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Cerence AI Named Growth and Innovation Index Leader in Frost Radar™ for AI-Powered In-Car Assistants

Summary and Key Points:

- Cerence AI is the Growth and Innovation Index Leader in Frost & Sullivan's 2026 Frost Radar™ for AI-Powered In-Car Assistants.
- At the center of the recognition is Cerence xUI®, the company's automotive AI platform which enables natural conversation, multi-agent orchestration, proactive assistance, and ongoing integration of new AI models and capabilities.
- Cerence AI helps automakers deploy advanced AI while retaining control of branding, customer relationships, and data through a hybrid edge-cloud architecture and enterprise-grade security.

BURLINGTON, Mass., Oct. 19, 2026 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Cerence Inc. (NASDAQ: CRNC) ("Cerence AI"), a global AI company building trusted solutions for complex real-world environments, today announced that it was named the Growth and Innovation Index leader in Frost & Sullivan's Frost Radar™: AI-Powered In-Car Assistants, 2026 report. Frost & Sullivan also positioned Cerence AI as a Visionary Leader, awarding the company the highest scores in both growth and innovation among evaluated providers.

At the center of Cerence's strategy is Cerence xUI®, the company's automotive AI platform. Its open, flexible architecture enables automakers to bring advanced conversational and agentic AI into vehicles today while retaining the ability to introduce new models, agents, and intelligence as technology advances. With xUI, drivers interact naturally with the vehicle while specialized AI agents work together behind the scenes to complete tasks, provide proactive assistance, and deliver trusted outcomes across the driving and ownership experience.

The Frost Radar identified xUI's multi-agent architecture and proactive assistance capabilities as key differentiators in the market. Frost & Sullivan also highlighted Cerence AI's hybrid edge-cloud architecture, enabling its customers to deliver advanced AI experiences across connected and low- or no-connectivity environments, balancing rich, cloud-based intelligence with the responsiveness and reliability of edge AI. Cerence AI partners with a broad ecosystem of system-on-chip providers, giving automakers hardware flexibility across vehicle programs and computing architectures.

The report further recognized Cerence AI's OEM-first approach. Cerence enables automakers to integrate advanced AI into the vehicle while maintaining control of their brand identity, customer experience, and driver data. This reduces dependence on closed ecosystems and gives OEMs greater flexibility in how they shape, brand, and evolve the in-vehicle AI experience.

"Vehicles are becoming increasingly capable, but giving drivers access to more features and tools doesn't automatically make the experience better," said Brian Krzanich, President & CEO at Cerence AI. "People are already managing enough complexity in their daily lives. What they need are systems that can understand context, anticipate what's needed next, and help them accomplish tasks with less effort. That's the vision behind Cerence xUI®. By bringing together conversational AI, specialized agents, and trusted intelligence, we're helping automakers deliver experiences that feel more helpful, more intuitive, and more valuable throughout the ownership journey."

"Cerence AI's deep automotive expertise and long-standing OEM relationships provide a strong foundation for expanding its next-generation AI platform," said Gautham Prakash Hegde, Industry Analyst, Mobility, at Frost & Sullivan. "Combining these trusted partnerships with continued advances in generative and agentic AI positions the company to strengthen its leadership and drive the next wave of automotive AI innovation, even as Big Tech companies expand their presence in the sector."

To learn more about the findings and Cerence AI's position in the market, download the report excerpt here**.** To learn more about Cerence AI, visit www.cerence.ai, and follow the company on LinkedIn.

About Cerence Inc.
Cerence AI (NASDAQ: CRNC) helps people and intelligent systems work together naturally and reliably. Proven at global scale in automotive, Cerence provides the trusted interaction and action layer connecting people, machines, and intelligent systems. Its AI platform enables natural interaction and dependable action across complex real-world environments where reliability, safety, security, and performance are critical. Working with customers and partners worldwide, Cerence transforms advanced AI into trusted solutions that bridge the gap between AI potential and real-world performance. For more information, visit www.cerence.ai.

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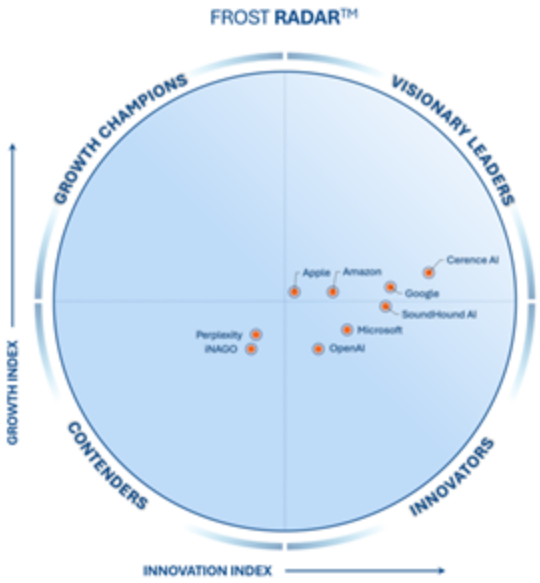

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