

A Guide to Rating Trends and Technologies in the **Innovation OS**

Collaborate, gain consensus, and confidently move your company in the right direction.

Why is rating important?

The ability to rate trends and technologies according to pre-defined criteria provides a central view of the perceived impact of the relevant drivers on desired projects. It enables a collective perspective that informs strategic and operational decision-making.

How the Innovation OS enables collaborative rating

ITONICS tracks various criteria using data from our Insights tool and incorporates best practice methods from trusted sources like Gartner and NASA. Our team of analysts attributes evidence-based ratings to each trend and technology available in the Innovation OS. The trend and technology radars in the ITONICS Showroom are preconfigured based on these analyst ratings for easy visualization and evaluation.

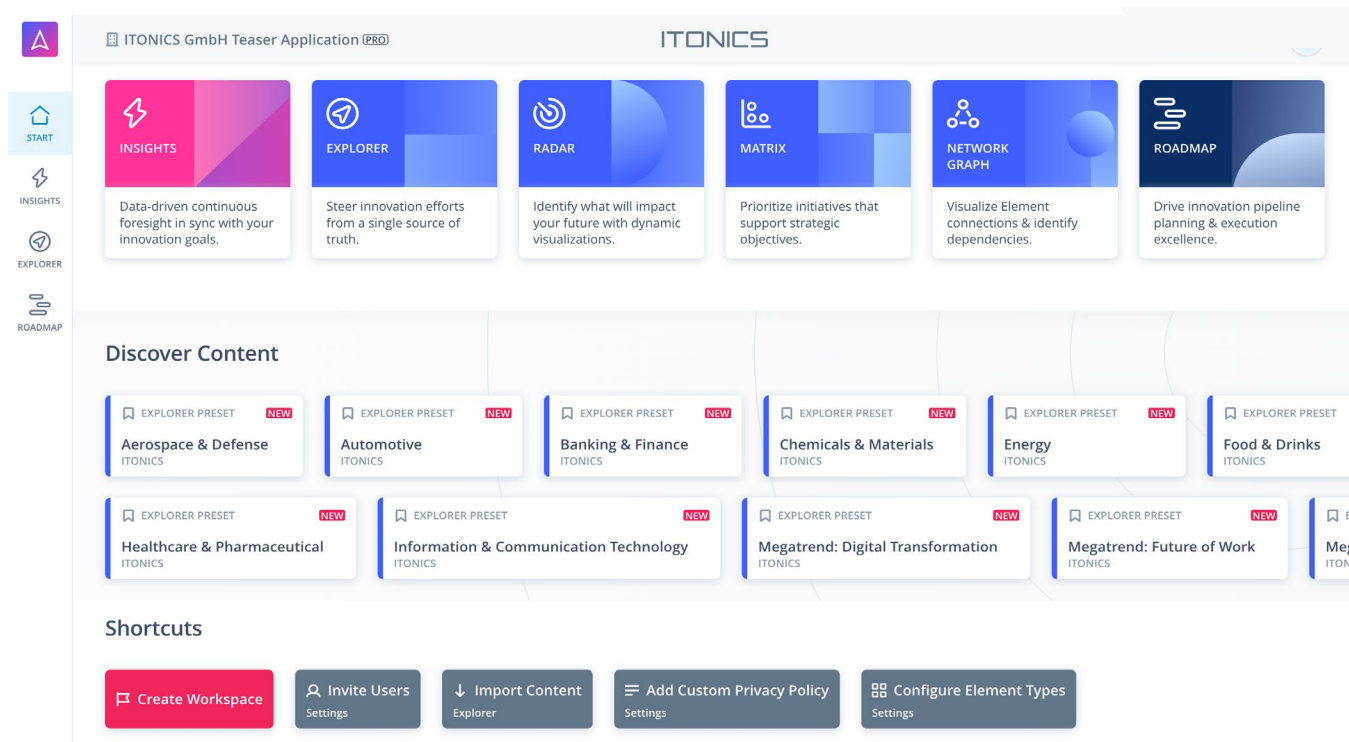
The ratings are determined by assessing specific attributes of a trend or technology according to the following criteria.

