



Application of Blockchain in Supply Chain Management – A Trailblazer Analysis

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Background and scope of the research

Background of the research

- Globally, enterprises across industries are struggling to manage their supply chains. Whether it is transparency, traceability, or security, enterprises face multiple issues on all fronts. In fact, the enterprise goal of integrating supply chains is nowhere near completion even after spending billions of dollars on multiple platforms, tools, and solutions. In such a scenario, blockchain has emerged as a key technology that can help enterprises in achieving many of their objectives data sharing, security, and tracking to move toward a truly integrated Supply Chain Management (SCM)
- Given the applicability of blockchain in SCM, many companies, including start-ups, are at the forefront of developing solutions based on blockchain technology. In this research, we present an assessment of start-ups building capabilities in SCM blockchain space, primarily focusing on their capability, growth story, and investor confidence

Scope of this report

- **Geography:** Global
- Total number of start-ups identified: 44 start-ups delivering SCM services across multiple channels using blockchain
- Trailblazers identified: 10 leading SCM blockchain start-ups



Everest Group analyzed 44 blockchain-based start-ups, delivering supply chain services across multiple areas, to shortlist the top 10 trailblazers

Dimensions used for prioritizing start-ups







Growth potential of solution



Total funding



Clients' traction



No. of employees

Initial data of 44 start-ups was collected based on market interactions and existing research. These start-ups brin blockchain-based solutions in supply chain management

Then, we identified 30 high potential start-ups after comprehensive evaluation. These have received high market traction and funding/investments, and leverage innovative technology for problem-solving

Further, comparative analysis of high potential start-ups based on market has led to identification of "blockchain SCM trailblazers." These startups play a significant role in the SCM industry and have a high probability of success

Start-ups delivering supply chain services

44

High potential start-ups enabling blockchain-based solutions in SCM

30

Trailblazers

10

Additional dimensions used for identification of the trailblazers:

- Key investors and profile
- Founder's experience
- Awards received
- Vision and scalability
- Key partnerships
- Number of rounds of funding



In fact, there are several dozen start-ups that are focusing on developing blockchain-based solutions for supply chain

List of start-ups developing blockchain-based solutions for SCM















































































The start-ups were assessed based on their capability, nature of innovation, market growth, and confidence demonstrated by investors

Evaluation parameters



- What is the market traction of the solution developed? How many clients does the start-up have?
- What kind of market recognition has the start-up received?
 How strong is its partner ecosystem?
- How much trust have the investors shown in the start-up?
- What is the strength of the founders and management team?



- What is the versatility of the solution?
- What is the scalability of the solution in the supply chain management domain?



- How clear is the vision of the founders?
- What are the long-term plans and forecasts of the industry and the solution?





This study offers applicability of blockchain in SCM providing a deep dive assessment of SCM blockchain based start-ups; below are four charts to illustrate the depth of the report

How blockchain can solve enterprises challenges in SCM



Transparency and visibility

Blockchain offers transparency through its distributed ledger structure, offering users complete control over what information to share and with

Raw material and product traceability

Blockchain strengthens traceability by replacing slow and complex data sets for processes. The entire life cycle of a product can be captured and tracked using blockchain-based technology

Supply chain security

Blockchain is designed to be tamper-proof and hack-proof. Data is stored in the form of distributed ledgers using cryptography. As various consensus protocols are needed to validate entry, it removes risks of fraud and duplicate entry

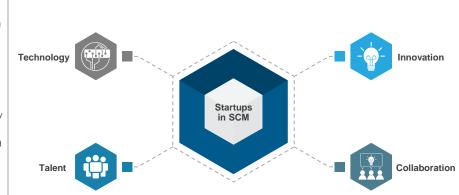
Fraud and counterfeit products

Enterprises can combat fraud by using blockchain for verifying the authenticity of a product or service during the entire spectrum of the value chain

Data sharing

Using blockchain, enterprises can control the sharing of data with suppliers and third-party providers and viceversa, enabling deeper insights to be generated through greater degree of data sharing

Role of start-ups in developing blockchain-based solutions for SCM



Evaluation of shortlisted start-ups

Name	Market success	Investor confidence	Vision	Growth Potential	Overall
Skuchain					
Modum					
DORÆ					
OpenPort					
Bext 360					
ShipChain					
Peer Ledger					
ICIX					
CargoCoin					
StaTwig					

