

# Alexandra Tselios

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# Biography

Alexandra Tselios is a commentator, writer, keynote speaker, board director and founder & CEO of international opinion platform, The Big Smoke.

As a popular keynote speaker and panellist she has regular appearances on ABC The Drum, ABC News 24 television weekend breakfast and Sky News Business, along with weekly radio segments across the country with ABC radio, Triple M, 2GB, 2UE, MixFM, 4CC, 4KQ.

Recognised as a successful Australian entrepreneur by Business Insider, Alexandra has written for and featured in a number of publications including the AFR, CEO Magazine, The Australian, Sydney Morning Herald, Mumbrella and AdNews.

Alexandra created digital opinion site The Big Smoke in 2013, an online platform for distinct Australian voices including Federal politicians, barristers, university students, bloggers and comedians. The site is intended to cut-through the noise and succinctly represent where Australians sit on a variety of issues, from dominating political headlines to debunking viral stories that have no substance.

Alexandra enjoys commentating on the latest technology, research and survey results along with trending topics of the day. Her commentary covers a broad range of topics including emerging technologies, the shift in societal and legal views towards robotics and artificial intelligence, domestic and foreign politics, the impact of social media on government, trends in audience media consumption and the opportunity for innovation in the new media landscape. She unpacks these issues in ways that make complex scenarios palatable as well as facetious and fun to discuss.

Alexandra leads the digital strategy as part of her two current Board roles with Israeli politics think tank, Plus61J, and Shalom Gamarada, which provides scholarships and funding for Indigenous law and medicine students. She recently spoke at Mumbrella's Publish Conference, Women in Tech Australia conference, 10,000 Women in Technology conference and has delivered numerous keynote speeches on being a woman in technology and entrepreneurship.



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Alex Tselios, 35, is the founder and chief executive of opinion website The Big Smoke. Former advertising executive Roger Pugh, 82, is the company's director of native advertising. Here, they tell us how they work as a successful team.



### If publishers and CMOs can't work together, native advertising won't survive

For native advertising to work to its full potential, marketers and publishers need to start communicating more effectively, and stop just throwing money around. Otherwise, campaigns are doomed to become simply "more noise for people to ignore on the internet", argues Alexandra Tselios.

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One of the biggest complaints I hear from marketing directors when discussing native content is along the lines of "I had an article published on XYZ site and got nothing out of it".





### Digital marketers: Are we worthy of being unblocked yet?



It has been a rough first quarter of the year for brands and agencies. If you aren't apologising for your product's involvement in a homophobic video or putting a Kardashian/Jenner into an advertisement that ends up belittling the current political US







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Alexandra Tselios is an entrepreneur and founder of digital opinion platform, The Big Smoke. She has a diverse background in corporate and creative fields.

### Formal education is a no-brainer for entrepreneurs

They say an MBA is worth less than it was in the past. But entrepreneurs who avoid formal education are selling themselves short.



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ENTERTAINMENT

**Alexandra Tselios** ublisher and columnist, founder of The Big Smoke

Alexandra Tselios is an Australian Publisher and columnist. She is the

Founder and CEO of The Big Smoke Australia and The Big Smoke USA. Alexandra is also a political and social commentator featured on commercial radio most days of the week.

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#### How I Succeeded: The Big Smoke's Alexandra Tselios



How I Succeeded is a regular series on Lifebacker where we ask business leaders for the secrets and tactics behind their success. Today: The Big Smoke's Alexandra Tselios

Current gig: CEO and Founder of The Big Smoke, television and radio commentato

Current mobile device: iPhone X

Current computer: Macbook Pro



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### 'I'm A CEO But Most People Can't Handle The Secret To My Success'

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Live

Alexandra Tselios has one simple, but tough, piece of advice.

CEO Alexandra Tselios often gets asked about the secret to her success, but most people don't like the answer = a 4 30am alarm

Tselios - the Chief Executive of the opinion website The Big Smoke and of Tselios mediarises and shines well before the sun after anything from four to five-and-a-half hours of

Those are numbers that would make most people's eyes water, but Tselios simply doesn't

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#### My obsession with my startup is no different to parents obsessing over their kids

ALEXANDRA TSELIOS, CONTRIBUTOR





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# Speaking & Commentary





















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