

## Build Your Trust Advantage

# Leadership in the era of data and AI everywhere

Global C-suite Study 20th Edition

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We have now collected data and insights from more than 50,000 interviews dating back to 2003









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2,131 **Chief Executive Officers** 2,105 Chief Financial Officers **Chief HR Officers** 2,118 **Chief Information Officers** 2,924 2,107 Chief Marketing Officers **Chief Operations Officers** 2,099

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Chapter 1. Customers: How to win in the trust economy

Chapter 2. Enterprises: How to build the human-tech partnership

Chapter 3. Ecosystems: How to share data in the platform era

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### The four stages of data leadership

#### **Integrating business** and data strategy

Measures qualitative readiness:

- The extent to which data and business strategy are integrated
- Underpinned with a C-suite that recognizes data as a strategic asset
- Along with an enterprise-wide data culture.

#### **Creating value from data**

Measures quantitative aspects:

- The ability to create value from data
- The ability to access, extract, and link data together
- The ability to create insights from that data.

All classified participants; n=13,218

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## **Chapter 1.**

Customers: How to win in the trust economy



### Action guide

### How to win in the trust economy

#### **1.** Prove transparency

Earn (back) trust by learning to use data in a way that customers view as fair..

#### 2. Earn reciprocity

Give your customers something they value in return for their data

#### 3. Demonstrate accountability

Strengthen your data privacy policies and programs.

#### 4. Double-click on data

Reposition data as a strategic asset rather than a tactical or operational resource.

#### 5. Future-proof your strategy

Craft scenarios involving data to increase personalization and engagement at every touchpoint.



## Chapter 2.

Enterprises: How to build the human-tech partnership



### Action guide

How to build the human-tech partnership

- **1. Lead trust in data from the top** Put data-based decision making at the top of the C-suite's agenda
- **2. Empower employees to become citizen scientists** Liberate your data from the ground up.
- **3.** Push the envelope on data and technology Expand your horizons on what data can do.

#### 4. Establish enterprise-wide data governance

Be transparent about your analytics and AI models, as well as your data processes, and establish enterprise-wide data governance

#### 5. Leverage the power of hybrid cloud

Provide the scale for data proliferation as you broaden the range and diversity of your data sources.



## Chapter 3.

Ecosystems: How to share data in the platform era



### Action guide

### How to share data in the platform era

**1.** Use data to refresh your business strategy Be restless and look for deeper insights into customers, markets, and competitors.

#### 2. Develop a data-sharing roadmap

Decide what data you are prepared to share and what data you have to keep close to your chest.

#### 3. Establish secure data exchange

Create security, transparency, and accountability for data that runs through your business platforms, well beyond your enterprise's borders.

#### 4. Build and keep trusted partnerships

Recognize each party's role and understand the rewards you can achieve through deep collaboration.

#### 5. Create a data monetization strategy

Recognize your data as one of the most valuable assets your company has.



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## Conclusion

Return on trust

- Trust from your customers necessitates data stewardship and value reciprocity
- Trust in your data demands a data culture and governance
- Trust across the ecosystem implies careful but purposeful data sharing and collaboration