Trailblazer profile

Company overview Player X is an independent supplier of public blockchain-based solutions for the logistics industry. The company develops Blockchain Document Transaction System (BDTS) technology for secure, fast, and efficient maritime shipping documentation. Website: www.start-upwebsite.com

Blackstone Group

Everest Group assessment - Overall

Measure of capability: High Low

Fact sheet

Name, CMO

Year of incorporation : 201X : Name of the Headquarters country

Number of employees : XX

Key executives Name, CEO Qualcomm Ventures Name, CTO Goldman Sachs

Market growth

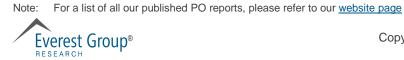
- It has a strong partnership ecosystem that includes Milsped Group, MakerDAO, Fracht AG, OceanX, Global Cargo Alliance, RoadLaunch, etc. • Won DataccioConnect Blockchain Innovation Award in 2018
- Launched Blockchain Document Transaction System (BDTS) technology to create, track, manage, store, and transfer the ownership of maritime shipping documentation

Investor confidence – estimated total funding of US\$95 million							
July 2014	January 2016	July 2016	November 2017	August 2018			
Seed round	Series A	Series B	Series C	Venture round			



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Dublished	Discussed 1777 Occurrent releases
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Flagship PO reports Programment Outcoursing (PO) PRO Service Provides Landacana with Services PEAK Matrix III Accessment 2019.	Release date
Procurement Outsourcing (PO) BPO – Service Provider Landscape with Services PEAK Matrix™ Assessment 2018 .	
Supply Chain Management (SCM) BPO – Annual Report 2018: Moving Toward a Digital Supply Chain Ecosystem	July 2018
Procurement Outsourcing (PO) Annual Report 2018: Driving Strategic Value from Procurement	September 2018
Procurement Outsourcing (PO) – Service Provider Landscape with Services PEAK Matrix™ Assessment 2019	April 2019
Procurement Outsourcing (PO) Annual Report 2019: Evolving Imperatives for Procurement and What a Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) Should do to Remain Relevant	July 2019
Procurement Outsourcing (PO) Service Provider Compendium 2019	July 2019
SCM Service Provider Landscape with PEAK Matrix Assessment 2019	Q4 2019
Market Report on After Sales Segment in Supply Chain 2019	Q4 2019
Thematic PO reports	
Understanding Strategic Sourcing and its David and Goliath Landscape	November 2018
Is It Time to Outsource Direct Spend Categories?	February 2019
Journey Toward Integrated Supply Chain Management	June 2019
Procurement Outsourcing (PO) Buyer Report 2019	July 2019
Application of Blockchain in Supply Chain Management – A Trailblazer Analysis	
Looking Beyond Order Management – Emergence of the Perfect Order	
CPO vs CFO – Expectations vs. Reality	Q4 2019



Additional PO research references

The following documents are recommended for an additional insight into the topic covered in this report. The recommended documents either provide additional details or complementary content that may be of interest

- 1. Procurement Outsourcing (PO) Annual Report 2019 Evolving Imperatives for Procurement and What a Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) Should do to Remain Relevant (EGR-2019-22-R-3245); 2019. This report will assist key stakeholders (buyers, service providers, and technology providers) understand the changing dynamics of the PO market and help them identify the trends and outlook for 2018-2020. In this backdrop, the report covers the global PO market comprehensively including a detailed analysis of market size & growth, buyer adoption trends, key emerging themes, and service provider landscape
- 2. Procurement Outsourcing (PO) Service Provider Landscape with Services PEAK Matrix™ Assessment 2019 (EGR-2019-22-R-3143); 2019. This report examines the dynamics of the global PO service provider landscape and its impact on the PO market. Based on the comprehensive Everest Group PEAK Matrix, each of the 16 PO service providers are segmented into Leaders, Major Contenders, and Aspirants. The report also provides key insights into service provider position & growth in the market, changing market dynamics, and assessment of service provider delivery capabilities. It will assist key stakeholders (service providers, buyers, and technology providers) understand the current state of the PO service provider landscape
- 3. Procurement Outsourcing (PO) Annual Report 2018: Driving Strategic Value from Procurement (EGR-2018-22-R-2778); 2018. This report will assist key stakeholders (buyers, service providers, and technology providers) in understanding the changing dynamics of the PO market and help them identify the trends and outlook for 2018-2020. In this backdrop, the report provides comprehensive coverage of the global PO market including detailed analysis of market size & growth, buyer adoption trends, key emerging themes, solution characteristics, and the service provider landscape

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