



Information Security

# **SPARK Matrix™: In-App Protection, Q2 2025**

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Market Insights, Competitive Evaluation, and Vendor Rankings  
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## Key Findings

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- Zimperium, Verimatrix, and Appdome are leading the In-App Protection market owing to their advanced security expertise, continuous innovation, and integration of AI-driven threat detection. Additionally, they provide deep security integrations, including runtime application self-protection (RASP), zero-trust security models, and fraud detection capabilities, ensuring robust and adaptive mobile application security.
- These leaders' In-App Protection solutions also benefit organizations by automating security implementation, reducing application vulnerability, and improving fraud prevention across mobile and web environments. They are also equipped with AI and behavioral analytics which enable proactive threat detection, minimizing security risks and enhancing user trust. The solutions support in-app encryption, runtime security monitoring, and dynamic risk assessment, making them essential for modern enterprises operating in highly regulated industries such as finance, healthcare, and digital commerce.
- Vendors like Promon and Build38 are enhancing their in-app security products by integrating adaptive app shielding and AI-driven fraud prevention, ensuring applications remain protected even in high-risk environments. Promon's product provides advanced obfuscation, anti-tampering, and app integrity verification to defend against reverse engineering and repackaging attacks. Build38 leverages a hybrid security model combining on-device protection with cloud-based intelligence, enabling real-time monitoring and adaptive security enforcement, making it ideal for mobile banking, identity verification, and payment applications.
- QKS Group's research indicates a growing trend among In-App Protection providers to integrate proprietary runtime security and fraud detection into a unified security framework. This integration enhances interoperability, strengthens mobile application security, and minimizes risk exposure. Therefore, enterprises are advised to prioritize vendors offering tightly integrated RASP, API security, and biometric authentication capabilities.
- The research also highlights the increasing adoption of AI/ML in In-App Protection to detect anomalous user behavior, identify evolving attack patterns, and automate security response mechanisms. These abilities reduce reliance on static security models, minimize exposure to zero-day threats, and enhance fraud detection, ultimately improving security resilience and preventing unauthorized access.

- As mobile and cloud-based applications become more prevalent, the research underscores the need for enterprises to implement comprehensive in-app security strategies. Advanced In-App Protection solutions with integrated runtime security, API monitoring, and behavioral analytics are essential to mitigating evolving cyber threats, such as overlay attacks, credential theft, and session hijacking.
- The increase in mobile-first architectures necessitates In-App Protection solutions that support secure deployments across iOS, Android, and web platforms. Research suggests that vendors collaborating with leading mobile security frameworks offer enhanced application security, regulatory compliance, and protection against advanced threat vectors targeting mobile users.
- No-code and zero-code security integrations are accelerating in-app protection adoption by simplifying deployment and reducing reliance on developer expertise. Solutions like Appdome, Zimperium, and Verimatrix enable organizations to implement security without modifying source code, streamlining go-to-market strategies and real-time security updates. This shift is driving adoption in the FinTech, healthcare, and digital-first enterprises, ensuring faster, more secure applications while enhancing user trust and experience.
- Polymorphic obfuscation and anti-reverse engineering techniques are advancing to counter AI-driven cyber threats. The rise of AI-powered obfuscation engines and self-healing applications is making security adaptive and unpredictable, minimizing the success of automated attacks. For end users, this ensures secure transactions, app integrity, and protection against unauthorized code injections and app tampering.

# Appendix

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## Market Definition & Capabilities

QKS Group defines an "In-App Protection solution as a proactive security approach that embeds advanced security mechanisms directly within the software development lifecycle for mobile or web application to protect against threats such as runtime threats, unauthorized access, reverse engineering, and exploitation." Unlike traditional security measures that rely on network or operating system defenses, the In-App Protection solution operates throughout the application lifecycle while ensuring that the application remains resilient even in untrusted or compromised environments.

The following are the key capabilities provided by an In-app protection solution:

- **Application Hardening:** Application Hardening is a structured security approach that strengthens an application against static threats, such as reverse engineering, decompilation, and repackaging. It achieves this by applying multiple protection techniques that make it difficult for attackers to analyze, modify, or manipulate the application's code. Hardening focuses on securing the app before execution, ensuring that its logic, proprietary algorithms, and sensitive data remain inaccessible to unauthorized entities.
- **Application Shielding:** Application Shielding is a real-time security model designed to protect applications from dynamic threats such as runtime attacks, memory modification, hooking, and debugging. Unlike Hardening, which primarily prevents static analysis, Shielding adds self-defense mechanisms that enable the application to detect and respond to live attacks. By incorporating Runtime Application Self-Protection (RASP), anti-debugging, and anti-hooking techniques, Shielding ensures that apps remain secure even in compromised environments, such as rooted or jailbroken devices.
- **Code Obfuscation:** Code Obfuscation is a technique used to make an application's source code and binary files difficult to analyze, reverse engineer, or modify, without affecting functionality. It achieves this by renaming variables and functions, altering control flow, inserting junk code, and encrypting strings. Obfuscation ensures that even if an attacker gains access to the application's binary, understanding and modifying the code remains a complex and time-consuming process.
- **Code Encryption & Execution Protection:** Code Encryption protects an application's critical logic and intellectual property by converting its source code or compiled binaries into an unreadable encrypted format that requires decryption before execution. It prevents unauthorized access, code theft, and tampering by ensuring that only authenticated and verified instances of the application can run.
- **Runtime Application Self-Protection (RASP):** RASP is an advanced security mechanism that enables an application to detect, monitor, and respond to real-time threats while it is running.

