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## SALESFORCE IN EUROPEAN ENERGY & UTILITIES

Europe's energy and utilities sector is battling a perfect storm of challenges.

The Russian invasion of Ukraine, coupled with rising demand for energy in the post-pandemic era has led to a surge in wholesale oil and gas prices amid rising demand.

This in turn has led to State intervention in the pricing of strategies of utilities in several European countries, the collapse and consolidation of many smaller utility providers, and a renewed focus on how organizations can support their customers over what is set to be an incredibly challenging period.

At the same time, energy and utility organizations are accelerating their journey to low emissions energy sources – partly in response to the ongoing volatility in gas prices, but also to meet the demands of regulators, customers and shareholders in delivering on the Net Zero agenda.

Technology will play a key role in helping organizations to adapt to these market dynamics, and Salesforce has already

emerged as one of the preferred platform providers to enable digital transformation.

Many European energy and utility organizations now leverage Salesforce's core CRM platform to provide a customer-centric view across multiple services. The vendor's field services solutions have also built strong momentum in the space as companies look to transform the experience of their service and asset management teams.

The existing presence of vlocity in the E&U sector gives Salesforce a good platform on which to build with the Industry Cloud proposition, although this is one area where it will work closely with its consulting and IT services partner ecosystem to build the necessary bridges to meet the client's specific requirements.

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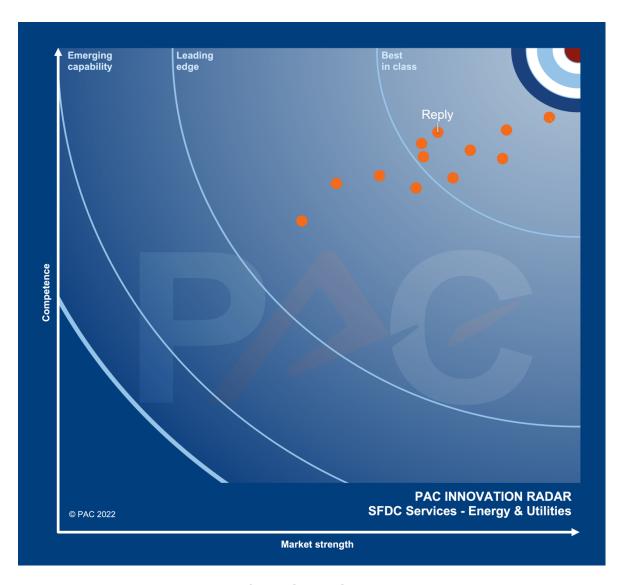


Fig. 1: PAC INNOVATION RADAR graph

## PAC INNOVATION RADAR – Salesforce Services in Europe 2022 The Energy & Utilities View

#### **Key Strengths (Industry Specific)**

- Domain Expertise: Reply has deep domain expertise in this sector, built around the Power Reply business, which brings together more than 200 professionals delivering business and technology transformation programmes for energy and utilities companies in France, Germany, Italy and the UK.
- Strong References: From a Salesforce perspective, the company is particularly strong in Italy where it has supported a large number of projects using teams from both Power Reply and Arlanis Reply.
- Salesforce Accreditation: The company has several current projects in this sector and
  has earned a specialist level accreditation from Salesforce in "Utilities" based on its
  recent client engagements.

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Regional Expansion: Reply has potential to build on its strong base of business in Italy
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However, in the run-up to a PAC INNOVATION RADAR analysis, providers

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## Why should providers accept the invitation to actively participate?

Whether or not a provider participates in the RADAR process does not actually affect their inclusion and positioning in the PAC INNOVATION RADAR, nor their assessment. However, there are a whole host of benefits associated with active participation:

- Participation ensures that PAC has access to the largest possible range of specific and up-to-date data as a basis for the assessment:
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Fig. 3: PAC INNOVATION RADAR – evaluation method

PAC uses **predefined criteria** to assess and compare the providers within given service segments.

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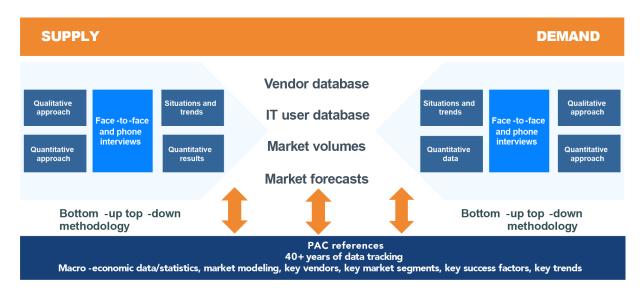


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# Salesforce-Related Services in Europe: The Financial Services View

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## SALESFORCE IN EUROPEAN FINANCIAL SERVICES

The financial services sector represents one of the largest Salesforce customer groups in Europe.

