

"We'll just wire it together with n8n."

Pick any platform. The same four gaps remain.

We surveyed n8n, LangChain/LangGraph, Tines, Blink Ops, Torq, and the major iPaaS players against what security operations on sensitive data requires. They sell the easy 40%. **The four capabilities they all lack are the expensive 60%, and you build that yourself either way.**

THE FOUR THINGS NONE OF THEM SHIP

- 1 In-boundary, security-tuned models**

Everyone is BYO-API-key or hosted frontier models. Your prompts, customer data included, still leave the boundary.
- 2 DLP / PII redaction on model traffic**

Absent on every platform surveyed. Tenant privacy is not redaction.
- 3 Per-resource authorization for agents**

Platform RBAC exists, often paywalled. Policy gating of what an agent may touch does not.
- 4 Compliance-grade agent audit**

The platform's SOC 2 is not the SOC 2 of the thing you build on it.

SIDE BY SIDE

CAPABILITY	N8N	LANGGRAPH	SECURITY AUTOMATION (TINES · BLINK · TORQ)	KINDO
Security-tuned model in your boundary	🟡	🟡	🟡	✓
DLP/PII redaction on model traffic	✗	✗	✗	✓
Per-resource agent authorization	🟡	✗	🟡	✓
Compliance-grade agent audit	🟡	✗	✓	✓
On-prem / air-gapped deployment	🟡	🟡	🟡	✓

✓ native · 🟡 partial, BYO, or paid-tier · ✗ absent, build it yourself. Grouped cells show the best case across those vendors (e.g. only Tines self-hosts). The 🟡 cells are the hidden-cost argument: possible, with effort and spend that never appears on the pricing page.

AND THEY ARE NOT CHEAP

\$52–450k/yr

Real security-automation contracts: Tines median to Torq HyperSOC floor [est., Vendr]

1 per 200

Dedicated engineers per playbooks in production: the SOAR maintenance tax [est.]

>40%

Agentic AI projects predicted canceled by end-2027 on cost, value, and risk (Gartner)

The honest part: n8n is often right for non-regulated IT glue. LangGraph's orchestration is excellent open source. Tines is a credible security-native competitor. The gap is the control plane, not workflow mechanics.

THE BOTTOM LINE

Their price buys integrations and workflow ergonomics; the security control plane is left for you to build and staff. Kindo ships all four missing capabilities as product, at **\$250k/yr list for SaaS, bring your own inference:** less than one loaded platform engineer.

Sources & estimates: vendor pricing pages fetched July 2026; contract data from Vendr marketplace (Tines n=62 median \$52,228; Torq median \$179,135); SOAR maintenance figures from D3 Security (vendor-side); Gartner cancellation prediction via Shakudo. Quote-only tiers (Blink Ops, all Enterprise plans) are estimates throughout. Kindo SaaS at \$250k/yr MSRP; negotiated pricing may differ. Full cited report and detailed cost tables available on request.