Trends: Scope | Potential Impact | Time-to-market Impact | Business Relevance | Strategic Fit | Need for Action | Adoption Stage

Technologies: Scope | Potential Impact | Complexity | Technology Attractiveness | Internal Know-How | Need for Action | Technology Readiness Level

8 easy steps to rating trends with the ITONICS OS

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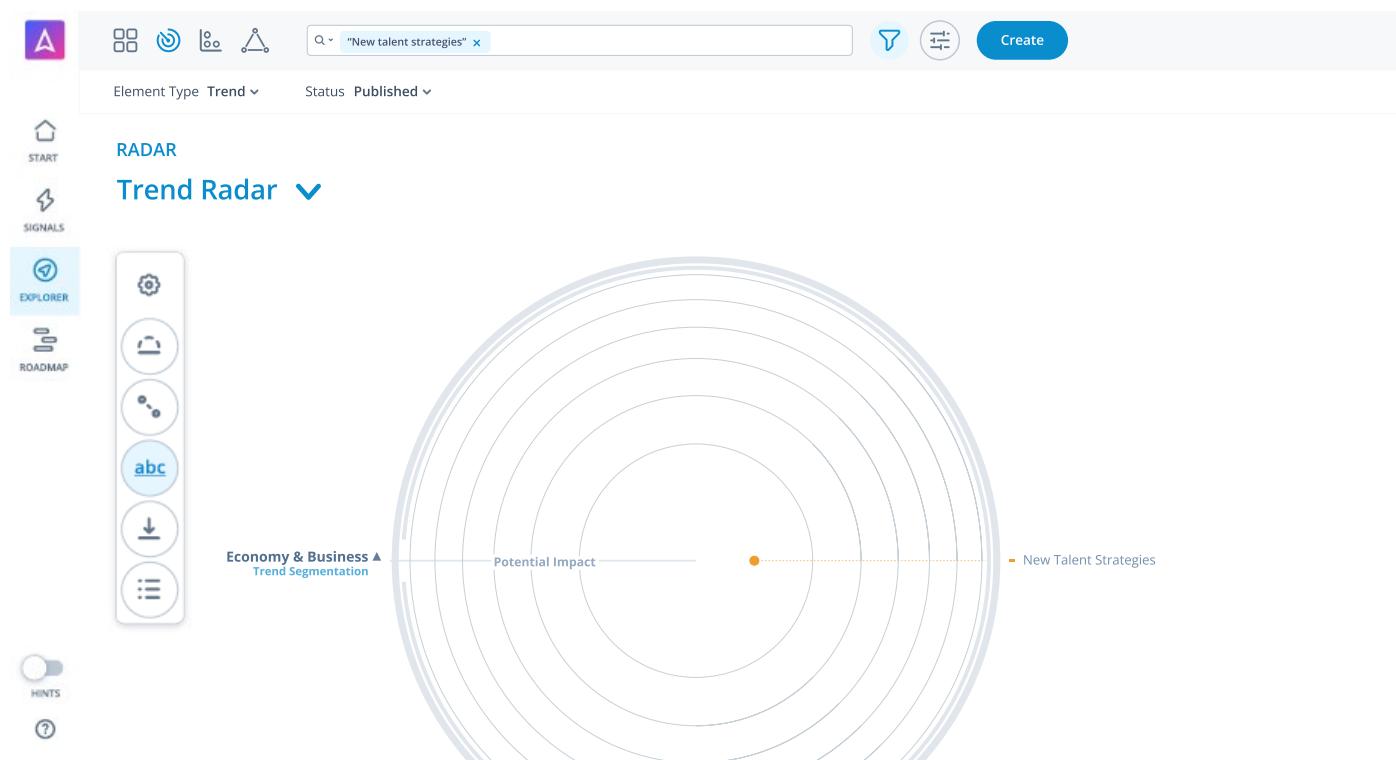
2. Select the Radar icon in the Explorer navigation bar



3. Select the Trend Radar from the dropdown



4. In the search bar, enter the trend you would like to review – include "" if you know the name of the trend you're looking for



