

BOT PLATFORMS		DISTRIBUTION SERVICES					CREATION SERVICES			
		Userbase		Interaction Mechanisms	Discovery	Monetization	Software Foundations			Developer Ecosystem
		Size	Cost for Users				Cost / License	Tools / Technologies	Platforms	
SLACK		6M daily & 2M paid users (2017)	Free Paid	Text Command GUI	App Directory	X	Free	Web Api RTM Api	Slack	✓
M I C R O S O F T	TEAMS	125,000 teams (2017)	Paid	Text Command GUI	Bot Directory	X	MICROSOFT BOT FRAMEWORK			
	SKYPE	3M monthly users (2017)	Free Paid	Speech Text Command GUI		✓	OSS	Bot Builder Bot Connector Azure Bot Services .Net (C#), Node.js, Rest SDKs	Multiple	✓
	HIPCHAT (ATLASSIAN)	90,000 paid users (2017)	Paid	Text Command	Marketplace	?	X			
MESSENGER (FACEBOOK)		1.2B monthly users (2017)	Free	Text Command Selection	FB Pages Bot Explorer QR Codes	✓	Free	Webhooks APIs Design Kit Wit.ai	Facebook	X
WECHAT / WEIXIN		889M monthly users (2016)	Free	Speech Text Command GUI	QR Codes	✓	X			
TELEGRAM		100M monthly users (2017)	Free	Text Command GUI	Bot Store	✓	OSS	Bot API Telegram API BotFather	Telegram	X
KIK		15M monthly users (2017)	Free	Text Command GUI	Bot Shop QR Codes	X	Free	API	Kik	X
OTHER BOT TECHNOLOGIES & SDKs (sorted by the functionality / features they provide)		Alexa Echo Cortana Line Android Discord Cisco Spark Messages Viber Intercom Allo Twilio SMS Web GroupMe?		Cloud Platform Speech + NL Watson Conversation Alexa Voice Service Luis Cognitive Services	BotList ChatBottle BotMakers	Paypal		Api.ai PandoraBots ChatFuel Rebotifyl BotKit Automat MindMeld Gupshup Squel FlowXo Botsify		BotMakers PandoraBot Chatbots.org Chatbots Magazine Stack Overflow