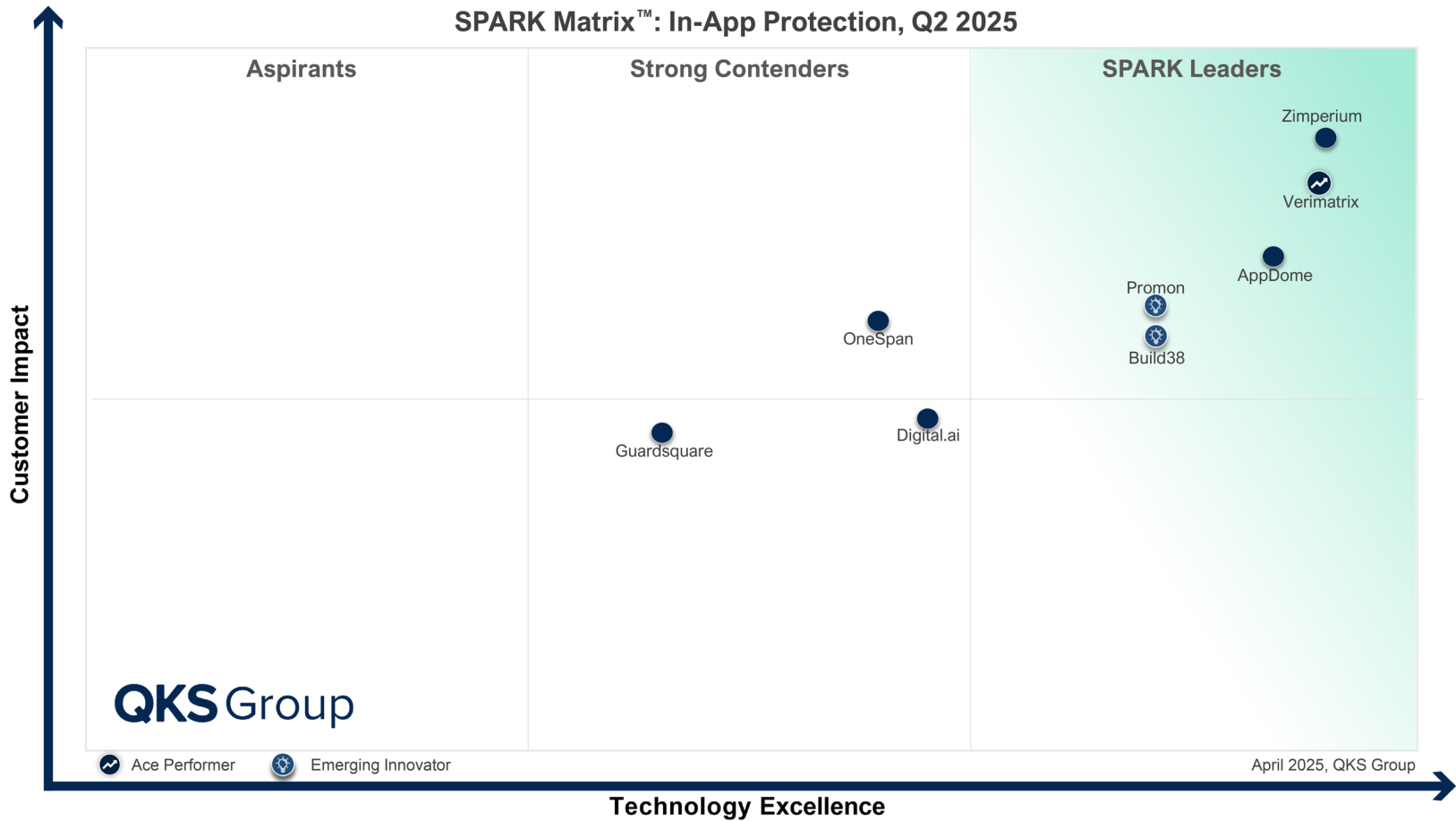
Unlike traditional security solutions that focus on perimeter defenses, RASP is embedded within the application itself, allowing it to protect against code injection, API manipulation, and unauthorized debugging attempts. By continuously analyzing application behavior and environment conditions, RASP helps prevent attacks that attempt to modify execution flow or extract sensitive information at runtime.