5. Click on the trend and expand the card view that loads

TREND
New Talent Strategies
PUBLISHED

Adoption Stage: Mature

end-to-end lifecycle | ir automotive
Bin (bicycle identification number)

[cyclingindustry.news](#)

Countries worldwide are facing a growing skills gap that could threaten long-term economic prosperity, with many organizations and industries finding themselves under pressure to adopt New Talent Strategies. These strategies are aimed at buying, building, and retaining talent through various tactics, including hiring, mergers and acquisitions, outsourcing, upskilling and reskilling, and restructuring. More organizations are also augmenting skills by automating certain tasks using artificial intelligence and machine learning. At the same time, changing employee expectations mean that organizations must focus on differentiating their workplace and benefits to attract and retain key talent.

Details | Signals

Relations (1)

- Radical Transparency [RELATES TO](#)
- Facial Recognition and Biometrics [RELATES TO](#)
- Diverse Perspectives [RELATES TO](#)
- Microsoft, CIBC invest hundreds of thousands to tackle talent shortage [RELATES TO](#)
- Jaquar Land Rover to upskill thousands of workers [RELATES TO](#)
- Collaborative Robots [RFI & TPC T1](#)

Rating

Scope ⓘ

Very Low Low Medium High Very High 37

Potential Impact ⓘ

Very Low Low Medium High Very High 56

Time to Market Impact ⓘ

Very Low Low Medium High Very High 81

6. On the trend overview page, read the abstract of your selected trend

7. Evaluate each trend by reviewing the content in line with the following rating criteria: Scope | Potential Impact | Time-to-market Impact | Business Relevance | Strategic Fit | Need for Action | Adoption Stage

8. Rate the relevant trend on the rating dashboard based on your assessment and encourage participation from your team to add their voice and rate the relevant trend. The indicator to the right of the rating shows how many users have rated the trend.

How to rate:

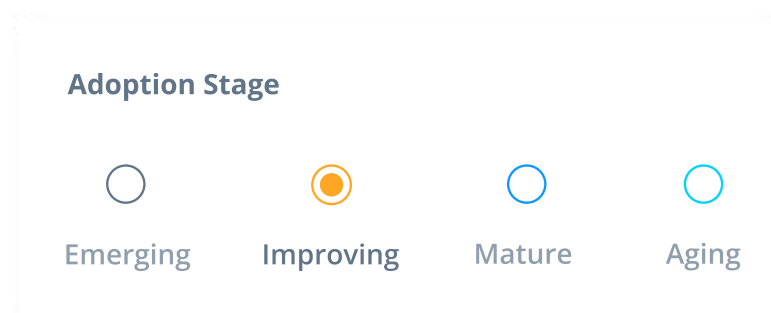
- Navigate to 'rating' in the trend profile card
- Reference the trends Rating definitions guide below to ensure consistency
- The rating dashboard will reflect the average rating of all collaborators to indicate the strategic relevance of each trend.

For more information about rating trends, head to our comprehensive [Knowledge Base](#)

Rating guide for trends

Scope	None	Low	Medium	High	Very High
How far-reaching is the influence of the trend?	Number of signals for trend 0 - 100	Number of signals for trend 100 - 1000	Number of signals for trend 1k - 5k	Number of signals for trend 5k - 10k	Number of signals for trend > 10k
Potential Impact	None	Low	Medium	High	Very High
How disruptive and impactful is the trend?	No impact	Low impact	Medium impact	High impact	Very high impact
Time-to-market Impact	None	Low	Medium	High	Very High
When will the trend peak?	0-2 years	2-4 years	4-6 years	6-8 years	8-10 years
Business Relevance	None	Low	Medium	High	Very High
How relevant is the trend for our organization?	No relevance	Little relevance	Somewhat relevant	Highly relevant	Extremely relevant
Strategic Fit	None	Low	Medium	High	Very High
How well does this trend fit into our organization's overall strategy?	No fit	Fits somewhat	Fits	Fits well	Fits extremely well
Need for Action					
How important is it to take action based on this trend?	No action required	Limited action required	Some action required	Action required	Take urgent action

