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Background and scope of the research

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- In today's world of a continuously evolving technology landscape and rapidly changing customer needs, engineering R&D activities are playing a significant role in ensuring that businesses stay competitive and relevant
- This research was conducted across eight verticals for enterprises featuring in the top 200 ER&D spend list, by factoring in their R&D spend growth trends and key investment areas over the last two years
- The report looks at the key themes that will continue to drive enterprise ER&D spend in the near future and provides a timeline of investments that enterprises have made over the previous year. The report also provides insights on ER&D spend intensity (ER&D spend as a percentage of revenue) for enterprises across verticals
- The focus of this research is only on business-financed ER&D spend. It excludes non-ER&D spend (e.g., clinical R&D expenditure in pharmaceuticals and biotechnology, and molecular development R&D expenditure in chemicals) as well as government-sponsored ER&D spend
- Enterprises that do not specifically report their R&D expenses in their annual reports have been excluded from this analysis. Enterprises cutting across these eight industries have been featured under the industry where the proportion of R&D spend is the highest

Scope of this report

- **Services:** Engineering services
- **Geography:** Global

Summary of key messages

1

Enterprises in the ER&D top 200 across eight verticals spent US\$418 billion on R&D in 2018, and accounted for over 50% of the global business ER&D spend

2

While enterprises from the semiconductors and software products verticals had an average spend intensity of over 15%, telecom service providers and aerospace and defense enterprises were laggards, with less than 5% R&D spend intensity

3

In 2018, software products emerged as the highest ER&D spending vertical, ahead of the automotive industry, which was the highest ER&D spender in 2017

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Digital continues to be a key priority in engineering, with enterprises across industries adopting Artificial Intelligence (AI), Machine Learning (ML) and the Internet of Things (IoT) in products and implementing blockchain-led security solutions

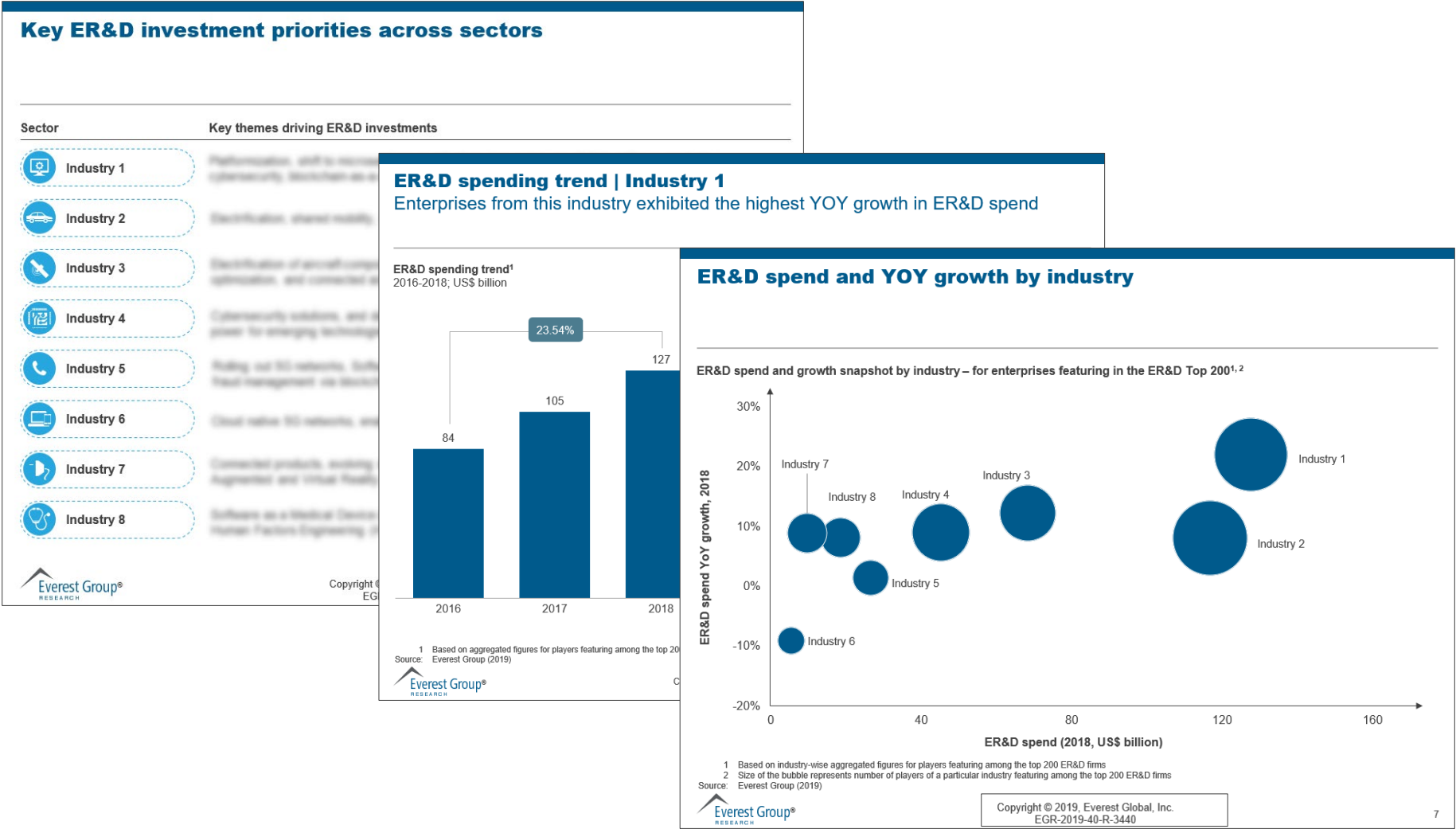
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Enterprises are evolving their engineering processes by adopting approaches such as DevOps, Low Code and No Code for rapid innovation and product development

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The relevance of service providers has increased due to the challenges enterprises face around talent and new technology adoption. Service providers need to invest in infrastructure and partner with enterprises to help them innovate and remain relevant in the market

This report includes ER&D spend analysis along with insights on key investment priorities for enterprises across eight key industries



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| Software Product Engineering Services PEAK Matrix™ Assessment 2019: Engineering for the Digital World | August 2019 |
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Additional ES research references

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1. **Automotive Engineering Services PEAK Matrix™ Assessment 2019: Convergence of Mobility and Digital** ([EGR-2019-40-R-3350](#)); 2019. This report comprises an analysis of the capabilities of 22 leading engineering service providers in the automotive vertical. These providers are mapped on the Everest Group PEAK Matrix. The report also focuses on key automotive engineering services market trends
2. **Software Product Engineering Services PEAK Matrix™ Assessment: Engineering for the Digital World** ([EGR-2019-40-R-3305](#)); 2019. This report presents fact-based trends impacting the software product engineering services market, along with the assessment and detailed profiles of 25 software product engineering service providers featured on the software product engineering services PEAK Matrix

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