# Unlocking Growth with Corporate Market Insights Data, Context, Credibility

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#### What's driving growth?



The understanding of what customers want to buy and when, where, and especially why they want to buy it is the foundation for any strategy geared toward growth."

The Boston Consulting Group



#### ...but reality bites!

### **Everyone has biases**



Business leaders are often overconfident, believing in optimistic 'hockey stick' projections and big bets.

# Tyranny of averages



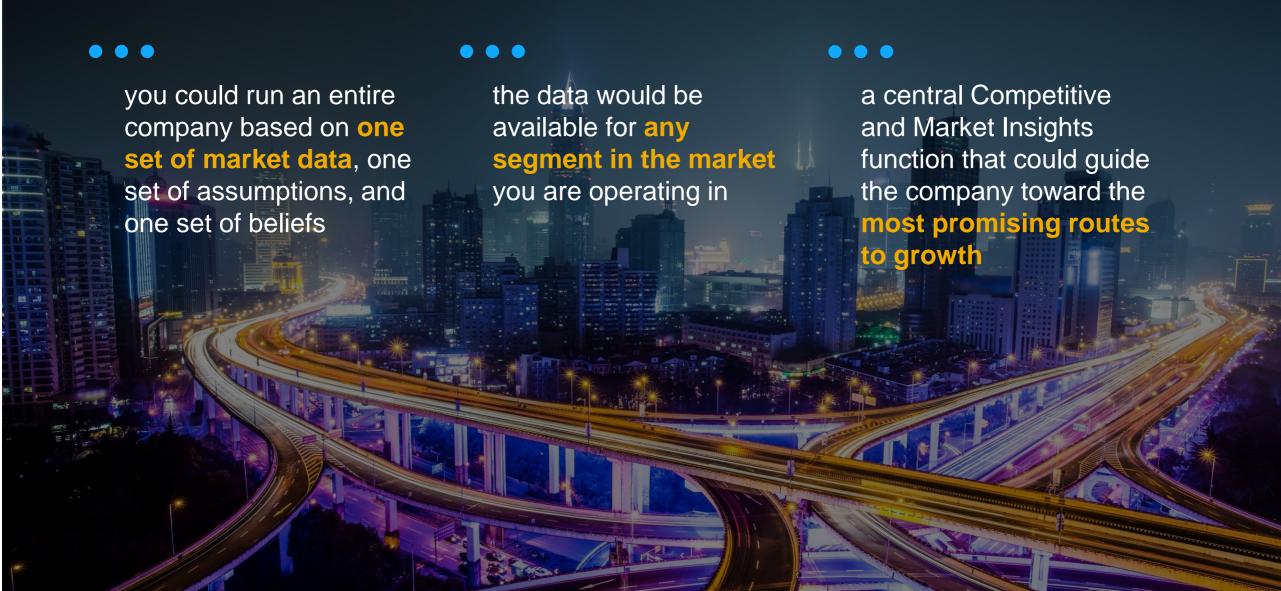
Variability is often much more significant across granular market segments within one business unit than across large business units.

## Unforeseen events

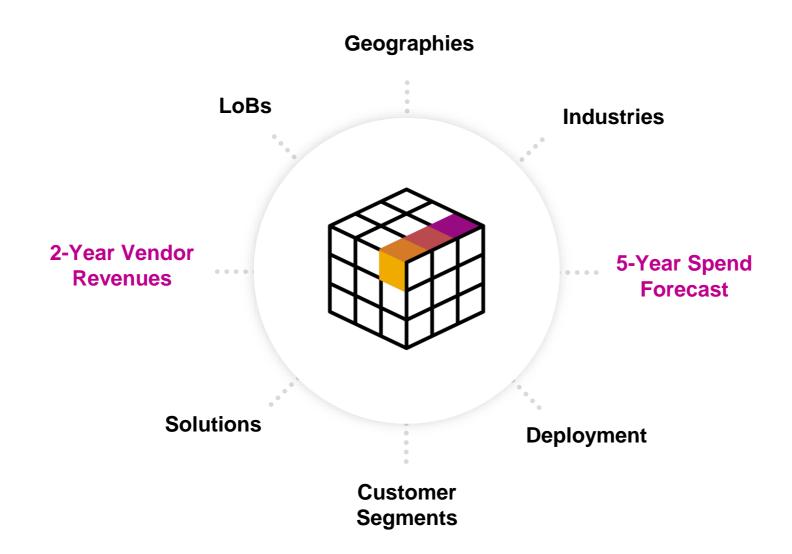


Major events, such as the Brexit vote, trade restrictions, and sudden oil-price declines need a re-evaluation of demand projections.

