## Insights: Market Research Sector Update

July 2021



## »Market overview



+\$300B
Total Addressable Market

For the Global Digital Transformation and Marketing Services market

\$80BN
Total Addressable Market

For full-service research and marketing data and analytics The market research sector accounting for c. \$40bn of this market

c.23% Growth Rate

The digital transformation market is growing at a 23% CAGR on the back of acceleration demand due to the COVID19 pandemic

Large scale consolidation is reshaping the landscape M&A is playing an active role as vendors vie for scale, growth and wallet share

Focus is increasing on CX as a critical part of digital transformation agenda

Digital agencies, consultancies and SaaS vendors encroaching on budgets



## »Research sector highlights underpin favorable secular tailwinds

#### Market size and growth

- Sizable global market at ~\$40B; \$80B per ESOMAR with addition of analytics
- Market research is set to keep on growing in 2021 and beyond

Ample TAM to chase and capture

## Budgets

- Almost 2 in 3 companies canceled or postponed some of their planned research due to COVID however...
- Companies need a better understanding of post-2020 markets and how consumers now think and feel

Spend on research is recovering quickly

Digital Marketing + Digital Transformation

**Digital** 

Strategy

#### Products and vendors

 Companies that can provide business leaders with agile, data-backed market analysis across media platforms are expected to be the most successful. As are those who can take a blended approach with human intelligence and the latest tools and technology Marketplace winners
will successfully
optimize MR while
positioning for
success in
digital/data

CRM / CX

Research and Marketing Data

**Full-Service** 

Research Data

**TAM:** \$80 (\$ billions)

\$14

\$10

+\$300

#### Market outlook and opportunity

 M&A playing an active role as vendors vie for scale, growth and wallet share – advertising agencies have increasingly acquired MR companies to pursue valueadded services and new capabilities

Private Equity are attracted to the sizable, fragmented and disrupted market

## The existing sector landscape...





## »...is evolving as market players focus on new opportunities



Global agencies and measurement companies are exposed

CX tech vendors taking mind and wallet share

Consultancy and VOC /
KPO firms eyeing marketing,
CX and analytics opportunity

Large scale consolidation reshaping the landscape

Large cap Private Equity are active in the category

- Flat / declining revenue >> cutting costs and resources
- Divesting, restructuring or held for sale
- Vulnerable accounts / talent drain



- SaaS vendors seeking access to enterprise client relationships / channel partners
- Turning up the M&A where others can't compete on price
- Big 4 dabbling in insights / CX M&A (Deloitte / LRA, KPMG / Nunwood)
- VoC KPO firms pushing into CX (Nice, Verint)
- All the above acquiring for "tip of spear"
- Return to growth through scale
- Expand share of wallet/ mind through service set expansion
- Further bridging of the gap between research/insights and marketing
- Attracted to sizable, fragmented and disrupted market
- Understand value of research "seat at the table"
- Recapitalizing the market to help re-define the market for digital era

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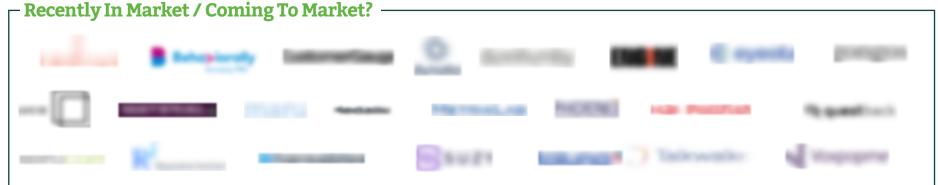


Sizable opportunity at the convergence of traditional research advisory, UX / CX / XM and digital transformation

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## »Notable recent insights transactions





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Comms Agency



Content Delivery Platform



Esports Agency



Digital Transformation



B2B Information



Performance Marketing



Content Marketing



Digital Content



Digital Agency



B2B Content Syndication



B2B Media



B2B Events



Digital Content



Content Production



Content Monetization



CX Software



Alternative Legal Service Provider



CX Research



Digital Agency



Executive Network Platform