- **Anti-Tampering & Code Integrity Protection:** Anti-Tampering mechanisms ensure that an application's code and behavior remain unaltered and authentic by preventing unauthorized modifications, injections, or patching attempts. It works through integrity check, and runtime verification to detect any unauthorized alterations to the application's binary or execution logic. If tampering is detected, the application can respond by blocking execution, triggering alerts, or self-terminating to prevent potential exploitation.
- **Repackaging & Cloning Prevention:** Repackaging & Cloning Prevention protects applications from unauthorized modifications, redistribution, and counterfeit versions that could contain malicious alterations. Attackers often decompile applications, modify their behavior, and distribute them as fraudulent copies. This capability ensures that only the original, unmodified version of an app can run, using signature verification, watermarking, and binary integrity checks to prevent unauthorized duplication and redistribution.
- **Secure Data Protection:** Secure Data Protection ensures that sensitive data within an application is protected from exposure, theft, and tampering whether it is stored locally or transmitted over networks. It utilizes hardware-backed secure storage, memory encryption, data masking, and tokenization to ensure that even if an attacker gains access to the application, they cannot retrieve critical information such as credentials, payment details, or personal user data.
- **Network & API Security:** Network & API Security protects application-to-server communication by preventing man-in-the-middle (MITM) attacks, API abuse, and unauthorized access. By implementing TLS pinning, secure API authentication mechanisms (OAuth, JWT), and session security measures, this capability ensures that sensitive data transmitted between an app and its backend services remains protected from interception, manipulation, and exploitation.
- **Behavioral Analysis & Threat Intelligence:** Behavioral Analysis & Threat Intelligence leverages machine learning and anomaly detection techniques to identify suspicious activity and emerging threats in real time. This capability monitors user behavior, device characteristics, and execution patterns to detect fraudulent activities, such as account takeovers or malware injections. It also integrates with threat intelligence databases to stay updated on new attack patterns, allowing applications to proactively mitigate evolving threats.
- **Cryptographic Key Protection & White-Box Cryptography:** Cryptographic Key Protection ensures that encryption keys used in an application remain secure and inaccessible, even if an attacker has full access to the device's memory and storage. White-Box Cryptography is an advanced technique that hides cryptographic keys within the application code itself, ensuring they are never exposed in plaintext, even during execution.

# SPARK Matrix™: In-App Protection

## Strategic Performance Assessment and Ranking

**Figure: 2025 SPARK Matrix™**  
(Strategic Performance Assessment and Ranking)  
In-App Protection Market



## SPARK Matrix™: Strategic Performance Assessment and Ranking

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QKS Group' SPARK Matrix provides a snapshot of the market positioning of the key market participants. SPARK Matrix provides a visual representation of market participants and provides strategic insights on how each supplier ranks related to their competitors, concerning various performance parameters based on the category of technology excellence and customer impact. QKS's Competitive Landscape Analysis is a useful planning guide for strategic decision-making, such as finding M&A prospects, partnerships, geographical expansion, portfolio expansion, and similar others.

### Evaluation Criteria: Technology Excellence

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- ◆ **Device Sophistication of App Security Functionality:** Comprehensive set of standard and advanced security features such as App Shielding, Cryptographic Key Protection, Data Protection, Mobile App Attestation, Runtime App Self-Protection (RASP), and Threat Intelligence.
- ◆ **Ease of Integration :** Ease of integration with various systems, ensuring compatibility with various OS and platforms.
- ◆ **User Experience :** Key focus on end-user interaction and developing capabilities in terms of building intuitiveness and to understand end-user perspective in terms of ease-of-use.
- ◆ **Compliance & Reporting :** Capabilities that helps meet the regulatory and industry compliance requirements and also which provides detailed reports for audit purposes.
- ◆ **Competitive Differentiation Strategy :** The ability to differentiate from competitors through functional capabilities and/or innovations and/or GTM strategy, customer value proposition, and such others.
- ◆ **Vision & Roadmap :** Key planned enhancements to offer superior products/technology.

## Evaluation Criteria: Customer Impact

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- ◆ **Product Strategy & Performance:** Evaluation of multiple aspects of product strategy and performance in terms of product availability, price to performance ratio, excellence in GTM strategy, and other product-specific parameters.
- ◆ **Market Presence:** The ability to demonstrate revenue, client base, and market growth along with a presence in various geographical regions and industry verticals.
- ◆ **Proven Record:** Evaluation of the existing client base from SMB, mid-market and large enterprise segment, growth rate, and analysis of the customer case studies.
- ◆ **Ease of Deployment & Use:** The ability to provide superior deployment experience to clients supporting flexible deployment or demonstrate superior purchase, implementation, and usage experience. Additionally, vendors' products are analyzed to offer user-friendly UI and ownership experience.
- ◆ **Customer Service Excellence:** The ability to demonstrate vendors capability to provide a range of professional services from consulting, training, and support. Additionally, the company's service partner strategy or system integration capability across geographical regions is also considered.
- ◆ **Unique Value Proposition:** The ability to demonstrate unique differentiators driven by ongoing industry trends, industry convergence, technology innovation, and such others.



## Vendor Profile

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Following are the profiles of the leading In-App Protection solution vendors with a global impact. The following vendor profiles are written based on the information provided by the vendor's executives as part of the research process. The QKS Group research team has also referred to the company's website, whitepapers, blogs, and other sources for writing the profile. A detailed vendor profile and analysis of all the vendors, along with various competitive scenarios, are available as a custom research deliverable to our clients. Users are advised to speak directly to respective vendors for a more comprehensive understanding of their technology capabilities. Users are advised to consult QKS Group before making any purchase decisions regarding in-app protection solution and vendor selection based on research findings included in this research service.

## Appdome

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Appdome's no-code mobile application security and fraud prevention platform enables organizations to seamlessly integrate advanced security features into mobile apps without requiring changes to the app's source code. The platform is designed for developers, DevOps teams, and security professionals, offering security, anti-fraud, and anti-malware protections for Android and iOS applications. The platform leverages machine learning-driven automation to allow security teams to implement Runtime Application Self-Protection (RASP), code obfuscation, anti-tampering, anti-repackaging, encryption, API security, mobile fraud detection, and anti-bot defenses directly within the CI/CD pipeline.

