



Customer Success: Partner Engagement Models

The Evolution of Driving Customer Value

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Definition of Customer Success and Business Drivers

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Business Outcomes Requires Collaboration

Partner/Vendor Collaboration at Each Stage

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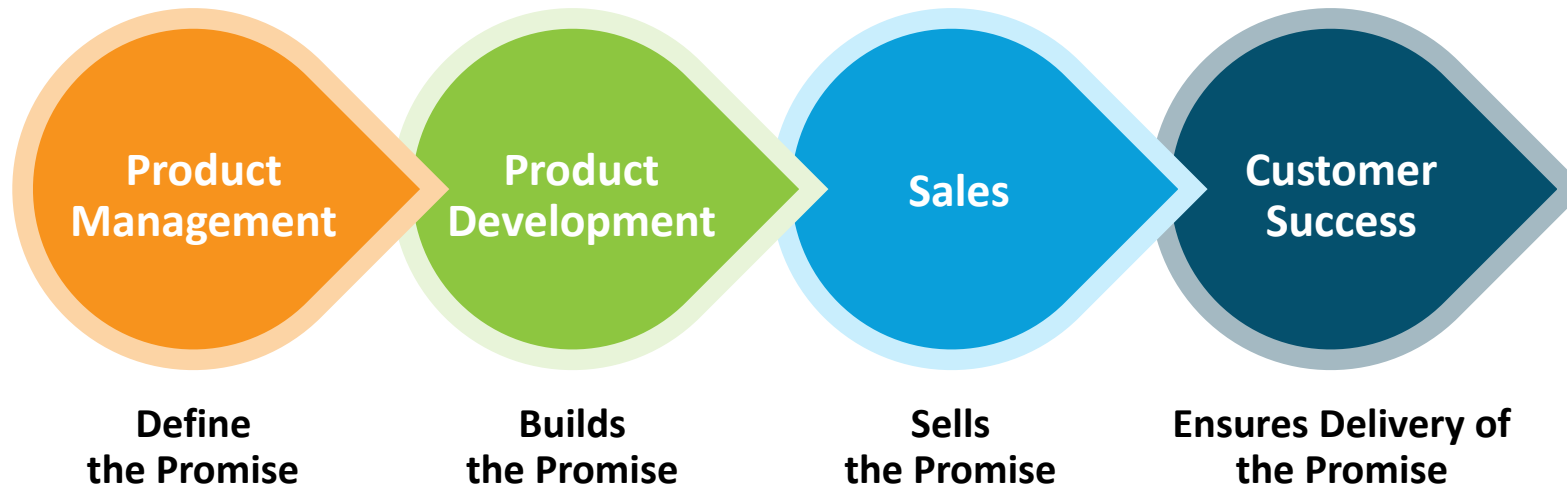
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“Customer Success” Defined

CUSTOMER SUCCESS

“A proactive, holistic and organization-level approach that **leverages technology and real-time visibility** into customer activities to ensure your customers... continually and increasingly...**receive value** from your products/ services **over the course of their lifetime** as a customer.”



“Customer Success” Defined

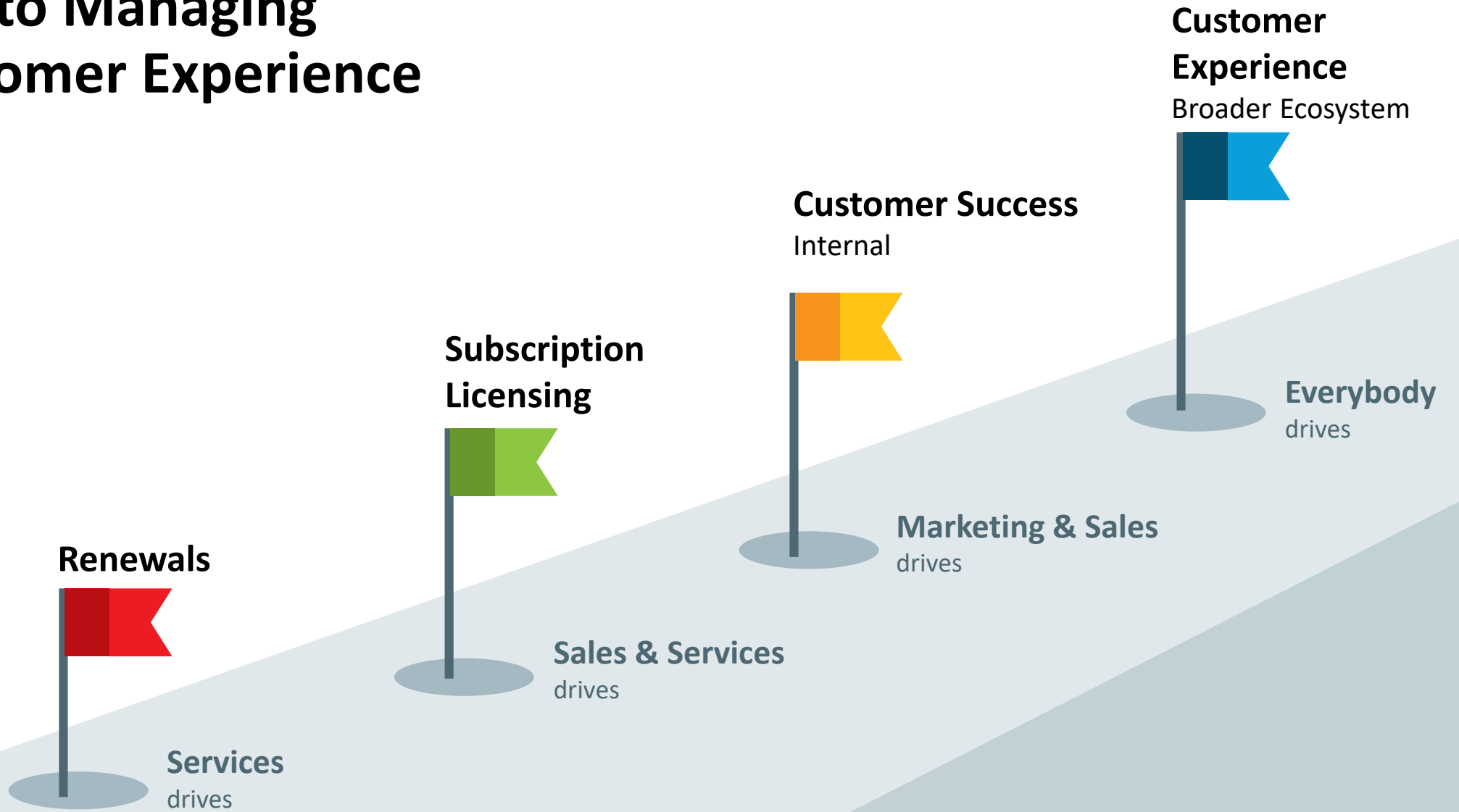
It was originally focused on SaaS only – and mostly about driving Adoption



Now it's about optimizing value along the entire customer lifecycle continuum –
for any recurring revenue service or subscription-based offering!



The Road to Managing Total Customer Experience



What Has to Change for both vendors and solution providers ...?



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Two Approaches to Partner C.S. Engagement...

VARs, Agents, VAR/MSP Hybrids



Partner as Sales Agent

Manages customer interface & sells, but vendor drives the lifecycle with systems and data

AND/OR

Mature MSPs, Service Providers

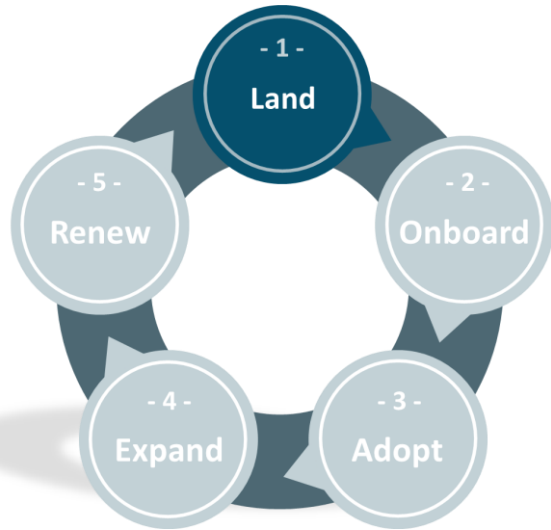


Partner as Customer Success Manager

Runs the whole lifecycle, supported by process, tools and data from the supplier(s)

Who Does What?



