



IDC's Sourcing Advisory Services Case Studies & Samples

Benefits of Deal Benchmarking

IDC's benchmarking service blends seamlessly with its world-class research offering and there are compelling features that stand out from the competition







Drive Transparency

IDC benchmark reports help buyers document negotiation success to management and internal customers

Reduces costs

Harnesses the power of peer best in class pricing to drive a measurable savings

Saves Time

Reduces repeated cycles negotiating - best in class is now known

Raise Profile: World-class sourcing organizations routinely use IDC benchmarks to document value to internal customers and measure savings for management



IDC Impact on Savings & Cost Reduction

IDC clients routinely drive measurable savings by benchmarking deals against best in class and right-sizing investments

Typical Savings by Category

Hardware = 5-10% Software = 10-20%

Maint. = 10-15%

Prof Svcs = 5-10%



Recent Case Studies (see following pages for details)

- Large US-Based Retailer saved \$2M on renewal of Microsoft Enterprise Agreement
- Regional Health Network saved \$3M using IDC to renegotiate IBM project rate card
- Market Data Firm reduced costs 21% in server negotiations with Dell and HPE for savings of \$2M



Case Study #1 – Oil/Gas Firm Saved \$2M on Microsoft

Scenario	Client faced with \$45M EA/SCE required price benchmarking and negotiation advice
Approach	IDC provided tactical benchmark of current entitlement with validation of Level D and benchmark against peer best in class
Outcome	Client utilized IDC benchmark to level-set negotiation and gain concessions on pricing

