

Powering the Future of AI

Dare to orchestrate data, agents, and roles

As organizations respond to today's dynamic environment, many are wrestling with the same dilemma. How much should they centralize for control, and how much should they decentralize for speed and innovation? **It's the classic "governance vs self-service" debate, revisited. Unsurprisingly, AI adoption is playing out along the same fault lines today.**

The DARE Intelligence Grid



DATA



AGENTS



ROLES



EXECUTION

To power progress and close the AI value gap, we need a functional approach that blends **integrity** at the core, **interoperability** throughout, and **innovation** at the edge. That approach, based on twelve 2026 trends, is underpinned by a grid for orchestrating **Data, Agents, Roles, and Execution.**



Innovative edge

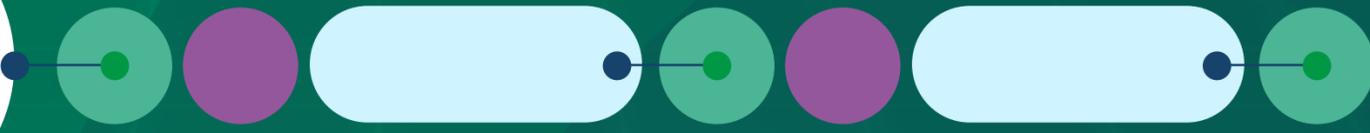


Interoperable grid



Integral core

DATA



Data must flow with governance and flexibility.

It lives everywhere — like datasets and language models — and moves across every system, device, and network.

TREND 01



Integral core

Vendor Consolidation into “Everything Stores”

TREND 02



Interoperable grid

Semantics Everywhere

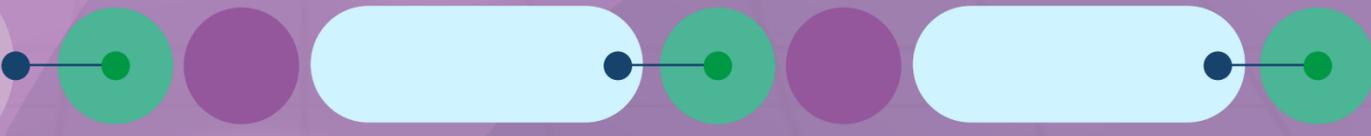
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Innovative edge

Caching Layer Comeback

AGENTS



Agents are becoming autonomous and contextual.

Governed analytics applications can serve as the trusted interface between humans and AI. The real opportunity lies in combining probabilistic and deterministic approaches — compound AI — for creativity and precision.

TREND 04



Integral core

BI for AI = CI

TREND 05



Interoperable grid

Compound and Multi-Modal AI

TREND 06



Innovative edge

Sentient, Perceptive Task Agents

ROLES



Roles Are Being Redefined

Expect responsibilities to shift as humans, agents, and organizations share decision authority and adhere to regulations. Every employee will become their own digital CEO, managing personal agent swarms.

TREND 07



Integral core

Data Sovereignty Evolves

TREND 08



Interoperable grid

Protocols over Platforms

TREND 09



Innovative edge

New Human-AI Roles

EXECUTION



Execution Determines Enterprise Value

When Data, Agents, and Roles interconnect through interoperable control planes and trusted data products, organizations can scale beyond pilots into continuous value creation.

TREND 10



Integral core

From Lakehouse Optimization to xOps Control Plane

TREND 11



Interoperable grid

From Trusted Data Products to Service-as-Software

TREND 12



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Vibe/Low/No Code

Dare to be different!

Every modern enterprise is looking for three things:

Integrity,
through trust
in its data.

Interoperability,
through adapting
to disbursed
systems.

Innovation,
that is
contextualized
for its edge.

Qlik is your partner to deliver exactly that: trust, adaptability, and context. Together, let's turn disconnected AI sparks into an orchestrated system of intelligence.

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