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#### Improved Agility

Pre-built, reusable components, 3rd party connectors accelerate application development



#### Accessibility

Easy to use and accessible to professional developers and citizen developers alike



#### Enterprise Security & Governance

standard cetifications + pre-configured platform with right level of security

## Key prospects for adopting low-code platforms



#### **Decreased Costs**

High ROI due to reduce development time and dependency on skilled developers



#### **Higher Productivity**

Quickly turn innovative ideas to apps and validate them for optimal productivity







# Low-code market is expanding

With the low-code platform market expanding and demand for digitization on the rise, more organizations turn to low-code platforms to speed up business processes in less time and money.

Technology has never been more accessible and easier to understand than it is today for businesses to adopt and reasons to adopt technology are diminishing.

- Low-code is expected to hit as high as \$45.5 billion by
   2025
- Amazon, Google, Facebook, Apple, Microsoft, SAP
   Major tech giants have investments on low-code



# How do IT leaders evaluate

low-code platforms to find the best-fit for their requirements?

Enterprise customers evaluating low-code platforms need platform capabilities that go beyond customer-facing platforms. To evaluate low-code platform vendors from an enterprise view, focus is on advanced features, ease of use, customizability, re-usability, speed of delivery, and enterprise-readiness.



# Who is the greatest of them all?

You can read through the following checklist or get instant access to low-code platform vendor evaluation scorecard to select the most appropriate vendor for your business needs.

App development platform evaluation requires careful consideration of following:

#### **Unique Business Needs**

For ex. If app makers do not have technical expertise, go with a zero-code platform

# Security & Resource Management The platform should be an enabler of both

The platform should be an enabler of both compliance policies and technology constraints