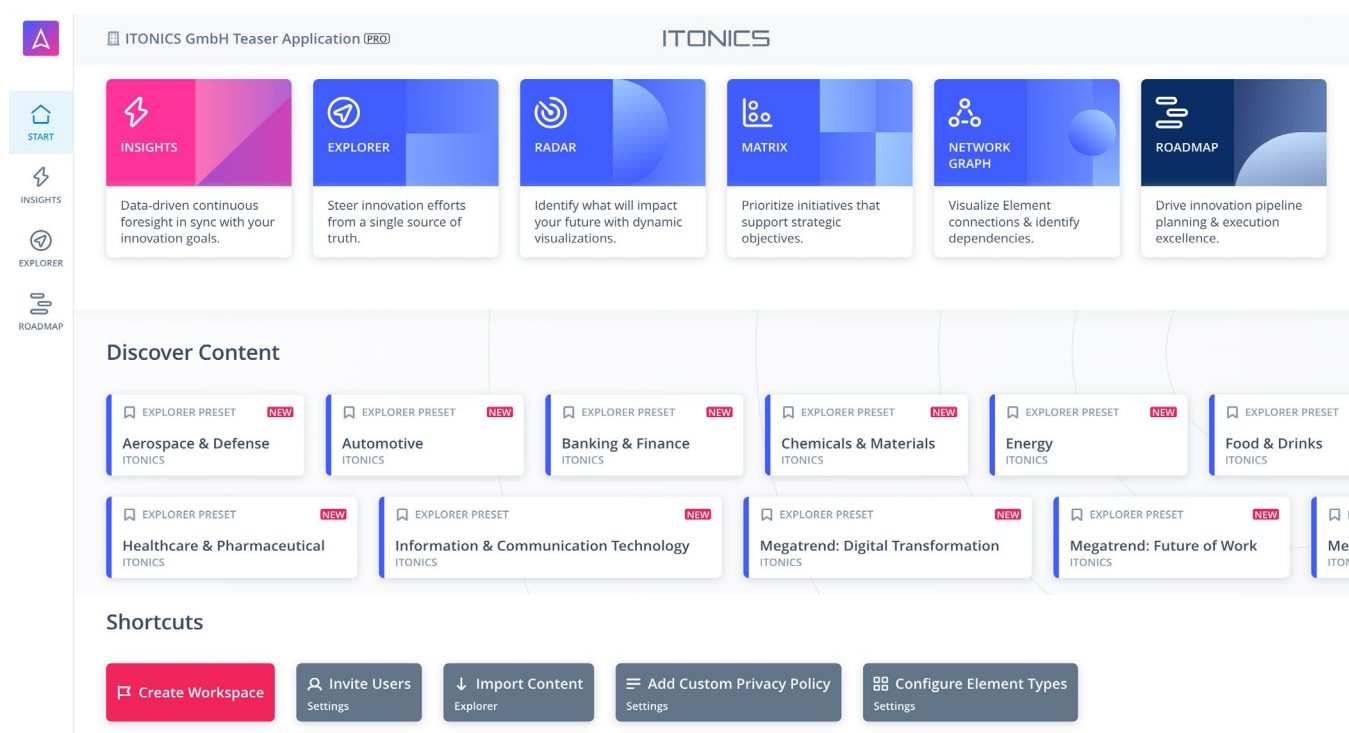
Adoption stage



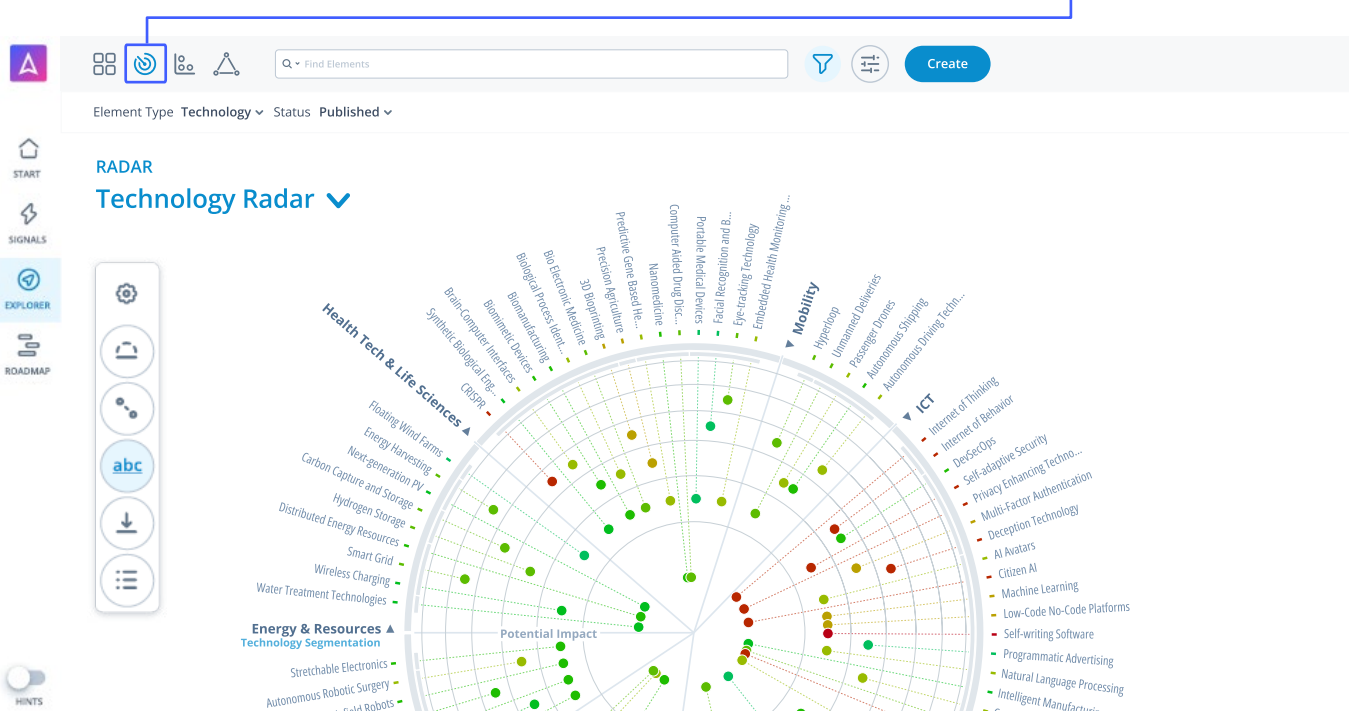
In addition to the trend rating criteria above, the Adoption Stage indicator allows you to estimate the maturity of your identified trend.

