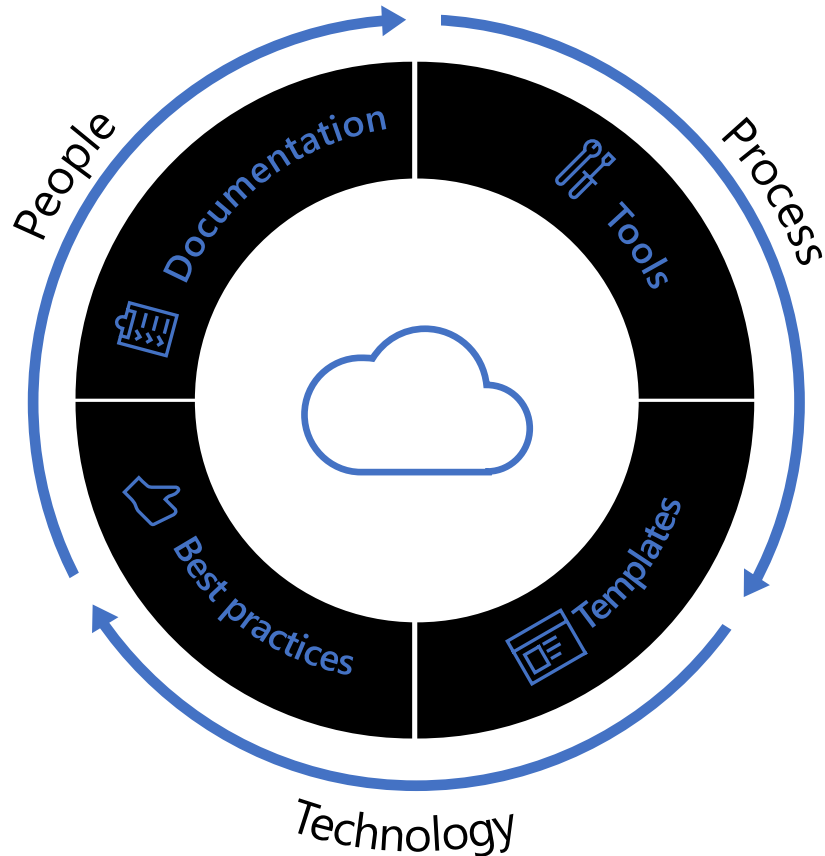# Microsoft Cloud Adoption Framework

Achieve balance. Deliver modernization

People

Documentation

Process

Tools

Best practices

Templates

Technology
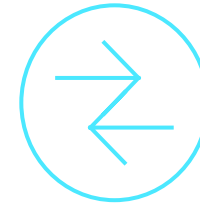
Control & Stability

Speed & Results

Align—business, people and technology strategy.
Achieve—business goals with actionable, efficient, and comprehensive guidance.
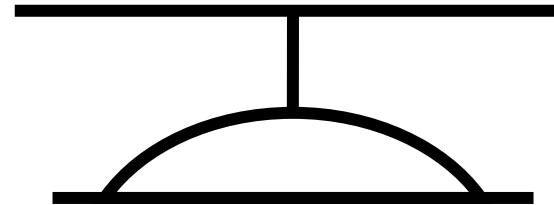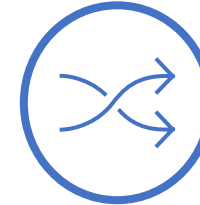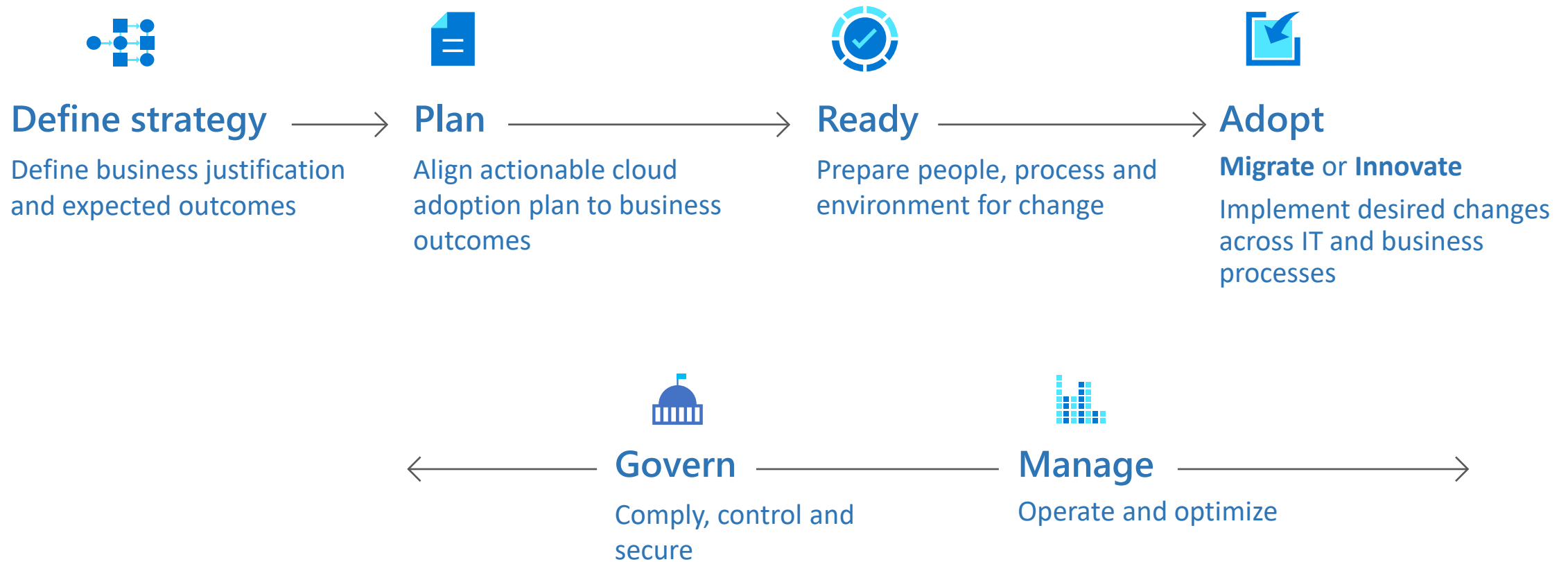**Deliver**—fast results with control and stability.

