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Definition

The Enterprise Service Management – Tools and Services 2021 study examines various offerings around enterprise-wide service management issues and solutions. A basic distinction is made between consultative services and the tools to manage such services that cross organizational boundaries of a company or enterprise or even go beyond the boundaries of the firms. The consultative services are further categorized into services that prepare organizations to highly automate the execution of the underlying processes through the use of such tools (change the business) and services to implement and integrate these tools into sophisticated application landscapes.

In addition, the study examines service providers that offer managed application services focusing on operational support for productive enterprise service management applications (run the business).

The ISG Provider Lens™ study offers the following to the information technology (IT) decision-makers:

- Transparency of the strengths and weaknesses of relevant providers
- Differentiated positioning of providers by segments
- A perspective on different markets, including the U.S. and Germany

Our study serves as an important decision-making basis for positioning, key relationships and go-to-market considerations. ISG advisors and enterprise clients also leverage information from these reports for evaluating their current vendor relationships and potential new engagements.

Quadrants Research

As part of the ISG Provider Lens™ quadrant study, we are introducing the following four segments on Enterprise Service Management (ESM) — Tools and Services:

Simplified illustration

Enterprise Service Management – Tools and Services 2021				
ESM Consulting & Transformation Services	Mid-market			
	Large Accounts			
ESM Implementation & Integration Services Providers	Mid-market*			
	Large Accounts*			
ESM Tools Providers				
ESM Managed Services Providers				

Definition of segments

ESM Consulting & Transformation Services

This segment addresses the providers of consulting services to change the business. The providers in this quadrant help enterprises improve their service philosophies and strategies. They also help clients expand their existing IT services into enterprise services by extending processes across organizational boundaries. With the knowledge of available tools to automate and integrate such processes, the firms in this quadrant enable clients to understand the ESM blueprint of their company.

Main evaluation criteria for this segment are as follows:

- Use of reference models and templates
- Experience in service management design and implementation
- Knowledge about available ESM tools
- Knowledge about core Enterprise Services
- Certifications with standard bodies
- Experience with organizational change principles

ESM Implementation and Integration Services

This segment addresses providers that are highly specialized in integrating ESM tools into client's existing application landscape. Although robust knowledge about the tools to be implemented is a key requirement, integration with other major standard software solutions that are usually part of the sophisticated enterprise service system landscape is required. The services include configuration and implementation—of the respective applications for the client, integration within the customer's system landscape, data migration and go-live support. Ensuring continuous operation of the service management solution in regard to DevOps principles is another important necessity.

Main evaluation criteria for this segment are as follows:

- Broad technical experience of tools in scope
- Use of predefined solutions, accelerators and templates
- Experience in system, data and process integration
- Knowledge about specifics in Enterprise shared services
- Approach to ensure maintainability of installations

ESM Tools Providers

This quadrant addresses providers that offer software that deliver capabilities to create defined services for enterprise-wide use. While offering customer-specific workflow design capabilities for different business functions, the tools shall ensure data integrity across different organizations, access control, provide escalation procedures and other automated service functions.

Eligibility criteria:

Main evaluation criteria for this segment are as follows:

- Functional capabilities for key enterprise services such as IT, human resources (HR), finance and accounting (F&A), facilities management and others
- Access control and user/role management
- Integration capabilities
- Use of emerging technologies
- Breadth and flexibility in provisioning models
- Partner ecosystem

ESM Managed Services Providers

The assessment in this quadrant covers the capability of providers to offer managed services for maintenance and support functions that include monitoring, remote support, centralized management of ESM applications, data quality management, data security and compliance-related aspects. In the case of large enterprise clients, the capability to provide these services in the context of global reach and sophisticated application landscapes comprising a variety of solutions from different software providers is considered for the assessment.

Main evaluation criteria for this segment are as follows:

- Breadth of service portfolio
- Maturity of delivery and contract models
- Experience with support for ESM applications
- Broad customer base
- Delivery capabilities with proximity to customers
- Existing technology partnerships with key software providers
- Local use cases and references

In addition to the criteria mentioned above, the following evaluation criteria apply to all the segments:

- Unique differentiators
- Economic stability
- Market position

Quadrants by Region

Quadrants	U.S.	Germany
ESM Consulting & Transformation Services	√	√
ESM Implementation and Integration Services	√	V
ESM Tools Providers	√	V
ESM Managed Services Providers	√	V

Schedule

The research phase is between **October 2020 and November 2020** during which survey, evaluation, analysis and validation will take place. A presentation of the results to the media is planned for **February 2021**.

We will roll out the survey on an online platform. The invites will be sent with links for you to fill in the responses and submit.

Milestones	Beginning	End
Launch	Oct 29, 2020	
Survey Phase	Oct 29, 2020	Nov 23, 2020
Sneak Preview	Dec 2020	
Press Release	Feb 2021	

Access to Online Portal

You can view/download the questionnaire from here using the credentials you have already created or refer to instructions provided in the invitation email to generate a new password. We look forward to your participation!

Please refer to this link to view/download the ISG Provider Lens™ 2020 research agenda.

Research Production Disclaimer:

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Partial list of companies being invited for the survey

Are you in the list or do you see your company as relevant provider that is missing from the list? Then feel free to contact us to ensure your active participation in the research phase.

4me Cloudaction Flycast Partners

Accenture Cognizant Foulk Consulting

Alchemy Tech Group Column Technologies Fujitsu

Alcor Compulink Fusion Global Business Solutions

Ameex Technologies ConnectAll Futuredat

Ascend Integrated Consulting4IT G2 IT

Aspire Systems Critical Design Associates Grant Thornton

Avanade Crossfuze Genpact

Beyond 20 Dell Green Light

Blu Systems Deloitte HCL

Booz Allen Hamilton DXC Technology Hexaware

Capgemini Emtec HPE

Carahsoft Engage ESM IBM

CDI Envecon Indrasoft

Cerna Solutions EPAM Informa (HDI)

CGI Ernst and Young LLP Infosys

Checkpoint Technologies Excalibur Insight

Cherwell Excon Intact

ClientFocus Expertize Integral Consulting Services

ITC GmbH Pathways Consulting Group Stefanini

ITSM Group Praecipo Consulting StrataCom

KPMG Prevolution SYSback

LTI (L&T) Profi.com T4S Partners

ManageEngine ProV International, Inc TCS

Materna PWC Tech Mahindra

Melillo Consulting Ramge soft The Gomel Group

Meritide Rapid Technologies T-Systems

Mindtree Red Shift Consulting Tx3

Mobius Renner Brown Unisys

Mphasis Results Positive VerisVisalign

Navvia RightStar V-Soft Consulting

NCSI RJR Innovations Vyom Labs

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