

### **IDC** MarketScape

# IDC MarketScape: Worldwide Corporate Loan Lifecycle Management 2025 Vendor Assessment

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#### FIGURE 1

# IDC MarketScape: Worldwide Loan Lifecycle Management 2025 Vendor Assessment



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Please see the Appendix for detailed methodology, market definition, and scoring criteria.

#### **IDC OPINION**

The IDC MarketScape: Worldwide Corporate Loan Lifecycle Management 2025 Vendor Assessment evaluates key players offering corporate loan lifecycle management solutions. The vendors under assessment include AurionPro, Finastra, FIS, Infosys Finacle, Intellect Design, Lama AI, Moody's, Newgen, Oracle, SAP Fioneer, and Tietoevry.

For each vendor, the capabilities and the strategies were analyzed, looking at the individual vendor's strengths and challenges and how these align with different financial institutions' needs. The report advises technology buyers to select a vendor based on their unique requirements, considering factors such as business models, geographic presence, solution deployment options, scalability, integration capabilities, need for syndicated lending functionalities, and depth of AI adoption.

The report underscores the evolving landscape of corporate loan lifecycle management systems and the critical role of technology in driving operational efficiency and strategic growth. It highlights the importance of modern architecture, and smooth integration with other systems, such as payment systems, and whether they are part of the vendor solution portfolio or belong to third-party providers.

Each vendor included in this IDC MarketScape offers a valuable loan lifecycle management solution. IDC would not hesitate to recommend any of them in the individual evaluation process for any specific financial institution requirements. The vendors in this document have sometimes built their platforms with different design goals and target segments and services often vary in terms of geographic coverage. Although the vendors in this study compete, under certain circumstances the vendors can collaborate, and their services can also complement each other's.

Key findings of this research include some main differentiators across the offerings, namely borrower portals, interactive communication, dashboards and alerts, collateral management, limit management, syndicated lending capabilities, modern system architectures, cloud deployment options, integration with other systems, and Al and GenAl adoption. The relevancy of these differentiators for the financial institutions varying according to the different needs of their customer base. Namely:

• Syndicated Lending: Capabilities vary across vendors, with some of them offering native integration for complex arrangements and providing full coverage of features and monitoring for every lender role. Industry leaders should consider vendors with comprehensive syndicated lending functionalities, including automated workflows, covenant monitoring, and real-time reporting. For institutions targeting growth in syndicated lending, solutions with native integration capabilities and advanced risk management tools are key for operational efficiency and straight-through processing of syndication revenues.

- Limit Management: For financial institutions that offer their services to large corporates, having the possibility to offer hierarchical and structured limit management is an advantage, since it simplifies customers' control over their complex business operations and reduces back-to-back the loss risk in compliance with lenders' and borrowers' internal policies and risk appetite.
- Collateral Management: Several vendors offer collateral management, and some have applied innovative technologies to be able to undertake dynamic asset valuation, predictive analytics, and sensitivity analysis. In a fast moving, global, and interconnected ecosystem, having the capabilities to continuously evaluate the value of the collateral and the risks for depreciation arising from external, environmental or macroeconomic factors, can become a competitive advantage, as it helps to minimize credit risk and ensure long-term health and profitability of the lending portfolio.
- Borrower Portal and Omnichannel Communication: The availability of an online portal for borrowers to monitor the lifecycle of their lending activities, disbursement, due payments, and interest and charges, along with the some self-services features and inquiries, is a key differentiator among the vendors' solutions. Even beyond loan applications and onboarding activities addressed in the loan origination, enhancing transparency, streamlining communication, and providing real-time visibility enhances the borrower's experience and leads to higher customer satisfaction.
- Integration Capabilities with Wide Product Portfolio: Financial entities that are willing to modernize their systems at a larger scale might prefer a vendor that is able to offer a full product portfolio, supporting all the loan servicing activities, and which is able to integrate them with solutions such as payment systems, reconciliation, cash and liquidity management, virtual account management, and more. Looking for a technological partner that can connect the dots through the back-office activities can be relevant to financial institutions that are planning large transformative programs.
- Availability of Cloud Deployments: Cloud is now a largely accepted technology, and the question for financial institutions has shifted from whether the cloud is acceptable to which kind of cloud is line with the organization's policy. The availability of multiple cloud deployment options can be a great advantage for making a solution able to comply with the banks' internal policy and with regulatory requirements. Cloud deployment flexibility ensures compliance with organizational policies and regulatory requirements as they apply across different jurisdictions.
- Al and GenAl Adoption: Most vendors adopt Al-powered processes, especially in relation to Intelligent Document Processing, to create more efficient automated data extraction from multiple documents and financial statements, to calculate relevant ratios and historical data analysis to support credit worthiness evaluation. Many vendors provide machine learning (ML) models that support predictive analytics and sensitivity analysis. Some