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Salesforce is becoming entrenched in its clients' core business processes. In the insurance space, it is now being used by carriers in the region to process claims and

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Financial services organizations are increasingly looking to re-platform their complex back- and middle-office application workloads in order to keep pace with their customers' changing needs and preferences.

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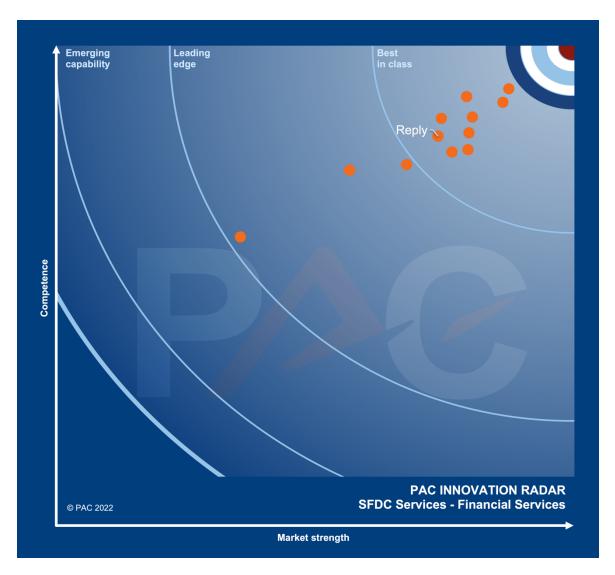


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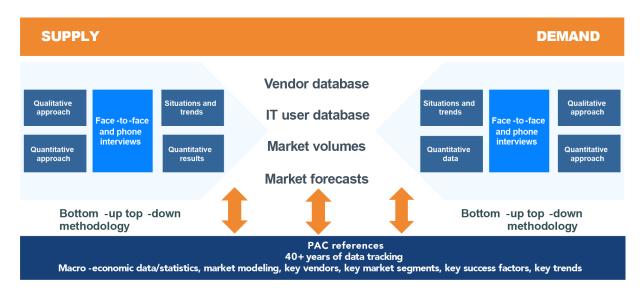


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## SALESFORCE IN EUROPEAN COMMS & MEDIA

The pace of change is accelerating in Europe's telecoms and media sector.

Over two thirds of the region's operators have now deployed 5G, with more than half having rolled out 5G networks. This is encouraging many communications service providers (CSPs) to change their positioning from connectivity providers to providers of connected experiences enabled by 5G.

At the same time, incumbents such as BT and Telecom Italia have undertaken far-reaching transformation programmes to simplify and automate operations in order to give them the agile core they need to speed time-to-market and improve the customer experience.

In the streaming age, the lines between telecoms and media organizations have never been more blurred, as competition in the lucrative digital content market intensifies. Many of the region's media organizations have experienced a challenging time due to fluctuating advertising spend, and with further volatility on the horizon, many are striving for greater flexibility.

Communications and media has become one of Salesforce's strongest industry sectors in Europe, as businesses from all areas of the market adopted its customer-facing propositions to build a level of insight that their legacy CRM systems could not deliver.

But Salesforce is also getting deeper into its clients' core industry processes. In the telecoms space for example, many companies are rethinking their wider Business Support Systems (BSS) strategy which covers not just CRM but order capture and billing as well.

The ongoing wave of operator consolidation is often a major trigger for a change in direction, and Salesforce, and its wider partner ecosystem, are positioning to support these modernization initiatives.