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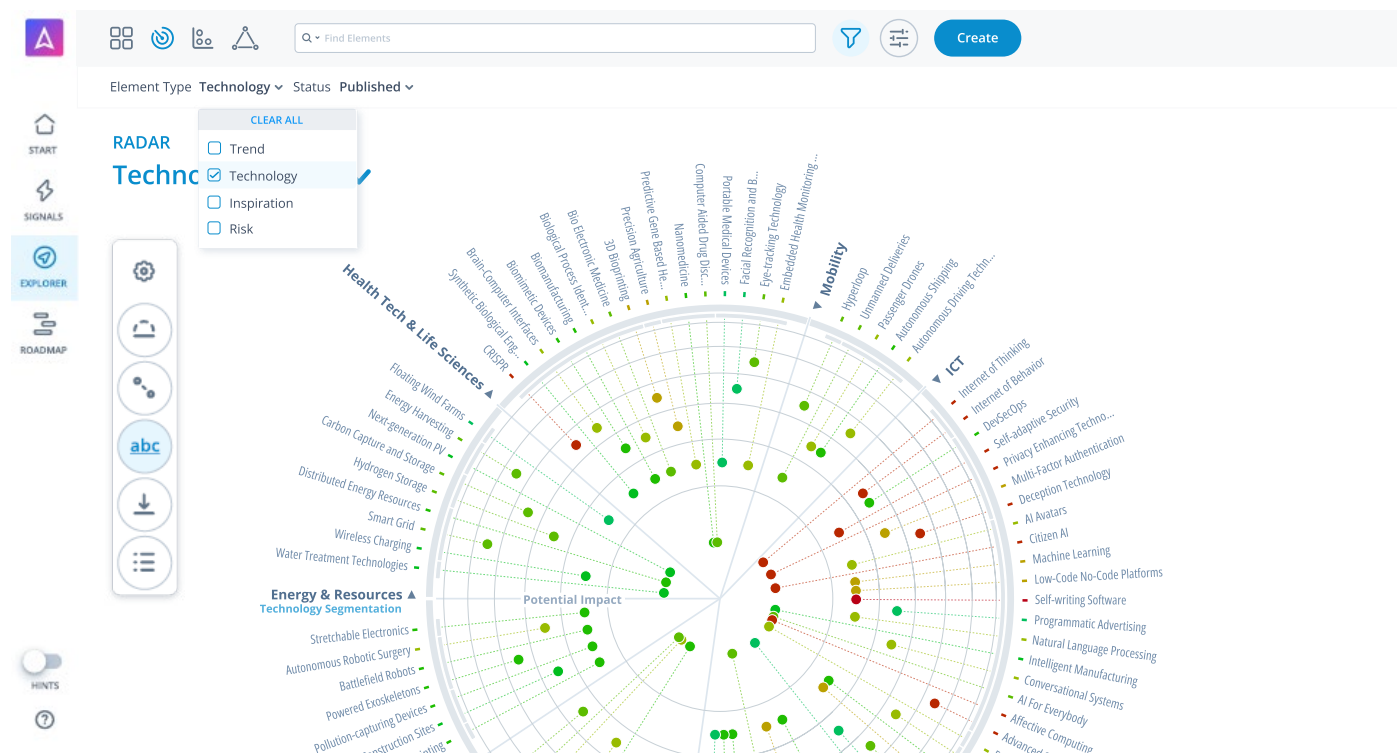
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