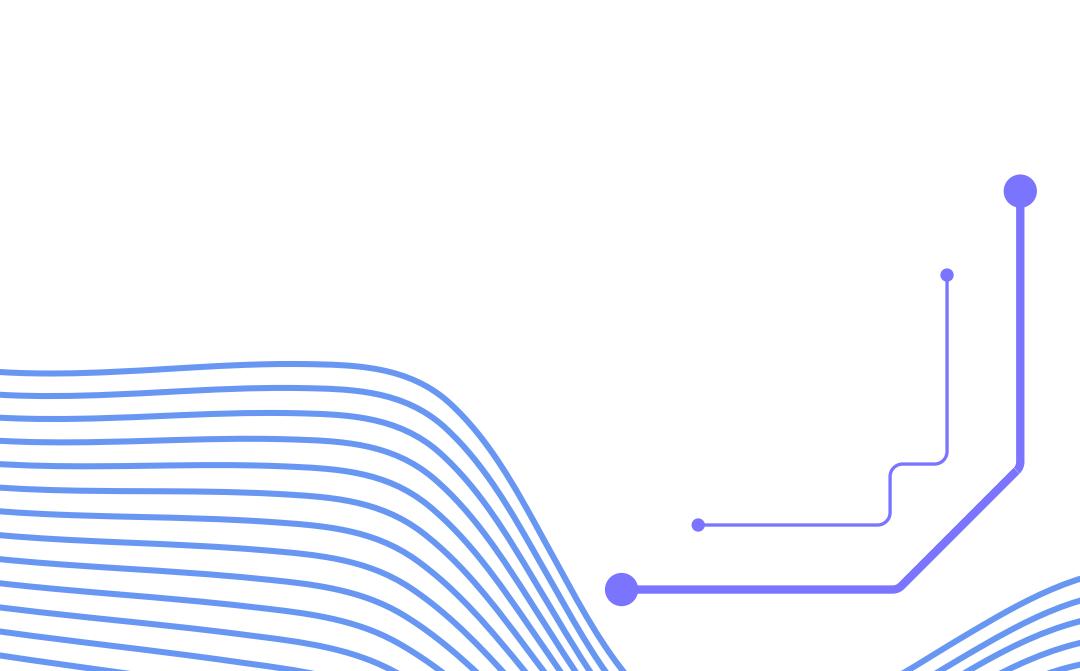


Addressing Enterprise Al Adoption Challenges:

A Technology Industry Perspective





The Battle to Stay Ahead in a Rapidly Changing World

The technology industry, like many, is undergoing a huge shake up in the face of advancements in artificial intelligence (AI), big data, and automation. Although these advancements present huge opportunity for the technology industry, they also represent significant risks, threatening competitiveness and potentially survival as competition for share of wallet intensifies.

The industry is still grappling with a paradoxical situation: despite notable layoffs and restructuring across many of the major technology firms since 2023, there remains a substantial skills gap, particularly in specialised areas such as security, data science and governance. Organisations are vying for a limited pool of professionals with advanced technical skills, driving up recruitment costs and salaries.

"By 2026, more than 90% of organisations worldwide will experience an IT skills shortage, potentially resulting in \$5.5 trillion in losses."

(<u>IDC</u>)

Competition is intensifying in areas beyond just talent. As spending power continues to impact much of the Western world, the knock-on effect is felt through the industry. Whilst global IT spending is forecasted to grow 9.8% in 2025 (<u>Gartner</u>), new technology firms continue to emerge and the large established players continue to innovate, increasing the number of competitors fighting for the same budget.

Obtaining funding has also seen a significant shift. The raise-rinse-repeat cycle is gone (INC) and investors are more cautious with their money. This, coupled with consolidation in the VC industry is making it more challenging for smaller or emerging tech startups to secure funding. The decline in the number of funds raised highlights the increased competition among startups for a limited pool of capital with funding more selectively distributed to perceived lower risk investments. Bucking the trend here are the AI startups, which in 2024 dominated the U.S. venture capital market, with total capital raised nearly 30% higher year-over-year, amounting to a record \$209 billion. AI companies captured 46.4% of this total, an increase from less than 10% a decade ago <u>Reuters</u>

Commonly Cited Challenges From Industry Leaders:

Talent Acquisition and Workforce Skills Gap
Changing Competitive Landscape
Obtaining the Right Funding
Keeping Pace: The Speed of Innovation
Compliance Risk / Reputational Damage

The increasing flow of capital into AI and AI startups fuels further shift in the competitive landscape. The most immediate risk to technology firms is their competitive advantage—as AI-driven companies optimise workflows, automate repetitive tasks, and enhance decision-making with real-time insights, traditional firms struggle with inefficiencies and response times. Competitors leveraging AI can offer better customer experiences, lower costs, and faster innovation cycles, leaving non-adopters struggling to keep pace.

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Beyond competitive pressure, firms that resist AI adoption can face operational inefficiencies and scalability issues. Without AI-powered automation, businesses rely on human labour, magnifying the pressure created by the current workforce skills gap.

> "Transparency is one of the biggest barriers to AI adoption. Without it, trust in the data, outputs and system itself is impossible."

> > (World Economic Forum)

This pressure to adopt AI though has been accompanied by significant ethical concerns, particularly regarding transparency, accountability, and control over AI-generated outputs. You don't have to search far to find numerous examples of AI blunders, from McDonalds to Air Canada, the effects are far reaching (<u>CIO.com</u>).