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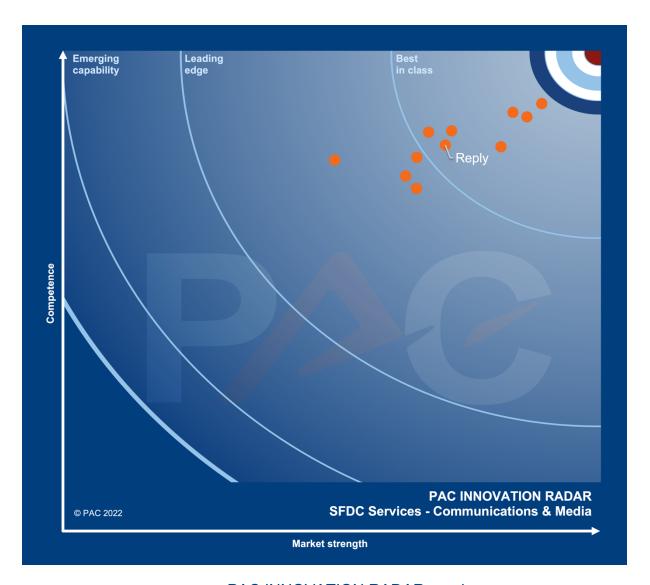


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- Strength of References: From a Salesforce perspective, the vendor has delivered what was, at the time, the largest implementation of Salesforce in the communications sector, with a major telecoms and broadband provider in Southern Europe.
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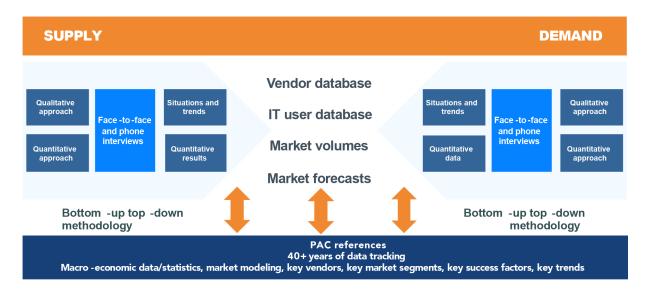


Fig. 3: Description of the PAC methodology

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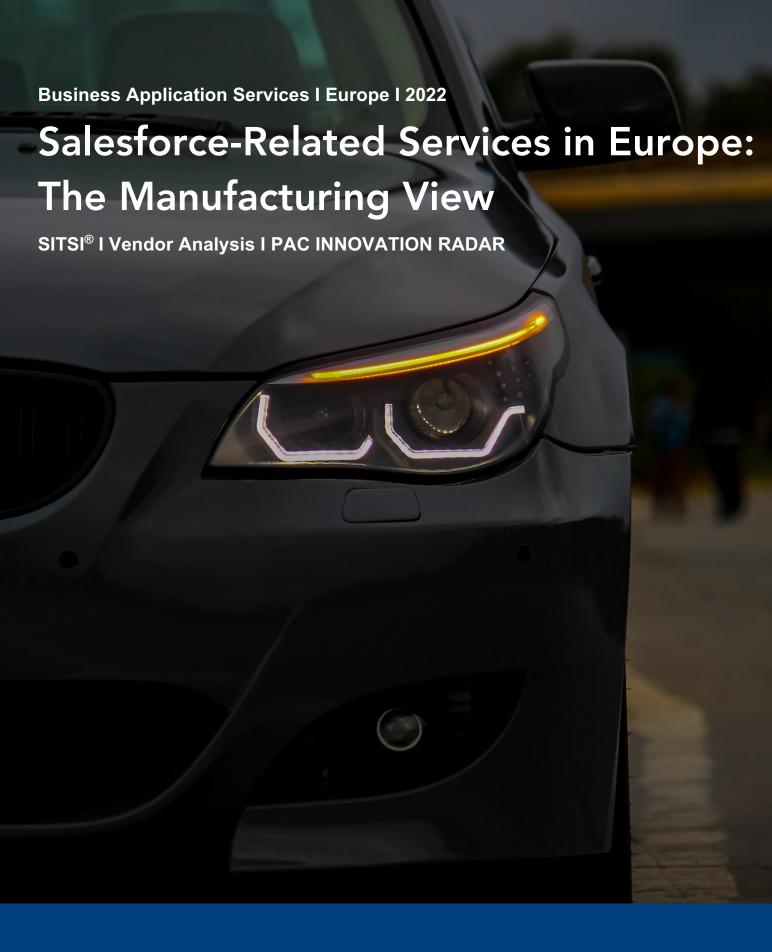
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### INTRODUCTION

Salesforce-related Services in Europe: One of the most dynamic ecosystems of professional services suppliers in the region's digital services market.

