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Digital & AI Trust Strategy Playbook

Making trust — regulatory compliance, data sovereignty, verifiable credentials — a deliberate competitive differentiator

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Overview

A framework for building digital and AI trust (regulatory compliance, data sovereignty, verifiable credentials, transparency) as a deliberate strategic differentiator rather than a defensive compliance cost center.

Isn't trust and compliance just a cost of doing business, not a

strategic differentiator? In some categories it's purely defensive, but in markets where customers are genuinely choosing between vendors with different trust postures — data sovereignty, AI transparency, verifiable provenance — trust can be a real competitive differentiator, not just table stakes.

What's a "verifiable credential" in this context?

A cryptographically verifiable claim about data or AI system properties (provenance, compliance status, training data sourcing) that a customer or regulator can independently verify, rather than simply trusting a vendor's unverified assertion.

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