LAND



KPI's

- ✓ Net-new customers under contract
- ✓ Multi-year agreements
- ✓ Devices or users under contract (service footprint)

PARTNER ROLE(s)

 PARTNER AS SALES AGENT	 PARTNER AS CS MANAGER
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Education & cloud/subscription value prop • Define customer need(s) – start Customer Success planning • Assessment & Health Checks • Initiates trial • Establishes contract • Resells or influences service 	<p><i>All of that, plus...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set up as partner-of record for ongoing asset management • Cloud migration and consulting work

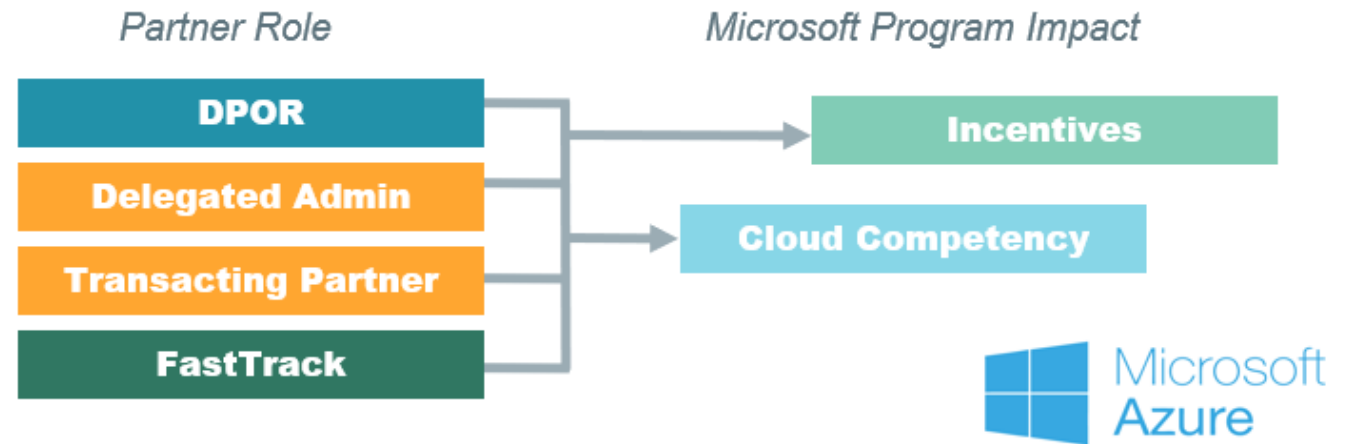
VENDOR ROLE

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overall subscription/cloud value prop. content (verticalized) • Specialized sales & technical staffing • Sales tools (e.g. competitive positioning, prospecting guides) • Offer trial license • Sales tools • License mgmt. / automation platform • Customer segmentation and ROE • Partner incentives 	<p><i>All of that, plus...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • System tracking for partner-of-record • Pre-sales assessment services methodologies & sharing of IP
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Digital Partner of Record: Gain Credit & Competencies

Microsoft offers four ways for partners to be recognized and rewarded for driving cloud consumption; all point toward increased attainment of Cloud Competency Qualification.

- **Digital Partner of Record (DPOR)** is the **only one** of the four partner roles or designations that receives financial incentives.
- DPOR associates servicing partners to a Microsoft cloud subscription, **as designed by the customer on each new online subscription**.
- Benefits to partner for being a DPOR, beyond incentives, is **accelerated qualification for Cloud Competencies** plus **reporting that provides a single view** into the revenue, usage, and consumption they drive for their customers.



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Who Does What? ONBOARD



KPI's

- ✓ Speed of onboarding & customer engagement (<30 days)
- ✓ Conversion speed from trial license

PARTNER ROLE(s)



PARTNER AS SALES AGENT

Guide customer through vendor training & onboarding content



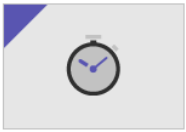
PARTNER AS CS MANAGER

- Hire CSM role
- Customer goal-setting & definition of KPIs (Success Plan)
- **User training delivery**
- Configuration and installation
- **Software Integration svcs.**
- **Data migration svcs.**

VENDOR ROLE

- **CSM role training & certification**
- Playbooks (horizontal or vertical)
- Customer use cases
- **Tutorials or interactive onboarding content**
- P2P collaboration with training partners or vendor training offerings

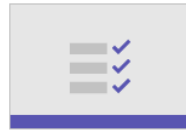
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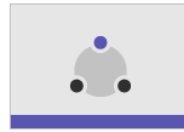
Quick start



Intro to Microsoft Teams



Set up and customize your team



Collaborate in teams and channels



Work with posts and messages



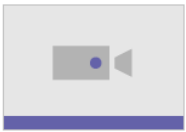
Upload and find files



Start chats and calls



Manage meetings



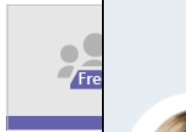
Set up and attend live events



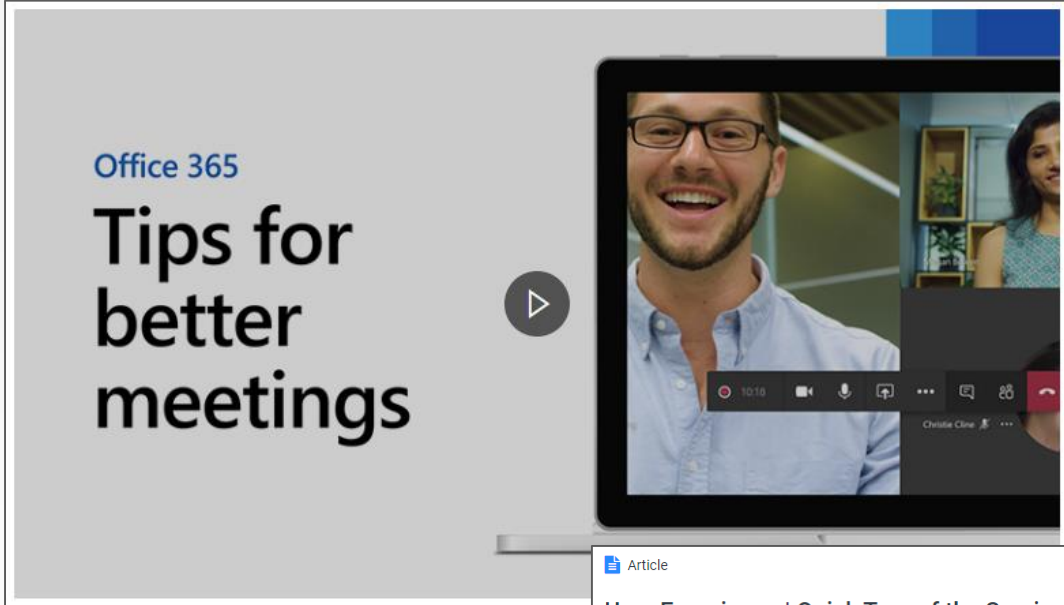
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User Experience | Quick Tour of the ServiceNow Platform

by Dan Bruhn | Forum Level 5
created 10mo ago in Training and Certifications

Hiring and Developing the Partner's CSM Role



CSM Responsibilities

1. Account Planning
2. Customer Kickoff
3. Solution Deployment
4. Initial Training
5. Customer Launch

Selected Offer

- AMP
- Collab-EA
- Cisco DNA Center
- NGFW
- SNTC

Account Planning

Before meeting with the customer, review the customer information and discuss with the account team customer engagement.