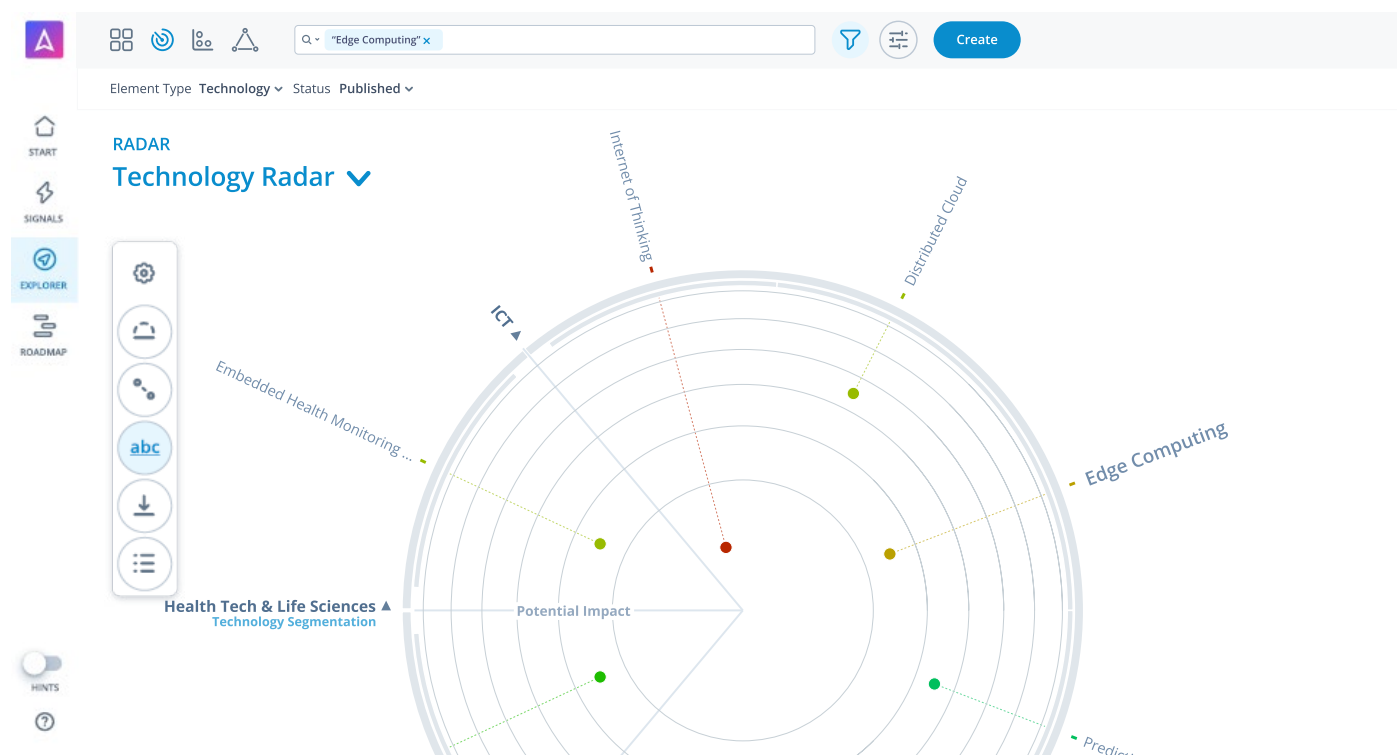
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TECHNOLOGY
Edge Computing
PUBLISHED

