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Background of the research

Evolving into a digital-first business is becoming increasingly important for organizations to remain resilient and competitive, especially after the COVID-19 pandemic. Manual operations pose numerous challenges and hence, organizations are trying to shift to digital, automated, and intelligent business processes. Robotic Process Automation (RPA) has emerged as a key enabler in the enterprise automation segment. While the overall automation ecosystem is rapidly evolving through new technologies, such as Intelligent Document Processing (IDP), process mining, task mining, API-based automation, and conversational AI, these technologies further strengthen RPA, which continues to be a foundational element of enterprise automation. RPA has played a key role in helping organizations reduce costs, achieve greater operational efficiencies and quality, increase workforce productivity, enhance customer and employee experience, and realize quick time-to-value. Many enterprises, Global Business Services (GBS) organizations, and service providers are investing in RPA, and it has been one of the fastest growing software markets in the past decade.

RPA is rapidly evolving in terms of product features, deployment options, product architecture, training and support, partner ecosystem, and commercial models. The technologies and the delivery models are evolving quickly, with an expanding set of features and functionalities. Therefore, it is imperative for the organizations to select the right enterprise-grade RPA solution to realize the expected benefits.

In this study, we analyze the RPA technology landscape across various dimensions:

- Everest Group's PEAK Matrix® evaluation, a comparative assessment of 23 leading RPA technology providers
- Competitive landscape in the RPA technology provider market
- Key RPA technology trends
- Remarks on key strengths and limitations for each RPA technology provider

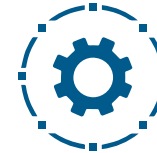
Scope of this report



Geography
Global



Technology providers
23 leading RPA technology providers



Products
Robotic Process Automation (RPA)

Everest Group’s SOT research is based on multiple sources of proprietary information

Proprietary database of 23 RPA technology providers

- The database tracks the providers’ offering/capabilities for:
 - Automation design, development, and integration
 - Automation control, monitoring, and analytics
 - Deployment and hosting options
 - Partnerships with service providers and other technology providers
 - Product-related training and support services
 - Availability and adoption of commercial model(s)
 - IT governance and security

Proprietary operational information database of technology providers (updated annually)

- The database tracks the following operational information for each provider:
 - Revenue and number of FTEs
 - Number of clients
 - FTE split by different Lines of Business (LoBs)
 - Portfolio coverage in terms of industry, geography, process areas, and buyer size

Demonstrations and interactions with technology providers and other industry stakeholders

- Detailed demos for a comprehensive product view and executive-level discussions with RPA providers that cover:
 - Current state of the market
 - Vision and strategy
 - Annual performance and outlook
 - Opportunities and challenges
 - Emerging areas of investment

Buyer reference interviews, ongoing buyer surveys, and interactions

- Interviews with technology providers’ reference clients and enterprise RPA buyers to get the buyer perspective around:
 - Drivers and objectives for adopting RPA
 - Apprehensions and challenges
 - Assessment of providers’ performance
 - Emerging priorities / buying criteria
 - Outcomes achieved
 - Lessons learned and best practices

Technology providers assessed¹



¹ In this study, we have assessed providers’ offerings / product capabilities as of April 2022. Assessment for SAP excludes provider inputs. The analysis for SAP is based on Everest Group’s proprietary database, provider public disclosures, and Everest Group’s interactions with RPA buyers

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Overview and abbreviated summary of key messages

Robotic Process Automation (RPA) is a key enabler of enterprise automation. This report leverages Everest Group's proprietary PEAK Matrix® to assess and evaluate RPA capabilities of independent software providers across two key dimensions, market impact and vision & capability. It also includes competitive landscape & market share analysis, Everest Group's remarks on technology providers highlighting their key strengths & limitations, and insights into advances in RPA technologies.

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

Everest Group RPA Products PEAK Matrix® 2022

- Everest Group classifies RPA technology providers on the Everest Group Products PEAK Matrix® into the three categories of Leaders, Major Contenders, and Aspirants:
 - **Leaders:** Automation Anywhere, Microsoft, NICE, SS&C Blue Prism, and UiPath
 - **Major Contenders:** Aiwozo, Appian, AutomationEdge, Cyclone Robotics, Datamatics, IBM, JIFFY.ai, Laiye, Nintex, Nividous, OpenBots, Pega, SAP, and WorkFusion
 - **Aspirants:** ElectroNeek, HyperCAP, qBotica Qruize, and SAIO
- Laiye, Microsoft, Nintex, SS&C Blue Prism, and UiPath demonstrated the strongest Year-on-Year (YoY) movement on both market impact and vision & capability dimensions, and emerged as **2022 RPA Market Star Performers**

Insights on competitive landscape

- Automation Anywhere, SS&C Blue Prism, and UiPath continue to dominate the market in terms of RPA software revenue. Some of the smaller and mid-sized providers have also experienced high growth, indicating strong market demand for RPA technology
- Automation Anywhere, IBM, Laiye, Microsoft, SAP, SS&C Blue Prism, and UiPath lead the pack in terms of number of RPA clients. Cyclone Robotics, Laiye, and OpenBots experienced over 100% YoY growth in number of RPA clients in 2021
- UiPath has the highest market share in most industry verticals. Automation Anywhere, SS&C Blue Prism, NICE, and Pega are also some of the top providers with high market share across different industry verticals
- SS&C Blue Prism holds the highest market share by revenue in banking and insurance industry-specific process areas, while UiPath leads across horizontal functions such as F&A, contact center, procurement, and HR

UiPath has emerged as the leader across North America, Continental Europe, and APAC regions. Automation Anywhere holds the top position in LATAM and MEA, while SS&C Blue Prism, NICE and Microsoft are other dominant providers across geographies

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

RPA Products PEAK Matrix® Assessment 2022¹



Capability assessment

Illustrative example

Measure of capability: ○ Low ● High

Providers	Market impact				Vision & capability					
	Market adoption	Portfolio mix	Value delivered	Overall	Vision and strategy	Development & integration	Deployment & maintenance	Product training & support	Commercial & sales model	Overall
Provider 1	●	○	●	●	●	○	●	○	○	○
Provider 2	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Provider 3	○	○	●	●	●	○	○	○	○	○
Provider 4	○	○	○	○	●	○	○	○	○	○
Provider 5	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Provider 6	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Provider 7	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Provider 8	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○
Provider 9	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○

Everest Group's remarks on providers

Illustrative example

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○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○

Strengths

- Provider envisions to provide an intelligent automation platform that brings together various components of digital transformation. It has a rich experience of serving enterprise clients globally across key verticals, and has deployed its platform for prevalent use cases
- Clients have appreciated provider product vision, continuous innovation, quick roadmap progression

Limitations

- The Provider platform presently lacks a built-in process recorder capability that can help ease the learning process for new users to automate low complex tasks and processes
- Most of provider clientele belongs to the BFSI industry and it has limited experience of serving enterprises in other verticals

1 Assessment for SAP excludes provider inputs. The analysis for SAP is based on Everest Group's proprietary database, provider public disclosures, and Everest Group's interactions with RPA buyers
 Note: Star Performers are selected based on a relative comparison of providers' performance on the market impact and vision & capability dimensions in the previous and latest PEAK Matrix® assessments. Providers with the highest year-over-year improvement are designated as Star Performers. The Star Performer title does not reflect the overall market leadership position, which is designated through Leaders, Major Contenders, or Aspirants.

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