CSM actions (click for detail)

1. Account team notifies CSM of new sale and reviews final version of what was purchased with the CSM (incl. contract/agreement details)
2. Review sales data and order information for the customer +
3. Conduct Account Planning meeting with Cisco and key stakeholders +
4. Validate Smart Account +
5. Draft a Success Plan and prepare for customer kick off



The Customer Success Function Defined



Customer Success and
Adoption eLearning
access

2 hours

ILT training on Citrix
methodology

2 days x 3
hrs./day

Access to our tools and
resources



7 Kick off

8 Instructor led Training

9 Customer Account Handover

10 Partner CSM Guidance Calls (weekly)

11 Program Progress Checkpoints

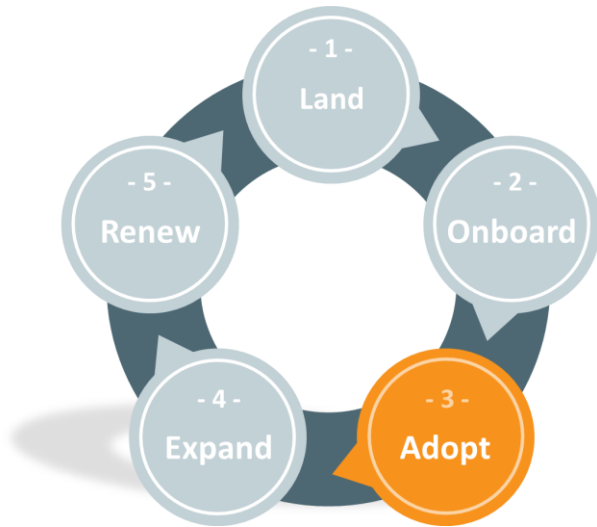
12 13 Week Success Debrief

Positive trend in portfolio AU
Positive Customer NPS
Full program participation

Access to a **Customer Success Engineer**
- delivered at no-charge for >100 licenses
with/through the partner (configuration & installation)

Who Does What?

ADOPT



KPI's

- ✓ Numbers of adopted users
- ✓ Number of users adopting a certain feature
- ✓ Regularity of partner's customer touch (in system)

PARTNER ROLE(s)

 PARTNER AS SALES AGENT	 PARTNER AS CS MANAGER
N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSM role • Vertical expertise to apply adoption to customer-relevant industry use cases • Managed services • Help Desk

VENDOR ROLE

N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CSM role training & certification • Adoption data tracking • Adoption use cases (verticalized) • Adoption incentives to partners
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“ The days of adoption being the only charter for customer success organizations is now long gone. **63% of customer success organizations now have direct revenue responsibility.** ”

TSIA - State of Customer Success

Adoption Incentives



Use (Activate) Incentive – previously part of VIP33

- Earn rebates for activating and scaling software in a production network
- Proof of Performance based on software submitted via Proof of Performance (POP) process or through telemetry
- Fixed incentive for payment predictability
- Quarterly payments that you can attribute to relevant business cost centers



Adopt Incentive

- Continue earning rewards for driving adoption success
- New tiered model – earn higher incentives based on your investment and performance
- New performance metrics
- Eligibility requirements include Customer Experience Specialization or Advanced Customer Experience Specialization PLUS Advanced architecture specializations



Expand Incentive

- Get rewarded for expanding software bookings that result from your adoption success
- New tiered model rewards you more for higher investment and better performance
- New simplified Lifecycle Incentives offers
- Eligibility requirements include Customer Experience Specialization or Advanced Customer Experience Specialization PLUS Advanced architecture specializations

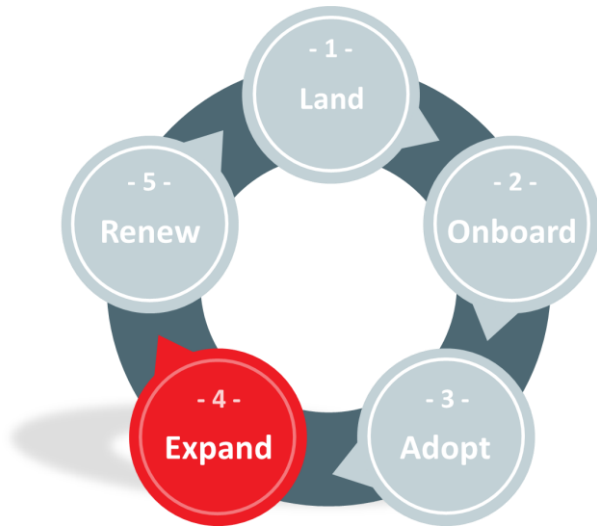


Offers rebates to Customer Success Specialized partners (Gold & Platinum) that **sustain customer adoption rates of 60% active usage for 3 months in a row;** Pays % of TCV the following quarter*

* Requires success plan uploaded within 90 days and partner must have received Drive on the deal (value-added selling activities to close the deal)

Who Does What?



EXPAND



KPI's

- ✓ User/device expansion rates
- ✓ Expansion to adjacent services/products
- ✓ Competitive service displacement

PARTNER ROLE(s)

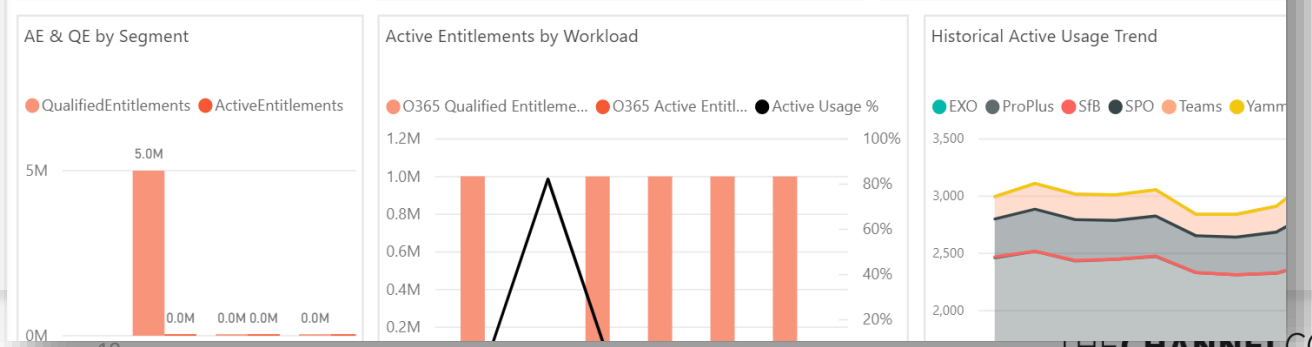
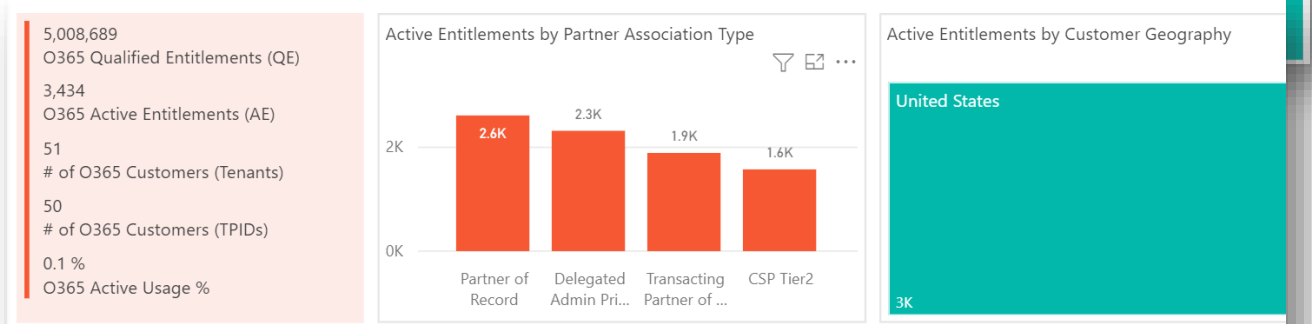
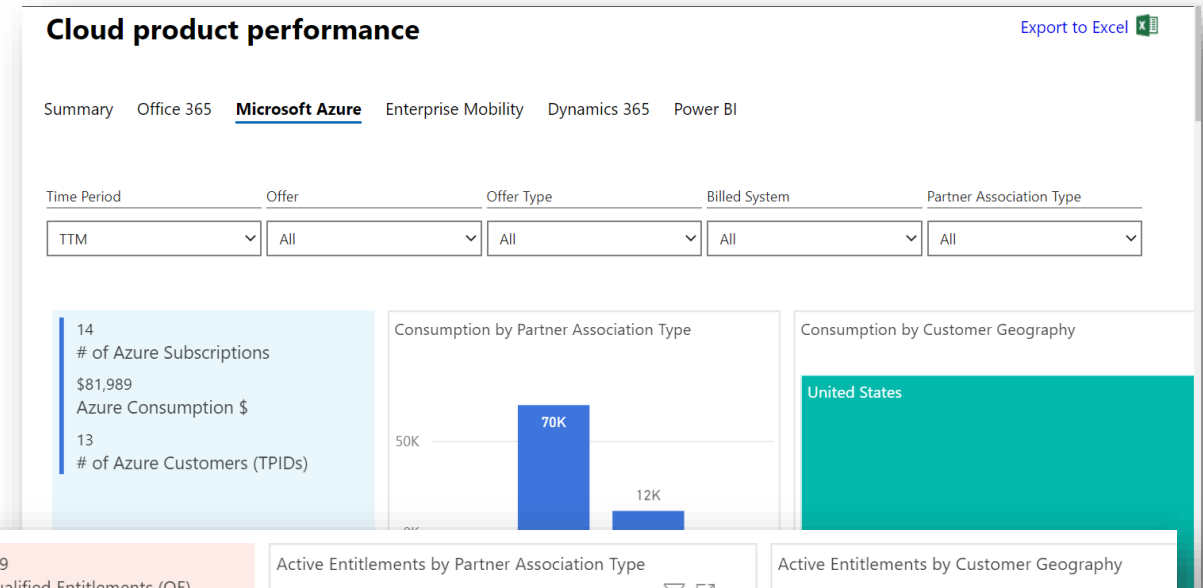
 PARTNER AS SALES AGENT	 PARTNER AS CS MANAGER
Quoting and billing (maybe)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Customer forecasting of expansion opportunity (users, adjacent services) • Quoting and billing
VENDOR ROLE	
N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use cases and methodology for expansion sales opportunities • Usage data across broad customer & partner sets (benchmarking) • Incentives to partners for services expansion • Cross-portfolio training & certification