vendors moved ahead in the adoption of generative AI (GenAI) and have introduced GenAI-powered credit decisioning assistants. During the loan lifecycle management, two kinds of GenAI implementations are especially valuable: those that address operational efficiency, generating smart and intelligent reminders to both the banks' users and the borrowers as needed, and the ones addressing risk management. Thanks to GenAI, it is possible to analyze borrower-related information and ecosystem evolutions, combining those and unveiling potential risks to be addressed. GenAI is also deployed in advanced early warning systems detecting and analyzing changes that could impact the borrower's ability to repay the loan, due to external macroeconomic changes, political turmoil or natural disasters. While the loan origination solutions look at a risk profile, the loan life cycle management solutions must be able to track the evolution over time of all the conditions. Subjective, objective, and macroeconomic changes must be monitored dynamically along the lifecycle of the loan from origination until its closure.

#### **IDC MARKETSCAPE VENDOR INCLUSION CRITERIA**

The inclusion criteria used in this IDC MarketScape are listed below.

- The vendor must sell the loan lifecycle management solution to financial institutions, which in turn offer the solution or services to their corporate customers.
- The vendor must have at least \$3 million in revenues in 2023.
- The vendor must have at least one live implementation, in production, of its current version of the loan lifecycle management solution under evaluation.
- The loan lifecycle management solution can be purchased separately and is available off-the-shelf.
- The loan lifecycle management solution is cloud-ready or cloud-native.

#### **ADVICE FOR TECHNOLOGY BUYERS**

This IDC MarketScape serves as a valuable resource for financial institutions seeking to modernize their loan lifecycle management processes, offering insights into vendor capabilities and strategies to support informed decision-making. Financial institutions can leverage this IDC MarketScape for vendor selection for RFI/RFP purposes, to help develop a short list of vendors from whom they can gather additional information about their products or services. Technology buyers may use this study to evaluate a vendor's proposal and to identify the most relevant features for a Loan Lifecycle Management Solution that fits their specific needs:

 Decision-makers should assess vendors based on their geographic presence, business models, regional support, and ability to cater to specific regulatory requirements. Institutions operating across multiple regions should consider

- solutions with robust multi-currency, multi-language, and cross-border capabilities to ensure seamless operations and compliance.
- Financial institutions must gain a clear understanding of the vendors' business models and their portfolio coverage. Some vendors may focus on the most basic capabilities, while others offer a broader range of functionalities, including end-to-end processes for syndicated lending life-cycle management.
- Technology buyers should evaluate deployment options, including on-premises, private cloud, public cloud, and software-as-a-service (SaaS) models, ensuring alignment with organizational IT governance policies and security requirements. Solutions tested across major cloud environments offer flexibility and scalability for diverse infrastructure needs. Having multiple cloud deployment options can be a great advantage ensuring that the deployment is line with the organization policy. Having a Loan Lifecycle Management solution already tested with the different cloud environments like AWS, MS Azure, Google GCP, Oracle Cloud, Alibaba or any private cloud is an advantage, and each bank shall understand which infrastructure constraints, if any, are applicable to its organization.
- Financial institutions should decide if they want to prioritize vendors offering Al-powered loan lifecycle management solutions with capabilities such as predictive analytics, and GenAl-driven credit evaluation monitoring over time.
- Banks should consider their lending business and clarify how relevant their need for syndicated lending management is, both in terms of present business and possible future business growth in their corporate lending domain.
- Investigate the reputation and track record of the vendors in the industry. Seeking feedback from current customers to assess the quality of their support and responsiveness to issues and evaluate their ability to support your institutions with ecosystem and partners collaborations.
- Beware of Al and GenAl adoption in the solution, ensure this is in line with your responsible Al framework and verify that the process and workflows are flexible to evolve with your company Al/GenAl posture. Ask for actual capabilities and investigate roadmaps and planned evolutions.

#### **VENDOR SUMMARY PROFILES**

This section briefly explains IDC's key observations resulting in a vendor's position in the IDC MarketScape. While each vendor is evaluated against each criterion outlined in the Appendix, the description here provides a summary of each vendor's capabilities and strengths.

#### **Finastra**

Finastra is positioned in the **Leaders** category in this 2025 IDC MarketScape: Worldwide Corporate Lifecycle Management 2025 Vendor Assessment.

