

THE SKILLS CONNECTION CASE STUDY

Medium Enterprise Computer Software Company

Introduction

This case study of a medium enterprise computer software company is based on a May 2017 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.

"I would certainly recommend The Skills Connection. In our experience, and from my perspective, they had a very important influence in the outcome of our interactions with analysts, both in inquiries and reports. Their contribution was essential in the review process with analysts. It was insightful and actionable, leading us to a great result, positively shifting our position in several analyst reports."

Challenges

The business challenges that led the profiled company to evaluate and ultimately select The Skills Connection:

- Engaged with The Skills Connection for the following reasons:
 - 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

The key features and functionalities of The Skills Connection that the surveyed company uses:

- Uses The Skills Connection to:
 - 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

Results

The surveyed company achieved the following results with The Skills Connection:

- 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
- Benefits from working with The Skills Connection:
 - Positively shifted their position in the MQ/Wave/Marketscape
 - Effectively communicates the unique value of their products / services
- Agrees with the following statements:
 - Met their internal schedules and deadlines: agree
 - Ensured they met schedules and deadlines for the analysts: agree
 - Acted as an extension of staff: strongly agree
 - Enabled them to focus on what was needed and avoid wasting time on anything else: agree
- Agrees with the following statements:
 - Collaborative: strongly agree
 - Knowledgeable: strongly agree
 - Service-oriented: agree Value for money: agree
 - Best practice focused: agree

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: Medium Enterprise

Industry: Computer Software

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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The Skills Connection

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