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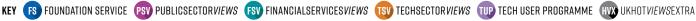
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UK CX Tech Challengers and Startups

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The Customer Experience (CX) arena is one of the most dynamic and significant parts of the SITS market. This report is focused on identifying the emerging UK CX Tech suppliers which are marking themselves out as credible challengers in this diverse, rapidly evolving, intensely competitive, largely overseas-HQ'd supplier dominated space. The document provides both a summary of the overall CX market context and an overview of the CX SITS vendor landscape. It also contains commentary of the wider dynamics at play in the CX Tech start-up and scale up domain.



Telefónica Tech targets growth through secure digital enablement

SIMON BAXTER | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 27 APRIL 2023



It has been over one and a half years since CANCOM UK&I was acquired by Telefónica Tech, creating the foundation for its UK business. With the Telefónica name more broadly known outside of UK shores, the business has been on a mission to improve its brand recognition and demonstrate the significant range of IT services and expertise it has to offer to UK organisations. The company is targeting revenue to grow to £350m in 2026, representing annualised growth of c.20%. Telefónica Tech are aiming to do this through a strategy centred around 'Secure Digital Enablement', with 5 main solution areas; Cloud, Data & AI, Enterprise Applications, Modern Workplace and Cybersecurity.



Oracle re-commits to its partners

CRAIG WENTWORTH | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 26 APRIL 2023





Craig recently attended Oracle CloudWorld Tour in London, the company's first such in-person customer event in the UK since COVID. In UKHotViewsExtra – Oracle re-commits to its partners, subscribers to TechMarketView research services can learn about how Oracle is working closely with its partners to expand the scope of its multicloud offerings. We also heard how existing customers are leveraging Oracle Cloud Infrastructure to consume services from both Oracle and third-party clouds, share and act upon data across their ecosystems, and use these insights to build new customer-facing services of their own.



Strength in Mastek's UK business

GEORGINA O'TOOLE | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 24 APRIL 2023





In our UKHotViews article on Mastek's FY23 and Q423 results (for the period ending 31st March 2023), we highlighted the strength in Mastek's UK business. Representing just over 60% of Mastek's global revenues, the UK business grew revenue by 10% quarter-on-quarter in its Q423. We have since spoken with Abhishek Singh, Mastek's President UKI & Europe, to understand what is driving UK growth, what we can expect from the UK business in the year ahead, and where the UK executive team will be focusing its efforts.



Cybersecurity breaches survey 2023: A deeper dive

SIMON BAXTER | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 24 APRIL 2023



Simon recently covered the release of the latest Cybersecurity breaches survey 2023 by the Department for Science, Innovation and Technology. The survey gave us some interesting insights into the current actions and priorities from UK organisations surrounding cybersecurity. Data revealed overall lower volumes of cyber breaches and attacks over the past 12 months, though the figures were likely skewed by underreporting, mainly from micro and small organisations. But the survey goes into greater detail on a range of other topics.



Embedded Finance and Banking as a Service (BaaS)

JON C DAVIES | REPORT | 11 APRIL 2023



This report examines two of the key emerging business and technology trends that are influencing buying decisions in the market for SITS amongst UK Banks. TechMarketView subscribers should read Embedded Finance and Banking as a Service (BaaS) to learn more about the impact of these trends on end-user organisations and the sector as whole, as well as to identify SITS market opportunities and potential partnerships.



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Recite Me founder: A man on a mission

ANTHONY MILLER | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 11 APRIL 2023





Ross Linnett is a man on a mission. And that mission is to make every website on the planet freely (literally) accessible to the estimated 25% of users who have some form of reading difficulty, such as dyslexia, visual impairment, or have English as a second language. Prompted to develop Recite Me because of his own dyslexia, Linnett struggled to get corporates to engage with him on his 'mission'. He hoped that the UK government's Disability: Equality Act, which became law in 2010, would be a wake-up call for corporates to formally address 'Disability & Inclusion' in the workplace, and therefore more receptive to Recite Me.