### Strengths

- The Appdome platform provides a comprehensive set of security, anti-fraud, and mobile anti-bot capabilities to ensure protection against both static and dynamic attacks. Its code obfuscation, data encryption, and runtime defense capabilities secure applications from various types of threats, reducing the risk of intellectual property theft, API abuse, and credential compromise. The platform also offers automated jailbreak and root detection that prevents unauthorized access and circumvents security controls by monitoring device integrity at runtime.
- Appdome's no-code implementation simplifies security integration into mobile applications, allowing developers and DevSecOps teams to apply protections directly in the CI/CD pipeline. This automation significantly reduces security deployment, ensuring that there are no security bottlenecks in agile development environments.
- Appdome's ThreatScope mobile XDR platform provides real-time threat intelligence and visibility, allowing security teams to monitor live attacks on Android and iOS apps. This ability enables organizations to identify emerging threats, analyze attack trends, and respond dynamically with pre-configured mitigation actions. Additionally, the platform's Threat-Events framework allows developers to consume attack intelligence within mobile applications and implement custom risk-based response strategies to mitigate ongoing threats.
- The platform supports multi-layered anti-fraud measures, including MobileBot Defense, which uses in-app threat intelligence to detect and mitigate bot-driven credential stuffing, fake accounts, and account takeovers. Additionally, Appdome provides geo-compliance enforcement, preventing threats such as VPN circumvention, fake GPS, and SIM swap fraud to enhance regulatory adherence.

## Challenges

- Some users have reported that the initial setup can be complex, requiring training and documentation for teams to allow them to fully leverage all features. While no-code integration simplifies security deployment, some custom configurations require manual adjustments for advanced security policies.
- Some users have noted performance overhead when enabling multiple security features, requiring fine-tuning for performance-sensitive applications.
- Some users have expressed a need for improved documentation and onboarding resources to enable accelerated adoption and optimization of security configurations.

## Build38

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Build38's next-gen mobile app security platform delivers a comprehensive approach that combines AI-powered app hardening, real-time threat intelligence, fraud prevention, and robust cryptographic security to provide proactive, end-to-end protection. Build38 offers a layered security model through master code protection, low code protection, and no code protection, ensuring flexible implementation across different development environment.

### Strengths

- Build38 provides a comprehensive security framework with three types of integrations that includes master code, low code, and no code protection, which allow organizations to implement security based on their development constraints and security needs. This flexibility enables rapid integration without major code modifications, reducing time to market while ensuring robust protection.
- Build38's active hardening not only secures each application instance through advanced cryptographic key-based individualization but also leverages data analysis to continuously monitor threats and improve the solution remotely. This strengthens the zero-trust approach by enabling real-time adaptation to emerging attack patterns, further enhancing fraud detection and compliance enforcement.
- The Build38 platform offers a threat intelligence portal, REST API, data streaming, and attestation and response that provide real-time threat visibility, allowing security teams to monitor and respond to security threats dynamically. The Build38 platform provides data analysis and AI-driven risk detection, helping organizations proactively mitigate credential theft, bot-driven fraud, and API exploitation.
- Build38's platform integrates Dynamic Security Profiles and Dynamic Certificate Pinning to enhance real-time security adaptability. Over-the-Air (OTA) updates enable security configurations to be modified instantly without requiring app redeployment, ensuring continuous protection against emerging threats while minimizing operational disruptions. The platform's Next-Gen RASP extends beyond conventional runtime protection by incorporating granular security controls, allowing organizations to implement dynamic, risk-based security policies tailored to evolving attack vectors.
- Additionally, the platform's dynamic certificate pinning provides rapid response to certificate-related security events, ensuring seamless, secure updates to pinned certificates without impacting service continuity. This combination

fortifies app security, preventing unauthorized access and mitigating risks associated with certificate compromise and evolving cyber threats.

- Also, its compliance-driven security features align with PCI-MPoC, eIDAS 2, and PSD2 regulations, making it suitable for enterprises requiring high-assurance security measures.

## **Challenges**

- While Build38's advanced technology platform, comprehensive capabilities, and strong customer value proposition position it for growth, sustaining a competitive edge requires continuous innovation and expansion. Despite a strong customer base in EMEA and LATAM, Build38 has an opportunity to strengthen its presence in North America and APAC, where demand for advanced In-App Protection solutions is growing.
- While the company effectively addresses Defend Against API Abuse, Anti-Tampering & Runtime Protection (RASP), Secure Mobile Payments, Stop Modded APKs & Cloned Apps, Anti-Reverse Engineering, Detect & Block Automated Attacks, Build38 can broaden its regional footprint and diversify its use cases to further solidify its market position and drive long-term growth.

## Digital.ai

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- Digital.ai provides multi-layered security for mobile, web, and desktop applications, to provide its users protection from reverse engineering, application tampering, and cyber threats. Its application security solutions offer application hardening, code obfuscation, runtime application self-protection (RASP), and real-time threat intelligence to safeguard applications against attacks. Digital.ai's application security solution seamlessly integrates into CI/CD pipelines to embed security early into the software development lifecycle and ensures that security measures are applied during the build phase, reducing vulnerabilities in production environments and enhancing overall application resilience.