Microsoft Automation: License Management

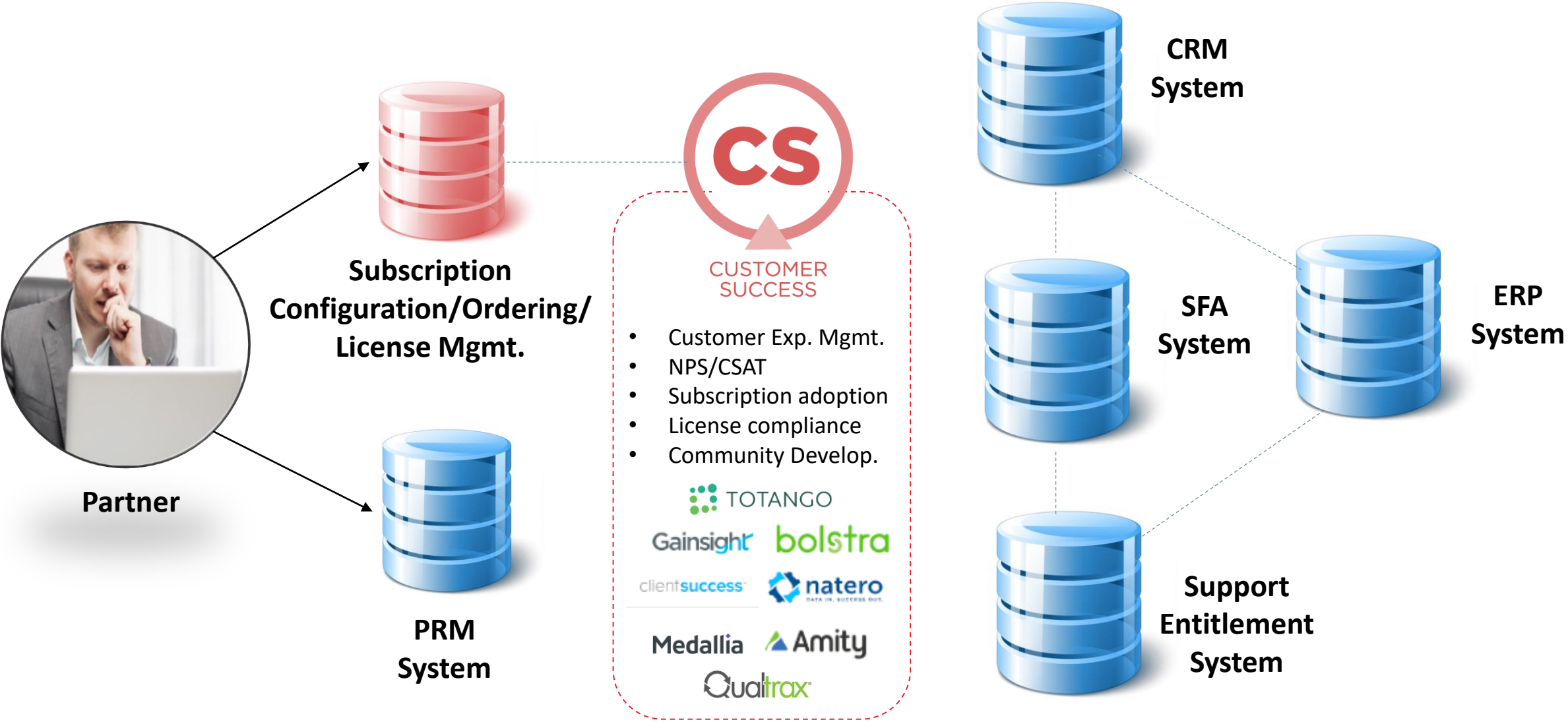


The CSP portal provides one place for CSPs to manage all their Microsoft subscriptions and **ensure changes are automatically synced between Microsoft and their professional services automation (PSA) tool.**

Today the CSP Portal supports ConnectWise and Autotask; Plans to expand API support to include Netsuite, Business Central and ServiceNow. (in the MS Marketplace)



The Data and Automation Gap



Who Does What?



RENEW



KPI's

- ✓ **Min. % of renewals across customers served**
- ✓ **Services expansion at point of renewal**
- ✓ **CSAT or NPS at point of renewal**

PARTNER ROLE(s)

 PARTNER AS SALES AGENT	 PARTNER AS CS MANAGER
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Combine third party products/services into larger renewal opportunity • Tracking of reason codes for non-renewal • Quoting and billing of renewal transaction 	<p><i>All of this, plus...</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Measure NPS or CSAT • Ability to up-sell or extend contract at point of renewal • Co-term management

VENDOR ROLE

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prompt to partner for renewal from automation system (60-90 days prior) • Sales tools or messaging to support renewal value prop (added features, etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Incentives for renewal rates >80%
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Salesforce.com & Measuring CSAT

