

Strategy and Architecture - *Cloud overview*

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- What is cloud?
- What are the key Cloud Technologies?
- What does it take to use Cloud?
- Summary

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Why cloud? \rightarrow Operational costs of IT exploded over the last 10 years



Source: IDC 2009

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Why cloud? \rightarrow There is an issue with quality and time to market....

Long implementation times

Instability of infrastructure

Complexity

Inability to implement and test patches in time

Insufficient support for testing



IT infrastructure is reaching a breaking point

85% idle

In distributed computing environments, up to 85% of computing capacity sits idle.

1.5x

Explosion of information driving 54% growth in storage shipments every year.

70¢ per \$1

70% on average is spent on maintaining current IT infrastructures versus adding new capabilities.



- The number of devices
- will increase



 Compliancy and rules become more complex



Demand for information increases



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What is Cloud? : it depends who you ask...

A user experience and a business model

 Cloud computing is an emerging style of IT delivery in which applications, data, and IT resources are rapidly provisioned and provided as standardized offerings to users over the web in a flexible pricing model.

An infrastructure management and services delivery methodology

 Cloud computing is a way of managing large numbers of highly virtualized resources such that, from a management perspective, they resemble a single large resource. This can then be used to deliver services with elastic scaling and flexible pricing.



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Varying opinions on its definition, but some common attributes are emerging



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Part of an ongoing evolution in distributed computing





A cloud environment consists of four layers





Clouds come in different shapes: private, public and hybrid



Examples of IT suitable for public clouds:

- Commodity IT
- Applications with highly variable loads
- Web applications



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Virtualization and provisioning play an important role when it comes to Cloud





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Virtualization takes place in two steps: Consolidation \rightarrow Abstraction





Two types of virtualization: sharing and aggregation





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Service Provisioning, A base capability of cloud services...



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Architectural Model for Cloud Computing





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In order to be able to use public / hybrid clouds, an organization must meet a number of criteria.

In order to be able to use public / hybrid clouds an organization must at least have the following in place:

- Technological:
 - IT Standardization fully worked out
 - Well developed Systems Management Infrastructure
 - o Implemented integration infrastructure
 - Proper security infrastructure
 - Virtualized infrastructure
 - o Implement automated provisioning
- Organizational:
 - Well organized Service management (including ITIL processes)
 - o Implementation of an IT 'usage based' cost accounting model



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Cloud computing is a promising delivery model

Cloud computing is a delivery model that must help to:

- Reduce cost
- Improve quality and speed of delivery of IT

In order to implement a cloud, the most important technologies are:

- Virtualization
- Provisioning

In order to become 'cloud enabled' it is important to pay attention to:

- Preparing your processes and governance
- Implementing the technology to make use of the cloud