Headquartered in London, U.K., Finastra provides its services across the globe, with a strong focus on North America and Europe. Finastra was created in 2017 through the merger of Misys and D+H and has a long track record in the financial industry.

The solution under evaluation is Finastra Loan IQ. The Finastra Loan IQ loan servicing system is fully integrated with the Finastra Loan Portal, an online borrower interface to view loan exposure, commitment outstanding and available to draw balances.

Finastra Loan Portal offers the borrowers several real-time self-service features, such as the ability to initiate some loan transactions, such as loan drawdown, payments of loan interest and fee, as well as gaining visibility on the loan status, querying bills, past due balances, and future scheduled transactions and repricing. To improve efficiency and lower operational costs, Finastra has streamlined the workflows and provides out-of-the-box integration services. The borrower portal is part of the Corporate Channels solution, which allows corporates to have visibility across all their lines of business, leveraging the same dashboards, document management, and user experience, leading to enhanced customer satisfaction, reduced operational costs, and faster transaction processing.

Syndicated Lending: Loan IQ offers a wide range of functionalities supporting the syndicated lending services, addressing all the needs, from administrative agent to participants in the syndication ones. Loan IQ enables users to enforce all credit agreements rules and to completely automate the agency's role, while providing consolidated cashflows and real-time reporting. Loan IQ supports also all loan-trading activities, both for banks acting as market makers and for all deals on the secondary market.

Loan IQ offers a state-of-the-art limits management function, ranging facility commitment limits, borrower limits, currency limits, loan type limits, and comprehensive multi-sub-limits options.

Collateral Management: with Loan IQ, the lender can maintain collateral account and holdings information. Collateral may include securities, commodities, real estate or cash. Loan IQ supports multiple linkages of collateral to deals, facilities, loans or standby letters of credit (SBLCs). More than one collateral account may be used to collateralize a deal. The recording and upkeep of collateral accounts is managed through the Collateral Notebook in Loan IQ, which allows the user to create new types and sub-types of collateral and to revalue collateral as required. Collateral may also be assigned directly to the deal instead of to the customer. Collateral evaluation can be done either online, for a non-commonly priced collateral or via a market-feed pricing for commonly priced collateral types, such as common stock, and treasuries.

LoanIQ supports multicurrency loans, flexible loan repayment schedules, complex pricing capture, and interest and fees accruals, along with automated billing and collections, and several other features geared toward smooth processing of all deals, even the more complex syndicated ones. Loan IQ provides banks with flexible options to disburse funds to borrowers across several payment methods, and integration with the main payment rails is available off-the-shelf.

Finastra offers also the possibility to manage all the lending documents with its LaserPro solution, which is now available in the cloud, built on MS Azure technology. LaserPro can be leveraged to create regulatory and policy compliant document creation capabilities.

Finastra has launched a Loan IQ Simplified Servicing solution to service small and medium-sized business (SMB) loans within Loan IQ, which now can support all kinds of loans, from simple bilateral ones to highly complex syndicated lending for large corporates, enabling financial institutions to have a consolidated view on their entire lending portfolio. Loan IQ Simplified Servicing provides a modern UI, with simplified workflows and enhanced automation to address SMBs' needs and bilateral lending.

From a technological perspective, Finastra has adopted a modern architectural design. LoanIQ is built with a microservice-based modular architecture that enables institutions to customize and scale the system in terms of functionalities and volume, with containerization technologies. Microservices communicate with each other using lightweight protocols such as REST and messaging queues like Kafka, and their modular nature allows Finastra to swiftly evolve with faster development and deployment cycles. Loan IQ has undergone significant modernizations to support cloud deployment, thus Loan IQ platform now supports deployment across public, private, and hybrid cloud environments.

# Strengths

With its comprehensive set of features to streamline the management of all kinds of lending arrangements, LoanIQ enhances operational efficiency, reduces loan servicing times, and supports growth of the lending business.

Syndicated lending is addressed under multiple perspectives and LoanIQ offers an extensive set of value-added features.

### **Challenges**

Al and GenAl adoption in corporate lending is providing enhanced efficiency. However, Finastra has not clearly communicated its strategy to foster the loan lifecycle management processes using Al and GenAl.

Finastra has provided loan solutions for over a decade, offering comprehensive solutions for bilateral and multilateral syndicated loans. To preserve its positioning,

Finastra plans to embrace innovative technologies further and ensure that its customer base is aware of the evolution roadmap.

#### **Consider Finastra When**

If you are active in syndicated lending, you should investigate Finastra's value proposition in more detail.