						Year 1			Year 2			Year 3		Total			
Contract Type	Product Description	SKU	Produ ct Type	Uni	License Quantity	XXX Price	Annual Amount	License Quantity	XXX Price	Annual Amount	License Quantity	XXX Price	Annual Amount		IDC LvI 0	Discour off Lev D	
EA	Off365PE3 ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerUsr	AAA-10842		12	5,270			5,270			5,270				\$17.60		
EA	O365PE1FromSA ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerUsr	7R7-00002	Subs	12	57,569			57,569			57,569				\$5.98		
EA	0365PE1ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerUsr	T6A-00024		12	5,264			5,264			5,264				\$7.04		
EA	EntMobilitySteFromSA ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL Pe		Subs	12	57,569			57,569			57,569				\$6.00		
EA	EntMobilitySteFull ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerUsr	AAA-10732	Subs	12	11,382			11,382			11,382				\$7.69		
EΑ	EOArchExchOnin ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerUsr	4DS-00001	Subs	12	5,000			5,000			5,000				\$2.64		
EA	PwrBIPro ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerUsr	NK4-00002	Subs	12	217			217			217				\$7.47		
EA	PwrBIPremP1 ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL	GSL-00002		12	1			1			1				\$3,726.26		
EA	ProjOnInProf ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerUsr	7LS-00002	Subs	12	17			17			17				\$22.44		
EA	Audio Conf ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerUsr	TJ7-00001	Subs	12	7,200			7,200			7,200				\$3.52		
EA	MS MyAnalytics ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerUsr	V9N-00002		12	6,000			6,000			6,000				\$2.99		
EA	MSWorkplaceAnitos ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerU	GWZ-0000	Subs	12	6,000			6,000			6,000				\$5.28		
EA	SfBSvr ALNG SA MVL	5HU-00215	Subs	1	2			2			2				\$1,511.00		
EA	VDA ALNG SubsVL MVL PerDvc	4ZF-00019	Subs	12	2,200			2,200			2,200				\$7.32		
EA	SharePointEntCAL ALNG LicSAPk MVL DvcCAL	76N-02345	SA	1	4,324			4,324			4,324				\$34.24		
EA	SysCtrStdCore ALNG SA MVL 2Lic CoreLic	9EN-00198	SA	1	3,064			3,064			3,064				\$17.76		
EΑ	Dyn365ERelationshipSales ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL	MPW-0000	Subs	12	20			20			20				\$114.00		
EA	PwrAppsP1ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerUsr	DNT-00003		12	250			250			250				\$6.16		
EΑ	PwrAppsP2 ShrdSvr ALNG SubsVL MVL PerUsr	DNV-00001	Subs	12	2			2			2				\$35.20		
SCE	BztlkSvrBrnch ALNG SA MVL 2Lic CoreLic	HJA-00775		1	38			38			38				\$193.92		
SCE	BztlkSvrEnt ALNG SA MVL 2Lic CoreLic	F52-02145		1	16			16			16				\$3,392.76		
SCE	CISSteDCCore ALNG SA MVL 2Lic CoreLic	9GS-00135		1	2,616			2,616			2,616				\$156.00		
SCE	CISSteStdCore ALNG SA MVL 2Lic CoreLic	9GA-00313	SA	1	28,640			28,640			28,640				\$33.96		
SCE	SharePointSvr ALNG SA MVL	H04-00268		1	36			36			36				\$1,147.32		
BCE	SQLSvrEnt ALNG SA MVL	810-04760	SA	1	191			191			191				\$1,387.44		
BCE	SQLSvrStd ALNG SA MVL	228-04433	SA	1	1,202			1,202			1,202				\$137.76		
BCE	SQLCAL ALNG SubsVL MVL DvcCAL	359-05813	Subs	12	31,113			31,113			31,113				\$3.99		
SCE	SQLCAL ALNG SubsVL MVL UsrCAL	359-05814	Subs	12	30,816			30,816			30,816				\$3.99		
BCE	SQLSvrEntCore ALNG SA MVL 2Lic CoreLic	7JQ-00343	SA	1	829			829			829				\$2,109.24		
BCE	SQLSvrStdCore ALNG LicSAPk MVL 2Lic CoreLic	7NQ-00302		1	28			28			28				\$1,321.00		
BCE	VSEntwMSDN ALNG SA MVL	MX3-00117	SA	1	181			181			181				\$1,005.84		
SCE	VSProwMSDN ALNG SA MVL	77D-00111	SA	1	389			389			389				\$303.24		
BCE	VSTeamFndtnSvr ALNG SA MVL	125-00124	SA	1	5			5			5				\$65.52		
SCE	VSTstProwMSDN ALNG SA MVL	L5D-00162	SA	1	2			2			2				\$289.56		
BCE	WinSvrExtConn ALNG SA MVL	R39-00396	SA	1	16			16			16				\$326.04		
DP	SQLCAL ALNG LicSAPk MVL LotnConn	359-05227	L&SA	1	591			591			591				n/a		
DP	WinSvrCAL ALNG LieSAPk MVL LetnConn	R18-03492	L&SA	1	591			591			591				n/a		
DP	WinSvrCAL ALNG LicSAPk MVL LotnConn	R18-03492	L&SA	-	127			127			127				n/a		
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Case Study #2 – Health Network Saved \$3M on IBM