Larger tech stocks benefit from banking turmoil

TANIA WILSON | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 7 APRIL 2023





We are now a quarter of the way into what is turning out to be another volatile year for equities, albeit one that is so far favouring the dominant tech players. In fact, the US tech-focused Nasdaq Composite index gained almost 17% quarter-on-quarter (QoQ) to 31 March, its strongest QoQ performance since the bounce-back from the early stages of the Covid pandemic in Q2 2020. Strong performers included Intel (up 31.0% month-on-month (MoM) and 23.6% QoQ), Microsoft (up 15.6% MoM and 20.2% QoQ), Apple (up 11.9% MoM and 26.9% QoQ) and Amazon (up 9.6% MoM and 23.0% QoQ).



UK CyberWeek: Hackers, Phishing and the Crown Jewels

SIMON BAXTER | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 6 APRIL 2023





Simon recently attended the first day of UK CyberWeek. The event is aimed at security suppliers, industry experts and end users, giving them the opportunity to come together and share their latest experiences and knowledge on the cybersecurity market. It was a huge event, held over two days, with a multitude of talks across six stages. For those of you who didn't get a chance to attend you can at least experience some of it through his own highlights in this UKHotViewsExtra article.



UK Infrastructure Operations: Market Trends and Forecasts

KATE HANAGHAN | REPORT | 5 APRIL 2023





This report contains TechMarketView's latest market size and forecast data along with an analysis of market dynamics and the trends shaping the UK Infrastructure Operations market. The report also explains the key challenges facing suppliers and makes recommendations. It should be read alongside its sister report, Infrastructure Operations Supplier Rankings.



The Future of Robotic Process Automation (RPA)

MARC HARDWICK | REPORT | 31 MARCH 2023





This report looks at how RPA-centric automation is maturing with market forecasts in what is becoming a more complex and diverse landscape. The report is designed to help RPA software and services vendors understand the nature and scale of the opportunity, as well as aiding end users looking to appreciate the market dynamics and challenges faced, when attempting to scale activities.



Public Sector Supplier Prospects 2023 and Beyond

DALE PETERS | REPORT | 31 MARCH 2023





This report looks at the Top 20 suppliers in the UK public sector software and IT services (SITS) market. We review recent progress, look at the key market challenges and assess what suppliers need to do to maximise their potential in 2023 and beyond.



Europol highlights the impact of generative AI on law enforcement

DALE PETERS | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 28 MARCH 2023





Europol Innovation Lab has published a new report investigating the impact of large language models (LLMs) such as OpenAI's ChatGPT on law enforcement, concluding that they are able to facilitate a significant number of criminal activities. Europol organised workshops with subject matter experts from across the organisation, including from operational analysis, serious and organised crime, cybercrime, counterterrorism, and information technology, with the intention of exploring how criminals could abuse ChatGPT. The report identifies two main malicious use cases for ChatGPT: 1) fraud, impersonation, and social engineering, and 2) cybercrime.



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A more focused Fujitsu: Investing for growth through digital & innovation KATE HANAGHAN | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 24 MARCH 2023





As Fujitsu closes off the final month of its FY22, we caught up with its UK leader, Anwen Owen. From what we have seen of the year to date, it has been a period of progress for the firm. And the theme we have written about over the past couple of years has continued: focus. Under the leadership of Owen it has been a busy period of renewals and new name wins. Importantly, the work done in the company's commercial sector business is driving "green shoots of growth" in digital areas. Overall, TechMarketView estimates Fujitsu is on track to grow low single digits for the whole year - depending on how Q4 finishes up.



LTIMindtree joins the top tier with bold ambitions





JON C DAVIES | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 23 MARCH 2023

Following a swift conclusion of the regulatory approval process, fellow mid-tier Indian headquartered SITS vendors LTI (Larsen & Toubro Infotech) and Mindtree completed the formal process of combining their two organisations in November 2022. Whilst behind the scenes the operational integration may take some time to fully complete, a major new player has arrived in the global IT services marketplace in the form of LTIMindtree. Our UKHotViewsExtra: LTIMindtree joins the top tier with bold ambitions, explores the merger that has created India's fifth largest IT services provider and discusses the performance and prospects of the new company.



