



Service design and orchestration: worldwide market shares 2018



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About this report

This report provides market share data for communications service provider (CSP) spending on telecoms-specific service design and orchestration (SDO) software systems and related services for 2018. It provides details of how the spending varied by delivery model, service type, vendor and region. The report also includes ‘snapshots’ of information about the leading vendors in the market.

It is based on several sources, including:

- interviews with CSPs and vendors worldwide
- Analysys Mason’s research conducted during the past year.

KEY QUESTIONS ANSWERED IN THIS REPORT

- What was the overall size of the market (service design and orchestration (SDO) software systems for the telecoms industry) and what drove this spending among CSPs?
- How did the spending vary across different sub-segments of the service design and orchestration (SDO) market?
- Who are the major vendors and what is their share of revenue in the service design and orchestration (SDO) systems market?
- What are the different drivers and growth rates of CSP spending on products, product-related services and professional services?

GEOGRAPHICAL COVERAGE

- Worldwide
- Central and Eastern Europe
- Developed Asia–Pacific
- Emerging Asia–Pacific
- Latin America
- Middle East and North Africa
- North America
- Sub-Saharan Africa
- Western Europe

SUB-SEGMENT COVERAGE

- Activation
- Inventory management
- Engineering systems
- Order management (including service orchestration)

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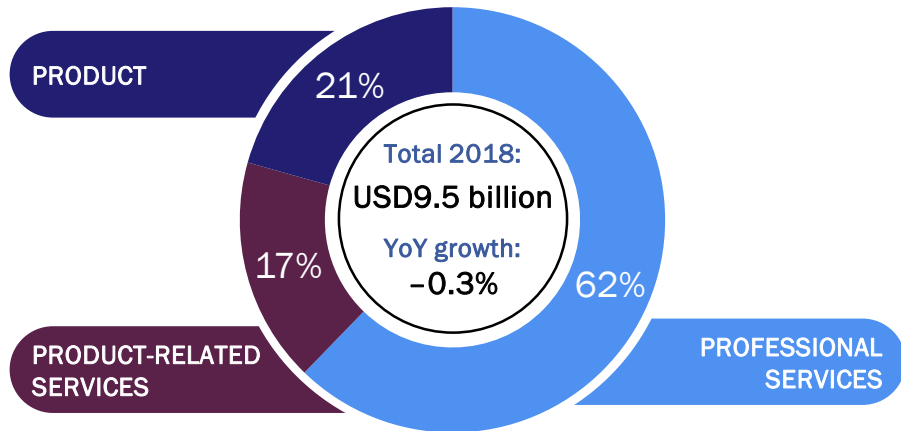
- Vendor strategy teams that need to understand where growth is slowing and where it is increasing across different sub-segment categories.
- Product management teams responsible for feature functionality and geographical focus, and product marketing teams responsible for market-share growth.
- Market intelligence teams at vendors that want to understand how their competitors compare to each other.
- CSPs that are planning digital transformation journeys and want to ensure that their current vendors are staying up to date.