	XXX Role Description:	s and Lev	els		Short Term Project Labor Rate (\$/hour)						Long Term Project Labor Rate (\$/hour)					
Role	Skills, Education and Experience Required	Level	Experience	· ·		(Site (US)	Onshore - Ver (US)		Offshore - Ve (Indi		Onshore - XXX	Site (US)	Onshore - Ver (US)	idor Site	Offshore - Ve (Indi	
					2019	IDC Peer	2019	IDC Peer	2019	IDC Peer	2019	IDC Peer	2019	IDC Peer	2019	IDC Peer
Business	Jugiar ussness crategy and transformation consuting; create differentiated business strategies with a digital lens by applying modern design methods and maximizing the cutting-edge capabilities of BM and our extensive ecosystem of partners. Assess and apply seven key elements that drive Digital Reinvention including new business models. These elements of digital transformation rely on analytics and n cognitive insights, building responsive operations and developing an innovative cuture. Apply BMD Design Thinking through Envision workshops, to identify high	Junior		Supporting role to facilitate meetings, working sessions and workshops with sensitivity to client and team needs - consulting, support and execution of digital business strategy projects and specific project deliverables	0000	Ę	·000	ىب		Ľ	^000	,	^nn	,	ماسات	٦
Strategy and Transformation Consultant		Intermedia te	3 – 6 years of experience	Advise on business model transformation through an approach that combines human-centered design with an understanding of emerging technologies and platforms	00000	Ļ				٦	^0000	Ĺ	^	Ţ.	n	^
Consultant	value pilot opportunities and innovative experiences. This work can lead to projects ranging from digital strategy to proofs of concept to engagements focused on one of the seven drivers of digital transformation. Outcomes include:	Senior		Leadership role in advising on business model transformation through an approach that combines human-centered design with an understanding of emerging technologies and platforms. Accountable for delivery excelence	0000	[·	10,,,000	Ğ	^000]	n	,—	البائية	701
Change	Problem and change management leadership; may include management of Environment Build/Maintenance, and/or Configuration Management	Junior	3 - 6 years of experience	responsible for deliverables and solutions	00000	-	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,			,	^0000		^0_	^		٠
Management and Governance	(Strategy/Process definition) for application infrastructure projects. Provides integrated management capability across Cloud services and Business Units to	Intermedia te		Leads project teams and is responsible for deliverables and project management	00000	~	- - -	~	00	^	0000	7	^	~JL	00	^
Consultant	if the process.	Senior		Leads project teams and is responsible for deliverables and project management	00000	·—		^	100	^	00000		^	^	^	^
Delivery	budget. Responsible for the management of projects via a well defined	Senior	7-9 Years	Manages complex programs. Defines program management methodology and standards.	مياسمية	^		^		^	^		^		^0000	<u>^</u>
Executive	methodology and corresponding plan. Responsible for additional processes used to prepare systems for production, support production and continuous improvements to processes within the organization. Requires significant project	Expert	10 or more years of experience	Manages complex, very large programs. Defines program management methodology and standards.	مـــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــ	`_I_	^n	`_I_	1	1	ــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــــ	^		`	^m_	^

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Scenario	Client renegotiating multi-tower outsourcing contract with IBM including multi-million dollar professional services spend
Approach	IDC delivered rate card analysis plotting peer best in class rates for approx. 75 onshore vs. offshore rates for short- and long-term project placements; IDC also delivered independent data to validate COLA escalation curbing year over year increases
Outcome	Client utilized IDC benchmark to support negotiations and mitigate long-term cost increases with projected savings of \$3M



Case Study #3 – Market Data Firm Saved \$2M on Dell/HPE Server Negotiations

1 210-AMTE

329-BDKH

461-AADZ

343-BBFU

338-BLUS

374-BBPP

370-ABWF

412-AAIP

370-ADNU

365-0354 619-ABVR

421-5736

379-BCOY

379-BCSG

PowerEdge R740XD Server, DSS

3.5"x12HDs BP.4HD MP.4HD FB.2F

DIMM Blanks for System with 2 Processors

D22, No drives in Front or Mid Bays, Unconfigured RAID for Flex Bay - DSS RESTRICTED

PowerEdge R740/R740XD MB

No Trusted Platform Module

PowerEdge R740XD Shipping

1U Pipe Low Profile Heatsink

1U Pine Low Profile Heatsink

Silv 4114 2.2G,14M,85W

Silv 4114 2.2G.14M.85W

2666MT/s RDIMMs

Performance Optimized

PERC H740P RAID Minicard

No Operating System

iDRAC, Legacy Password

No Media Required

iDrac9,Enterprise

CELSTANDARD OPTION NOT SELECTED

iDRAC Group Manager, Disabled

PE R740 Shp Mtl

Scenario	Client competing footprint between two major commodity server providers – HPE and Dell
Approach	IDC delivered validation of list pricing and benchmark of peer best in class discount to assist in baselining pricing and establishing negotiation threshold within competitive bidding scenario
Outcome	Client leveraged IDC to establish more aggressive discount targets that reduced total cost by 21% a total of 2M dollars

