





Movers & Shakers: Lucy Joseph
Lucy Joseph has joined Social Pantry as their new
Marketing Director.



Movers & Shakers: Yael Orkan
Yael Orkan has joined Allianz Trade as their new
Head of Digital Marketing UK & NEUR.

## **New Members**



**Ewan Qualters**Digital & 3rd Party Director at Ann Summers

Mary Hind
Head of Digital at Code8Beauty

# **Insights**

How digital technology revolutionises food safety

How digital transformation can revamp product and process visibility
Automation: The path to building bridges in design and marketing
'Right hand to the CEO': Marketers on the changing demands of the CMO
B2B firms that make an explicit promise have 48% more chance of increasing brand health

Addressing digital skills gaps: Why the sector can be at the forefront of the challenge

Solving the UK's digital identity dilemma





### News

Salary tops priority for UK grads

<u>Sky partners with Age UK Stockport and Stockport Council to open first Sky Up Digital Hub in Greater Manchester</u>

SDS Appoints New Chair to Its Digital Economy Skills Group

Mobile connectivity tackles UK digital divide

IMF working on global central bank digital currency platform

NayaOne is awarded the DSIT tender to deliver the UK's Digital Identity Sandbox

John Lewis boss Sharon White warns Al will 'never take over' the business

BT Start Deploying UK Digital Voice Service Across East Midlands

ChatGPT has a favourite sandwich

Sage urges Government to ramp up moves to a digital economy

EU Legislation for Digital Euro Is Put on Hold

Project50 appoints former Nike and John Lewis digital lead

Intel shuns UK in Europe expansion

#### **Ecommerce**

Amazon launches financing scheme for UK firms worth up to £2m Industry leaders unite to unlock £9.3bn SME export potential with new E-Commerce Trade Commission

Amazon launches flexible financing programmes for UK businesses

Alibaba is launching Tmall in Europe

Alibaba appoints new CEO in cloud unit listing plans

Amazon will hold its Prime Day shopping event on July 11-12

Boohoo joins Frasers Group's growing North West online shopping list

Facebook Marketplace tops list of most complained-about online

retail platforms



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#### **Social Media**

Meta Expands Reels Ads To Instagram, Tests Al Features

WhatsApp flirts with the metaverse as work begins on Meta Quest support

Twitter will respect EU laws to combat disinformation, Elon Musk says

Twitter Rolls Out 25k Character Tweets for Twitter Blue Subscribers

Instagram now finally allows users to download public Reels



# <u>Digital Overview:</u> <u>January - June 2023</u>

Blu Digital's 6-month digital overview looks at the digital activity in the first half of 2023; featuring statistics and trends to lookout for during the remainder of the year.