## User adoption leverages M365 Copilot as innovation & productivity booster

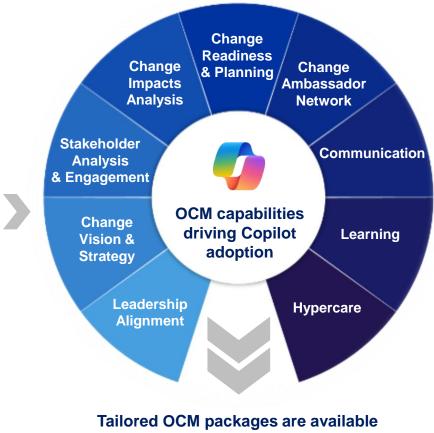
Overcoming employees' concerns and challenges, eliciting their awareness for individual use cases and benefits, developing crucial skills as well as fostering a data-driven culture of experimentation are among the preconditions to realizing Copilot's added value for productivity & innovation. Cognizant's holistic Organizational Change Management (OCM) approach provides the tools and guidance enabling you to effectively drive enterprise-wide Copilot adoption.



## **People Challenges**

Being based on AI, Copilot may elicit uncertainty and concerns in employees due to its unknown nature, mechanisms and features:

- General skepticism: "Al, like Copilot, will do more harm than good. I don't need it."
- Data-security: "What happens with data / requests I put in Copilot? Are they safe?"
- Trust: "Can I trust Copilot as delivering correct outputs (e.g., will it make mistakes in summarizing meeting transcripts?)"
- **Competencies**: "What can I use Copilot for in my daily job? Do I have the knowledge and ability to apply Copilot with an added-value or will it be more of an extra burden & effort?"
- Replacement: "Will my skills (e.g., generating presentations) become redundant? Will I then lose my job?"
- Standardization: "How is Copilot interfacing with other company applications / sources (e.g., will it access my existing content repositories)?"



to address individual client needs



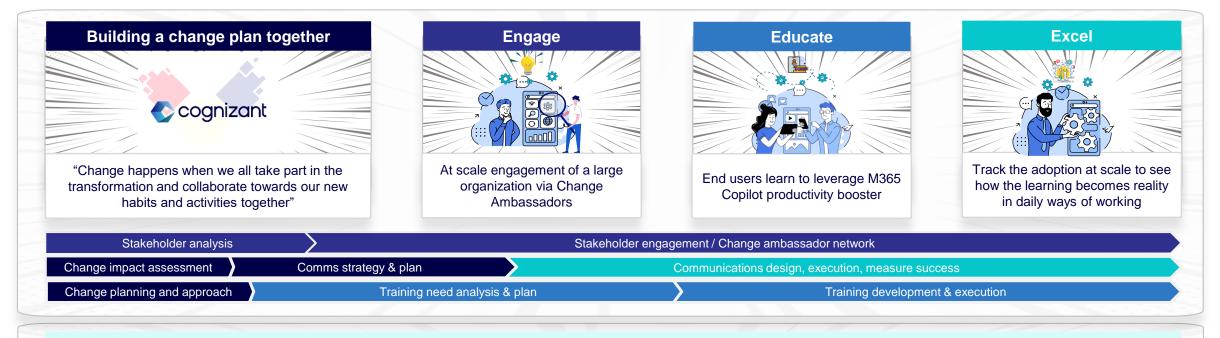
## **People Adoption**

Cognizant's holistic OCM approach overcomes people challenges, leveraging Copilot adoption including:

- Clear vision & key stakeholder alignment of Copilot business value and its connection to overall strategy & organization specific use cases
- Awareness, familiarity and trust towards Copilot so that users understand its potential and live their desire to apply it to daily work
- Competence & confidence of users (e.g. HR, Sales, Finance) to self-serve with Copilot to unleash personal productivity
- Data-driven, experimental & transparencybased culture such that ways of working aligned with organizational agility, efficiency, and rapid delivery become second nature
- **Embedded change capability, feedback** mechanisms & analytics reinforcing long-term adoption & Copilot success



## Achieving M365 Copilot adoption by change, communication & training



# By ongoing change management advisory, we plan and execute interrelated and iterative OCM activities throughout project phases as and subject matter experts together with our client counterparts\*