						1	330-BBHF	Riser Config 1, 4 x 8 slots	\$89.00	\$89.00
				IDC List	IDC Ext. List	1	555-BCKP	X710 QP,10Gb,DA/SFP+,NDC	\$849.00	\$849.00
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Qty	Part Number	Description	AAA FIICE	FIICE		1	450-ADWM 325-BCHU	Dual,Redundant,Hot-plug PS,1100W PowerEdge 2U Standard Bezel	\$785.00 \$49.00	\$785.00 \$49.00
1	868703-B21	HPE DL380 Gen10 8SFF CTO Server		\$2,359.00	\$2,359.00	1	389-BTTO	PE R740XD Luggage Tag	\$0.00	\$0.00
1	868703-B21#ABA	HPE DL380 Gen10 8SFF CTO Server		\$0.00	\$0.00	1	350-BBJV	No Quick Sync	\$59.00	\$59.00
1	826872-L21	HPE DL380 Gen10 6134 Xeon-G FIO Kit		•	·	1	384-BBBL	Performance BIOS Settings	\$0.00	\$0.00
1	0200/2-LZ1	HE DESSO GENTO 0134 VEON-G FIO KIT		\$3,509.00	\$3,509.00	1	611-BBBE	No-OS Partition Removed	\$0.00	\$0.00
1	826872-B21	HPE DL380 Gen10 6134 Xeon-G Kit		\$3,509.00	\$3,509.00	1	770-BBBQ	Slide RdyRL,No CMA	\$149.00	\$149.00
12	835955-B21	HPE 16GB 2Rx8 PC4-2666V-R Smart Kit		\$630.00	\$7,560.00	1	631-AACK	No Systems Docs, No OM DVD Kit	\$0.00	\$0.00
				·		1	332-1286	US Order CSTM LINE ITEM SVC	\$0.00 \$0.00	\$0.00
8	870757-B21	HPE 600GB SAS 15K SFF SC DS HDD		\$1,079.00	\$8,632.00	1	984-3267 900-9997	ONSITE INSTL DECLINED	\$0.00	\$0.00 \$0.00
1	870548-B21	HPE DL Gen10 x8 x16 x8 Rsr Kit		\$149.00	\$149.00	1	973-2426	INFO Declined Remote Consulting Service	\$0.00	\$0.00
1	P01366-B21	HPE 96W Smart Storage Battery 145mm Cbl		\$149.00	\$149.00	12	370-ADNF	32GB RDIMM 2666MT/s Dual Rank	\$1,119.00	
_		· ·		·		2	400-BDOS	SSDR,480G,2E,IT06,2.5,I4FB	\$569.00	\$1,138.00
1	804331-B21	HPE Smart Array P408i-a SR Gen10 Ctrlr		\$599.00	\$599.00	2	492-BBDI	C13-C14,PDU,12A,6.5 ft ,2m,NA	\$20.00	\$40.00
1	665240-B21	HPE Ethernet 1Gb 4-port 366FLR Adapter		\$329.00	\$329.00	1	813-6068 929-8519	HW WRTY + SVC,PE R740XD GCP Operations Management	\$249.00 \$17.00	\$249.00 \$17.00
2	830272-B21	HPE 1600W FS Plat Ht Plg LH Pwr Sply Kit		\$479.00	\$958.00	1	814-3411	INFO,PS1DC,TECH SPT CONTACT,ENTERPRISE	\$0.00	\$0.00
1	758959-B22	HPE Legacy FIO Mode Setting		\$1.00	\$1.00	1	813-6075	PS NBD OS,PE R740XD,3YR	\$0.00	\$0.00
				•		1	817-2509	ProSupport One for Data Center: 7x24 HW/SW Technical Support and Assistance, 3 Years	\$2,347.00	\$2,347.00
1	733660-B21	HPE 2U SFF Easy Install Rail Kit		\$100.00	\$100.00			Total \$10,371.00	\$11,140.00	\$24,038.00
1	BD507A	HPE iLO Adv AKA Lic 3yr Support		\$469.00	\$469.00					
		Total	\$10,915.52	\$13,361.00	\$28,323.00					
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1	SFN8522-PLUS	XTREMESCALE DUAL-PORT 10GBE SERVER I/O ADAPTER ONLOAD & PTP	\$773.19	\$1,300.00	\$1,300.00	_		Sample Output; data re	uall	Eu

\$175.00

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SOLR-SFM10G-SR 10G ENET SFP+ 10GBASE-SR 850NM MULTIMODE TRANSCEIVER

IDC Ext. List Peer Be

\$586.00

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Typical Usage Snapshot (11mo.)