TRIC-DT seeks to harness the power of digital twins





DALE PETERS | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 23 MARCH 2023

The Alan Turing Institute has launched a new initiative to help advance the use of digital twin technology. The Turing Research and Innovation Cluster in Digital Twins (TRIC-DT) was launched as part of the national institute's Al UK conference. Digital twins are a priority area for the Institute and feature strongly in the organisation's new strategy. Together with its partners, it has already invested c.£30m in research and innovation across a range of digital twin projects, including developing foundational theory and applications in engineering, environmental and social sciences.



Google Bard chatbot launches to compete with ChatGPT





SIMON BAXTER | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 22 MARCH 2023

Google has started rolling out its AI chatbot Bard as it looks to compete with Microsoft and OpenAI's ChatGPT. Unlike its viral rival, it can access up-to-date information from the internet, though not in a hugely successful manner I might add. It does have a 'Google it' button that takes you through to google search on the topic in question. Users currently have to register for a waitlist to try it out, though there appears to be no restriction on who can access it (including age). As a bit of background and further info, Bard is a descendant of an earlier language model of Google's called Lamda, which was never fully released to the public.



UK's "International Technology Superpower" roadmap announced GEORGINA O'TOOLE | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 22 MARCH 2023





Announcements from the Department for Science, Innovation, and Technology (DSIT) are coming thick and fast, with a clear focus on the UK becoming a "superpower" in the space. DSIT was created at the beginning of February. The department launched its first piece of major work: the UK Science and Technology Framework swiftly followed by the Integrated Review Refresh, which highlighted that science and technology were seen as vital to the UK's future. This was backed up in the Budget, which saw the Government commit to all nine of the digital technology recommendations made by the Pro-Innovation Regulation of Technologies Review led by Sir Patrick Vallance.



Wipro looking to accelerate cybersecurity growth





SIMON BAXTER | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 17 MARCH 2023





Microsoft Copilot to disrupt how we work







The announcements around generative AI keep coming thick and fast, and the speed by which Microsoft has looked to capitalise on this trend, and its investments in OpenAI, are truly quite astounding. We already saw the company look to deepen its investment and relationship with OpenAI with a reported \$10bn investment, and then integrate ChatGPT into its Bing search engine - See here. Earlier this month they announced Dynamics 365 Copilot as the world's first AI Copilot for both CRM and ERP.

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Technology at the heart of Spring Budget 2023

DALE PETERS | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 16 MARCH 2023





Spring Budget 2023 saw the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Jeremy Hunt, present his plans to grow the UK economy through four areas of focus: Employment, Education, Enterprise, and Everywhere. In our latest UKHotViewsExtra we review the economic and fiscal outlook; the Chancellor's plans for the UK to have the most pro-business proenterprise tax regime anywhere; new measures designed to encourage people into work; the latest attempts to Level Up the country; and the importance of science, technology, research and innovation in the Government's pursuit of productivity and economic growth.



Integrated Review Refresh 2023: An evolution (and some more money) GEORGINA O'TOOLE | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 14 MARCH 2023





As we highlighted in our PublicSectorViews report, UK Public Sector SITS Market Outlook Update and Predictions, the UK Government's refreshed Integrated Review of Security, Defence, Development, and Foreign Policy has been eagerly anticipated by tech providers to UK defence and security market. The new review considers the geopolitical shifts that have taken place since the initial publication in March 2021, providing the framework within which Government will respond to threats over the next five years. For tech suppliers there has been a lingering question for which they will seek answers; will there be a redirection of money away from digital, data, and technology.



UK government's digital delays cause material harm JON C DAVIES | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 7 MARCH 2023





The UK Government has recently announced that the deadline for full implementation of HMRC's "Making Tax Digital" (MTD) reforms is to be pushed back by a further two years. The latest delay in implementing the MTD initiative highlights yet another setback for a national digital programme. I recently wrote about a similar government technology initiative that has stalled. Whilst not seeking to underplay the complexity and challenges surrounding major programmes of this type, or the impact of COVID, the UK government's track record on digital modernisation is fairly woeful.



OffshoreViews Q4 2022 Review

ANTHONY MILLER | REPORT | 6 MARCH 2023





Our quarterly summary of the top-tier and mid-tier India-centric services provider reporting season, along with insightful charts showing multiyear trends for the Top Tier players and a clickable index to relevant UKHotViews posts.



