

# European Digital Sovereignty

IDC has predicted that the idea of digital sovereignty will gain greater traction in Europe in the coming years. 2022 has already seen new product developments and heightened interest from all the major global cloud vendors as well as key local players. IDC's *European Digital Sovereignty* will track and analyze sovereignty drivers and developments in terms of vendor offerings and interest from vertical industry sectors in specific European markets.

## Markets and Subjects Analyzed

- Security, governance, trust, compliance
- Data legislation
- Sovereign cloud — what it requires, what the challenges are and how to overcome them, how it fits into a multicloud strategy, benefits
- Developments in digital sovereignty initiatives and programs across EU and individual European markets
- Vendor offerings from global and local players
- Industry clouds and sovereignty requirements across vertical market sectors
- Monitoring Gaia-X and other similar initiatives

## Core Research

- Sovereign Clouds and the Digital Sovereignty Imperative: Europe's Quest for Digital Independence
- How the Russia-Ukraine War Is Impacting the European Cloud Market and Changing the Digital Sovereignty Paradigm
- Oracle Plants Big Sovereignty Flag in EU with Launch of Oracle Sovereign Cloud
- IDC FutureScape: Worldwide Cloud 2022 Predictions — European Implications

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## Key Questions Answered

1. What is digital sovereignty and why is it relevant for cloud strategies in Europe?
2. What's driving the current and future need for sovereignty in Europe?
3. Trends and market size
4. What solutions are needed to implement a sovereign strategy?
5. Sovereign challenges — what should providers and users look out for and how can pitfalls be avoided?
6. What are the benefits and risks adopting of sovereign solutions?

## Companies Analyzed

This service reviews the strategies, market positioning, and future direction of several providers in the European digital sovereignty market, including:

AWS, Google, Microsoft, VMWare