CSAT Required Questions and Scoring

Questions

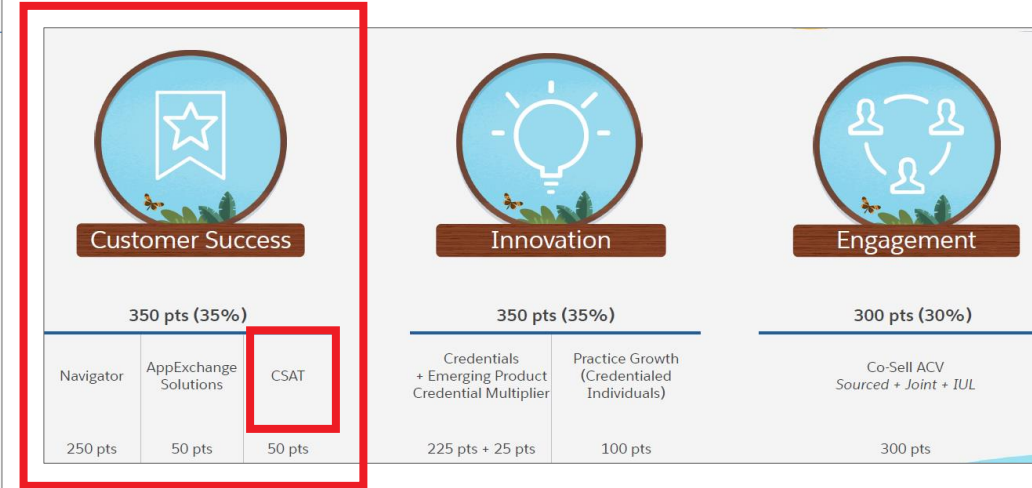
- Q1. Overall, how satisfied are you with your partner engagement?
- Q2. Considering the outcomes of the engagement, relative to the resources invested, how would you rate its overall value?
- Q3. How do you rate the overall performance of the partner team?
More specifically, how do you rate the partner team with respect to...
- Q4. Scoping the engagement to meet your objectives
- Q5. Keeping you informed of the engagement status/progress
- Q6. Communicating solutions effectively
- Q7. Appropriately managing risk
- Q8. Applying knowledge of Salesforce products and technology to your business needs
- Q9. Producing valuable outcomes
- Q10. Ensuring you are enabled to maintain your solution(s) going forward
- Q11. What would you want prospective clients to know about your experience with this partner? **Optional/Open Text**

Trailblazer Scoring

Average Score* is greater than or equal to...	Trailblazer Points Awarded
4.2	10
4.4	20
4.6	30
4.8	40
4.9	50

*A partner's CSAT score is derived from an average across all projects completed in the current Fiscal Year

"Partner Trailblazer" Score



Optional Engagement Type Questions

Shown depending on the engagement type. **Does not impact CSAT score.**



- Measured across 1000's of partners, globally
- Measured at the project level, based on successful implementations

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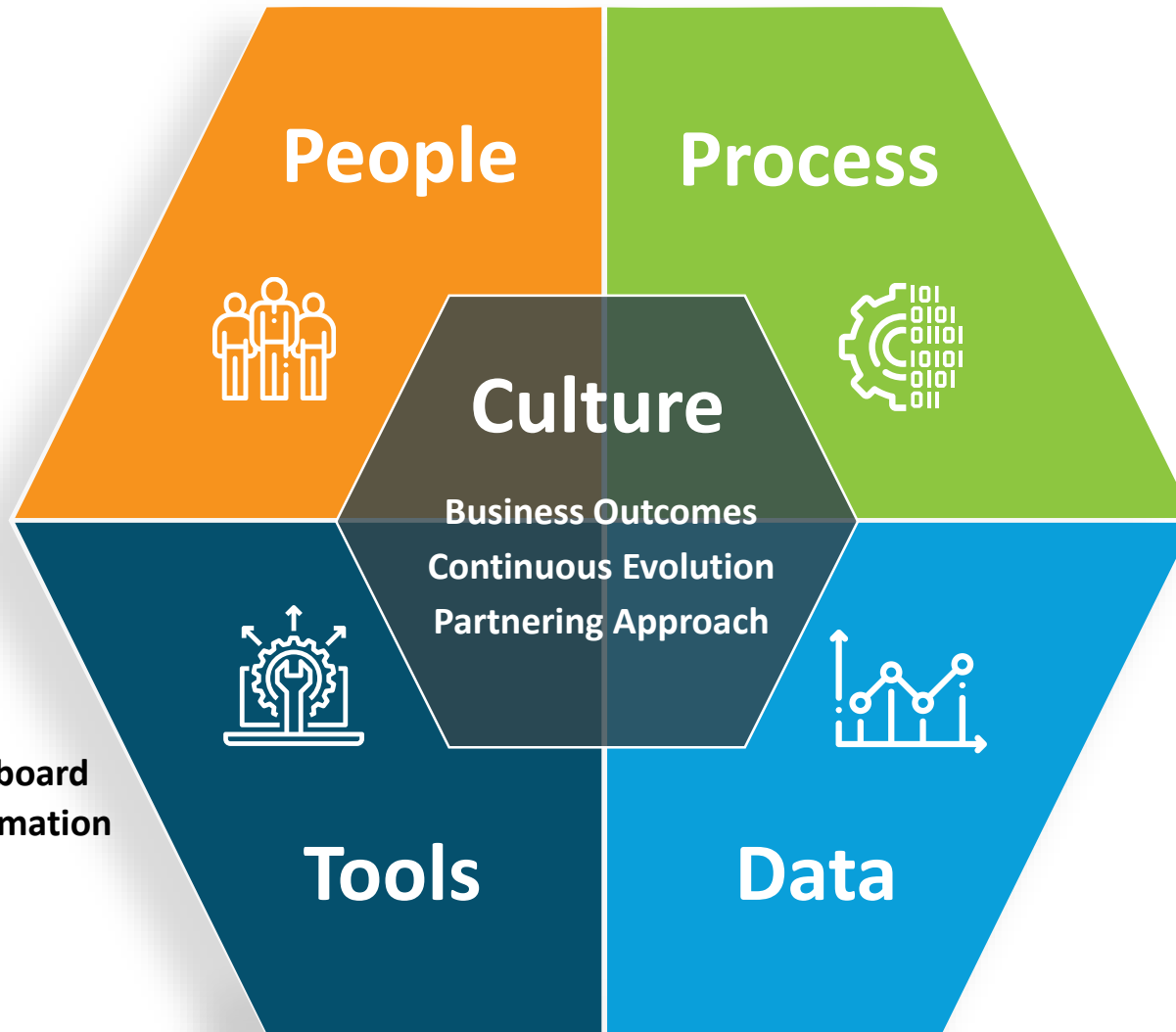


Building the C.S. Practice

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Building the Customer Success Practice

- Executive Sponsor
- Practice lead
- Customer Success Manager(s)
- Renewals Manager(s)
- Operations leader



- Customer journey maps
- Defining business outcomes & KPI's
- Onboarding process
- Stages, actions & exit criteria defined
- Risk and expansion triggers
- Sales & CS team collaboration
- Customer Survey/NPS/CSAT

- Playbooks
- Customer Health scoring/dashboard
- License & contract mgmt. automation
- eCommerce platform
- Contract & license mgmt.
- RMM/PSA linkage

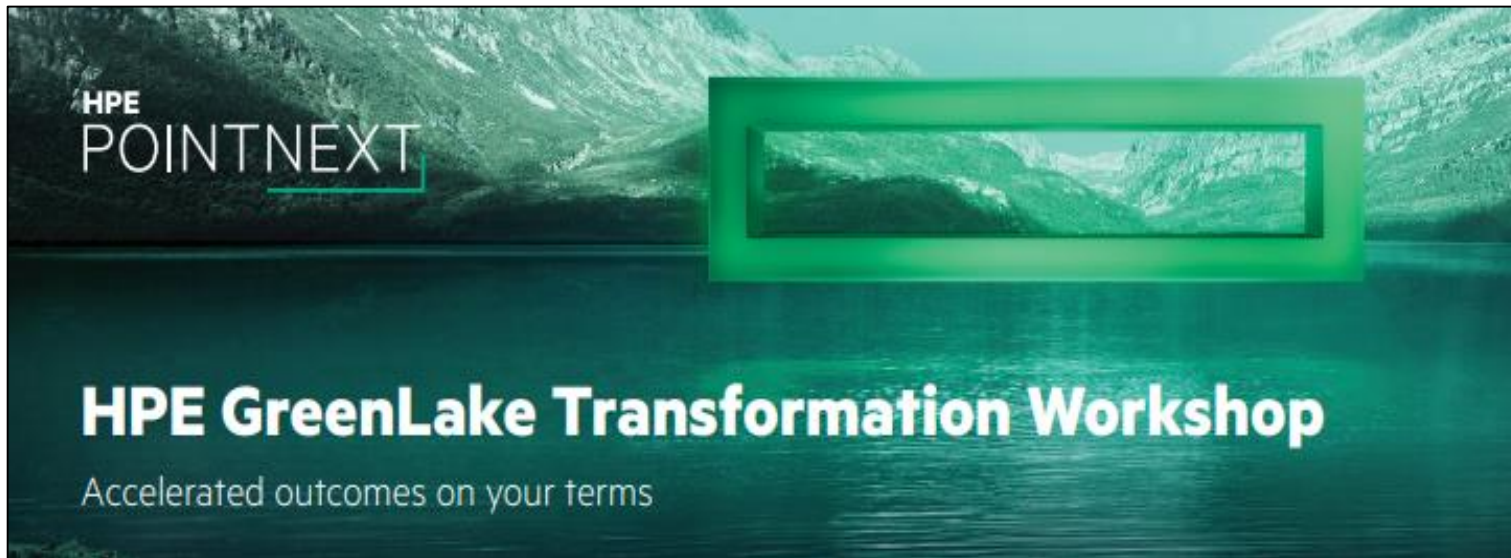
- Deep customer profiling
- KPI's (revenue + activity)
- Use cases
- Telemetry data
- Lifecycle advancement metrics
- At-risk data