#### Imagine...



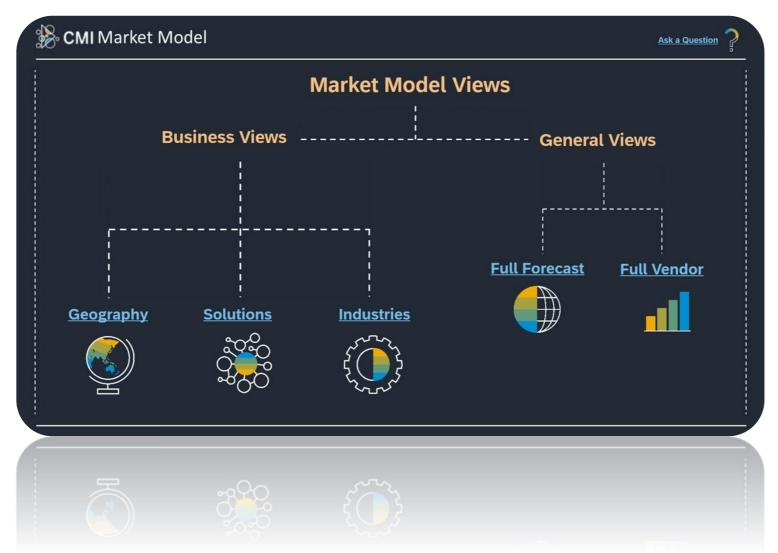
#### Building a digital twin of SAP's addressable market ...



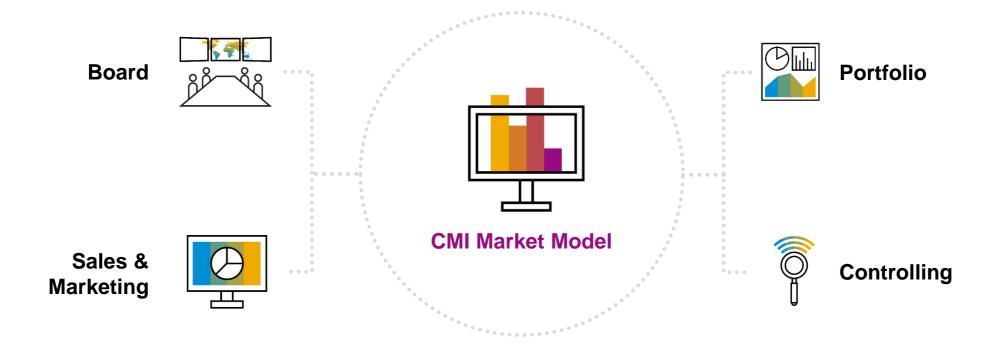
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#### **The CMI Market Model**

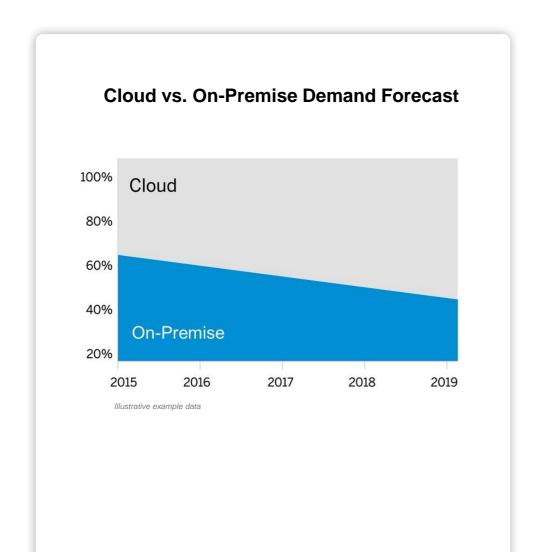


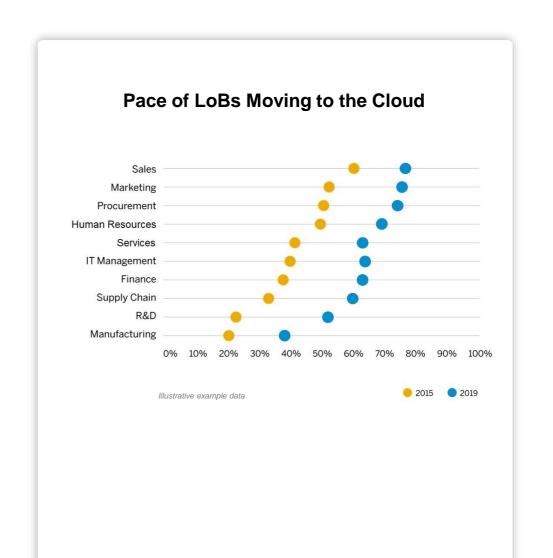
#### The "one source of truth" for market data and insights across SAP