Date Closed	Description	Outcome	Туре	Purpose	Date Closed	Description	Outcome	Туре	Purpose
06-Aug-2018	Deal Review : Symantec - Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	15-Jan-2019	Deal Inquiry: Sonar Source - SonarQube	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
06-Aug-2018	Deal Review: McAfee - Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	25-Jan-2019	Deal Review: Proofpoint Email Archive Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
07-Aug-2018	Deal Review: Imperva - Price Validation	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	31-Jan-2019	New Deal Review-IDC-BMC TrueSight product	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
07-Aug-2018	Deal Review: Cisco Network Investigation - Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	01-Feb-2019	Deal Review: F5 Maintenance Renewal	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
07-Aug-2018	Deal Review: Tanium - Price validation	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	04-Feb-2019	Deal Review: Check Point Maintenance Renewal	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
07-Aug-2018	Deal Review: Forcepoint - Email DLP - Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	12-Feb-2019	Deal Review: Microsoft Pricing and LARs	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
07-Aug-2018	Deal Inquiry: Titus	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	25-Feb-2019	Deal Review: NetApp Quotes for March Spend - A1	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
08-Aug-2018	Deal Review: Quest - Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	28-Feb-2019	Deal Review: Dell EMC / HCl proposal to XXX - A2	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
08-Aug-2018	Deal Review: Twistlock- Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	28-Feb-2019	Deal Review: Dell EMC / HCl proposal to XXX - A3	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
08-Aug-2018	Deal Inquiry: Gemalto	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	15-Mar-2019	Deal Review: AppDynamics - Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
14-Aug-2018	Deal Review: Datawatch - Pricing Validation	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	21-Mar-2019	New Deal Review: UPDATE on XXX / DELL-EMC Q1 Cocktail - Proposed Options for HCl and storage - A1	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
15-Aug-2018	Deal Review: CA - Pricing Validation	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	03-Apr-2019	2 deal reviews - Netscout and Viavi	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
20-Aug-2018	Deal Inquiry: Infosys Rate Card - Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	08-Apr-2019	Deal Review: EPAM Prof Services Rate Card	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
23-Aug-2018	Deal Review: Cisco ESA/WSA	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	10-Apr-2019	Deal Review: Oracle Exadata	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
24-Aug-2018	Deal Review: NetApp - Validated Best-in-Class Savings	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	16-Apr-2019	Deal Review: Forcepoint Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
29-Aug-2018	Deal Review: Recruiting Software - Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	13-May-2019	Deal Review: XXX - Splunk	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
31-Aug-2018	Deal Review: Adobe Campaign and Audience Manager	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	14-May-2019	Deal Review: XXX - Splunk - #2	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
11-Sep-2018	Deal Inquiry: IBM Audit	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	15-May-2019	Deal Inquiry: -Integrated Research	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
27-Sep-2018	Deal Review: RackSpace Benchmark - A2	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	15-May-2019	Deal Review: VXRail OBC - A1	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
05-Oct-2018	Deal Review: BlackDuck - Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	20-May-2019	Deal Review: Docusign Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
23-Oct-2018	Deal Review: DataRobot for Hadoop - Benchmark	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	23-May-2019	Deal Review: XXX Microsoft LSP RFI/RFP	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
09-Nov-2018	Deal Review: -NetApp-IDC Benchmarking - A2	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	27-Jun-2019	Deal Inquiry: Added Information - Webex Only quote	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
19-Nov-2018	Deal Review: Box.com	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	27-Jun-2019	Deal Review - addtional review IDC-DocuSign -	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review
12-Dec-2018	Deal Inquiry: -Informatica-Rule Point pricing -	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review	10-Jul-2019	Deal Review: WebEx	Completed	Benchmarks	Deal Review

