

# Software Assurance

Public Cloud, Microsoft Azure Deployment Planning Services

Jumpstart your journey to the cloud with Public Cloud, Microsoft Azure Deployment Planning Services (AZDPS)—structured consulting engagements with qualified Microsoft partners. Leverage Planning Services for custom assessments and prepare your business for the future.

## Plan your Microsoft Azure and Enterprise Mobility + Security activation

As a Software Assurance customer, you may be eligible for Planning Services days to access the expert guidance you need to jumpstart your journey to the public cloud and identify which areas of your business are suited for Microsoft Azure.

- ▶ **Integrating Azure Storage with Customers' BCDR.** Meet your data storage needs by integrating and migrating your current storage, backup, and Disaster Recovery Solutions with Azure storage. Azure storage helps reduce data storage and archive costs, while also increasing your security and compliance ability.
- ▶ **Migrating VMs and Applications to Azure IaaS.** Assess, prioritize, and begin migrating existing virtualized applications to Microsoft Azure.
- ▶ **Modernizing Apps using App Service.** Modernize your applications using Azure App Service. Rapidly create and deploy new apps to production and development environments, automate deployments with CI/CD, and use the platform to quickly scale.
- ▶ **Modernizing Apps using Containers.** Each container platform (e.g., Service Fabric, App Service on Linux, AKS) has specific considerations and optimal scenarios. Once the best approach has been identified, this engagement can provide you with the optimal detailed architecture and strategy, and help drive key decisions such as which orchestrator to use, the best way to deploy new apps on this new platform, and how to satisfy security concerns.
- ▶ **Implementing Event-driven Apps (Serverless).** Identify which services can move to Azure Functions and the best route for re-architecting or building new microservices on Azure Functions. Once identified, this engagement will help determine other cloud services that should be integrated into the application, such as Logic Apps, Cosmos DB, Event Hubs, IoT Hub, etc.
- ▶ **Implementing Application Develop and Test Scenarios on Azure.** Implement a scalable, secure and cost-effective development and test environment on Azure. By using Azure IaaS and Azure Dev Services, you can provision a development and test environment in a matter of minutes, and as needed, while also scaling environments up or down as your needs change.
- ▶ **Implementing Azure Security and Management Services.** By leveraging the power of the cloud using Microsoft's Azure Security and Management services you can address new and unique ways to meet your cloud and IT operational needs. With solutions like Azure Security Center, Azure Backup and Azure Monitor customers can enhance and extend the capabilities of their current IT operations solutions from the datacenter to the cloud.

- ▶ **Enterprise Mobility + Security Identity and Access Management.** Centrally secure and manage identities with an Identity and Access Management cloud solution (Azure Active Directory) that extends your on-premises directories into the cloud and provides secure single sign-on to thousands of cloud (SaaS) apps and access to web apps you run on-premises. Built for ease of use, Azure Active Directory enables enterprise mobility and collaboration and delivers advanced identity protection through Multi-Factor Authentication, security reports, audits, alerts and adaptive conditional access policies based on device health, user location, and risk level.
- ▶ **Enterprise Mobility + Security Identity Driven Security.** Assess core capabilities needed to deploy a holistic and innovative approach to security on-premises and in the cloud. Identity driven security addresses your security challenges by protecting at the front door using advanced risk-based conditional access, protecting your data with deep visibility into user activity and stronger controls, and helping you uncover suspicious activity using behavioral analytics technologies to take immediate action.
- ▶ **Enterprise Mobility + Security Information Protection.** Protect company data at the file level. Outline a plan to deploy a security solution that helps classify, label, and ultimately protect data at the time of creation. Enable safe sharing of sensitive data inside and outside of your organization. Gain visibility and control over shared data.
- ▶ **Enterprise Mobility + Security Managed Mobile Productivity.** Keep your corporate information secure. Microsoft mobile application management and mobile device management solutions help minimize the complexity of the proliferation of personal and corporate devices by offering management capabilities both on-premises and in the cloud, all from a single console.

#### AZDPS can help you:

*"By using Microsoft Azure, we were able to avoid capital expenditures, such as server hardware and licensing. The cloud deployment model reduces IT infrastructure requirements by 70 percent."*

Praveen Sankar  
Director Admin & Infrastructure  
Oztern Technology

- ✓ Understand what Microsoft Azure can do for your business and take your skills to the next level
- ✓ Realize the value of your investments
- ✓ Prepare your business for the future by deploying Microsoft Azure

## Using Planning Services days

Available in engagements of 5, 10, or 15 days, Planning Services offer a structured yet collaborative consulting experience. The longer engagements allow for a deeper look at a specific technology and provide more in-depth analysis and deployment planning. Your qualified partner can work with you to determine specific components to support your organization's needs and help ensure you understand what can and will be included in your engagement.

As a Microsoft Volume Licensing customer with Software Assurance, your organization receives a certain number of Planning Services days based on your licensing agreement(s). Find out how many Planning Services days your organization is eligible for by going to the [Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center](#) (VLSC). Or, if your organization has a Microsoft Products and Services Agreement (MPSA), go to the [Microsoft Business Center](#) (previously named the Microsoft Volume Licensing Center).

- See the [VLSC Software Assurance Guide](#) for detailed, step-by-step instructions for accessing and using Planning Services.
- Microsoft Products and Services Agreement (MPSA) customers use the [Microsoft Business Center](#)
- To locate a qualified partner, visit the [Planning Services Partner Directory](#) or check with your Microsoft representative.

## Learn more

- Visit [Software Assurance](#) to learn more about [Planning Services](#) and other Software Assurance benefits.
- Your organization's Software Assurance administrator can visit the [Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center](#) or [Microsoft Business Center](#) (MPSA customers) to help you identify your current Software Assurance benefits.
- For detailed eligibility criteria and current benefit program rules, see the [Microsoft Product Terms](#).