

GET THE MOST FROM **Office 365**

**A five-step process to connect your
business to the cloud and maximise ROI**

Align to business needs.
Increase adoption.
Delight your users.



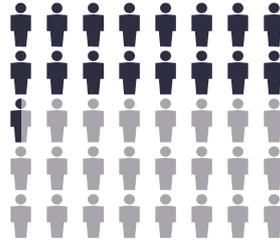


Cloud is here to stay

We live in a digital age, in which information moves seamlessly and quickly. Information is consumed at a rate never before experienced, and at higher volumes than ever. Employees need flexibility, and cloud technologies provide this.



50% more time
in collaborative
activities



37% of the global
workforce is **mobile**



43% of cyber-attacks
target business

The challenge

IT departments need to manage and maintain services, and the demand for more from businesses never ceases. The focus should be on delivering your services, customer satisfaction, and business growth – not ‘keeping the lights on’.



Cloud migration is a less technical more collaborative exercise within the business. In particular, IT departments face the following issues:

- Understanding what ‘Digital’ is
- Moving from IT-driven migration to business-driven migration
- Uncertainty about whether the service is being utilised correctly





The Managed Cloud

Transitioning systems – the correct way

Migration to the cloud is not to be taken lightly – you need to ensure it's the right decision for your business, and that your data will be safe before, during, and after the transition.



Engage

Through workshops, interviews, and reports we develop project initiation.

Whilst there are technology and financial benefits of public cloud services, the most significant change is not in technology, but in approach. The team needs to move from a IT-driven migration where the IT department would usually lead, to one that is driven, mostly, by the business. This means ensuring the correct stakeholders are involved with cloud transformation from the project inception, and that all business requirements are fully understood.

If suitable, a 'Proof of Concept' environment can be provided and connected alongside your production environment.





Examine

The team needs to assess what needs to change as part of the cloud transformation.

Every technology environment evolves and has its own unique characteristics. We help your team assess and develop a full list of services and determine the next actions, which can be:



This provides full visibility of the technology estate, and creates the foundation for technical designs and project plans.



Envision

Having determined the 'Why' and the 'What' to migrate, the next logical step is to explain 'How', from both a technical design and project management perspective.

The primary objective of the Envision phase is to develop an effective plan that suits your company's and technology team's culture. This is essential to accelerate the deployment, minimise risks, and build confidence. The joint delivery team needs to clearly articulate the strategy and timescales whilst being mindful of company governance and industry-specific policies.

Envision results in an accurate plan, and technical design that simply works.





Execute

Moving to the cloud has never been easy, but it can, and should, be managed in a way that will prevent business issues.

Depending on the size of the project, different approaches will be taken to ensure the migration progresses without any unplanned downtime. This may mean periods of co-existence for a hybrid-cloud migration, or a 'big-bang' migration that occurs over the weekend. The main factor in the Envision phase is not size or scope, but culture: how does your joint migration team operate, and what do you expect your end-users to do when they are moved to the new system?

Cloud migration is far more than simply the deployment of services and the migration of users and their data. The team needs to monitor, record, and report at each phase of provisioning and migration, so that you are fully informed throughout the journey.

Evolve

Most customers want to ensure that they are making the most of the cloud platform and that licensing is being utilised efficiently.

Microsoft may operate the Office 365 service, but there are still support considerations that need to be met. We provide technical advice and support post-migration, ensuring that you keep up to date with the latest developments on the Office 365 platform. By leveraging all the knowledge gained throughout your project - not just technical, but people and processes as well - we are able to provide great post-implementation support that is tailored specifically to your business.





Why Beyond?

Working closely with Microsoft Consulting Services and the client we implemented the very first Office 365 Enterprise production solution in 2010 for Harrods, the infamous London-based retailer.

Rather than specialise in a single Microsoft product, we augment our client's IT department and deliver projects and technologies to suit their needs. Generally, this means focusing on niche projects, such as assisting an M&A, delivering green field sites, or helping an organisation reach compliance levels. Due to the nature of our relationships and the types of projects we undertake, it is difficult to pigeonhole us as a supplier of a single technical platform.

It is worth that we work on the basis of making the most of customer's current software investments rather than attempting to push for new product investment (unless there is a clear business requirement).

Our capability

Beyond solves business challenges with creative IT solutions built on Active Directory, Exchange, System Centre, Office 365, Windows devices, and .NET. Our solutions enable organisations to increase revenues, reduce costs, mitigate risk, and work more efficiently to create competitive advantage. We help by translating complex technical platforms into relevant business solutions.



Gold Application Development
Gold Datacenter
Gold Devices and Deployment





Who are we?

We Help You Eliminate Risk and Reduce Costs by up to 40%.

2014

Founded by Hutton Henry after 23 years merger and acquisition experience, Beyond M&a ensures IT staff are fully engaged in the merger process and provides M&A specific automation and project management tools.

Merger & Acquisition IT

We specialise in Corporate M&A Technology Projects. Our team of consultants and unique software reduce risks and save costs of approximately 40%.

Good Causes

We deeply believe young people need to develop their skills for the digital world so that they become creators and not consumers of technology. So we donate to CodeClub who help school children learn to code.

People First

We also believe the need to focus primarily on the IT team before the technology to get best results for all parties involved in the deal. Our “people first” approach accelerates the project entirely.

Focus on Day Two

We understand the urgency and criticality of a smooth transition for Day One technology transformation and resulting tech environment. Therefore every plan, design and action is developed with Day Two in mind.

Due to the nature of M&A IT projects, we work with a maximum of three clients simultaneously. This enables us to focus on high quality and successful outcomes.

Some previous clients:



Helping companies maximise their ROI
from cloud technology investment.

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