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### EFFECTS OF MANAGEMENT CONFLICTS BETWEEN CUSTOMER RELATIONSHIP MANAGEMENT AND HOTEL REVENUE MANAGEMENT

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#### ABSTRACT

Managers in the hospitality sector have adopted the principles of “Revenue Management” (RevM) and “Customer Relationship Management” (CRM) while in reality, various organizations consider it as impossible to completely manage both. This paper evaluates the compatibility between these management practices, and describes the potential conflicts of management that arise from the perspectives of both revenue and account managers. Results from an multinational hospitality organization show many sources of future disagreements in management including: timescales of management, objectives of management, expected market properties, success metrics and management foci among Revenue and client association organisation leading to differences in the expectations of managers and their strategies to achieving their specific targets. These distinctions have not been studied comprehensively in earlier research, yet they are vital for the integration of RevM and CRM. Revenue management research in the hospitality sector not only tried to harmonize the two approaches by defining regions of client tension, but also proposed a range of practical communication techniques to minimize these conflicts.

## 1. Introduction

Despite the ongoing economic downturn, a number of firms were forced to revise their operations in a dynamic marketplace to continue their financial results. The ability of an industry to expand revenue via efficiently managed relationships with customers is considered valuable in tackling the uncertain global economic perspective. However, businesses may face difficulties in managing both revenue organisation and customer experience organisation and activities in tourism and hospitality industry organizations like convention centres, airlines, and hotels, where revenue management is commonly performed. The former stresses the importance of positive returns from well-managed customer experiences, while the latter underlines maximised revenues mainly through effective inventory management. The impact of revenue management on customer service has drawn the attention of hospitality researchers and tourist industry researcher's Operations strategy as well as business experiences over the past five years. Revenue management research in the hospitality sector not only tried to harmonize the two approaches by defining regions of client tension, but also proposed a range of practical communication techniques to minimize these conflicts [1].

From a context of business-to-business, study results indicate that the management of hotel sales has seen both negative and positive effects on partnerships with key hotel clients, but it suggests that there is a disparity between the company's positive gains as opposed to the mostly negative effect on key clients. In fact, the probability of sales control can be at odds with the mutual confidence that exists which was investigated by the researchers. However, it is called very difficult to choose between a long-term partnership and instant benefit. Work into the integration at management level between practices of hotel revenue management and CRM continues to be minimal. This paper aims to give an overview of hotel managers' views on when, why and how current RevM and CRM approaches may or may not be governance-compatible. It explains the dynamics of real life to raise sales, and obscures the difficulties that hotel managers have to meet in developing connexions with important customers [2].

### **The Approach of Customer Relationship Management towards Customers:**

Within the literature, it is apparent that marketing relationships have become a common field of research. Through the 80s preceding the implementation of the Marketing Interaction Theory, a paradigm shift and a global term in marketing practise have been considered by some as a 'modern marketing model. Marketing partnerships may also 'refocuses [sic] marketing strategies away from products and their sales cycles toward consumer partnership life cycles,' but most significantly, marketing partnership concept has led businesses to understand customer connexions. As a consequence, a number of similar technologies had arisen, like CRM, by the beginning of the twenty-first century. While marketing relationships and the value of two-way communication is demonstrated by the CRM, and their management goals are different when focusing on customer retention. The first approach is viewed as

an alternative marketing approach that establishes and maintains relationships with foreign and domestic vendors, stakeholders and users. Meanwhile, CRM focuses heavily on managing and developing profitable customer relationships which Highlights the identification and retention of the most profitable customers and the improvement of the profitability of the less valuable products or segments [3].

The definition of CRM in the communications field was often the focus of extensive study. The rising trend in CRM surveys demonstrates the importance of improving the relationships between businesses and customers. CRM techniques have been commonly implemented in the service industry in an attempt to maximize investor returns by a relationship-oriented management strategy. It should be remembered that, given the ample meanings found in the marketing literature, it is still challenging to describe the word as a theory, CRM consists of different facets, each one from a certain point of view. Researchers have implicated that there are 47 separate interpretations of CRM. Therefore, it is important to explain that this work explores CRM as a term that describes 'a corporate strategy to achieve the company's consumer centricity.' More precisely for this analysis, CRM helps to recognize, attract, maintain and optimize the interest of the best clients in a business [4].