Building the Practice: HPE Transformation Workshops



Goal: Building a plan to become a consumption-based business

- Done with KPMG initially; now done in-house, virtually
- Staffed **by HPE Transformation Managers**; including HP Financial Services staff
 - CSM internal role that works with pilot set of partners
- Participation from partner C-level executive and cross-functional team
- Leveraging tools in SalesPro, TechPro and Seismic platforms



Challenges to be Addressed



Workshop Agenda:

- Alignment with corporate direction
- Crossing the chasm with revenue impact
- Install base focus vs. net-new logo expansion
- Staffing models (sales, technical, support)
- Sales compensation

Process: KPI's Need to Shift

Financial KPI's

- 1 Revenue Source Breakdown
- 2 Business Offering Margins
- 3 Effective Rate Per Customer
- 4 Effective Rate Per Offering
- 5 Customer Distribution

Service Desk KPI's

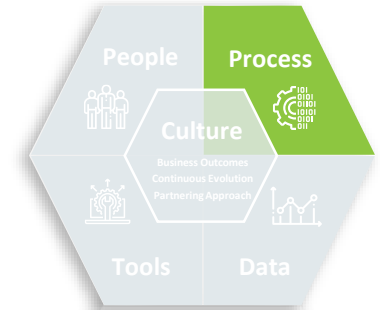
- 6 Resource Utilization
- 7 SLA Compliance
- 8 Percentage of Billable Hours
- 9 Tickets Per Customer
- 10 Tickets Per Technology
- 11 Average Resolution Time
- 12 Satisfaction Rating

- Focus is:**
- ✓ Efficiency
 - ✓ Contract compliance
 - ✓ Resource utilization
 - ✓ Support response

SLA's & Profitability!

- Focus is:**
- ✓ Engagement
 - ✓ Utilization
 - ✓ Expansion

Customer Happiness!



Customer Success – Health Score KPI's (“Churn Indicators”)



- 1 Conversion from trial license
- 2 Number of users
- 3 Product feature utilization:
 - frequency
 - length of time
- 4 Gross churn & net retention
- 5 NPS or CSAT scores

Staffing: Vendor Practice Requirements



People and Organization

Customer Experience Specialization

- 2 Cisco Certified Customer Success Managers (CSMs)
- 1 Renewal Manager (Exam)
- Executive Sponsor

Advanced Customer Experience Specialization

- 3 Cisco Certified CSMs
- 1 Renewal Manager (Exam)
- 1 Customer Success Practice Leader
- Executive Sponsor

Role Requirements

	Customer Success Manager	Renewals Manager	Executive Sponsor	Customer Success Practice Lead
Customer Success Manager				
Owns Customer Success	Accountable for customer success Ensures customers maximize the value of their technology investments throughout their complete lifecycle	Owns Renewal Opportunities Owns renewals opportunities Manages recurring revenue risk assessment and drives renewal execution	Owns Budget & Accountability Responsible for alignment to senior leadership Full budgetary accountability Responsible for strategy and creating accountability for execution	Owns Strategy & Development Senior leader of Customer Success team Supports practice development & growth Sets strategy for Customer Success practice Manages escalations
Required for Customer Experience Specialization	✔	✔	✔	✘
Required for Advanced Customer Experience Specialization	✔	✔	✔	✔
Individual Certification (+Proctored Exam)	✔	✘	✘	✘
Verification Exam (Not Proctored)	✘	✔	✘	✘

Architecture Specializations

- Deep Technical Expertise**
- Networking
 - Collaboration
 - Security
 - Data Center
 - Service Provider Technology

Business Practice Specializations

Focused on Practice Capabilities

New Customer Experience Specialization

SAP Customer Success Enablement

SAP Cloud Customer Engagement

Customer Lifecycle Management Playbook for Partners

Recommended CEE to Customer Account Management Ratio

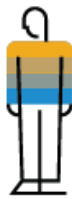
Your organization's capacity to perform customer engagement activities is an investment that

needs to scale with the size of your cloud customer install-base. Below is a suggested ratio of CEE to Customer Accounts:



Start (~1-10 Customers)

- Align a resource that understands the customer engagement strategy, CLM methodology and has completed the CEE training
- Can be dual-role to start (e.g. combined with delivery), but must have specific accountability for customer retention and satisfaction
- Establish a value roadmap approach, driving customers along the roadmap to value realization



Ramping (~11-50 Customers)

- Formalized roles: 1-2+ dedicated CEE resources
- A general benchmark is to add one CEE per \$1m – \$2m ARR
- Begin developing own customer-engagement content by use-case and customer journey phases
- Build customer dashboards and focus on satisfaction



@Scale (51+ Customers)

- A dedicated CEE team
- Standardize customer engagement content and value propositions
- Leverage SAP community and self-help content and drive automation
- Allocate resources based on customer value and strategic relationship

SAP requires all cloud partners to have at least one CSM (they call it Customer Engagement Executive – CEE); 100% compliance at this time

CEEs' roles can include a variety of tasks related to their partner organization's customer success approach, for example:

- Conducting the sales handoff
- Confirming the business case and monitoring KPIs
- Helping to build an adoption strategy
- Acting as a strategic advisor to a customer's leadership
- Serving as a customer advocate and catalyst
- Establishing a schedule of engagement with the appropriate people at the customer's organization
- Identifying upsell opportunities and coordinating with sales
- Monitoring upcoming renewals
- Identifying and reacting to risks and opportunities and reports to the rest of the organization

