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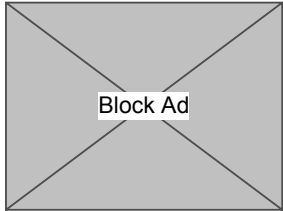
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IAAnything Goes: Soft Skills for Information Architecture

While much of one's success or failure depends on the skills specific to information architecture—like diagramming, documenting, organizing—an even greater indicator is soft skills: dealing with conflict, negotiating, and communicating. These soft skills are important in any profession or job role, but are of high importance in information architecture, which requires applying them in sometimes unconventional ways. [Read more..](#)

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Review: Extensis PhotoFrame 2.5

Extensis PhotoFrame is an interesting Photoshop plugin that applies unique and often complex border and edge effects to your images. [Read more..](#)

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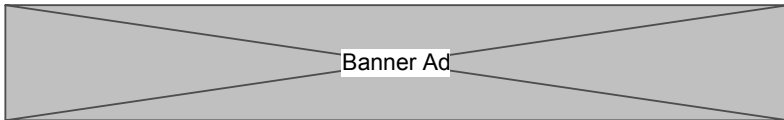
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Article: Content? Or Discontent?

Whenever I've been involved in major Web start-ups or redesigns as an information architect, one of the biggest vocabulary challenges involves two of the simplest words: content and design. [Read more..](#)

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The Future of the Web

Dirk Knemeyer finishes the second part of his article on The Power and Future of the Web: Maximizing Opportunity. Part two covers The Future of the Web. He makes some very good points here. See what he has to say about where we are going and what the future of the Web will actually be about.

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Local AlfIA Groups

Lou Rosenfeld tells us that the AlfIA is looking for feedback on how they might support local IA groups. To help them out, they are asking for you to take a short survey so they can find out what level the interest is and what is needed. Please take a moment to fill it out and feel free to share the link with anyone in the industry.

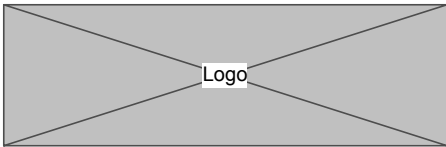
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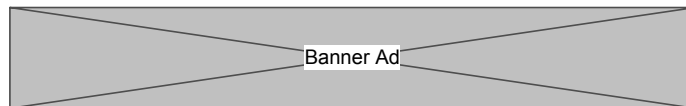
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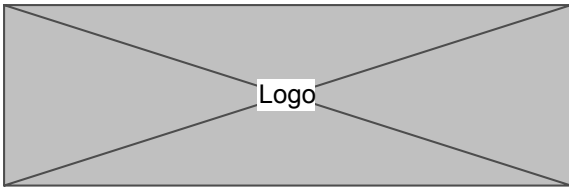
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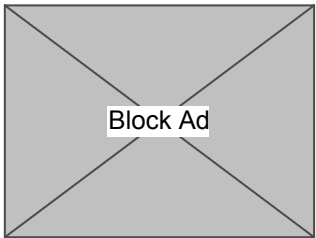
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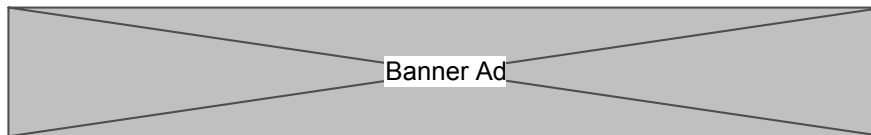
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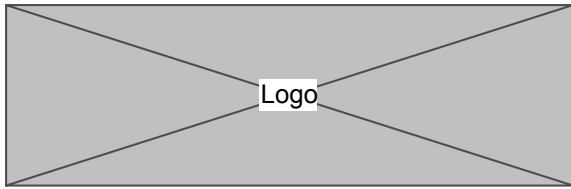
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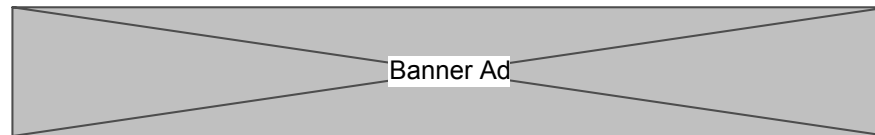


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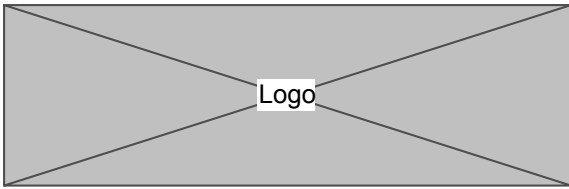