Due to the possible funding benefits, the difficulties to identify a generally-understood definition of CRM did not deter managers from implementing CRM. Studies in this field also substantiated the ties between consumer satisfaction, consumer loyalty and customer lifetime value, which also enabled businesses to regard their consumers as a “valuable asset”; thus, the more a business holds its clients, the greater their benefit from them. Although the long-term financial benefit from maintaining and strengthening consumer connections may be one of CRM's key advantages, other considerations, such as higher business uncertainty and increasing rivalry, have motivated businesses to adopt CRM. Many businesses seek to protect their customers , particularly after the credit crisis and the subsequent economic crisis, as a valuable, long-term asset. Consequently, the implementation of CRM procedure is no longer a luxury for many companies but rather a must for both “aggressive” and “defensive” purposes. The former is related to a drive to increase productivity through lowering expenses and growing sales by increased consumer retention and loyalty; the latter occurs as businesses are afraid to lose clients and revenue [5].

However, optimizing today's sales appears more appealing in the hospitality and tourism sectors, where sales control is widely done, than keeping clients of tomorrow. Consequently, maximizing revenue – especially during high-demand days – is more Revenue managers' sensitivity, which does not inherently contribute to consumers and consumer interactions as a top priority. To address the conceptual differences between CRM and revenue management methods, the next section of this paper on revenue management is based on the effects on customers. [6].

### **Revenue Management:**

“Revenue Management” explains the Technique or science pricing the commodities, goods and services in order to exploit overall income. This study takes the form, in contrast with retaining it for the eventual future consumer who is willing to pay the increased price for a specific product or service, of estimating the cost of selling a resource unit today. This cost of opportunity is then related with the revenue accessible from an immediate sale, whereas yes / no decisions will be made for every opportunity of demand. These decisions need to be made interactively in industries with consumable assets as the resource comes up for renewal after a particular period of time, after which it could be sold [7].

Hotel rooms and also airline seats fall in this category as there is no interest for both an airplane seat and unsold room after a night or the departure of airliner. Each unoccupied room generates little income, so a demand management strategy aims to occupy a profit generating amount of hotel rooms either by dynamically changing costs or by switching on and off various tier levels. Although there is now a good understanding of the potential benefits of implementing revenue management in the hotel industry, the actual implementation is not a simple task [3].

The position of the hotel revenue manager have evolved significantly over the past 25 years, as has the research itself. They identify the changing tactics of the managers of local hotel revenue in this paper and finish with our thoughts about what the upcoming will carry to this occupation track. It is important to first study the context of how sales management has developed through sectors before addressing shifts in the positions of hotel revenue managers. Revenue management practices have existed since the dawn of trades which are commercials, where several traders and merchants would hold goods and food of higher quality apart from the commoners, and only present them to upper class and nobility [1].

This technique took benefit of the fact that they could sell their finer goods to "mean people" at a higher price. The supply and demand rule often regulated the period inn keepers who were forced to increase their food and accommodation rates when their goods were rarer and demand and supply fluctuated. The aviation industry was the leader in industrial sales control, developing along with growths in processer technology. Real income management for the transport and hospitality industry began in 1971, when 'BOAC airlines' began providing discounted airfares for some passengers while paying full fares to those on the same journey.

BOAC's plan for allocating discounted rates was to offer only an amount equal to the quantity of seats that would remain empty if there were no discounts. Once this limit was met, from that stage on only full-fared tickets would be available. The development of systems of computerized inventory control that could be used to manage and enforce reduced tariffs significantly enabled this use of a two-tier pricing structure [8].

Whereas the inventory control mechanisms were already in operation, in 1977 the US domestic airlines deregulated the case that significantly advanced

revenue management activity in the airline industry. Such reform extracted authority from the Board of "Civil Aeronautics", which had previously set the aviation industry pricing policy and enabled the Free-Market to decide and regulate airfare.