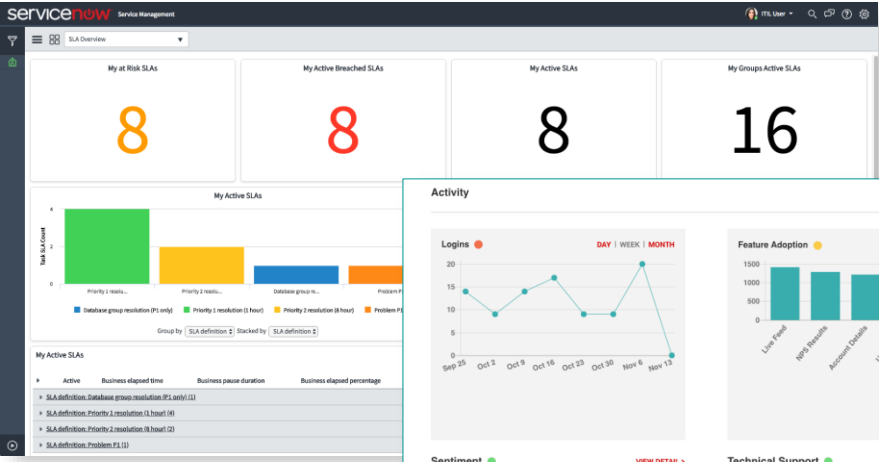
5.2 Managing the Renewal Process

12-15 Months

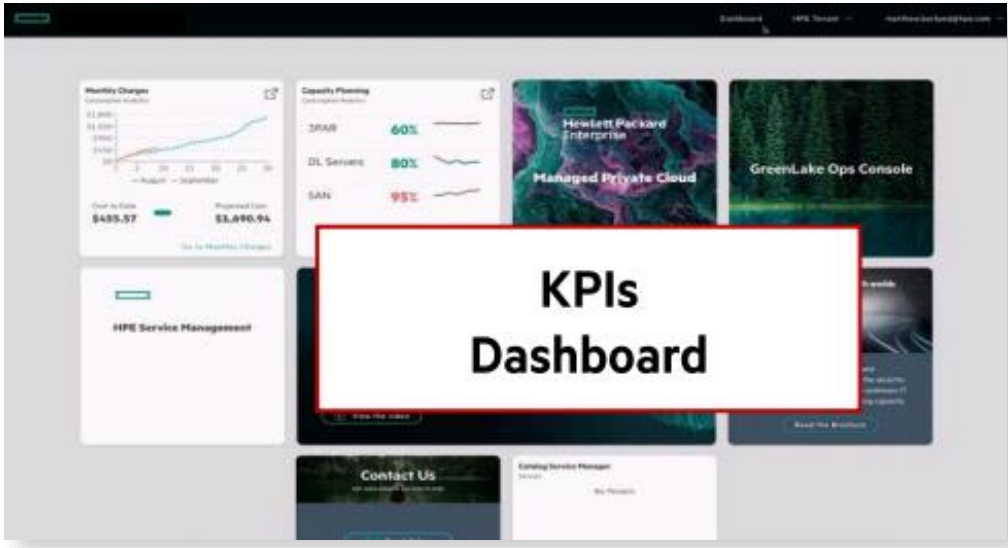
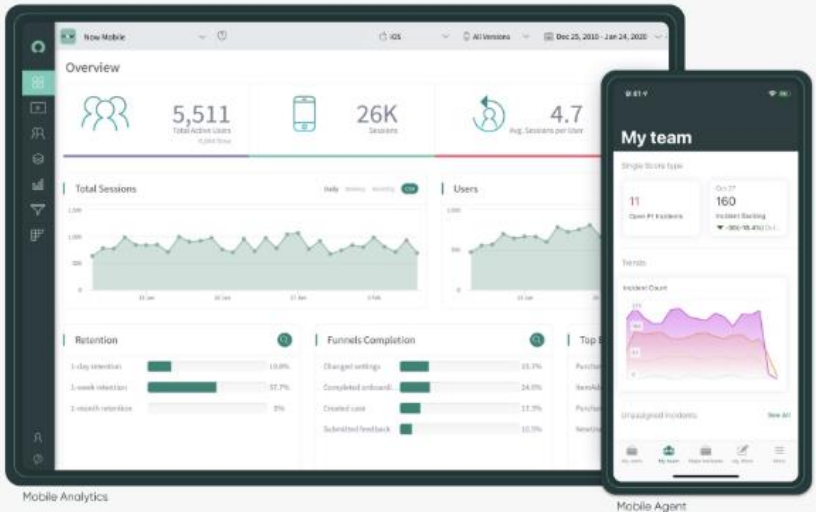
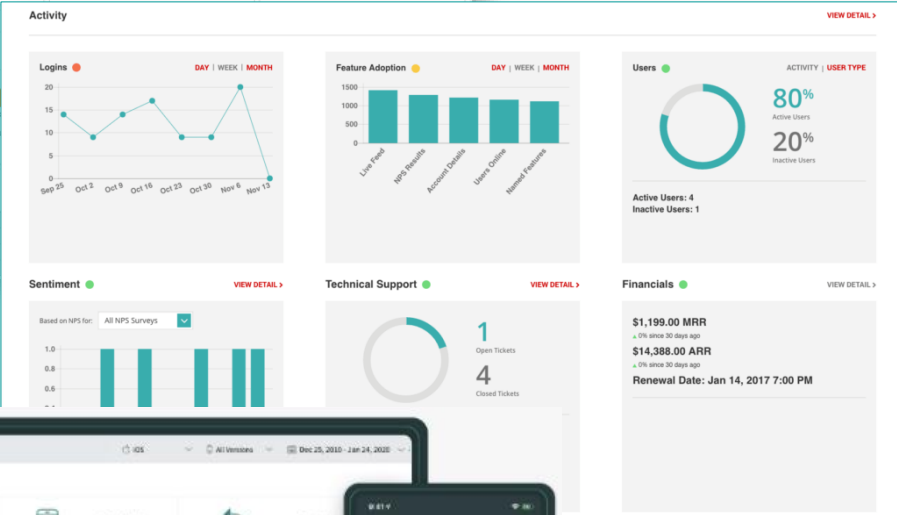
3-6 Months

1. Review Customer Portfolio
2. Identify and Manage Risk
3. Execute Renewals

The Critical Role of Automation Tools and Data



ServiceNow
Service management
dashboards



HPE GreenLake Central – planning, provisioning and compliance management automation platform

SAP Partner Information Report (PIR)

- Monthly reporting to alert partners to the overall status and health of their cloud subscribed customers
- Evolving to be an automated, self-serve platform



3. License Compliance & Risk Assessment

[Redacted]

License Type	# Licensed Users	# Active Users	Delta	Current Risk Assessment
Users - 360 Degree Reviews	85		85	High
Users - Goal Management	85	72	13	Low
Users - Performance Management	85	75	10	Low
Users - Learning, full use		9	-9	Low

[Redacted]

License Type	# Licensed Users	# Active Users	Delta	Current Risk Assessment
Users - 360 Degree Reviews	3,000		3,000	High
Users - Compensation	3,000	2,954	46	Low
Users - Goal Management	3,000	1,087	1,913	Medium
Users - Performance Management	3,000	2,959	41	Low
Users - Variable Pay	3,000		3,000	High

7 Partner Information Report: CLM Reference

Refer to Chapter 2 for a description of the Partner Information Report (PIR). The information below is a reference guide for

how the PIR can be used in each of the CLM Phases described in this Playbook.

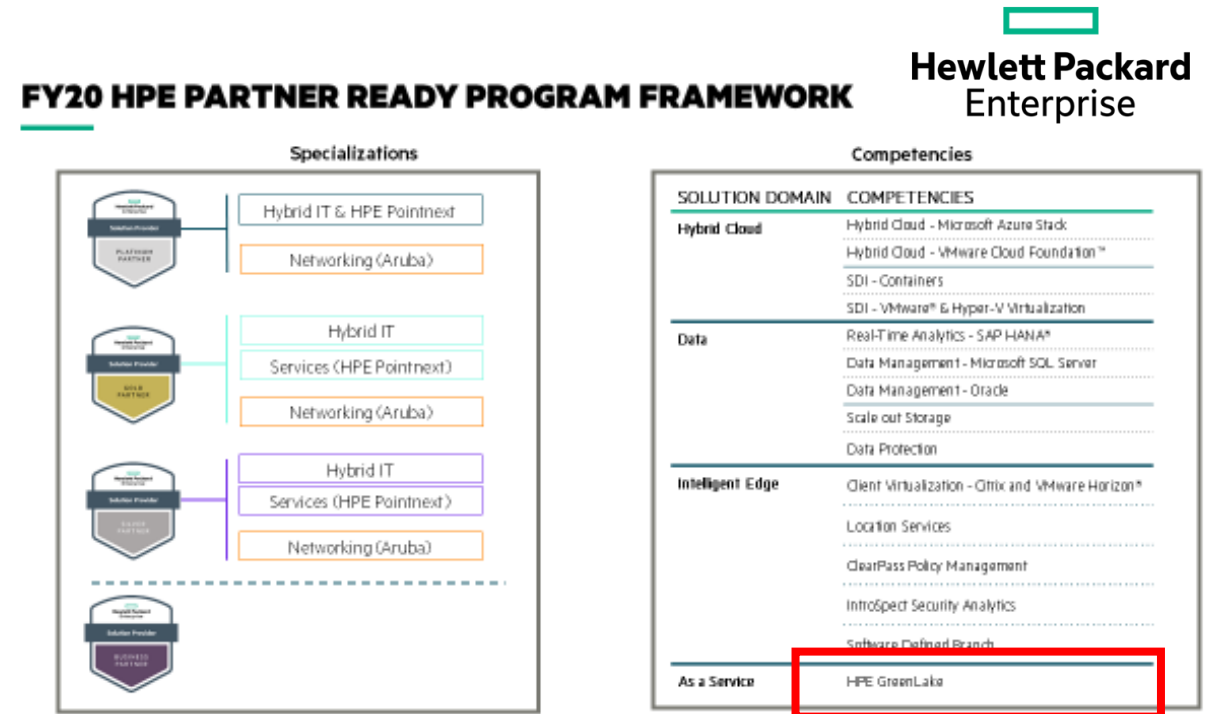
PIR Section	Description of content	CLM Usage and Playbook Reference(s)
All Customers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Customer names/ID • Contract start date • Contract end/renewal date 	Confirming basic cloud contract details and renewal dates for each customer. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Relevant to all Playbook sections
Contact Details	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Name and email of key customer contacts 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.1 Customer Relationship Governance
Tenants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tenant name and datacenter • Unplanned and planned tenant downtime for previous month 	Provides additional context for possible technical issues a customer may be experiencing. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4.1 Adoption Scenarios and Strategies • 5.4 Risk Management
Renewal Risk Assessment / License Compliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • # of licensed users • # of active users • # of assigned users (not available for all solutions) • Current renewal risk assessment 	Identify over- or under-utilized solutions that may identify risk for upcoming renewals or opportunity for selling additional licenses. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4.1 Adoption Scenarios and Strategies • 5.3 Review Customer Portfolio • 5.4 Risk Management • 6.2 Upsell Compliance
Incidents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • # of support incidents for the previous month, by severity 	Identify potential customer health issues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4.1 Adoption Scenarios and Strategies • 5.3 Review Customer Portfolio • 5.4 Risk Management
Application Data (not available for all solutions)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solution component usage data (e.g. Invoicing) and month-to-month trend 	This provides an opportunity to better understand if the customer is using all application areas that fit their business case <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4.1 Adoption Scenarios and Strategies • 5.3 Review Customer Portfolio • 5.4 Risk Management