Dashboard: Service design and orchestration revenue market shares

KEY MARKET DEVELOPMENTS IN 2018

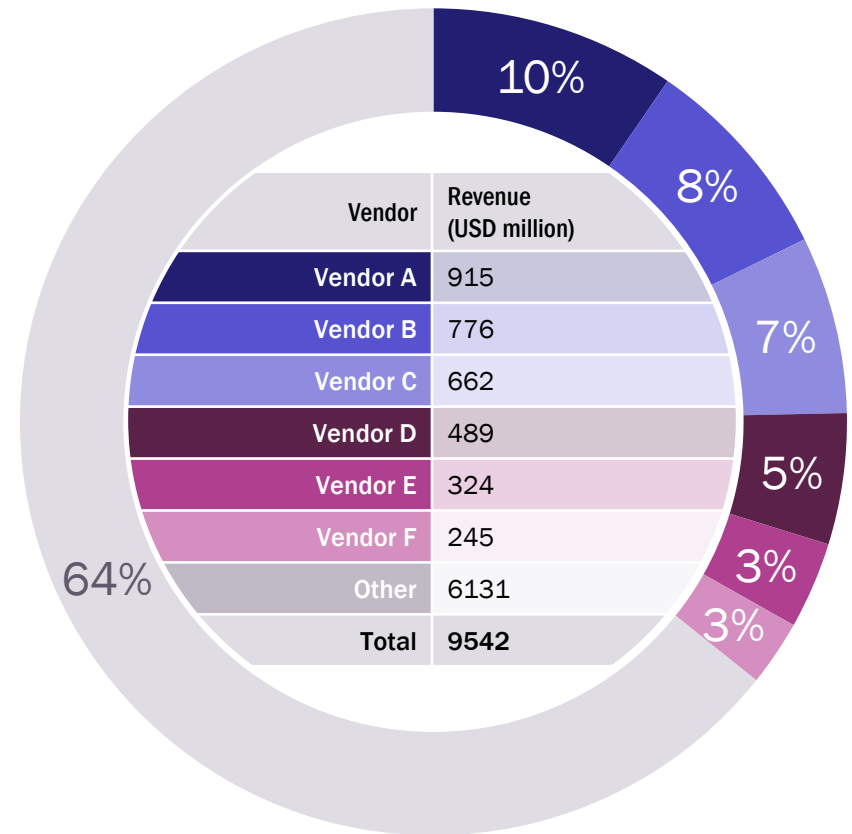
- The SDO market declined marginally by 0.3% to reach USD9.5 billion in 2018. CSPs shifted investments to newer initiatives such as supporting SD-WAN, fibre roll-outs and OSS modernisation.
- Functional boundaries continued to blur between key SDO systems such as activation and order management software, and network orchestration software such as multi-vendor WAN configurators and NFV orchestrator (NFVO).
- Vendor A was the overall market leader, followed by Vendor B. Vendor D was the leader in the product-related revenue category.

Figure 1: Service design and orchestration total revenue by type, worldwide, 2018



Source: Analysys Mason

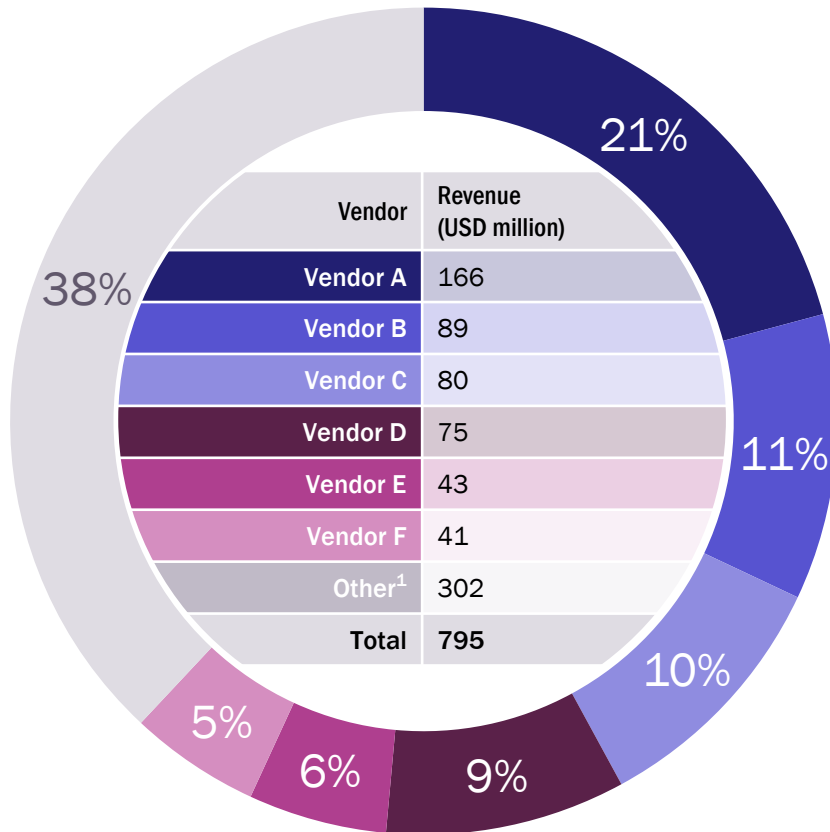
Figure 2: Service design and orchestration total revenue by vendor, worldwide, 2018