The transition from effective control of pricing industry to empowering airlines to set their own rates also put the airlines into a competitive environment focused on the demand. Rates were decided collectively prior to legalization, and were regulated by the federal government. -fare had to be accepted by the Board of "Civil Aeronautics", and the procedure was frequently long. It restricted the willingness of the airlines to play with reduced rates or use ticket prices to respond to changes in demand. Since legalization, airlines started setting their own rates, which they often continue to do. This new freedom of pricing, along with the introduction of "Computer reservation systems" (CRSs), enabled airlines to keep track of the vast inventory of seats on flights over a period of several months. The prevalent use of modern day hospitality and travel revenue management is often ascribed to the discounting price strategy referred as the "Super Saver Rate" [9].

The introduction of the "Super Saver Rate" and other discounted airline tariffs required extensive regulations preventing passengers from making changes or cancellations to an established airline. The changing landscape of hotel revenue management discount fare booking. Typically, those restrictions took the shape of cancellation fees or transaction fees. The justification for these limitations was predicated on a consumer's "quid pro quo" theory accruing a penalty for changing or cancelling an existing booking in exchange for a standard rate discount. Although some consumers originally didn't understand or support this logic, they gradually acquired the knowledge to accept it but have now become a standard practice in the aviation market. Many airline passengers have trained over a long period of time of acclimatization to recognize that discount rates are bound to some sort of constraints. One such example of a constraint is the mandatory "Saturday-night stay-over" law, or a barrier as it is alluded to in the market. Most airlines wanted the passenger to depart before a Saturday and return the next Sunday or later at all discounted rates .

The aim of this limitation was to prevent the more profitable business travellers from receiving discounts because they usually flew within the week and never included any stay-over for the weekend. Gradually customers have started to accept that the greater the price off the standard fare, the more limitations have been imposed on that airline booking. This results in development of non-refundable fares, which lock the user into payments at the time of booking, and which do not require any adjustment to the itinerary without the payment of any kind of tax, such as cancellation fees or alteration costs.

#### **Hotel Revenue Management and its Development:**

With the efficient use of RMS by the airline industry, the hosting industry began to introduce multi-stage pricing schemes for space and connect them to various discounts and restrictions. When Marriott International promoted its usage rather than the word Yield Management that had previously been used in the airline industry, the term "income management" became the norm for the

hotel industry. Partly focused on efficient revenue control introduction standards and procedures by Marriott, most of the other major hotel chains were able to launch their own revenue management implementations.

The ability to predict potential issues, as many decision makers use outside the individual who is responsible for controlling their profits, is one of the major advantages of adopting revenue management practises in the hotel industry. Researchers notice that an accurate evaluation of a lodging organisation's potential success allows management to make important operational decisions about staffing, plans, expenditures and regulation in all facets of the lodging industry. The lodging management team often depends on reliable forecasts to devise long term and sort term business plans which are heavily dependent on projected cost and revenue [11].

Therefore, several hotels initially implemented sales management practices and applications simply based on their improved accuracy in forecasting. Such hotels really gained an appreciation for the full capabilities that revenue management can provide when they implemented revenue management. Nonetheless, in order to take full advantage of these resources a new position had to be developed to support the hotel management team. The new position was the manager of hotel revenue. Researchers provide a brief overview of how that role has developed in the next pages.

#### **Potential Conflicts of Revenue Management with Clients:**

Except for CRM professionals, whose main objectives are sustaining and establishing fruitful relationships between customers, revenue management consumers strive to increase income and eventually benefit by enhancing profits by growing the operational productivity and efficient Price, inventory monitoring and customer mix management of three main areas. Initially, the concept of revenue management was implemented to shield the US airline industry from declining consumer request and rising rivals., many capability-constrained business industries quickly embraced it. Examples include restaurants; conference centers, malls, theatres and cinemas, amusement parks, gambling enterprises, cruise ships, golf courses, and hotels of course. When advanced systems were developed in late 1990's for electronic property management, RevM became part of the normal operating practice in the hotel industry. It seems to have revolutionized control of hotel facilities, with several notable arguments for success. Notwithstanding the scepticism that it is hard to show conclusively that revenue control increases the operational efficiency of hotels because of implementation and it is not necessarily effective and specific techniques are not followed, data from studies shows that revenue management contributes to a 1-9% increase in hotel income [12].