#### From insights to action – the corporate strategy use case

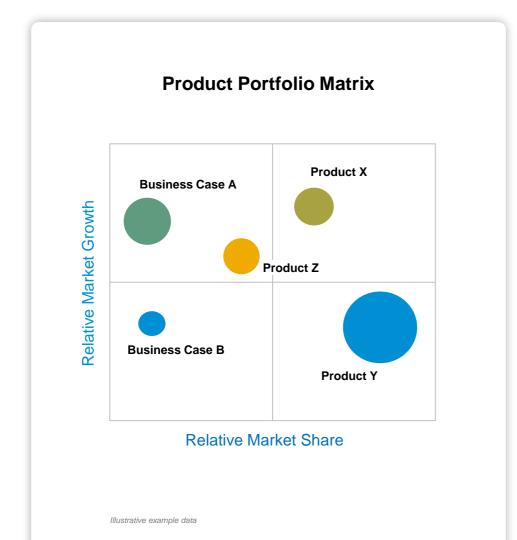
How fast are workloads moving to the cloud?





#### From insights to action – the R&D use case

Where should we put development resources?



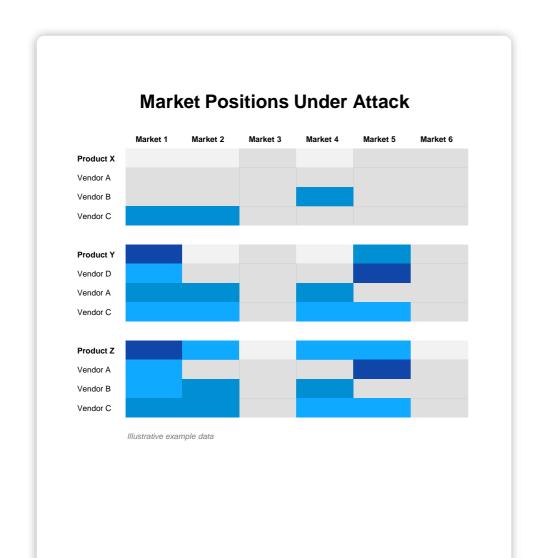


The CMI Market Model is key to making fact-based decisions, reducing product failures, and building a successful portfolio."

SAP Portfolio Manager

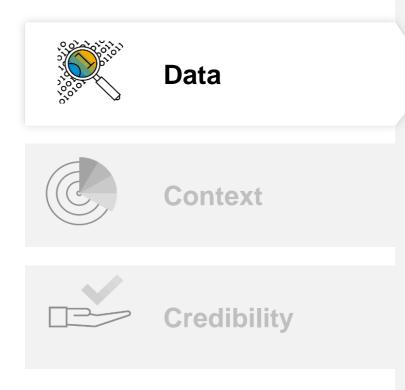
#### From insights to action – the marketing use case

Where should we allocate the corporate advertising budget?





#### What have we learned?



#### **Know your source**

Understand the source and quality of your data. Is the data provider credible? Can you defend the numbers?

#### Go granular

Drill down to the smallest meaningful business, where a shift in resources will produce a material impact.

#### Go multi-dimensional

Ensure all dimensions come together in one consistent model and add up to one top number.

#### What have we learned?





#### Context



Credibility

#### Speak one language

A common taxonomy framework – ideally aligned to your company taxonomy – is critical for a clear comparison of market size, growth rate, and share.

#### Turn insights into action

Understand how the business is using the data and connect to specific use cases. Taylor analysis and smart insights to user roles to ease decision making and taking action.

#### **Deliver a great UX**

Don't underestimate the way you provision the data. A professionally designed dashboard, delivered across multiple devices, makes a huge difference in adoption and usage.

#### What have we learned?



Data



Context



Credibility

#### Find a sponsor

Having a true top-down mandate makes it all work – an executive-level sponsor who realizes the power of having one consistent strategy powered by one consistent, powerful set of insights.

#### **Overcome biases**

Acknowledge that everyone has biases. Make it your key belief that any prioritization and planning exercise must be grounded in hard data so decisions are driven by facts and logic.

#### Align and adapt

Clarify the major assumptions about market evolution with the business early in the process. Keep up the dialogue with the business, and revisit decisions to ensure the planning process is continuous.



# Data-centric decision making is a key culture and capability change in a management system that hopes to thrive in the digital age."

Mark Raskino, Vice President and Distinguished Analyst, Gartner

# Questions?

# Thank you.

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