### Strengths

- The platform offers robust monitoring capabilities that provide comprehensive visibility of the application and its environment in real time to provide actionable insights. These insights allow security teams to proactively manage risks and respond swiftly to emerging threats, thereby maintaining a strong overall security posture.
- Digital.ai's RASP features enable applications to detect and respond to threats during execution. It helps user organizations prevent potential breaches and maintain application integrity by providing customized responses, such as enforcing step-up authentication or altering application behavior upon detecting malicious activities.
- The solution includes fully featured white-box cryptography to protect encryption and decryption keys and data, ensuring that sensitive information remains secure in case of application gets compromised.

### Challenges

- Users may face challenges in integrating Digital.ai's security solution into existing DevOps and CI/CD workflows, requiring manual configuration and additional resources for full implementation. Security teams have also reported difficulty in customizing security policies to align with specific application requirements, leading to longer deployment cycles and increased overhead.
- Digital.ai's platform has been reported to lack a streamlined developer experience, making it harder for non-security engineers to address vulnerabilities effectively. This inability results in a higher dependency on security teams, delaying security adoption in agile development environments.

- The intensity of obfuscation and RASP security layers in the application can introduce application performance issues, including higher CPU usage and slower execution speeds. Users working with performance-sensitive applications, such as gaming and real-time financial services, may face latency concerns.

## Guardsquare

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Guardsquare's product portfolio includes DexGuard, iXGuard, AppSweep, and ThreatCast. These products offer advanced code hardening, runtime self-protection, mobile app security testing, and real-time threat intelligence to protect applications from various cyber threats. The company's mobile application security solutions for Android and iOS applications provide a multi-layered defense against both static and dynamic attacks through comprehensive security tools and best practices.

### Strengths

- Guardsquare's DexGuard and iXGuard offer advanced code obfuscation, runtime application self-protection (RASP), and data encryption capabilities. These capabilities allow organizations to protect intellectual property, prevent unauthorized code modifications, and mitigate reverse engineering attacks. These capabilities protect sensitive application logic, securing financial transactions, user credentials, and proprietary business logic from exploitation.
- The RASP features embedded in DexGuard and iXGuard, such as anti-debugging, root and jailbreak detection, emulator detection, and tampering protection provide real-time protection that prevents any modification or exploitation of the application during runtime.
- ThreatCast provides real-time threat monitoring and intelligence, which provides security teams visibility into live attacks and helps them adapt their defenses based on evolving threats. This results in proactive risk management, improved security posture, and the ability to detect and respond to threats before they escalate.
- AppSweep, a free security testing tool, identifies vulnerabilities early in the development cycle. Its actionable security recommendations and smooth integration into CI/CD pipelines allow developers to optimize security without disrupting workflows, ultimately reducing development costs and enhancing security at scale.
- Guardsquare also maintains ProGuard, an open source shrinker for Java and Android applications, further supporting developers in optimizing and securing their applications.

### Challenges

- Users have reported that integrating Guardsquare's solutions into existing development workflows can be complex, requiring significant effort and time to achieve seamless integration.



This complexity can lead to delays in deployment and increased resource allocation for implementation.

- Some users have reported that certain mechanisms can introduce latency or increased resource consumption in mobile applications. This performance overhead may affect user experience, particularly in resource-intensive applications.
- The solutions' premium pricing has been identified as a barrier for small to medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and startups, limiting accessibility for organizations with constrained budgets. This pricing structure may deter potential customers seeking cost-effective security solutions.
- Guardsquare's solutions have been noted to lack certain advanced features, such as more granular control over security configurations and deeper analytics capabilities. This limitation may influence users seeking comprehensive security solutions with extensive customization options.

# OneSpan

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OneSpan's Mobile Application Shielding solution provides end-to-end security for mobile applications, preventing reverse engineering, unauthorized tampering, malware attacks, and unauthorized API access. It integrates advanced runtime application self-protection (RASP), code obfuscation, device integrity verification, secure storage, and cryptographic protection to enable secure mobile transactions and protect sensitive user data. OneSpan's key clients include highly regulated industries, such as banking, financial services, healthcare, and government, where compliance with PSD2, GDPR, and other regulatory frameworks is critical.

## Strengths

- OneSpan's mobile application shielding hardens mobile apps against both static and dynamic threats by integrating advanced obfuscation techniques, tamper detection, and real-time runtime monitoring capabilities. It detects and blocks reverse engineering attempts, debugger injections, and emulator-based attacks to prevent attackers to extract sensitive data or exploit business logic vulnerabilities.
- The solution provides comprehensive device integrity checks to identify rooted or jailbroken devices, unauthorized system modifications, and untrusted execution environments. These features help enterprises enforce strict security policies by blocking or restricting access from compromised devices, preventing account takeovers and fraud.
- OneSpan supports white-box cryptography, ensuring that encryption keys are securely stored and never exposed in memory, even if an attacker gains access to the mobile application's runtime environment. This ability prevents man-in-the-middle (MitM) attacks and threats like cryptographic key extraction and unauthorized data decryption.
- The solution provides zero-code and low-code integration options. These abilities simplify the implementation process, making it easier for organizations to adopt the solution without extensively redesigning their existing applications. Additionally, OneSpan's mobile security suite includes multi-factor authentication (MFA), biometrics-based authentication, behavioral analytics, and risk-based fraud detection.

## Challenges

- Some users have raised concerns about customer support and documentation, stating that technical guidance could be improved. While OneSpan offers technical support services, resolving complex deployment or troubleshooting issues may take longer than expected, especially for businesses with custom security requirements.
- Some businesses find that implementing OneSpan's full security capabilities demands more effort compared to lighter security solutions, impacting the speed of deployment.