The first of these concerns' perceptions of customers regarding the 'fairness' of revenue management practices. Researchers note that consumers can view the process of sales management as unreasonable Where buying information is scarcity and costs are not rationalised; consumers can be isolated. A additional source of dispute is the implementation of different pricing approaches, like demand-oriented ones, which also leads to unwanted price volatility,

particularly during peak seasons, and can contribute to distrust between consumers and the business [13].

The disagreement may emerge from the usage of different constraints on the allocation and availability of inventory management, like restricted distribution for some rate groups and constraints on accessibility control, which are in the business' best interests but not customers; thus, questions from researchers concerning consumer acceptance of revenue management activities. The results from the literature indicate that the definition of CRM and RevM may well be implemented, but not without obstacles, drive the hospitality industry to a 'modern age.' Research carried out in the gaming industry suggests a promising trend in integrating CRM and RevM, but emphasizes that 3 requirements must be met: an operational support construction; the correct expertise; and human intellect or investigative abilities [14].

Furthermore, results from passengers in airlines and hotel visitors indicate that "creating consumer tension is far better if a facility provider works together to engage in RevM and in customer-centered commercialisation" and that the root cause of the conflict "is primarily the incompatibility of RevM and CRM approaches" when accessible places are removed from award reservations and reservations; not available for unique deals. Therefore, unfortunately, because of potential consumer frustration, "many administrators were hesitant to follow RevM procedures". In the conventional operations management literature also established the need for more work on modelling customer behaviour in RevM and on-line market Auctions. as 'one of the most relevant work fields of operations management' to improve the capacity of organizations to handle their enterprises [15].

## 2. Methodology

Considering the explorative aspect of this research and the fact that it addresses corporate behaviours, ideologies and activities, it is apparent that a qualitative methodology inductive analysis is essential. The qualitative type of study is advocated by phenomenologically oriented investigators who use an investigative approach to gain observations into places where theory is constrained or fails. This allows for not only collecting in-depth knowledge but also reducing the gap between the investigator and those being examined. Researchers say it leads to recognizing the complexities of organizational challenges by disclosing interpersonal structure and including encounters between managers, workers and consumers. After a comprehensive analysis of the literature, a particular one has been inserted the case study approach was considered suitable for acquiring an in-depth sympathetic in the sense of real life. Initially, subject experts and related managers from various hotel chain studies were also asked to gain expertise in the subject at the initial stage of the study design. A Structure for Research was then established.

The structure suggested, firstly, to analyse the applicable strategies and procedures of an organization as set out by its headquarters and to evaluate its implementations and consequences for guesthouse; furthermore, to determine the feasibility of its execution and organizational effects in marketing and

auctions units; & thirdly, to look for appropriate managers per unit based on the information gathered. In order to identify the correct case study business, embedded properties, and primary informants, different non-probability sampling approaches were employed. Two key factors influenced the hiring process: seeking the ‘best’ organization, and the ‘correct’ employees. At the business level the goal was to pick an organization reflecting the sector not only in terms of scale and rank, but also in terms of sales control and CRM. At the participant stage, the focus was focused on finding key individuals with reliable evidence and trustworthy causes and getting acceptance.

In the numerous stages of research, purposeful non-probability sampling strategies were used to obtain rich knowledge and to thoroughly view several viewpoints regarding the case study business. Initially three multinational hotel firms were attacked with purposeful sampling. However, having taken into consideration the critical data usability of the firms, the amount of samples was limited to two; all of which were involved in engaging in the study. The last choice is to choose a UK-based multinational hotel company operating predominantly in the 5-star deluxe (B brand) and 5-star (C brand) sectors, as one of the senior managers decided to take part because he had a 'warm feeling' about the study issues posed. The large-scale access offered by hotels and the cooperation of managers from the four selected hotels have therefore been of tremendous benefit to this work. Upon courtesy calls to the business headquarters and the three field offices

Sales departments of four hotels located in central London (B1; B2; B3 and C4) were proposed as the perfect multi-case for purposive sampling by internal members, as they better reflect the challenge faced by many hotels.-maintaining sales efficiency and strong customer relations. The descriptions of the four selected hotels are listed in Table 1. Specific discussions with the Chief Executive Officer and each hotel’s sales manager then had the following aims: to affirm the findings of the previous study; to clarify further the research objectives.