Salesforce continues to be one of the fastest-growing enterprise software vendors in Europe. The company's revenue in the region rose by 34% to more than €6bn in the 12 months ending January 2022, making it the company's fastest-growing territory. The company recently confirmed it is on track to exceed growth of 20% for 2023, with Europe a key growth driver.

This has created a major opportunity for its partner ecosystem, which already incorporates more than **500** advisory, implementation and development partners in the region. PAC expects European businesses to spend more than **€6bn** on Salesforce-related consulting and systems integration this year.

Salesforce has cultivated a large and diverse ecosystem of partners supporting its clients in Europe, ranging from large global consulting and system integration firms to regional partners and specialist players.

A wave of consolidation has played out over the last five years as key Salesforce partners ramp up their teams of experts through acquisitions. But despite this, a healthy community of smaller, specialist players continue to thrive. Customers have a lot of potential suppliers at their disposal, and this report aims to help them navigate the ecosystem to find the best partner for their requirements.

Salesforce relies on these partners to accelerate its customers' time-to-value and help them harness the vendor's growing importance at the heart of their business. The company has expanded its range of offerings with the acquisition of Slack, Tableau and MuleSoft, and the launch of new services such as the Net Zero Cloud.

But a key part of the role of Salesforce partners is to help join the dots between the platform and the specific needs of the client and the industry in which they operate. As businesses become more digital-centric, they need assistance in building platforms and services that support and enhance the critical moving parts of their organization.

Salesforce has doubled-down on its industry go-to-market approach and as we have found in this analysis, we see many of the vendor's partners following suit with the creation of industry-specific consulting and delivery teams, practices and assets.

Customers are placing new demands on their Salesforce services partners, and the ones that evolve to help them extend the platform into the heart of their business will be the ones that thrive.



# SALESFORCE IN EUROPEAN MANUFACTURING

Europe's manufacturing organizations are going through a period of unprecedented change and disruption.

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In this report, we map out those IT services organizations that combine the deep industry domain knowledge and expertise with experience in supporting Salesforce's expanding portfolio in the European manufacturing sector.

Selected Key Salesforce Accounts in the European Manufacturing Sector





## **PAC INNOVATION RADAR GRAPH**

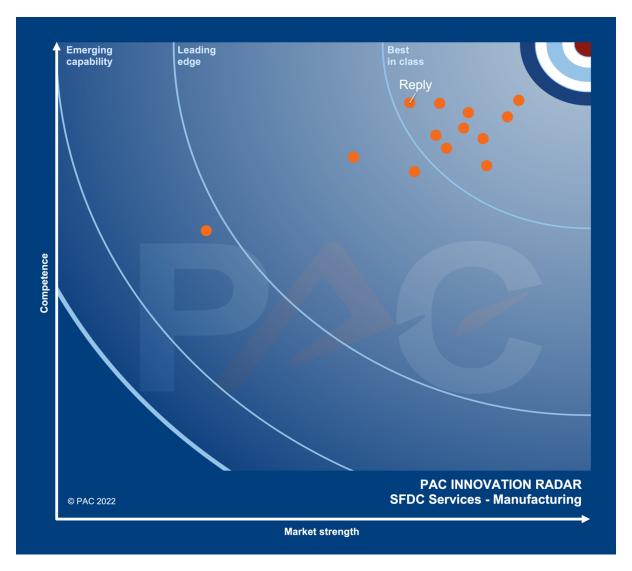


Fig. 1: PAC INNOVATION RADAR graph

# PAC INNOVATION RADAR – Salesforce Services in Europe 2022 The Manufacturing View

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#### The Concept



Fig. 3: PAC INNOVATION RADAR - evaluation method

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The assessment is based on the report-card score within the peer group of the positioned providers.

#### This is based on:

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- The analysis of existing PAC databases;
- Secondary research;
- If applicable, a poll among customers by PAC.

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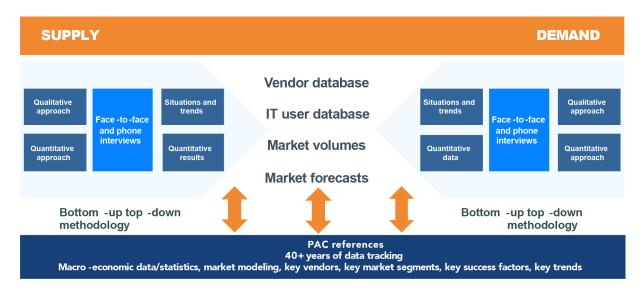


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