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SkillSoft Named a Visionary in Leading Analyst Firm's Corporate Learning Systems Magic Quadrant

New SkillPort Release Advances Corporate Learning - Delivers Blended Learning Assets with Improved Usability, Reporting Functions

NASHUA, N.H.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- SkillSoft, a leading SaaS provider of [e-learning](#) and performance support solutions for global enterprises, government, education and small to medium-sized businesses, today announced it has been positioned in the "Visionaries" quadrant in the Gartner Inc. Magic Quadrant for Corporate Learning Systems.* According to the report, "organizational needs have also evolved to emphasize improving business performance, boosting workers' performance and increasing operational efficiency." SkillSoft is helping to address this need with the latest version of its learning management system (LMS), [SkillPort\(R\) 7.1](#) that blends learning assets, such as interactive case studies, gaming, simulations and full-motion video, with online courses in an easy to search portal to connect on-the-go workers with dynamic learning content.

Several corporate learning systems were evaluated by the report. Gartner positioned SkillSoft in the Visionaries quadrant based on "ability to execute" and "completeness of vision."

"We believe that Gartner's Magic Quadrant for Corporate Learning Systems confirms our position in the learning management and online learning content markets, and highlights our innovative approach to addressing today's corporate learning management challenges," said Lee Ritze, SkillSoft Sr. Vice President, Marketing "SkillSoft's customers are among the most advanced practitioners of corporate learning. Their input, which includes feedback from over 2,000 learning organizations, is critical to the ongoing enhancement and refinement of the SkillPort roadmap. With newly released and upcoming enhancements planned this year, we're confident that our customers and the industry at large will see continued innovation and tangible benefits from the expanded functionality of SkillPort."

A key advantage of SkillPort is its cloud based, turnkey implementation and streamlined management. Designed as an easy-to-use SaaS LMS for both administrators and learners, SkillPort is distinguished in the industry by its platform efficiency, intuitive user interface, rich library of multimodal content and ability to deliver an excellent learner experience. SkillPort also provides customization tools with SkillStudio and Dialogue Design that enable customers to adapt courses in a full range of off-the-shelf SkillSoft e-learning courseware.

In SkillSoft's latest software release, SkillPort 7.1, new improvements have been made to further advance the usability and reporting features of the platform. Deep linking to SkillPort assets provides learners easier access to locate resources and more ways to share engaging content. Users and administrators also benefit from enhanced notifications and

reminders on pending tasks, while new reporting features allow organizations to better assess and track ongoing progress with new customizable reporting templates.

SkillSoft continues to invest aggressively in SkillPort, targeting areas to assist SkillPort's 2000+ customers to drive learning deeper into their organizations. During the second quarter, SkillPort 7.2 will release with SkillSoft's [inGenius](#) social learning layer allowing enterprise customers to securely empower their employees to find, create and share knowledge assets and expertise with their colleagues leveraging the extensive and trusted SkillSoft library of learning assets. Further capabilities targeted for the next 12 to 18 months include expanded support for [mobile learning](#), instructor-led and blended training, compliance management and continued advancements to ease-of-use and learner engagement.

*Gartner, Inc., Magic Quadrant for Corporate Learning Systems, Jeff Freyermuth et al, March 24, 2011.

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