## Promon

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Promon specializes in in-app protection for mobile applications, providing advanced application shielding, runtime security, API protection, and secure data handling. The Promon SHIELD platform delivers multi-layered security for Android and iOS applications to prevent reverse engineering, financial fraud, credential theft, and malware injections. The platform's runtime application self-protection (RASP) features detect and mitigate security threats dynamically and ensure that applications remain secure even in hostile environments. The platform also ensures that sensitive app logic remains secure by implementing code obfuscation, binary encryption, and runtime protection mechanisms.

### Strengths

- The Promon IP Protection Pro module fortifies native binary code with section encryption, integrity checks, control flow abstraction, and debug stripping, significantly enhancing app resilience against reverse engineering and unauthorized modifications in the application.
- The Promon App Attestation solution enhances API security by verifying the integrity of applications before allowing them to access APIs. This ability ensures that only trusted applications can communicate with backend systems, reducing the risk of API abuse, credential stuffing, and unauthorized data access.
- Promon's Asset Protection technology encrypts sensitive data, including API keys, digital certificates, and user credentials, even when applications run on compromised or rooted devices. By implementing secure local storage and cryptographic protection, this feature prevents attackers from extracting critical assets from mobile applications. Also, the Promon SDK Protection module secures third-party SDKs by integrating Promon's security framework to protect software components from exploitation, even when deployed within unprotected or compromised applications.
- Promon offers post-compile integration approach eliminates the need for source code modifications. This ability allows user organizations to deploy security protections without extensive code changes.
- The Promon Insight™ analytics platform provides real-time visibility into security events, offering security teams actionable insights into emerging threats, attack attempts, and application vulnerabilities. This threat intelligence framework enables organizations to analyze risk trends and proactively enhance their security posture.

## Challenges

- Users have noted performance impact when enabling multiple layers of security, requiring adjustments to maintain optimal app performance on older devices.
- The pricing structure is enterprise-focused, making it less accessible for SMBs due to the cost of licensing and scaling.
- Some users have requested more detailed documentation and onboarding support to simplify configuration and implementation.

## Verimatrix

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Verimatrix XTD (Extended Threat Defense) provides a comprehensive security platform that integrates layered shielding, adaptive AI-driven threat intelligence, real-time detection and response, and whitebox cryptography. Its seamless integration into CI/CD pipelines and SIEMs enables organizations to strengthen security without compromising development speed. The platform combines code obfuscation, anti-tampering, resigning protection, runtime application self-protection (RASP), API security, and environmental checks, ensuring continuous monitoring and real-time threat mitigation.

The XTD Enterprise Suite offers a full-stack security solution, integrating protection, detection, and response. XTD Protect for Android & iOS provides multi-layered shielding and runtime self-protection for mobile apps, while XTD Detection & Response leverages AI-driven threat intelligence for real-time mitigation. XTD for Embedded & Desktop secures Windows, macOS, Linux, and IoT/embedded devices, and XTD for Web addresses JavaScript-based application security and web vulnerabilities. For advanced cryptographic security, XTD Whitebox Cryptography ensures secure key management. Additionally, XTD Managed Services offers expert-led threat monitoring and security management to help organizations stay ahead of evolving cyber threats.

### Strengths

- Verimatrix XTD provides a comprehensive security suite that protects applications across mobile, web, desktop, and embedded platforms. While XTD Protect for Android & iOS and XTD Detection & Response are designed specifically for mobile app security, other XTD solutions extend protection to web-based JavaScript applications, Windows, macOS, Linux, and IoT/embedded devices. XTD Whitebox Cryptography enhances security for any app, including mobile applications. This broad, cross-platform coverage ensures that organizations can implement consistent, high-assurance security measures, safeguarding applications against modern threats across diverse device ecosystems.
- The Verimatrix platform's AI/ML-driven anomaly detection system continuously monitors app, device, and network behaviors to identify suspicious activities, such as tampering, Man-in-the-Middle attacks, and overlay-based phishing attacks like accessibility malware. Its ability to detect high-risk behavior in the early stages enables organizations to block or mitigate threats in real time, strengthening fraud prevention and data protection while ensuring a seamless user experience.

- The XTD platform's zero-code injection technology allows security defenses to be embedded into applications at runtime and eliminates the need for manual code modifications or security SDKs. This approach reduces development overhead, accelerates secure application deployment, and ensures robust protection without disrupting the development lifecycle.
- The XTD platform performs comprehensive environment checks to detect rooted/jailbroken devices, emulator usage, debugging tools, virtual environments, and other indicators of compromise. The platform's proactive identification of these high-risk conditions ensures applications operate only in secure, trusted environments, preventing attackers from exploiting vulnerabilities and tampering.
- The XTD platform integrates seamlessly with Security Information and Event Management (SIEM) solutions, allowing organizations to incorporate real-time app security insights into their broader cybersecurity monitoring framework. Additionally, Verimatrix offers fully managed threat intelligence services, providing proactive security monitoring and rapid attack response.

