## Cloud Foundations

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## Why is a Cloud Foundation Important?

A **solid cloud foundation** is critical for companies because it ensures their cloud adoption is secure, scalable, cost-efficient, and ready to support innovation. Without a well-architected foundation, businesses risk inefficiencies, security vulnerabilities, compliance gaps, and operational bottlenecks that can hinder their ability to fully leverage the cloud's benefits.

- 1. **Security & Compliance** A strong foundation enforces identity management, data protection, and regulatory compliance, reducing security risks and ensuring governance.
- 2. Scalability & Flexibility A well-architected cloud environment supports business growth, enabling companies to scale resources up or down based on demand without performance issues.
- **3. Cost Optimization** Properly designed cloud foundations help organizations control costs, eliminate waste, and maximize return on investment through automation and cost governance tools.
- **4. Operational Efficiency -** With standardized processes, automation, and monitoring in place, IT teams can manage infrastructure more effectively, reducing downtime and improving performance.
- **5. Innovation & Al Readiness -** A cloud foundation enables companies to rapidly adopt Al, analytics, and modern applications by providing the necessary infrastructure and data frameworks.

By investing in a solid cloud foundation, companies ensure that their cloud journey is built for long-term success, enabling them to move faster, reduce risk, and maximize the value of their cloud investments.

### What Drives the Value?

### **TOP 5 BENEFITS OF ADOPTING ENTERPRISE LANDING ZONE**

1	Growth	All the coolest, latest and greatest stuff is in cloud
2	Save Costs	Operational efficiency associate with maintenance and automation. Auto Detection/Auto Remediation. Costs are out of control
3	Increase Productivity	Al Ops, Agentic Frameworks, Process Automation for Infrastructure management. Developer Experience
4	Reduce Risk	Better instrumentation, cyber defense, logging. Perimeter Defense, penetration testing. Continued Accelerators and Compliance Centers configured with Guardrails for CSPM
5	Customer, Employee Partner Experience	Delivery killer apps and mobile experiences faster

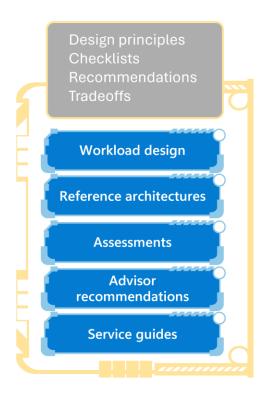
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### **Cloud Foundations - Well Architected**

# DESIGN WORKLOADS THAT ACHIEVE BUSINESS VALUE OVER TIME

As solution architects, you want to build reliable, secure, and performant workloads that maximize the value of investment in the infrastructure. Start with the Pillars and align your design choices with the principles. Then, build a strong foundation for your workload based on technical design areas. Finally, use review tools to assess your readiness in deploying to production.





### **Solid Foundational Approach**

**AI READY DATA** 

The next step in the

**PLATFORM** 

journey is to

analytics.

transformation

implement an Al

Ready Data Platform

that delivers high-

quality, cleaned,

standardized, and

governed enterprise

data to power AI and



#### **CLOUD FOUNDATIONS**

The first step to enabling an Al First enterprise is to adopt the cloud. Our Cloud Foundations offering sets the stage to take advantage of the power of modern cloud services in a secure and scalable.



#### **AI KNOWLEDGE FOUNDATION**

Once you have an Al Ready Data Platform it is critical to curate your enterprise data for use in AI models, and agentic frameworks to unlock AI-powered experiences, applications, and automation.





**AUTOMATION** 

With access to modern cloud services, and your enterprise data ready for use by AI models and agentic frameworks it is now possible to transform enterprise operations through agentic task and process automation.

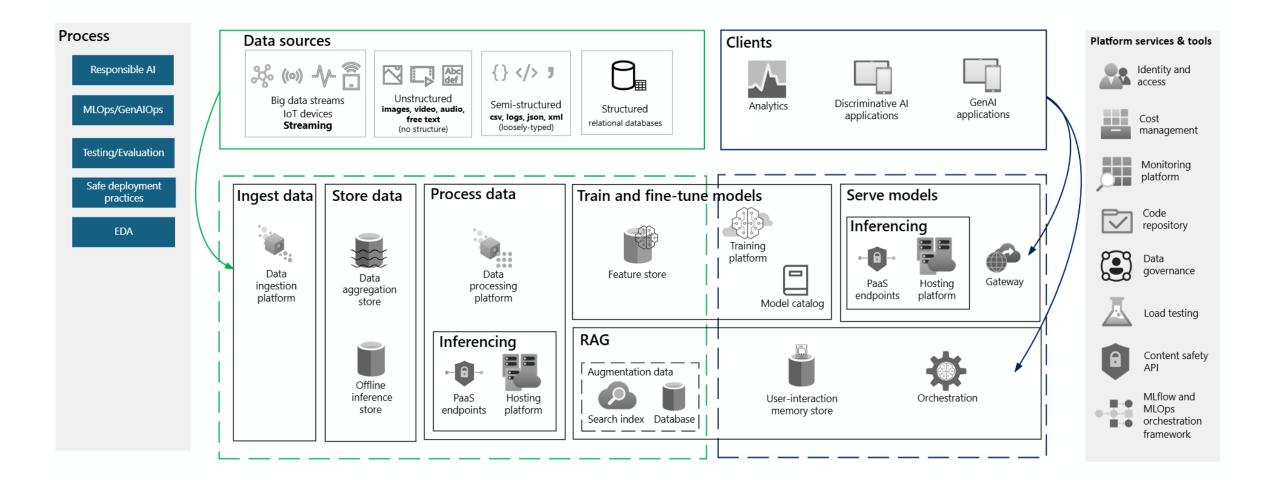




#### **AI EXPERIENCES AND APPLICATIONS**

Leverage your new Al and Agentic capabilities to implement Alpowered applications and innovations that transform experiences for employees and customers through self-service and efficient access to information.

### **Cloud Foundations Framework**



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