



The Role of Global Business Service (GBS) Organizations in the Automotive Industry: What Lies Ahead?

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Background of the research

The global automotive industry is entering a new decade in which it is expected to rapidly evolve alongside unprecedented challenges – and it starts with 2021. In the last several years, the automotive industry has undergone a lot of changes, steered by innovative and disruptive technologies. Next-generation technological themes have redefined the entire automotive landscape and autonomous driving, connectivity, electrification of vehicles, and shared mobility remain the defining megatrends in 2021, with all automakers (both the existing giants and new entrants) focusing on either enhancing their capabilities or developing pertinent expertise in these fields.

The ongoing COVID-19 pandemic has already taken a toll on the industry and after months of social distancing, new consumer behaviors are shaping trends that will impact the automotive industry and car buying as we enter the new normal. Original Equipment Manufacturers (OEMs) and tier-1 suppliers are looking to position themselves for speedy recovery and will need to adapt to shorter planning horizons and faster industry cycles. They will also need to prioritize initiatives that are best aligned with where the industry is headed, such as operationalizing home delivery or further digitizing the automotive purchase process. GBS organizations are stepping up to this challenge in order to support their parent enterprises.

In this report, we aim to capture the GBS market landscape, key trends, challenges faced by organizations, impact of digital, and COVID-19 on the automotive industry. We focus on:

- Current state of the automotive GBS landscape in offshore/nearshore locations
- Impact of digital engineering and how it is transforming the automotive industry
- Aftermath of COVID-19 and steps taken by automotive GBS organizations for faster recovery

Scope of this report:









Overview and abbreviated summary of key messages

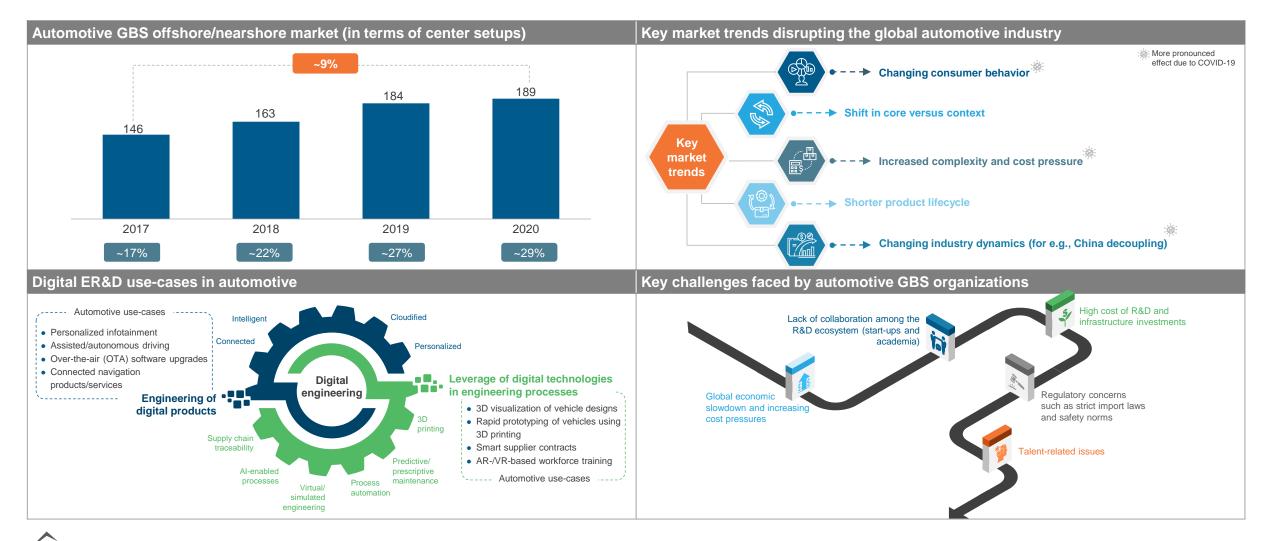
This report focuses on the global delivery of automotive engineering services with focus on the role played by GBS organizations. The report covers market landscape of automotive GBS organizations with a focus on the way new age technologies are transforming delivery of automotive engineering services. It also captures key market trends, challenges faced by organizations, impact of digital on various segments, impact of COVID-19 on the automotive industry, and role played by GBS organizations to mitigate the impact of the pandemic

Some of the findings in this report, among others, are:

GBS market landscape	 The global services market (in terms of GBS center setups) for automotive industry grew at ~9% CAGR between 2017 and 2020, driven by factors such as business continuity and increased preference of automotive firms to leverage offshore locations for digital services delivery and high talent availability for such services
Changing market dynamics	• The automotive GBS activity at offshore/nearshore locations has been gaining traction in recent years, with many North American and European firms setting up new centers at locations such as India and Poland
	 India and Poland are the leading GBS destinations, accounting for ~40% of the GBS setups and ~50% of employed workforce. In India, Bangalore and Pune are the most preferred locations with ~40% of automotive offshore/nearshore GBS centers. In the CEE region, multiple tier- 2 locations (e.g., Poznan and Lodz) have been gaining traction in recent years
Service delivery maturity of GBS organizations	 Many automotive GBS centers are building strong capabilities, especially around digital technologies such as connectivity, mobility, and autonomous solutions, in the vehicles space. Multiple GBS centers house Centers of Excellence (CoE) for these services Amidst the ongoing COVID-19 crisis, many mature GBS adopters have been agile enough to quickly transition to newer operating models (remote working) and are focusing on providing more enhanced support to enterprises
Outlook and implications for GBS organizations	 Going forward, GBS centers are expected to play a significant role in their parent enterprises' product transformation and digital engineering journey



This study offers three distinct chapters providing a deep dive into key aspects of automotive GBS market; below are four charts to illustrate the depth of the report



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