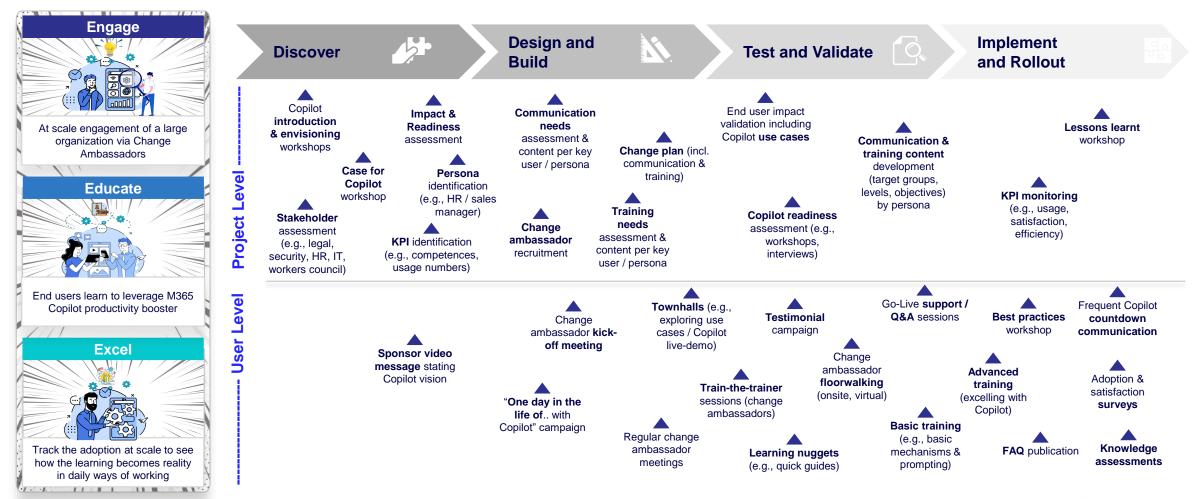
- Initial workshops
- Joint definition of representative key user personas to be referenced across change management activities (e.g., tailored user journeys)
- · Change impact assessment
- Building of a sponsorship coalition and engagement plan (e.g., sponsorship messages)
- Analysis of communication & training needs
- Definition of a **communications plan** (e.g., brand, audiences, channels, key message))
- Set-up & management of a change ambassador network
- Definition of a training plan

- Creation of **communication material** (e.g., events, flyers, micro videos, FAQs)
- Creation of training material (e.g.,, webinars, best practices and guidelines) and evtl. conduction of training (e.g., online / classroom)
- Training and competence development
- Support management of **centralized knowledge repository and communication channels** (e.g., Viva Engage, Teams) as well as maintenance of a **Copilot FAQ** document
- Monitoring and optimization of organizational KPIs and people adoption
- Conduct lessons learned & knowledge transfer (e.g., handover support & stabilizing operations)



## Typical range of activities on a timeline to realize M365 Copilot adoption

Organizational Change Management (OCM) activities are **interwoven** with and tailored to your (technical) project delivery phases. Below, you can find an **exemplary project timeline** including **exemplary OCM activities and deliverables** on project- as well as on user level.





## Realize M365 Copilot success with Cognizant's tailored OCM packages

## **BASIC**



#### 6+ weeks

- Phase: Pre-Implementation
- **ENGAGE**
- × EDUCATE
- × EXCEL

### **Exemplary ENGAGE deliverables:**

Copilot introduction / envisioning workshops

Change Risk Assessment

Change Impact & Readiness Assessment

Stakeholder Analysis

Communication / training needs assessment

Change Management Strategy & Plan

- Jump-start into your Copilot journey by having a clear definition of the as-is vs. envisioned future state as well as a **concrete plan** of how to realize it.
- × These OCM activities alone will **prepare for but not** leverage Copilot adoption.
- × If not followed-through adequately, this approach risks strategy-implementation gaps as well as limited to no Copilot benefit realization.

30K+ EUR\*

### **ADVANCED**



#### 10+ weeks

- Phase: Pre- & Post- Implementation
- **ENGAGE**
- EDUCATE
- × EXCEL

### **Exemplary EDUCATE deliverables:**

Key Persona identification

Training, e.g., prompting (WBT, classroom etc.)

Workshops & townhalls

Change ambassador network

Communication, e.g., One Day in the Life of.

Quick-win monitoring (e.g., usage rate)

- Start to realize your Copilot vision by implementing the OCM plan including communication & training.
- Experimentation generates general awareness about Copilot's added value and brings first productivity auick wins to life.
- × Limiting OCM activities to this experimentation phase runs the risk of employees reverting to old habits (ways of working).

80K+ EUR\*

## **PREMIUM**



#### 12+ weeks

- Phase: Pre-implementation - hyper care
- ✓ ENGAGE
- ✓ EDUCATE
- **EXCEL**

### **Exemplary EXCEL deliverables:**

Success stories

Organizational / culture

Adoption monitoring (e.g., competencies, sentiment) Best practices

New ways of working

KPI monitoring (e.g., efficiency/ productivity)

- Leverage readiness, ability and motivation to apply Copilot by the majority of employees.
- Ensure organizational alignment (e.g., strategies, processes, practices) reinforcing Copilot usage.
- Establish a data-driven, transparency-valuing culture, establishing Copilot as substantial part of company-wide ways of working as means of a booster for employee productivity and success.

120K+ EUR\*