## Challenges

- Verimatrix's product strategy appears to be under strain, as evidenced by stagnant revenue growth. The marginal revenue growth suggests that its product offerings are not achieving significant market traction or effective expansion into new markets. However, the marginal revenue growth could also indicate difficulties in accelerating market penetration or expanding into new segments. Additionally, a slight decline in gross margins suggests potential challenges in sustaining product profitability, possibly due to competitive pricing pressures or evolving cost structures.
- The flat company revenue growth could point to challenges in capturing new customers or expanding market share. A reduction in expenses may also be influencing market presence, as decreased investment in customer acquisition and brand awareness could impact growth momentum. While cost optimization is prudent for financial stability, it may also limit Verimatrix's visibility and influence in a competitive market landscape.
- Verimatrix's stagnant revenue growth, combined with a slight decline in gross margins, indicates that its unique value proposition may not be resonating strongly with the market. Maintaining focus on differentiating Verimatrix's value proposition and effectively communicating the unique benefits of its offerings will be essential for sustaining growth in a competitive environment.

# Zimperium

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Zimperium's mobile security solutions offer advanced protection against threats targeting mobile applications, endpoints, and networks. Its Mobile Application Protection Suite (MAPS) is a comprehensive security platform that protects mobile applications from development through deployment and active use. MAPS provides binary analysis, runtime application self-protection (RASP), malware detection, anti-tampering, and cryptographic key protection. The suite integrates with enterprise DevOps pipelines and security operations centers (SOC) to ensure continuous threat visibility and remediation.

## Strengths

- Zimperium MAPS covers the entire DevSecOps lifecycle, offering end-to-end mobile application security, including static and dynamic binary analysis, runtime protection, and cryptographic key security. The unified platform reduces the need for multiple third-party security tools, streamlining application security operations. It also provides continuous monitoring and real-time defense against runtime threats such as memory injection, unauthorized debugging, and repackaging attempts. Its anti-tampering mechanisms ensure that applications remain unmodified and free from unauthorized access.
- The platform offers app shielding (zShield), which provides two options to meet organizations' specific security requirements and constraints. The "low-code" option is ideal for organizations who want precision and control over where security is applied and are comfortable changing their build process to achieve advanced compile-time protections. The "no-code" offering is designed for organizations that want to apply essential post-compile protections to the binary as they require fast time to market or have limited development resources. Both options are UI-driven, allowing developers to easily add protections without significant configuration overhead.
- The platform runtime protection capability (zDefend) includes advanced device attestation and mobile malware protection capabilities. The alignment helps organizations meet regulatory mandates while preventing mobile app fraud on the device. Unlike competitors offering signature-based detections and manual app updates, Zimperium includes Over-The-Air (OTA) security updates by default. This allows for zero-day patching and immediate threat mitigation without requiring manual updates or app redeployment.
- The platform's key protection capability (zKeyBox) ensures secure storage and usage of cryptographic keys, preventing attackers from extracting or misusing them, even in fully



compromised device environments. This ability is essential for preventing digital content piracy and protecting mobile payments across mobile and non-mobile platforms.

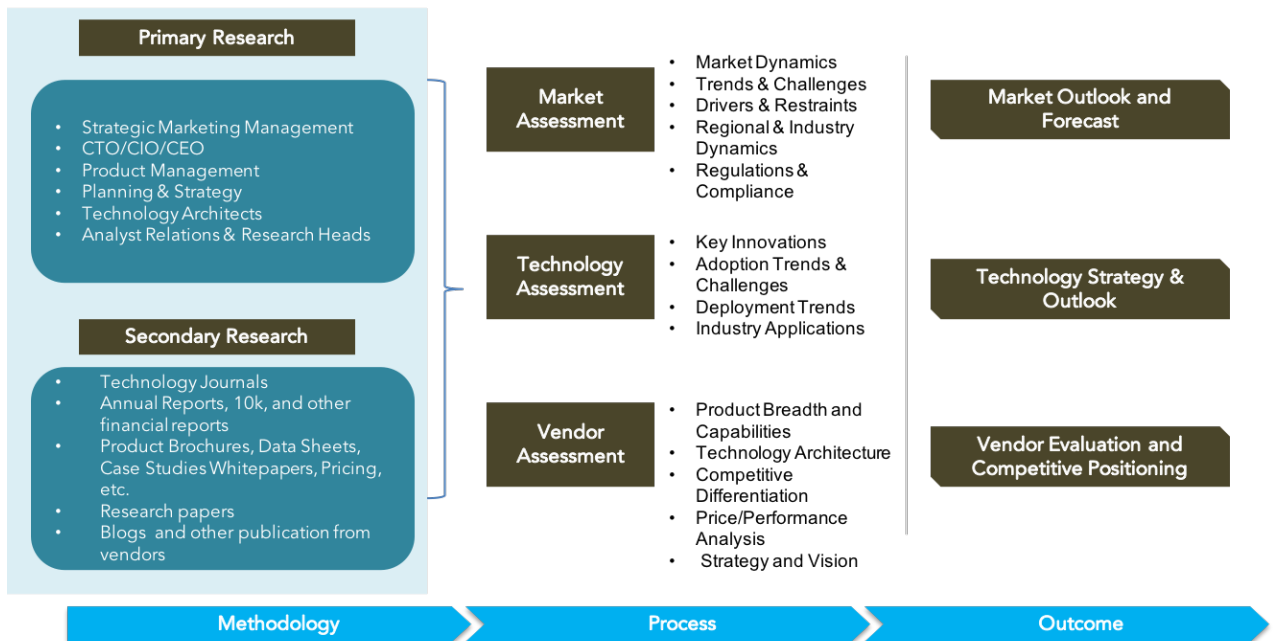
- The MAPS platform includes at no cost, a centralized console that provides real-time threat insights and integrates with APSM, SIEM, SOAR, and XDR platforms to provide real-time telemetry, logging, and forensic insights, enhancing security teams' ability to detect, analyze, and respond to mobile security threats proactively.
- Zimperium MAPS offers on-prem and SaaS deployments, catering to organizations with varying security needs and compliance requirements. Its pricing model is based on apps and installations, making it scalable for enterprises and SMEs. The solution helps users meet PCI DSS, GDPR, HIPAA, eIDAS, and other regulatory requirements by providing built-in compliance features such as data encryption, access control, and real-time risk assessment. Enterprises in finance, media, healthcare, government, and high-risk industries looking for a robust, all-in-one mobile security solution with deep threat intelligence and real-time protection should consider Zimperium MAPS.

