

IDC Europe Unveils Top Technology Predictions for 2020 and Beyond

LONDON, December 17, 2019 — International Data Corporation (IDC) announced last week its European predictions for 2020 and beyond. The predictions were presented in a live webinar hosted by Thomas Meyer (general manager and group vice president) and Phil Carter (chief analyst). The on-demand replay of the webinar can be found at https://uk.idc.com/trends/european-futurescape-2020.

The future enterprise was the theme of the webinar: tech-everywhere, platform-based, ecosystem-centric with innovation as the norm.

IDC's predictions are focused on helping organizations understand the 2020 action plan across the following critical areas:

- **Technology:** Which emerging technologies need to be incorporated into platforms to underpin the future enterprise?
- Leadership: How will the key stakeholders of the digital dream team execute on the road map?
- Value: How can organizations redefine value to incorporate not just financial metrics but also ecosystem and social impact elements, taking into account the ethical impact of technology on society?

IDC explained the decisions that should be made for 2020 through the lens of the CEO. The objective was to ensure that we remove the traditional IT/business/digital debate once and for all.

"We created 10 game-changing predictions that we think are going to shape the market in 2020 and beyond. We highlight the future enterprise and how we need to redefine value, leadership, and technology as we move toward the future. We hope these predictions will help European enterprises to plan their 2020 strategies." said Phil Carter, chief analyst at IDC.

A closer look at IDC's top 10 predictions reveals the following:

- 1. **Spotlight on digital capabilities:** By 2022, 25% of the top 500 European companies will have at least two board members with digital business excellence capabilities.
- 2. **Digital investments:** In 2020, European organizations will spend over \$271 billion on digital transformation, but only 16% will deliver new revenue streams.

- 3. **Data collected from connected devices:** By 2022, data collected from connected devices will generate a revenue opportunity of \$10.5 billion for the top 500 European organizations.
- 4. **Core modernization journey:** By 2025, 60% of European organizations will modernize their core IT leveraging the cloud, resulting in a 25% business productivity improvement.
- 5. **New technology leadership role:** By 2022, 30% of European organizations will define a new technology leadership role combining CIO, CTO, CDO, and innovation functions.
- 6. **Processes to become more intelligent:** By 2023, 70% of European intelligent process automation (IPA) initiatives will be infused by AI.
- 7. **European organizations will replace KPIs with KBIs:** By 2022, 60% of the top 2,000 European organizations will replace KPIs with KBIs to accelerate employee and customer advocacy.
- 8. **Accelerate cultural change:** By 2022, a third of organizations will fail to accelerate business agility and innovation due to a copycat culture.
- 9. **The role of the CISO:** 2022 is the cut-off for CISOs to establish themselves as business leaders who can provide digital trust.
- 10. **The ethical use of digital technologies:** By 2024, 50% of European public companies will report annually on the ethical use of data, automation, and AI in their organizations.

To view the on-demand replay of IDC's European Predictions Webinar, along with other FutureScape webcasts covering topics such as digital transformation (DX), cloud, DevOps, and enterprise infrastructure, please go to https://uk.idc.com/trends/european-futurescape-2020.

The strategic predictions and key drivers for the European IT industry are presented in full in the following report: IDC's worldwide IT industry predictions — European Implications. For information about the published document, please contact Sara Macedo at smacedo@idc.com.

About IDC

International Data Corporation (IDC) is the premier global provider of market intelligence, advisory services, and events for the information technology, telecommunications, and consumer technology markets. With more than 1,100 analysts worldwide, IDC offers global, regional, and local expertise on technology and industry opportunities and trends in over 110 countries. IDC's analysis and insight helps IT professionals, business executives, and the investment community to make fact-based technology decisions and to achieve their key business objectives. Founded in 1964, IDC is a wholly owned subsidiary of International Data Group (IDG), the world's leading media, data, and marketing services company. To learn more about IDC, please visit www.idc.com. Follow IDC on Twitter at @IDC and on LinkedIn. Subscribe to the IDC Blog for industry news and insights: https://blog-idcuk.com/

About IDC

IDC is the premier global provider of market intelligence, advisory services, and events for the information technology and telecommunications industries. IDC helps IT professionals, business executives, and the investment community make fact-based decisions on technology purchases and business strategy. Over 775 IDC analysts in 50 countries provide global, regional, and local expertise on technology and industry opportunities and trends. For more than 40 years, IDC has provided strategic insights to help our clients achieve their key business objectives. IDC is a subsidiary of IDG, the world's leading technology media, research, and events company. You can learn more about IDC by visiting http://www.idc.com/.

IDC is a subsidiary of IDG, the world's leading technology media, research, and events company. Additional information can be found at www.idc.com.

All product and company names may be trademarks or registered trademarks of their respective holders.

For more information contact:

Sara Macedo (smacedo) smacedo@idc.com 020 8987 1024