**Table 1:** *The Four Embedded Hotels Chosen Profile*

	<b>B1</b>	<b>B2</b>	<b>B3</b>	<b>C4</b>
Place	London	London	London	London
Type	Modern	Impressive/traditional	Contemporary/international business	Contemporary high growth
No. of restaurants	2	3	3	4
No. of rooms	200+	400+	700+	900+
No. of bars	2	3	3	2
Leisure	-	Yes	-	-
Parking	-	Yes	Yes	Yes
Classroom	90	320	187	170
Banquet	120	470	320	310
Theatre	130	460	420	290
Boardroom	60	90	79	93



### **Data Collection:**

Data were obtained using various data-collection techniques to ensure integrity and precision at the design level of this case study. Such approaches involved paper reviews, Non - experimental assessments and structured interviews on three channels: headquarters; three regional divisions of sale and promotion (Corporate Selling, Airline Sales and Leisure Sales); and 4 hotel possessions. Paper reviews were undertaken 1st; this complicated analysing business procedures, best processes, training documents, board minutes, notes, executive records, consumer feedback letters and corporate contracts related to together CRM and income organisation fields. Subordinate data is focused because 'corroborating and augmenting information from other sources' is considered to be significant. Documents also covered a long period and multiple occurrences and places, and provided precise descriptions, sources, and incident information. Management, individual hotels, sales and marketing teams known for seeking primary testimonials, including sales managers and company-influential account managers, have also issued a variety of papers.

Data collected during that stage, combined with subsequent observations and interview data, is interrelated and analysed so that case data are maximised and a more detailed understanding is given of the company's policies, management priorities and key managers play their role in the decision-making cycle linked to RevM and CRM. No non-participating assessments also were carried out on 4 hotel properties, each spending an average time of two weeks, and two more weeks were spent in three sales and marketing offices where there were account managers. Using easy entry, a number of key sources such as Sales managers and Account Manager, associated management meetings, weekly business meetings and reservation monitors were obtained by "shadowing" and were also involved in sales decision-making. Based on the data, researchers were able to obtain rich data. Non-participant assessment was used to facilitate interviews, and the results of this approach allowed a clearer understanding of how the procedures and activities of the organization were applied and exercised at different locations.

While 'participant evaluation' can be used as a term by the investigator. the interaction and consider the emotions of the subjects, this was not viewed as the preferred approach in this situation, because it was challenging for the researcher 'participate' in decision-making, as an observer. It can also be remembered that whilst the key benefit of The Researchers considers the "directness" or proximity of the researcher as direct observation that their everyday involvement could theoretically affect the condition under observation. The researchers used the "honest" way to introduce themselves to the informants and their intent to evaluate the findings at any new venue, and each participant was entitled to confidentiality. A maximum of 19 in-depth and semi-structuring interviews with decision makers in both revenue and sales bureaus by record studies and observations were conducted individually. Three General Managers; three Marketing Managers; five Corporate Account Managers; 1 Regional Account Manager; two Leisure Managers; one Airline

Sales Manager; one Revenues Manager; one former Planning Manager and one Operation Manager.

The interview composed of an accessible query list (see Annex A-overview of the interview question). The interview was half organised. In combination with record analyses and findings, the evidence collected from interviews is correlated and analysed. The multiple method of data collection allowed the gathering of rich data from various sources and reinforced the theory's base by triangulation of proof. This further served to examine the consistency of RevM and CRM activities from various administrative backgrounds, thereby improving the research's credibility by evaluating one source of evidence against another possible interpretation and thereby providing for the analysis of multiple views. Owing to the dynamic nature of the research, data where using a schematic review technique analysed. This was more conducive to the phenomenological role of the researcher and to the need to explore what researchers consider 'Status facts, or maybe a fact behind it, are basically the development of a list of codes reflecting themes found in text-related data and are thus used in comparative methods in order to locate concepts for data collected. It is an empirical way to interpret qualitative data thematically.