Microsoft Cloud Adoption Framework for Azure

Proven guidance to accelerate your cloud adoption journey

Define strategy
Define business justification and expected outcomes

Plan
Align actionable cloud adoption plan to business outcomes

Ready
Prepare people, process and environment for change

Adopt
Migrate or **Innovate**

Implement desired changes across IT and business processes

Govern
Comply, control and secure

Manage
Operate and optimize

Cloud Adoption Motivations

Engage stakeholders across business and technology to understand your motivations for cloud adoption
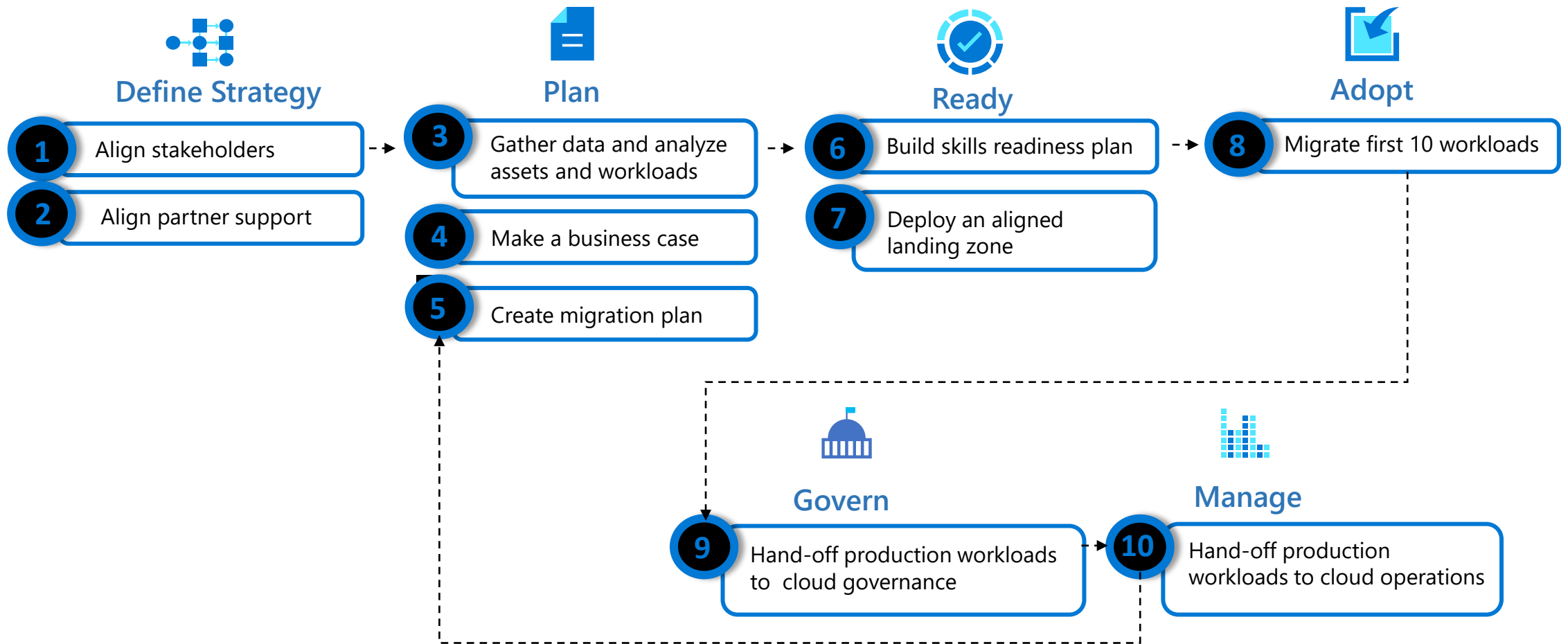
Migration Motivations

- Cost Savings
- Reduction in vendor or technical complexity
- Optimization of internal operations
- Increase business agility
- Prepare for new technical capabilities
- Scale to meet market demands
- Scale to meet geographic demands

Critical Business Events

- Data center exit
- Mergers, acquisition or divestiture
- Reductions in capital expenses
- End of support for mission critical technologies
- Regulatory compliance, data sovereignty requirements
- Reduce disruptions and improve IT stability

Innovation Motivations

- Prepare for new technical capabilities
- Build new technical capabilities
- Scale to meet market demands
- Scale to meet geographic demands
- Improve customer experiences / engagements
- Transform products or services
- Disrupt the market with new products or services

Migrate existing workloads

Define Strategy

1 Align stakeholders

2 Align partner support

Plan

3 Gather data and analyze assets and workloads

4 Make a business case

5 Create migration plan

Ready

6 Build skills readiness plan

7 Deploy an aligned landing zone

Adopt

8 Migrate first 10 workloads

Govern

9 Hand-off production workloads to cloud governance

Manage

10 Hand-off production workloads to cloud operations

Strategy & Planning

The cloud delivers fundamental technology benefits that can help your enterprise execute multiple business strategies. By using cloud-based approaches, you can:

- Improve business agility

- Reduce costs

- Accelerate time to market

- Enable expansion into new markets