Edge Computing is a computing framework in which data processing occurs closer to the data source—such as Internet of Things (IoT) devices—instead of in central cloud servers. The shift improves bandwidth availability and reduces latency, speeding up analysis and response times. Edge Computing is used in smart homes, autonomous vehicles, and communication applications (including gaming) and is expected to have further applications in various sectors. One potential limitation of processing data at the “edge” is that only data deemed relevant is backed up to the central servers, which could result in the loss of some valuable data.

Technology Readiness Level: **TRL 5**

decentralized computing
digital transformation
distributed computing +5
venturebeat.com

Details Signals

Relations (1)

- Machine Learning [RELATES TO](#)
- Akamai buys Linode to create ‘Cloud to Edge’ computing platform [RELATES TO](#)
- Lexmark unlocks AI-Enabled edge applications for organizations of all sizes [RELATES TO](#)
- Red Hat calls on channel to scale deployments of edge computing [RELATES TO](#)
- Internet of Thinking [RELATES TO](#)
- BrainChip. SiFive partner to bring AI and ML to edge computing [RELATES TO](#)

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Time to Market Impact ⓘ 34

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Complexity	None	Low	Medium	High	Very High
How complex is this technology for our organization's capabilities	This technology is not very complex for our organization's capabilities	This technology is not very complex for our organization's capabilities	This technology is a little complex for our organization's capabilities	This technology is complex for our organization's capabilities	This technology is extremely complex for our organization's capabilities
Technology Attractiveness	None	Low	Medium	High	Very High
What is the technology's potential value for our organization?	No relevance	Little relevance	Somewhat relevant	Highly relevant	Extremely relevant
Internal Know-How	None	Low	Medium	High	Very High
Does our organization have the required skills and resources to pursue this technology?	No fit	Fits somewhat	Fits	Fits well	Fits extremely well
Need for Action					
With what level of urgency should our organization pursue this technology?	No action required	Limited action required	Some action required	Action required	Take urgent action

Technology readiness level

Technology Readiness Level

● TRL 1 ● TRL 2 ● TRL 3 ● TRL 4 ● TRL 5 ● TRL 6 ● TRL 7 ● TRL 8 ● TRL 9

In addition to the technology rating criteria above, the Technology Readiness Level (TRL) allows you to estimate the maturity of your identified technology on a scale from 1 to 9, with 9 indicating a high level of technological maturity.

Have more questions?

Here are some more resources to support your innovation journey!

Check out this blog on [how to identify relevant trends and technologies](#) or this one that unpacks [ten factors to help you evaluate new technologies](#). You can also benefit from reading more about the [ITONICS Trend Radar](#)

Learn more

- [Rate Elements](#)
- [Rate Newly Added Content](#)
- [How To Use The ITONICS Trends & Emerging Technologies For Your Organization](#)
- [How can I configure rating criteria?](#)

Further resources



— TOPIC

How to use ITONICS to monitor drivers of change

You can find us around the globe



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