The data collected from each respondent were examined separately in the transcript to establish how and why every person perceives the connexion among RMM and CMR practises to recognise the emerging patterns found by individual managers. The themes which emerged in. transcript of the interview popular views on the fundamental causes for future management disputes were contrasted through individuals. The definitions and themes were also checked by contrasting the details with other informants; by contrasting new trends with the knowledge gathered by record interpretation and observation; by testing the relevance of the Selection of trends for two designated senior respondents: the organisation's Operations Director and the Sales and Marketing Director. In most data collection, interviews and observation reports have been broken down, as well as the compiled documents, into usable groups to label them under increasing code / group to define and analyse trends, patterns and relationships.

However, a cut-and - paste process that condenses sections of text or overview notes has been utilised as the data gathering and reviewing progresses. The location and stage of the codes have also been revised, modified and added to the hierarchy of the prototype. Attached, as far as possible, to any paragraph or sentence was the text description of a particular guide. In order to track the source, the initial textual data was cross-referenced, allowing for analysis of the abstraction method. The informants' viewpoints were also measured and contrasted at various levels / units of the organization.

### **3. Results**

This study results indicate that while most participants believe that together CRM and income organisation will support each other in principle, the views of the various managers on the consistency of revenue management and CRM activities remain polarized. Research results from multiple sources illustrate

that sales managers and account managers cannot co-exist with sales and CRM because they are combined without a mutual understanding of each one. It became apparent that after Hotels adopted revenue management procedure, a variety of management tensions have arisen, and that this has inhibited customer relationship growth. Paradoxically, the key fields contained management objectives, management timescales, inventory control, efficiency and financial metrics. This was largely attributed to differences arising in their differentiated organizational strategies and methods to meeting their respective targets, culminating in perceived unfairness to consumers and a number of possible consumer disputes already reported in the literature. Information on these observations are now being clarified and debated.

The management focus given to sales control and CRM in Hotels was evidently unbalanced. The paper studies show that, unlike a well-developed, comprehensive revenue management field, the field of CRM seemed to be a fairly overlooked area. Another noteworthy report was the Revenue Management Best Practice (RevMBP), first implemented by the Computerized Adoption Control (hereinafter abbreviated as CYMS) to guide the management of hotel rates hostels in 2005. The business has been exposed to the usual revenue management protocol. In the RevMBP's opening article, the The organisation's Chief Executive Officer described sales management as 'the money-generating game' and explained that the discipline and related preparations are meant to enable appropriate employees to do so. Relevant knowledge is gathered and then used to enable more rational sales choices. Hotel revenue management is specifically described as 'a market strategy that aims to optimize sales' by efficient pricing policy control, inventory management, and customer / segment mix.

In the RevMBP with an implemented uniform report form, the intent, method, value and calculation requirements of the various revenue management reports were also clarified. As part of the RevMBP, the consolidated revenue reporting program had already been developed. There were no proofs of the company's position in the growth of customer experiences in contrast with the large amounts of paperwork related to various areas of RevM operations (both at the headquarters and at the individual property level). The ex-regional sales manager of the UK group reviewed the company's documentation deficiency in CRM practise and realised that the organisation was was "deficient in the implementation of client experience management activities because of the senior management's in attendance. However, the new corporate selling director had clarified that this 'inattentiveness' was triggered by 'the lack of humanoid and monetary capital, because the organization needed certain goals on the agenda this as market centralization".

#### **Conflicts between Revenue and Relationships:**

Both reports and qualitative observations revealed a disparity in the priorities of specific property revenue managers relative to central management organization account managers; this was subsequently supported by the results of the interview. These two sets of executives tended to have varying involvement because, after centralization of the company's operations, they no

longer operated together as a squad. The property-based revenue manager prioritized the maximization of the hotel income by efficient inventory management. This was illustrated by her / his output was calculated by whether the property’s profit was achieved or not.