## **Challenges**

- Enterprises familiar with fragmented security solutions may encounter initial adjustments when adopting a Mobile Application Protection Suite (MAPS) platform. While factors like change management, integration, and vendor commitment require consideration, the shift presents an opportunity for greater efficiency, streamlined security, and long-term resilience. Security and App Development teams can quickly adapt with the right approach, leveraging platform-driven benefits to enhance protection and performance.
- The MAPS platform may require a higher initial investment, but for a good reason, it offers enterprise-grade security that goes beyond basic protection. Designed for organizations prioritizing robust security, compliance, and long-term resilience, MAPS provides comprehensive in-app security that reduces the risk of breaches and fraud. Investing in proactive, advanced security ensures mobile applications stay protected in an evolving threat landscape.

## Research Methodologies

QKS Group uses a comprehensive approach to conduct global market outlook research for various technologies. QKS Group's research approach provides our analysts with the most effective framework to identify market and technology trends and helps in formulating meaningful growth strategies for our clients. All the sections of our research report are prepared with a considerable amount of time and thought process before moving on to the next step. The following is a brief description of the major sections of our research methodologies.



## Secondary Research

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Following are the major sources of information for conducting secondary research:

### QKS Group's Internal Database

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QKS Group maintains a proprietary database in several technology marketplaces. This database provides our analyst with an adequate foundation to kick-start the research project. This database includes information from the following sources:

- Annual reports and other financial reports
- Industry participant lists
- Published secondary data on companies and their products.
- Database of market sizes and forecast data for different market segments
- Major market and technology trends

### Literature Research

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QKS Group leverages on several magazine subscriptions and other publications that cover a wide range of subjects related to technology research. We also use the extensive library of directories and Journals on various technology domains. Our analysts use blog posts, whitepapers, case studies, and other literature published by major technology vendors, online experts, and industry news publications.

### Inputs from Industry Participants

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QKS Group analysts collect relevant documents such as whitepaper, brochures, case studies, price lists, datasheet, and other reports from all major industry participants.

## Primary Research

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QKS Group analysts use a two-step process for conducting primary research that helps us in capturing meaningful and most accurate market information. Below is the two-step process of our primary research:

**Market Estimation:** Based on the top-down and bottom-up approach, our analyst analyses all industry participants to estimate their business in the technology market for various market segments. We also seek information and verification of client business performance as part of our primary research interviews or through a detailed market questionnaire. The QKS Group

research team conducts a detailed analysis of the comments and inputs provided by the industry participants.

**Client Interview:** QKS Group analyst team conducts a detailed telephonic interview of all major industry participants to get their perspectives of the current and future market dynamics. Our analyst also gets their first-hand experience with the vendor's product demo to understand their technology capabilities, user experience, product features, and other aspects. Based on the requirements, QKS Group analysts interview more than one person from each of the market participants to verify the accuracy of the information provided. We typically engage with client personnel in one of the following functions:

- Strategic Marketing Management
- Product Management
- Product Planning
- Planning & Strategy

## **Feedback from Channel Partners and End Users**

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QKS Group research team research with various sales channel partners, including distributors, system integrators, and consultants to understand the detailed perspective of the market. Our analysts also get feedback from end-users from multiple industries and geographical regions to understand key issues, technology trends, and supplier capabilities in the technology market.

## **Data Analysis: Market Forecast & Competition Analysis**

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QKS Group's analysts' team gathers all the necessary information from secondary research and primary research to a computer database. These databases are then analyzed, verified, and cross-tabulated in numerous ways to get the right picture of the overall market and its segments. After analyzing all the market data, industry trends, market trends, technology trends, and key issues, we have prepared preliminary market forecasts. This preliminary market forecast is tested against several market scenarios, economic most accurate forecast scenario for the overall market and its segments.

In addition to market forecasts, our team conducts a detailed review of industry participants to prepare a competitive landscape and market positioning analysis for the overall market as well as for various market segments.

## **SPARK Matrix: Strategic Performance Assessment and Ranking**

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QKS Group' SPARK Matrix provides a snapshot of the market positioning of the key market participants. SPARK Matrix representation provides a visual representation of market participants and provides strategic insights on how each supplier ranks in comparison to their competitors, concerning various performance parameters based on the category of technology excellence and customer impact.

## **Final Report Preparation**

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After finalization of market analysis and forecasts, our analyst prepares necessary graphs, charts, and table to get further insights and preparation of the final research report. Our final research report includes information including market forecast; competitive analysis; major market & technology trends; market drivers; vendor profiles, and such others.