If you are an SMB lender looking to expand into complex lending or a lender with a diverse loan portfolio looking to consolidate your lending business on one platform.

If you operate across multiple regions, it is worth investigating Finastra's ability to support your global operations.

#### **APPENDIX**

# Reading an IDC MarketScape Graph

For the purposes of this analysis, IDC divided potential key measures for success into two primary categories: capabilities and strategies.

Positioning on the y-axis reflects the vendor's current capabilities and menu of services and how well aligned the vendor is to customer needs. The capabilities category focuses on the capabilities of the company and product today, here and now. Under this category, IDC analysts will look at how well a vendor builds/delivering capability that enable it to execute its chosen strategy in the market.

Positioning on the x-axis or strategies axis indicates how well the vendor's future strategy aligns with what customers will require in three to five years. The strategies category focuses on high-level decisions and underlying assumptions about offerings, customer segments, and business and go-to-market plans for the next three to five years.

The size of the individual vendor markers in the IDC MarketScape represent the market share of each individual vendor within the specific market segment being assessed.

# **IDC MarketScape Methodology**

IDC MarketScape criteria selection, weightings, and vendor scores represent well-researched IDC judgment about the market and specific vendors. IDC analysts tailor the range of standard characteristics by which vendors are measured through structured discussions, surveys, and interviews with market leaders, participants and end users. Market weightings are based on user interviews, buyer surveys and the input of IDC experts in each market. IDC analysts base individual vendor scores, and ultimately vendor positions on the IDC MarketScape, on detailed surveys and

interviews with the vendors, publicly available information and end-user experiences in an effort to provide an accurate and consistent assessment of each vendor's characteristics, behavior and capability.

#### **Market Definition**

A Loan Lifecycle Management (LLM) solution is software designed to streamline and automate the entire loan servicing process. The solutions are geared to streamline and automate the processes that further to the loan approval and disbursement take care of all activities, over time, until the closure of the lending, the final repayment and the release of the collateral.

It centralizes and integrates various functionalities and supports swift communication between the different users within the lender organization and the borrowing customers.

Core functions in Loan Lifecycle Management solutions are:

- Integration with Loan Origination Solution
- Documents gathering and data extraction over time
- AML, adverse media coverage and ongoing creditworthiness monitoring
- Workflow Management
- Covenant and Collateral monitoring
- Syndication management (when applicable)
- Disbursements, payments and collections over time
- Predictive analytics and Early Warnings
- Integration with other internal and external systems
- Compliance Monitoring
  Continuous risk and Key Risk Indicators KRI monitoring
- Reporting and Audit

In this IDC MarketScape, we have assessed vendors that offer their loan lifecycle management solutions to banks, which in turn offer their services to corporations.

#### **LEARN MORE**

#### **Related Research**

- IDC MarketScape: Worldwide Corporate Loan Origination Systems 2025 Vendor Assessment (IDC #US52035124, July 2025)
- IDC Survey: AI and GenAl Adoption in Corporate Banking: From Experimentation to Industry Transformation (IDC #US52805325, March 2025)
- IDC Survey: Corporate Banking Industry Outlook: Unveiling Business Priorities for 2025 (IDC #EUR153174625, February 2025)

- A Playbook for Responsible AI Implementation (IDC #EUR152750424, October 2024)
- IDC FutureScape: Worldwide Corporate Banking 2025 Predictions (IDC #US51442424, October 2024)
- *IDC MarketScape: Worldwide Cash Management Systems 2024 Vendor Assessment* (IDC #US49434723, September 2024)
- IDC Perspective: Why Are Many Bank Lenders Not Using AI? (IDC #US52393624, July 2024)

# **Synopsis**

The IDC MarketScape: Worldwide Corporate Loan Lifecycle Management 2025 Vendor Assessment evaluates leading vendors offering corporate loan lifecycle management solutions, emphasizing AI, cloud-native architectures, and integration capabilities. It highlights key players and assesses their strengths, challenges, and suitability for financial institutions. The report underscores the importance of technology in enhancing efficiency, continuous credit monitoring, and customer experience. The report advises financial institutions to align vendor selection with their strategic goals, geographic presence, and specific business needs.

"Al-driven loan lifecycle management is revolutionizing corporate lending, enhancing efficiency, risk mitigation, and customer experience. It is reshaping the future of financial institutions globally, and supporting the shift towards continuous monitoring of borrower creditworthiness and macroeconomic evolution." — Research Director Maria Adele Di Comite, IDC Financial Insights

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