How Does Customer Success Show Up in Today's Vendor Programs?

1. Its own Specialization or Competency



2. Part of MSP/Service Provider Enablement



Supporting Vendor Tools & Process



CRITICAL

- ✓ Cultural commitment:
 - to “share” the Customer Success with partner(s)
 - to have the CSMs team collaborate with partners
- ✓ Customer Journey maps with defined stages
- ✓ A subscription/service automation system, with partner access

IMPORTANT

- ✓ Digital Partner of Record to align sales effort to partner
- ✓ Enablement – help partners build C.S. practices
- ✓ Use cases on adoption and expansion benefits
- ✓ Incentives to encourage partner KPIs at each step
- ✓ Supporting land & expand sales tools

IPED Customer Success Partner Readiness Checklist

Customer Success - Partners Readiness Checklist

READINESS ASSESSMENT - SUMMARY

	Executive Sponsor	Name here
	Channels Lead	Name here
	Services Lead	Name here
	Customer Success Lead	Name here
	Operations Lead	Name here
	Finance Lead	Name here



	Available Points	Self-Assessment Points
1 PARTNER STRATEGY & ROLES	100	50
2 PARTNER KPI'S AND PERFORMANCE TARGETS	100	60
3 PARTNER SEGMENTATION & TARGET PROFILES	100	65
4 PARTNER SUPPORT & ENABLEMENT REQUIREMENTS	100	60
5 STAFFING MODEL	100	50
TOTALS	500	285

What is Your C.S. Partner Readiness Level?

	0-200	Formulating
	201-300	Preparing
	301-400	Aspiring
	400-500	Optimizing

Your Next Steps?

- Gain internal consensus on partner enablement strategy and performance KPI's
- Establish programmatic approach and pilot; finalize roles for vendor vs. partner
- Harness insights from pilot(s) and prepare tools, systems and staffing plan for pro
- Refine partner performance data & reporting; optimize enablement resources &

Partner Strategy & Roles

In this section you're assessing the degree to which you've conceptualized the way customers play a role in your company's overall approach to Customer Experience Management and Customer Success

Element	Measurement Scale				
	1	2	3	4	5
	place an X in one column for each element, which best describes your current state				
Overall customer journey map - from corporate mktg. or Services		X			
Defined subscription based product/service offering			X		
Defined discounting and economic models for partner sale & delivery of subscription-based product/service offering			X		
Customer Success integrated into company Support offerings				X	
Defined customer segmentation for promotion of C.S. offerings, including partner-led or teamed segments		X			
Definition of partner roles as sales agent vs. C.S. Manager		X			
Definition of core vs. optional partner roles at each lifecycle stage		X			
Internal alignment on these defined partner roles & teaming with direct C.S. roles		X			
Expectations for partner staffing levels & roles to be "authorized" for Customer Success function(s)			X		
Determine if and how you'll actively promote partners' capabilities in C.S. as part of external marketing of partner ecosystem			X		
SUBTOTALS	0	24	18	8	
GRAND TOTAL	50				

Legend
1 - Missing or undeveloped
2 - In concept or formation stage
3 - In pilot stage, limited execution
4 - In production, but immature
5 - In production, established & mature

Summary - This Section	
TOTAL POINTS AVAILABLE	100
SELF-ASSESSMENT POINTS	50

Assessment Summary | 1. Partner Strategy & Roles (2) | 2. Partner KPI's & Perf. Target | 3. Target Profiles-Segmentation | 4. Partner Support - Enablement | 5. Partner Staffing Model

Partner Enablement & Support Plans

In this section, you establish your approach and resources for helping partners build out their C.S. capabilities and scale, and the incentives or milestones for their success in establishing a C.S. practice around your technology

Element	Measurement Scale				
	1	2	3	4	5
	place an X in one column for each element, which best describes your current state				
Prepare role-based partner training & certification content for CSM and Renewals role(s)		X			
Prepare role-based partner technical role (if applicable) content - installation, configuration, ongoing mgmt.			X		
Create content for partner C.S. workshop or practice building plans (staffing, marketing, sales process, etc.)			X		
Create customer onboarding process and supporting tools/content (videos, explainers, use cases) for partners				X	
Create digital marketing content/campaigns to support the adoption, expansion & renewal motions; ties to email/marketing automation systems & MDF programs			X		
Establish partner incentive models (Deal Reg., rebates, cost-offset) for land, adoption and renewal motions; tie to partner-of-record coding				X	
Determine the diversity and depth of sales content and use cases to be shared with partners (use cases, playbooks, etc.)					X
Determine your requirements for partners' own service-management automation system and what level of access you will provide them to your own systems (alerts vs. admin rights, etc.)		X			
Define the process map for communication between your systems and C.S. teams to the partners own systems/team at each step of the LAER model (what comms. go to the partner, to the customer, remain in the			X		
Determine how you'll profile and market your C.S. ready partners to customers through corporate marketing			X		
SUBTOTALS	0	4	30	16	10
GRAND TOTAL	60				

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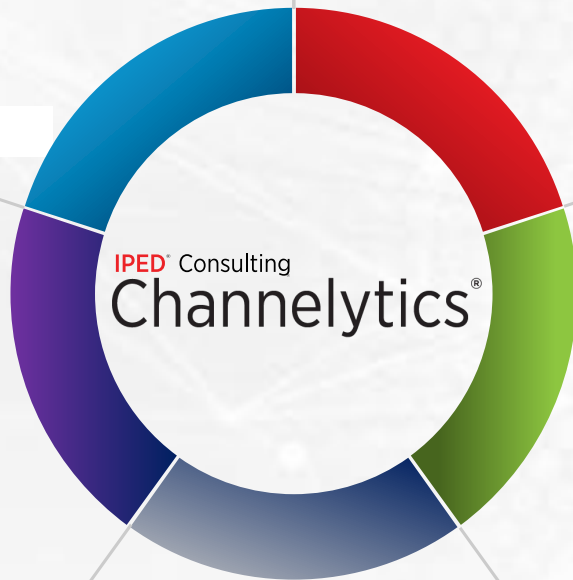
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