Source: Analysys Mason

Activation product-related revenue market share

Figure 13: Activation systems product-related revenue by vendor, worldwide, 2018



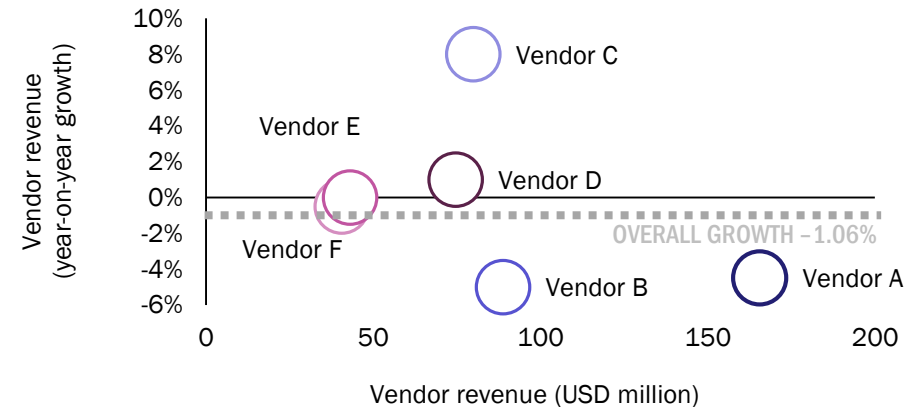
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¹ Significant vendors in the 'Other' category include ...

KEY MARKET DEVELOPMENTS IN 2018

- eSIM introductions and upgrades to adjunct systems such as charging software required modifications to the activation software, which meant CSPs had to procure enhanced features. However, this was not sufficient to counter the market decline of 1%.
- Multi-vendor configuration systems (covered in our Network Automation and Orchestration (NAO) research programme) were deployed in place of legacy activation systems, which further contributed to the decline.
- Vendor A retained top spot but Vendor C grew the fastest to close the gap with Vendor B.

Figure 14: Revenue and growth of top-six vendors compared to overall revenue growth in the activation systems market, 2018



Source: Analysys Mason



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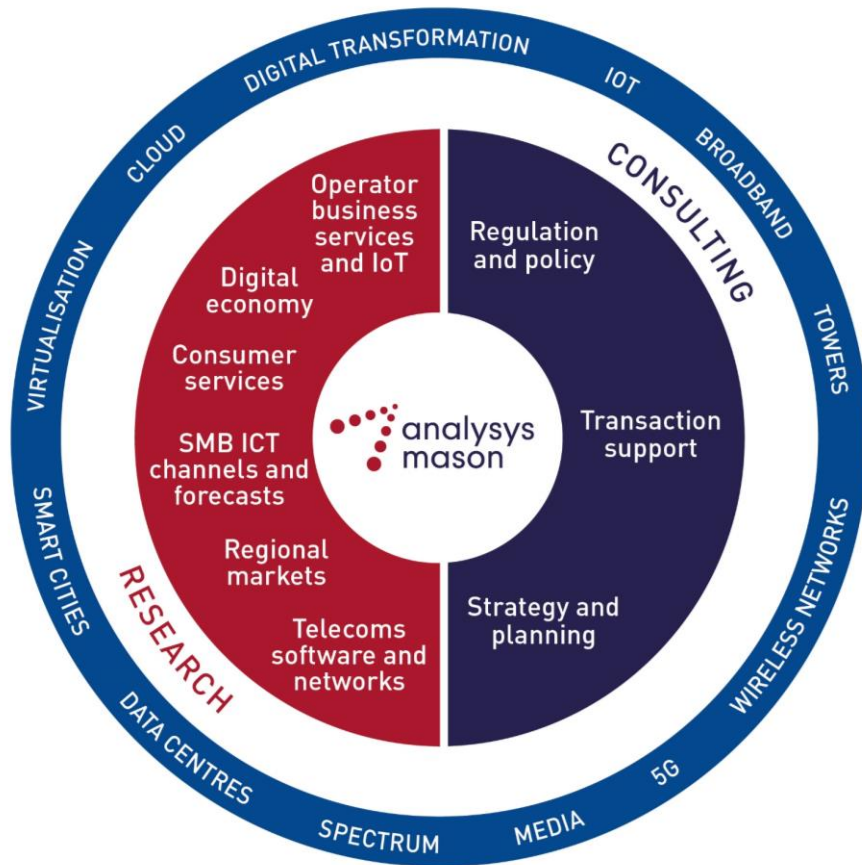
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