DXC looks to make a difference as it invests for the long term

JON C DAVIES | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 6 MARCH 2023





Jon recently caught up with DXC Technology's EMEA President, Chris Halbard, who was on a high following Manchester United's 2-1 Europa League. As well as Halbard being a fan of the Red Devils, DXC is also a major supporter of the club and the company's investment is looking increasingly shrewd as the fortunes of one of the biggest global sports brands continues to improve. However, Jon wanted to talk about DXC Technology's innovative Dandelion Programme, an inclusive employment project focused on neurodiversity.



DXC.technology

Capita benefits from stabilising Experience

SIMON BAXTER | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 2 MARCH 2023

to navigate the evolving macroeconomic environment.







MARC HARDWICK | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 2 MARCH 2023

Business Process Services market leader Capita posted its 2022 full year results this morning, that shows an increase in adjusted revenue up 2.4% to £2.8bn (FY21 saw just 0.1% growth) as the business continues to stabilise after several years of change. Capita predominantly operates through two main divisions: Capita Public Service and Capita Experience. Whilst Capita Public Service grew by 2.5% it was the stabilisation of Capita Experience, which grew by 0.9% (following on from a -10% decline in 2021) that has lifted the Group. Capita also has a smaller division called 'Portfolio' (broadly businesses earmarked for disposal) that saw growth of 10.3%.



Okta FY23: Identity security remains a priority for organisations



Identity security provider Okta reported strong growth to close out FY23, but forecasts growth to almost halve next year as attracting new customers is expected to become more challenging. In Q4 FY23 Total revenue was \$510m, an increase of 33% yoy. Subscription revenue was \$495m, an increase of 34% yoy. For the full FY23 total revenue was \$1.86bn, an increase of 43% yoy, with international revenue (which includes the UK) growing 32% yoy and representing 21% of total revenue. Management has focused on improved profitability and increasing cash flow



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The Customer Experience Market Opportunity

DUNCAN AITCHISON | REPORT | 1 MARCH 2023





The UK Customer Experience (CX) Software and IT Services arena has built up an impressive head of steam over the past decade. Now the focus for over a fifth of all SITS expenditure in this country, the CX segment has become one of the most intensely competitive parts of the market. It is also an arena in which success will demand keeping pace with the rapidly evolving changes in buyer expectations, investment priorities and technology strategies. This report contains our estimates of the sizes and growth rates of the SITS CX market and its primary segments. We identify the key market shaping trends and lay-out the opportunities and challenges that lie ahead.



Atos FY22: demonstrating "intact attractiveness" of offering GEORGINA O'TOOLE | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 1 MARCH 2023





Atos has announced FY22 results in line with guidance, highlighting that they demonstrate the "intact attractiveness of the Group's offering". It has been eight months since Atos announced its intention to split into two publicly listed companies. Since then, there has been intense activity within Atos across a variety of workstreams as the company progresses its internal separation plans. When the company released Q3 results at the end of October last year, we found 'reasons to be cheerful' but a significant improvement was needed in Q4 if the business was to meet management expectations of FY22 performance.



Serco flat as it moves forward under new leadership MARC HARDWICK | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 28 FEBRUARY 2023





Business Process Outsourcer (BPO) Serco has had a good run of things over the last few years, significantly benefiting from Covid related contracts that raised revenue between 2019 and 2022 by c.40%, and almost doubled Underlying Trading Profit (UTP) from £120m to £237m. Serco was one of the UK's biggest beneficiaries from Covid related work, which was always going to 'punch a big hole' in its P&L once the pandemic and associated Government spending wound down. Add to this the ending of its large AWE contract, and Serco has had to replace some £480m of revenues and over £60m of contract profits - no small feat.



UK Wealth Management SITS - Assessing the Opportunities





JON C DAVIES | REPORT | 22 FEBRUARY 2023

This report provides TechMarketView's latest forecasts for SITS expenditure within the UK Wealth Management sector. The analysis explores the main business and technology trends influencing end-user buying decisions. The report includes a variety of segmented market sizing information and summarises recent developments whilst also highlighting some of the innovative vendor propositions that are helping to bring about change.



