR:location WITHIN:nmi

NO SPACE after prefix
Use keywords used by locals
Skim tweets for trending #hashtag







### Following breaking news

#### **Twitter**

Use content filters (look for tweets with ...)

filter:videos, filter:images, filter:news



### Following breaking news

### Google

Use intitle: and site: and limit to last 24 hours

site:youtube.com intitle:listeria

site:washingtonpost.com intitle:budget





# Social media search tips





### Search social media on Google

site:twitter.com "name" {and maybe a city or profession}

site:facebook.com, site:linkedin.com, etc.

ALSO use Twitter, LinkedIn advanced search



### Searching for individuals

Watch for name variants

LinkedIn: Katherine J. MacArthur

**Facebook: Kathy MacArthur** 

**Twitter: CatMac** 



### Searching for individuals

Find people by their email addresses

Don't know it? GUESS!

Try Google's \* (term placeholder)

"mary.\*.bates@acmewidgets.com"





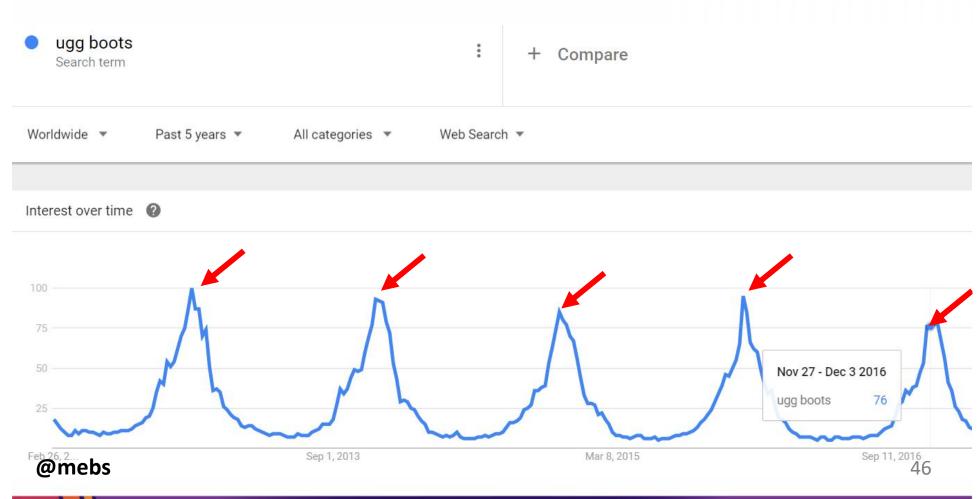
# Use Google Trends to find weirdness

Put key concept in Google Trends and look for unusual spikes

google.com/trends



### See big spike in search for *Ugg boots* around Black Friday every year.





### Expand your search

Job aggregator sites show where & who an org is hiring

Indeed.com, Glassdoor.com, CareerBuilder.com Glassdoor also tells you about work environment, hiring process



### Benchmark your own org

### **Get baselines for**

Twitter: likes, followers, retweets, mentions

Facebook: likes, followers, comments

LinkedIn: likes, followers, comments

### Compare to stats when news hits

"The number of followers increased X%; comments increased Y%."





## Be creative, try new approaches!





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