

Marketing Work Management (MWM) Benchmark Results

## **Technology**

### **Technology BASIC Level Description**

Specialized marketing tools are used to complete specialized work but they are not integrated. Multiple, duplicate digital task or work management technologies are in use to enable the exchange of work or knowledge across workers and teams. Fortunately, leading MarTech providers offer digital cloud-based collaboration and work management technologies that are built for integration. Adoption of these technologies significantly improves both efficiency and effectiveness.

Based on your responses in the MWM Benchmark, your organization has a Basic level of readiness. This level may be described using the characteristics below.

#### Does this sound like you?

**Ownership for MarTech** It is difficult to determine **Duplicate, comparable** Task tracking and reporting There is no unified source is automated but business how work has moved technologies exist across spend and ROI is unclear. of record for work groups and teams. rule decisions must be made MarTech value is in activities and approvals. through the organization. by workers. question and adoption is variable. Tool and technology help is Preferences are Long running streams of Worker, customer, prospect often delayed and work can't be completed fragmented and managed and partner identity and uninformed. in multiple systems. in the same systems access are managed in without multiple screens different systems and and context switching. occasionally result in duplication and inconsistency.

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Basic

Managed

**Optimized** 

Approximately 43% of marketers surveyed still do not use any kind of modern MarTech to manage key marketing activities, hindering the marketing team's ability to meet objectives.

- Gartner, August 2020

Consider the following activities to achieve a MANAGED maturity level:

#### **BUSINESS RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Adopt marketing tools from a single platform vendor to support the needs of marketers in the same group or team.
- Integrate tools at the data layer in ways that reduce the amount of re-entry needed as data flows through the marketing process.
- Automate common project management type activities related to project creation, setup, scheduling, assignment and document management.
- Integrate collaboration technologies across teams and regions.
- Establish a MarTech roadmap that is aligned with marketing strategy and IT.
- Consolidate and unify collaboration and work management technologies within groups and teams.
- Begin using Al and ML to optimize assignments and streamline workflow.
- Centralize authentication and identity management.
- Assign business side product owners to provide front line tool support for users.

# TECHNOLOGY RECOMMENDATIONS

- Consolidate and integrate work management technologies used by the marketing team.
- Integrate work management technologies.
- Automate project setup, staff assignment, document generation and asset publishing.
- Adopt digital, cloud-based, integrated best-of-breed technologies.
- Enable two-factor, multi-channel single sign-on with full, field level change tracking.
- Integrate planning, execution and performance measurement technologies.