The account manager, by contrast, focused on how much revenue his / her customers had already made for the entire hotel business, thereby achieving their sales goal. It was evident that it was exchanged confidence – and internal friction – between managers of sales and account managers, as demonstrated throughout the cycles of reflection and shadowing. In the one side, On the other side, the sales staff needed the income Managers to give them "the right deal" to attract more buyers and retain existing clients, thus preventing many of their hotel firms from failing. The account manager depending on this business to secure the returns to ensure their land. In this case, sales staff have expressed doubt that some of the sales managers have taken a harsh approach and have thought that they have little interest in establishing and sustaining relationships. Such mentality has also contributed to consumer dismissal. One of the potential causes for this friction could be attributed to their separate administrative circumstances: in Both the business managers B3 and C4 were embedded in both hotel business and profits, and showed that the value of collaboration was even more offensive. In contrast to other managers in B1 and B2, who had very little marketing and sales experience, an estimation was made before contract conditions were determined. It also was evident that there were two different target assets in the sales and account managers' possession, as seen in many internal correspondences and checked by interview results. Also, there was a particular focus when assessing a client’s interest.

Sales managers preferred to measure the customer's revenue value (mainly focused on realistic estimates on overall income input, stay period, duration of stay, etc.), whereas account managers appeared to concentrate on the customer's relationship value over time (estimate prospective market production in terms of existing company amount, revenue, and partnership pot).

**Opinions of Managers on Conflicts:**

Observation findings from different locations revealed that managers' views on the compatibility of CRM operations with revenue management remain divided and supported by interview results. Table 2 reveals that eight managers out of 19 credible interviews confirmed that CRM is / would remain compliant through sales organisation, although 9 executives disagreed with this recommendation. 1 interviewee has no firm sentiments on the subject because she was mainly interested with sales management preparation and had no understanding of the CRM process in the business.

**Table 2:** CRM-RevM Compatibility Opinions of business administrators.

Answers	Head Office		Account Manager’s View			Property’s View		Total
	Operation director	Revenue director	Corporate	Leisure	Airline	Revenue managers	GMs	
Yes	1	2	3	0	1	1	2	10
No	0	0	3	3	0	1	2	9

With the business members in the recreation unit, the account managers held a common opinion. Researchers found that sales control strategies had destroyed their interactions with consumers rather than improved them. However, the sales manager responsible for airline passengers claimed that CRM is aligned with revenue management as 'two management techniques underline different aspects of an enterprise, so they must be consistent'. However, he agreed that Although management of revenue could influence ties with other customers, the impact on their airline customers is not important. That is because over the years his partnership with the 'gatekeepers' of the airlines has been established and, as he said, 'no modern management strategies can easily change it; I won't let it happen.' 2 of the 3 managers (general managers) reported that revenue management in individual properties is compatible with CRM, they had little worry regarding their consistency in reality. One explanation seemed to be that their strategic attention was on the efficiency of the service and better properties financial efficiency and fewer active interaction of clients and sales ants relative to business managers.

The other obvious explanation was that their understanding of CRM was restricted to 'making the partnership by reward programs that account managers would monitor and improve our yield by repeated companies'. But yet another GM expressed doubts about this and said: I hope they [the revenue management and CRM] will complement each other, but they are not at the moment because everyone has their own target. Purchases must realise that they don't work for their customers, so we must work for our business and my job is to see that what [sales and consumers] want is a compromise. This was also clear that in the minds of sales and account managers, respectively, there were two separate target assets (capacity and customer), as seen in some of the internal correspondences and checked by interview results. There was another priority when determining a customer's interest as well.

As for consumer partnerships, both the sales managers and the GMs assumed that by offering their existing clients reduced prices or contract levels, the loyalty interest has either been 'taken into deliberation and valued'. The cost cut, however, would have a beneficial impact on maintaining consumer interactions and retaining important customers. The director of operations at the company observed that "the unsuitability among sales organisation and CRM is not insolvent because all parties recognize the challenge of the other and function together to accomplish the same sales maximization target, irrespective of the path it requires". The results from this research are aligned with previous reports, which showed that consumers and consumer partnerships tend to have been largely ignored under sales control. It became evident that Hotels sought financial sustainability primarily through sales control rather than what analysts term 'customer interaction income yield management. Accordingly, client experience management has been a largely overlooked field and CRM and sales control are two highly rambling business activities inside one service.