IndustryViews Corporate Activity Q4 2022

TANIA WILSON | REPORT | 22 FEBRUARY 2023



Merger and acquisition (M&A) activity in the UK software and IT services (SITS) sector held steady during Q4 2022 but remained considerably lower than in Q1 and Q2 of that year. This is according to data from Silverpeak, the mid-market technology specialists that represent European growth businesses in M&A and financing transactions. However, although this represents a sizeable drop in deal volumes from the levels seen during 2021, 2022 still remains the second-strongest year on that basis in recent times. See more in this edition of IndustryViews Corporate Activity, our quarterly review of UK SITS M&A.



UK Public Sector SITS - Market Outlook Update & Predictions







This report provides an update to our public sector SITS market outlook for 2022-25. It is intended to provide a brief 'mid-term' update to our Public Sector Software and IT Services Suppliers, Trends and Forecasts 2022-25 report, which was published in July 2022. It also presents our predictions for the use of technology in the six public sector subsectors we track (Central Government, Local & Regional Government, Defence, Health, Education and Police) during 2023 and beyond, looking at the role SITS will play in the pursuit of productivity in the public sector.



Tech investors buckle up for a bumpy 2023

TANIA WILSON | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 16 FEBRUARY 2023





After a rough ride in 2022, January offered a positive start to 2023 for tech investors. The Nasdag was up 10.7% month-on-month (MoM) and the FTSE Software and Computer Services (SCS) index, which most closely tracks the stocks that we in TechMarketView focus on, finished up 7.1% MoM. Indeed, all of the specialist UK tech indices finished up on the prior month. Broader UK indices were also up. The FTSE 100 has consistently outperformed in recent months and finished 4.3% MoM. But with around 75% of its revenues derived from overseas sales, it doesn't particularly reflect the strength (or otherwise) of the UK economy.



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Endava delivers its first £200+m quarter

DUNCAN AITCHISON | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 15 FEBRUARY 2023





Endava's sprightly start to FY23 continued through the second quarter. Revenue at UK-HQ'd digital SI for the three months ended increased by 23.4% yoy at constant currency to £205.2m, all but reaching the level of the firm's annual turnover just five years ago. Adjusted profit before tax for the period rose by 27% yoy to £41.9m with the associated margin improving sequentially by 30 bps. Double-digit expansion was again achieved by all facets of Endava's industry segment and regional portfolio. From a sector perspective, demand from the firm's payments and financial services clients continued to prove robust in the most recently completed quarter.



The Chase is on as JPMC's UK push gains pace





JON C DAVIES | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 14 FEBRUARY 2023

Just over two years since US financial services giant, JP Morgan Chase (JPMC) went public with its plans for a major push into the UK retail banking space, the project appears to be going extremely well. Unlike the established major bank brands in the UK, rather than having its cosy monopoly disrupted by technology-based newcomers, JPMC was early to embrace the once-in-a-generation technology shift that is occurring and has itself already emerged as an eminently tech-savvy disruptor. This UKHotViews Extra discusses the impact that the Chase digital bank is having on the competitive landscape of UK retail banking and considers what the future holds for this newcomer.



Cybersecurity Predictions 2023

SIMON BAXTER | REPORT | 9 FEBRUARY 2023









Oracle NetSuite demonstrates pace of investment







GEORGINA O'TOOLE | UKHOTVIEWSEXTRA | 8 FEBRUARY 2023

Georgina O'Toole recently attended Oracle NetSuite's SuiteConnect conference in London – the first one since 2019. It was an opportunity for the company to demonstrate the increasingly rapid pace of investment in its product suite. In this UKHotViewsExtra research note subscribers to TechMarketView research services can learn about what is driving NetSuite's recent strong growth, how it is investing to resonate with the priorities of its target customer group, and how existing customers are benefiting from the product suite as their businesses have diversified and increased in complexity.



CyberViews H2 2022

SIMON BAXTER | REPORT | 7 FEBRUARY 2023





With so much happening across the world in terms of cyber attacks, regulatory change and the constant evolution of techniques and behaviours by the various ransomware and cyber-criminal groups, it can be challenging to stay on top of the latest threats to organisations and the subsequent impact on demand for cybersecurity solutions. This report aims to provide a concise summary and analysis of the latest cybersecurity trends, threats and news from across the global market, with a focus on the UK.



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