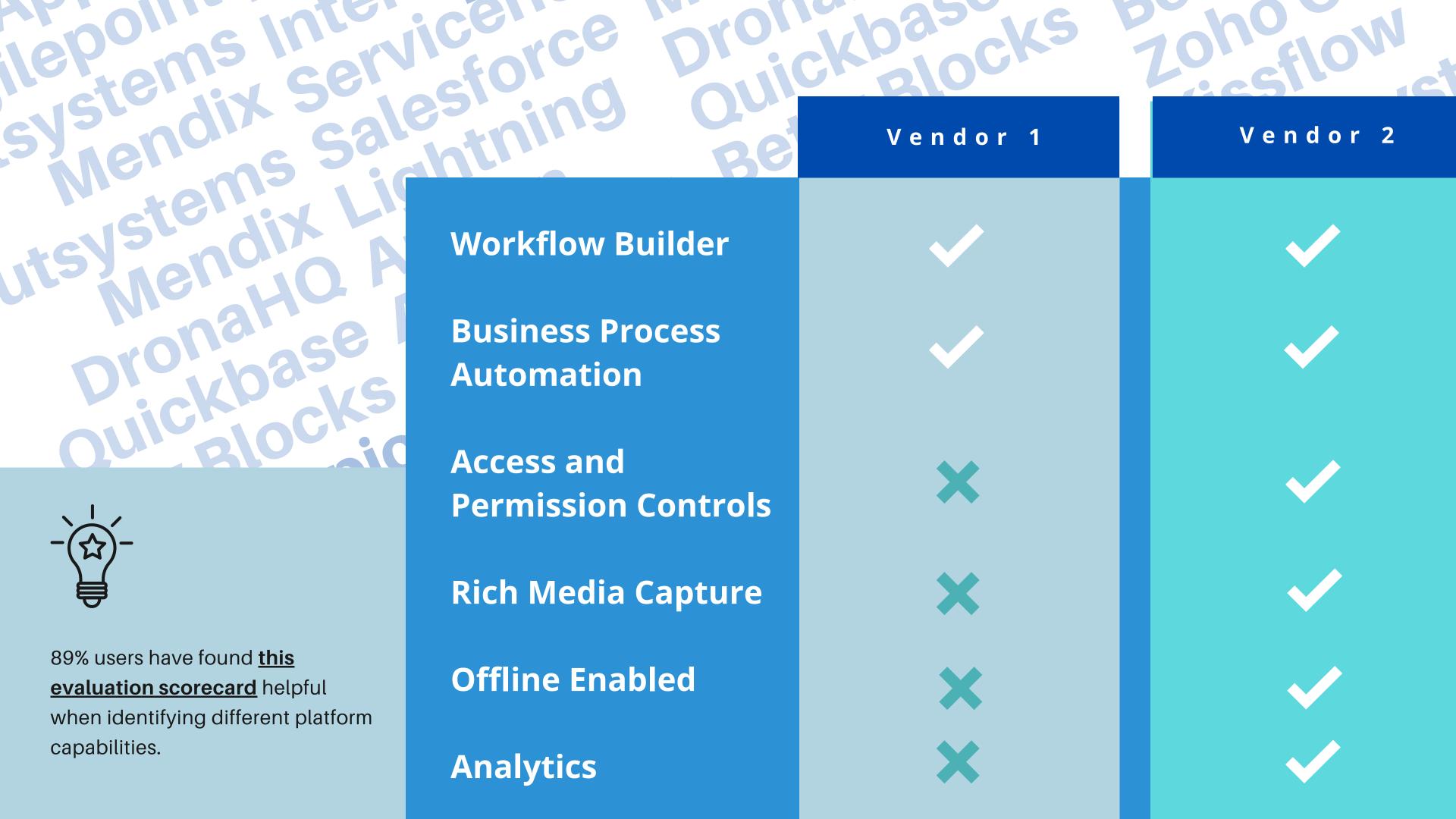
#### **Vendor Expertise**

Some vendors specialize in specific domains like HR, Sales, IT. Some are all-rounders

## Future-proof Technology

The vendor you select should let you extend your existing systems & upgrade easiliy





## The ultimate evaluation checklist



While every low-code platform will have its own set of trade-offs, we have attempted to categorize the capabilities into the following buckets:



#### Visual development environment

- Basic Platform Requirements
- App Development (UI/UX)
- Reusability and Branding Capabilities

#### Integration with upstream or downstream systems

- Integration Capabilities
- Ready Connectors API
- Ready Connectors Database





#### Process automation & business logic

- Front-end business logic builder
- Workflow and Reporting Features
- Automation Capabilities



## The ultimate evaluation checklist



#### **Enterprise-readiness for easy IT approval**



- Data Security Management
- Development Environments
- Standard Certifications

#### Ease of user onboarding & user management

- Access control dashboards
- Platform and app use analytics
- Onboarding help for makers





#### **STANDARD EVALUATION PARAMETERS**

#### Workflows & Reporting Features

Visual point-and-click workflow builder

Ability to run approval task in workflow

Ability to run input task in workflow Trigger 3rd party event from workf

Send emails from workflow

Update database (Insert, Update,

Create, customize and send PDF-b

Add your code for execution in wor

Separate app/interface for workflo



#### **WEIGH YOUR OPTIONS**

Mendix			Outsystems			
Your Eval		Score	Your Eval		Score	
No	+	0	Yes	+	2.5	
Yes	*	4	Yes	*	4	
		59			76.5	
High	*	10	Medium	*	4	
Yes	*	7	Yes	*	7	
Yes	*	6	Yes	*	6	
Yes	*	5	Yes	*	5	
Yes	*	5	Yes	*	5	



#### FIND OUT THE SCORE

Mendix	Outsystems
92.77%	88.28%
91	66
59	76.5
60	54
30	21
47	39.5
50.5	50.5
64	49
49	61
86	86
43.5	43.5
50	50

Get the Evaluation Tool

# Who is this scorecard for & why this matters for organization?

Low-code tools come in all varieties, from installable IDEs to cloud-based platforms.

This scorecard is built for the IT Leaders, Business Leaders, Application Leaders, CIOs/CTOs, and Solution Architects to navigate through the many capabilities app development platforms offer.

As you weigh your options, consider this simple evaluation tool as it sets the base for basic as well as critical considerations, and a method of rating the considerations based on the speed and ease the vendor provides.

Get free evaluation scorecard





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