

EVALUATION AREA	QUESTIONS TO ASK	ANSWERS TO SEEK
Business Alignment: Use Cases & Industry Expertise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ Does the vendor have demonstrable experience in your industry and with your specific AI use cases?</li> <li>❑ What is the vendor's ability to scale, and have they successfully implemented their solutions at the enterprise level, or are their successes limited to pilot programs?</li> <li>❑ Can they provide case studies demonstrating success in similar organizations?</li> </ul>	<p>Proven experience in your industry and relevant AI use cases.</p> <p>Case studies, success stories, or references showcasing measurable results from organizations similar to yours.</p>
AI Capabilities & Model Selection (LLMs)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ What type of AI models does the solution use?</li> <li>❑ How does the vendor handle model updates and fine-tuning?</li> </ul>	<p>The vendor uses proprietary models or/ and third-party LLMs (like AWS Bedrock or OpenAI).</p> <p>The AI models are continuously updated, with transparent processes for version upgrades, model fine-tuning, and AI governance.</p>
Data Privacy, Security, and Compliance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ How does the AI solution handle and store data?</li> <li>❑ Does it comply with regulations (e.g., GDPR, CCPA, HIPAA)?</li> <li>❑ What security measures are in place to prevent breaches?</li> </ul>	<p>AI data handling complies with industry regulations (GDPR, CCPA, HIPAA). Answers on data encryption, storage policies, and retention or use of customer data.</p> <p>The vendor implements encryption, access controls, and penetration testing to prevent security vulnerabilities.</p>
Bias Mitigation & Ethical AI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ What steps does the vendor take to identify and reduce bias?</li> <li>❑ Which guardrails are in place to ensure safe, ethical, and responsible use of AI?</li> <li>❑ How transparent is their AI decision-making process?</li> </ul>	<p>The vendor applies AI guardrails, fairness audits, and bias mitigation techniques. Transparency in model decision-making is key.</p>
Cost, ROI, and Scalability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ What is the total cost of ownership, including setup, training, and support?</li> <li>❑ How does the solution measure and prove ROI?</li> <li>❑ Can the solution scale with your business needs?</li> </ul>	<p>Costs beyond licensing, including implementation, training, and maintenance. Clear ROI measurement and scalability options.</p> <p>The AI solution can grow with your organization's evolving demands, handling increased users, data, and integrations.</p>
Roadmap, Innovation, and Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ What is the vendor's AI innovation roadmap?</li> <li>❑ How frequently do they update models and release updates?</li> <li>❑ What level of customer support and training do they offer?</li> </ul>	<p>The vendor has a roadmap for AI advancements, frequency of model updates, and ongoing support. A strong roadmap ensures long-term value.</p> <p>The vendor offers robust support, training, and documentation to facilitate AI adoption within your organization.</p>