Despite the dramatic increase in sales reported after the guidelines were introduced, there was no indication that the organization had understood the

impact of sales control on long-term consumer interactions. Though the business had launched a guest satisfaction (following the industry trend) Scheme. At a theoretical level, the revenue maximization target for short-term revenue management contradicts CRM's long-term relational view as described in the literature. Revenue managers (sales managers and hotel managers) considered permanent perishability as resources for management, while CRM practitioners (account managers) considered the root revenue to be a stable client base with strong customer relations. CRM may be looking for revenues and other associated incentives such as decreased expenses, comparison and recommendation, and shared utilization of competitive tools, but sales management is based primarily on optimizing the income a client produces. The Management time limitations also impact CRM compliance and sales control.

The results reveal that the sample hotels were focused on the potential for optimizing regular sales in order to meet RevM's target. Nonetheless, CRM reports recommend creating a 'trusting partnership' with all sides that has a 'long-term payoff.' Likewise, analysts perceive consumer partnerships as 'a time and commitment expenditure' and say that this expenditure needs 'a short-term loss for potential long-term benefits' in many situations. According to analysts, this three- to five-year 'long-term' target is directly in contrast to the sales reduction aim of day-to-day sales maximization.

The success assessment anomaly arising in hotels is one of the important results from this study, which also impacts the efficiency of CRM and sales management. The results reveal that Rev PAC, and Rev PAR were used by account managers and revenue managers respectively as success metrics for the two types of company resource. Accounting managers are mainly obligated to raise sales from Rev PAC. The key duty of benefit managers has also been affected, which is an improvement in room sales by the Rev PAR and the provision of the entire amount of room at the maximum price possible. The qualitative results suggest that the account managers have little impact on the number, as opposed to property sales managers, since, if the deal between the property and clients is negotiated, it will normally be effective within one year or 6 months. Accordingly, the account managers concentrated primarily on purchases in order to achieve higher profit margin.

In additional terms, the room nightly allocation from the company will have a significant effect on the revenue production of the company, and ultimately on the output of account managers. Consequently, as the results survey revenue managers say that sales contract executives frequently operate on behalf of their companies to bargain with property income executives in instruction to upsurge auctions efficiency. The arrangement aims to sell additional rooms at contract rates on high demand days or to lower the contract rate when corporate demand is reduced. In other words, account managers often search for the lowest possible rate by income management to reach their room night sales targets to obtain more demand from customers. The sooner a customer spends the room hours, the poorer the gratitude and reimbursement are the approximate room rate. However, in order to achieve targets for hotel

sales managers, the tactic of "completing a lower market value" would be avoided. Therefore, an internal conflict between sales managers and account managers was found, which evidently was not clearly stated in previous studies.

#### 4. Conclusions

While this study was considered a well-researched field of sales control in hospitality management literature, its effect on customer relationships was not thoroughly monitored. This illustrates the challenge of business professionals deciding between long-term benefit for the partnership or an instant return on sales. This investigative study confirmed the long-held assumption that revenue management practices may well affect customer relationships. More specifically, it has established a variety of management concerns that seem to have generated incompatibilities between both the management of customer experience and sales risk management from a hotel's perspective. These include: management expectations, management timescales, expected market properties, success metrics, and management focus points between CRM and sales management due to differences in the interests of managers and their strategies to achieving their particular objectives.

From a theoretical standpoint, this analysis is a radical Contribution to the literature of RevM and CRM through the identification of future management challenges managers face when attempting to achieve financial success through customer relations and power revenues. A conceptual analysis should be considered which paves the way for further developments in the RevM and CRM concepts. This paper is hoped to facilitate further debates and interdisciplinary work into the application in hospitality industry RevM and CRM. This study also has a number of implications for the management. It shows that the significant sales increase obtained after the adoption of revenue management practices by the companies takes the practice beyond dispute. However, the economic result's durability cannot be extended. It is because it lacks the value of Market Alliances and limits long-term customer relationships in the sales-led processing framework. Because a customer's overall interest can never possess the competitiveness of a customer and their partnership capacity have been reasonably measured and remain uncertain. Owing to the systemic gap between Sales Management and CRM, the long-term effects of the relationship have been allowed to disregard.

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