Not only does this create compliance challenges (e.g GDPR, CCPA, and ISO 27001) and potential for regulatory fines, but the risk of reputational damage and the impact on brand value could be even greater.

What is clear is that AI adoption will play a leading role in addressing the challenges facing the technology industry today, but firms must approach with caution. Businesses must balance innovation with compliance, ensuring new technologies drive progress without exposing the company to legal or ethical risks.





Chattie: Tackling These Challenges Head-On

Chattie has been purpose-built to address these core industry challenges by focusing on data quality. Whether that is data being prepared for AI consumption, data governance, or the analytics of the data driven by end user interactions, organising your data correctly is the key component to delivering reliable, trustworthy and accurate responses. Below, we highlight key aspects of the Chattie platform and outline why they are important in addressing some of the key challenges facing the industry today.

1. Proven Results

While generative AI (GenAI) holds huge transformative potential, many organisations are struggling to move beyond pilot phases into full-scale production (ISG). In contrast, we have successfully navigated these hurdles with other organisations in the industry, showcasing live, in-production examples with the likes of **Slimstock** and **INCE**.

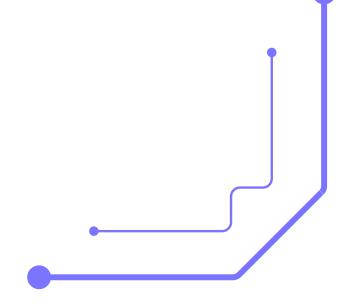
Why It Matters: Many AI projects fail to scale. The gap between ambition and execution is where real value is lost. Failing to scale beyond a pilot results in sunk costs with no tangible business impact or ROI. Your competitors who successfully deploy AI gain operation efficiencies and drive competitive advantage. Everybody wants to see something in action before they take the plunge. Enterprises using Chattie are driving real ROI in production use cases.

2. Trusted Data with Full Control

Chattie ensures only vetted, high-quality data is utilised to produce AI responses. A bespoke reference library of trusted company information is created for every implementation. This, coupled with confidence scoring and verification checks within the platform prevent hallucinations and the spread of misinformation, allowing businesses to maintain accuracy and reliability in every interaction.

Why It Matters: The spread of misinformation can damage brand reputation, erode trust, and present compliance risks. With Chattie, enterprises maintain control over AI-generated responses, ensuring consistency and compliance with brand and industry standards.







3. Explainable AI for Full Transparency

Chattie incorporates Explainable AI (XAI), providing clear insights into how decisions are made. This transparency ensures organisations understand the rationale behind AI-generated responses, linking back to individual references in the reference library. By revealing how AI models process data and produce results, XAI enables early identification and mitigation of potential issues (McKinsey).

Why It Matters: Al's "black box" nature is a major barrier to enetrprise adoption. Businesses struggle to trust AI outputs when they lack visibility into how conclusions are reached. Chattie's XAI feature enables enterprises to audit, refine, and adapt AI interactions, ensuring compliance with brand or regulatory standards.

4. Enterprise Security & Compliance

Chattie is built on SOC2 compliant infrastructure. All user questions and AI responses in the platform are logged, encrypted, and auditable. Data is handled in adherence to GDPR & CCPA standards.

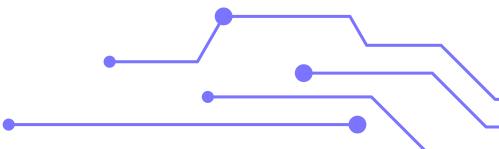
Why It Matters: Data breaches and non-compliance carry heavy financial and reputational risks. Chattie provides businesses with peace of mind, safeguarding sensitive information while ensuring regulatory adherence.



5. Conversational Analytics

Our proprietary conversational analytics is run across all conversations between human and AI to produce unique insights into your business interactions. A bespoke dashboard is created for every client with specific insights targeted based on selected use cases and the KPIs clients want to measure, fostering a focus on business value and a culture of continuous improvement in the platform.

Why It Matters: Access to unique data sets is what drives competitive advantage in modern business. Organisations are constantly looking for that extra edge that makes the difference between winning and losing against their competition. With Chattie, organisations gain a strategic advantage by unearthing unique insights about user needs or behaviours through their interactions with the platform.





6. Multi-Skilled & Adaptable

Chattie is already being deployed across a number of use cases in sales, marketing and support. The platform is adaptable to be able to serve different scenarios and personas based on the conditions we set. The front end of the platform can be deployed internally or externally, on websites or on apps, and the interface can be customised to meet your organisations brand voice and brand image. This makes Chattie highly versatile and adaptable to a variety of needs.

Why It Matters: AI should feel like an extension of your brand and in many cases should be indistinguishable from human interactions. Chattie's adaptability ensures organisations can deploy AI where it delivers the most value, whilst preserving the things that matter most to your brand.

7. Continuous Improvement & AI Optimisation

By logging every conversational interaction between human and AI, and analysing this data in full, not only do we spot non-compliance, but also opportunities for improvement. As every AI response can be tracked back to individual references within the reference library, tweaks can be made quickly and easily, enabling clients to refine responses and address any content gaps.

Why It Matters: This is not a set and forget solution. Just as you would expect a good employee to improve the quality of their work over time, so you should expect the same from AI. Chattie provides a framework to foster continuous improvement and keep up with the pace of change within your business.

"To capture the full potential value of AI, organizations need to build trust. Trust, in fact, is the foundation for adoption of AIpowered products and services.

(McKinsey)

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