

Case Study: Large Enterprise Computer Services Company

Introduction

This case study of a large enterprise computer services company is based on a March 2016 survey of The Skills Connection customers by TechValidate, a 3rd-party research service. The profiled company asked to have their name blinded to protect their confidentiality.



“We work with The Skills Connection to prepare for our Gartner Magic Quadrant (MQ) submission. They help us to interpret the requirements, storyboard the response, review references, prepare our presenters to deliver the presentation, and review all of our collateral prior to submission.”

“I would recommend them as they are easy to work with, adaptable, and truly become a part of the team. Critically they understand Gartner absolutely. They are very experienced, with excellent analytical skills and very good influencing skills.”

“Net, their understanding of the analyst mindset contributed to our achieving our best ever position in the MQ.”

Challenges

- Engaged with The Skills Connection for the following reasons:
 - Did not have the in-house expertise to effectively engage with analysts
 - Wanted to learn how to effectively differentiate themselves from their competitors when talking with analysts
 - Wanted to change their position in the MQ/Wave/Marketscape to generate new business

Use Case

- Uses The Skills Connection to:
 - Provide the necessary expertise to effectively engage analysts
 - Show them how to gather the right information for analysts
 - Show them how to effectively communicate their story to analysts
 - Help them improve their position in an MQ/Wave/Marketscape
 - Focus just on what was needed, and avoid wasting time on anything else
 - Provide the tools and best practices needed to build a strong case for analysts
 - Create compelling evidence-based cases for analysts

Results

- Experiences gained with The Skills Connection:
 - Confidence communicating the unique value of their solution to analysts
 - The ability to create a strong evidence-based case to analysts covering their product / service
 - Unique insights about their solution that were instrumental in winning over analysts
- Benefits from working with The Skills Connection:
 - Made the most effective use of their internal resources
 - Positively shifted their position in the MQ/Wave/Marketscape
 - Received better results than when they had engaged with analysts
 - Provided their internal team the tools and skills to effectively engage with analysts
 - Effectively communicates the unique value of their products / services
- Rates The Skills Connection 4.5 out of 5 stars.

Company Profile

The company featured in this case study asked to have its name publicly blinded because publicly endorsing vendors is against their policies.

TechValidate stands behind the authenticity of this data.

Company Size:
Large Enterprise

Industry:
Computer Services

About The Skills Connection

The Skills Connection helps technology companies to get the right results from analyst engagement. They work with technology clients that want to optimize their chances of success in a Gartner MQ or Forrester Wave assessment. In addition, they work with elite analyst firms, providing coaching and training services to sharpen delivery and improve client satisfaction and renewal rates.

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