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### Introduction

Customer retention and loyalty has emerged as a cornerstone for businesses aiming to build long-lasting relationships with their customers and stay sustainably relevant in an increasingly competitive marketplace. In an era where consumer choices are abundant and switching costs are minimal, fostering customer loyalty has become critical for sustainable growth.

Enterprises that focus on customer retention and loyalty offer highly personalized experiences to their customers, leveraging data to offer customized rewards, recommendations, and communications that align with individual preferences and behaviors. In addition to the seamless experience, businesses are looking for loyalty platforms that can integrate effortlessly across all customer touchpoints—online, in-store, mobile apps, social media, and offering end-to-end loyalty management capabilities.

In this research, we present an assessment and detailed profiles of 12 loyalty solution providers featured on the loyalty solutions PEAK Matrix®. Each provider profile delivers a comprehensive picture of its service focus, key Intellectual Property (IP) / solutions, and domain investments. The assessment is based on Everest Group's annual RFI process for calendar year 2024, interactions with leading providers, client reference checks, and an ongoing analysis of the customer loyalty landscape.

This report includes the profiles of the following leading solution providers featured on the Loyalty solutions PEAK Matrix®:

- Leaders: Capillary Tech, Kobie Marketing, and Merkle
- Major Contenders: Antavo, Bond Brand Loyalty, Comarch, Comviva, Epsilon, and Giift
- Aspirants: Loyalty Juggemaut Inc., LoyaltyLion, and Talon.One

### Scope of this report

Geography: global

**Industry:** market activity and investments of 12 leading loyalty solution providers

**Services:** marketing services

Use cases: only publicly-available information (~90 distinct use cases) has been used for the entire analysis in this report

## Loyalty Solutions PEAK Matrix® characteristics

#### Leaders

Capillary Tech, Kobie Marketing, and Merkle

- Leaders have end-to-end capabilities across the loyalty value chain including loyalty strategy, design, loyalty management, omni-channel customer view, and reporting and insights
- They have actively focused on organic and inorganic investments in new-age technologies to bridge the portfolio gaps and establish themselves as front-runners across loyalty platform providers
- Leaders have developed robust end-to-end offerings either through proprietary IP or a robust ecosystem of partnerships with leading MarTech vendors

#### **Major Contenders**

Antavo, Bond Brand Loyalty, Comarch, Comviva, Epsilon, and Giift

- Major Contenders have presence across major parts of the loyalty services value chain and are actively pursue organic and inorganic investment opportunities to fill in their portfolio gaps
- They are building capabilities to serve different geographies and industry segments while specializing in a few regions and verticals
- They continue to invest in emerging technology and platforms and partner with third-party vendors to cater to the demands of a diverse clientele

#### **Aspirants**

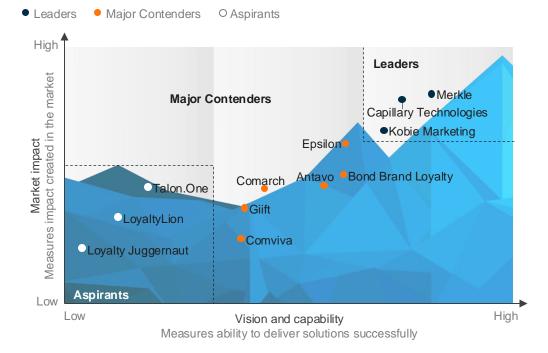
Loyalty Juggernaut Inc., LoyaltyLion, and Talon.One

- Aspirants, due to their limited offerings, focus on specific niche geographies, industries, or buyer segments. This targeted approach allows them to cater to the unique needs of these markets
- Their resources are concentrated in few service offerings, restricting their ability to operate on a global scale, compared to larger, more established providers
- They offer innovative service delivery models; however, their capabilities in specialized services such as loyalty support operations are currently limited

## This study offers 12 distinct chapters providing a deep dive into key aspects of loyalty solutions market; below are three charts to illustrate the depth of the report

#### Everest Group PEAK Matrix® Assessment 2024

### Everest Group Loyalty Solutions PEAK Matrix® Assessment 2024<sup>1</sup>,



<sup>1</sup> Assessments for Bond Brand Loyalty, Comarch, Epsilon, Kobie Marketing, Loyalty Juggernaut, LoyaltyLion, and Talon.One are based on Everest Group's proprietary Transaction Intelligence (TI) database, provider public disclosures, and Everest Group's interactions with buyers

Source: Everest Group (2024)

### Capability assessment

Illustrative example

Measure of capability: Low High

Providers	Market impact				Vision and capability				
	Market adoption	Portfolio mix	Value delivered	Overall	Vision and strategy	Technology capability	Innovation and investments	Engagement and commercial model	Overal
Provider 1	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Provider 2	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Provider 3	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Provider 4	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
Provider 5	•	•	4	•	•	•	•	•	•
Provider 6	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•

#### Everest Group's remarks on providers

Illustrative example Measure of capability: (\*) Low High

Market impact				Vision and capability				
Market adoption	Portfolio mix	Value delivered	Overall	Vision and strategy	Technology capability	Innovation and investments	Engagement and commercial model	Overall
•		•	•	•	•	•	•	•

#### Strengths

- Provider 1, has a robust delivery presence in Asia Pacific with multiple delivery centers in India, Australia, the Philippines, and China, enabling it to service client requirements efficiently
- . It has a good number of multi-country as well as singlecountry clients across the world

#### Limitations

- Provider 1 should increase offerings of value-added services such as employer branding, talent communities and workforce planning
- . It should try to expand into larger multi-country deals and also scout for engagements in other Asia Pacific markets to strengthen its presence in the region



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