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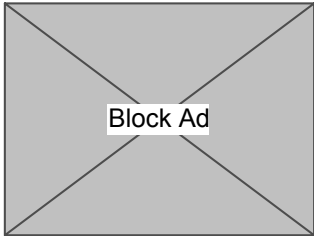
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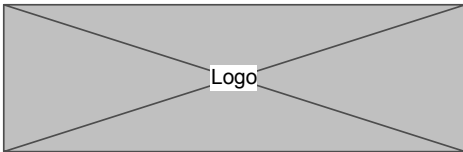
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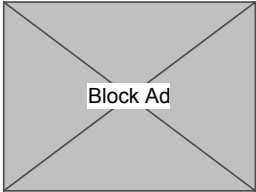
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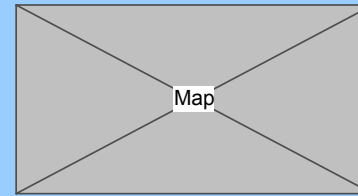
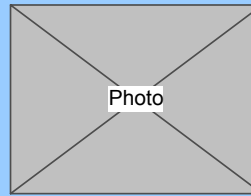
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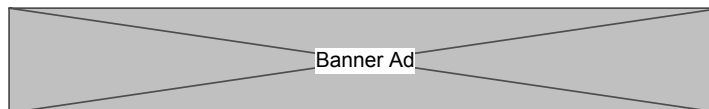
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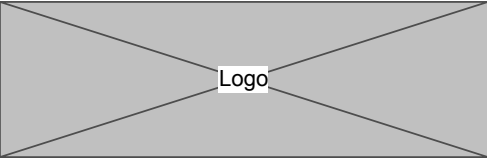
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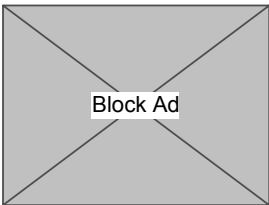
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In the beginning, business approach to technology was one of cautious scepticism. Before any new technology was adopted be it the telegraph, the telephone, or a computer system, business needed to ensure that the technology would have a positive impact on their bottom line. During the later part of the 20th century, businesses lost sight of this and handed the reins for new technology implementation to the technical specialists and stressed speed of implementation over required implementations. Without formal business planning and structure, technology started being implemented for technology sake.

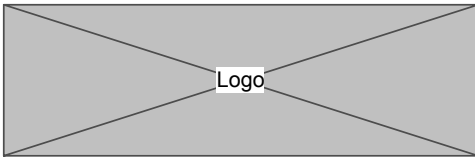
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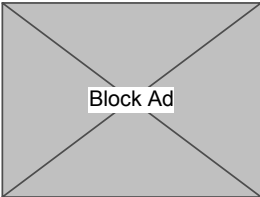


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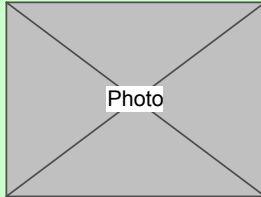
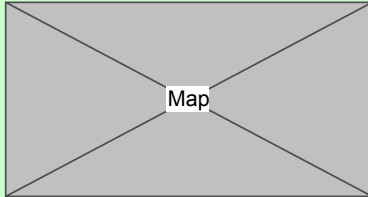
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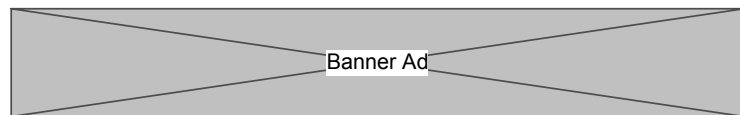
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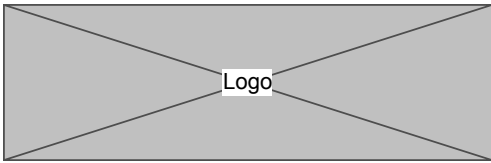
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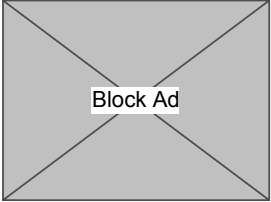

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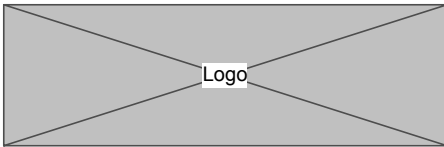


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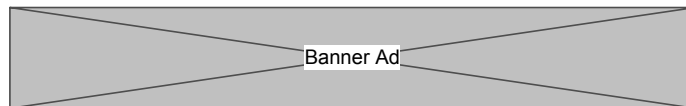
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