Software Assurance
Desktop Deployment Planning Services

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Desktop Deployment Planning Services (DDPS) provides structured consulting engagements, delivered by qualified Microsoft partners, to help you plan your Microsoft Office and Windows deployments, reduce ambiguity, and get the most of your technology investment.

Plan your Office and Windows deployment

A benefit for Microsoft Volume Licensing Software Assurance customers, DDPS helps ensure the successful deployment of your Microsoft Office and Windows or Mobility solution while helping to improve productivity across your organization by providing your IT staff with the levels of control, manageability, and security they require. Planning Services are structured engagements tailored to meet the unique needs of your organization. With the expertise of a qualified partner or Microsoft Services, DDPS introduces advanced techniques, processes, and tools to help you plan your next desktop deployment, whether on-premises, in the cloud, or in a hybrid environment.

Choose the offering that's right for you

Desktop Deployment Planning Services engagements help you develop a deployment or migration plan tailored for your organization.

▶ **Office 365 FastTrack Planning**
   Work with a qualified Microsoft partner to envision an Office 365 solution and discover how Office 365 can help you achieve your business objectives. Available as 1-day or 3-day strategy envisioning sessions or in-depth 5-, 10-, or 15-day enablement and assessment sessions with recommended guidance and clearly defined next steps.

▶ **Windows and Office Enterprise Proof of Concept**
   This comprehensive engagement of 1, 3, 5, 10, or 15 days allows you to work with a partner to create a customized engagement addressing the core capabilities needed to deploy a modern business desktop with Windows and Office. Optimized for Windows 10 and Office 2016, this engagement helps identify needs and capabilities through requirements-gathering workshops to create vision and scoping documentation while adhering to your objectives.

▶ **Windows and Office Deployment Planning**
   This customizable engagement of 1, 3, 5, 10, or 15 days is designed to help quickly and efficiently plan your Office or Windows deployment, upgrade, or migration. Optimized for Windows 10 and Office 2016, this engagement will allow you to work with a partner to better understand the architectural and operational aspects of deploying the next version of Windows and Office while becoming familiar with the new features of each product.

▶ **Mobile Productivity Deployment Planning**
   This engagement will help you envision how activating Office applications on your employees' mobile devices will deliver productivity benefits to your business. During either a 1-day or a 3-day workshop, a demo environment will be established to demonstrate the value of add-ins and receive a technical workshop to address any concerns. Longer engagements of 5, 10, and 15 days will include a proof-of-concept solution.

▶ **Windows Enterprise Mobility Engagement**

   This 10-day proof-of-concept engagement will help you take the first step in becoming a mobile enterprise. Choose a qualified partner to work with you to strategize, plan, and test the right infrastructure and enabling technologies for your mobile enterprise.

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The cloud on your terms

Cloud computing may be on your immediate horizon or in the future. Whether you are planning to move fully online or take one step at a time, your Planning Services partner can help you learn more about the possibilities and practical realities of deploying Office 365. With the Office 365 FastTrack Planning Services engagements, your partner can help you assess enterprise features of Office 365, determine your organization's readiness, and help you design a migration plan that meets your needs.

DDPS can help you:	Sample 5-day engagement:
✓ Demystify desktop deployment and realize the value of your Office and Windows investment	▶ **Day 0** Customer completes pre-engagement questionnaire
✓ Validate and improve current deployment plans	▶ **Day 1** Consultant explains benefits of the most recent release of Office and Windows
✓ Experience your desktop deployment through a structured Office 365 FastTrack Planning engagement or Windows proof of concept	▶ **Days 2–3** Consultant interviews customer experts
✓ Build a customized deployment or migration plan	▶ **Day 4** Consultant compiles findings from interviews
	▶ **Day 5** Consultant presents final deployment plan

Using Planning Services days

Available in engagements of 1, 3, 5, 10, or 15 days, Planning Services offer a structured yet collaborative consulting experience. The longer engagements allow for a deeper look at specific technologies 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 have an understanding of what can and will be included in your engagement.

As a Microsoft Volume Licensing customer with Software Assurance, your organization receives a 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.

▶ MPSA customers go to the Microsoft Business Center.

▶ To locate a qualified partner, visit the Planning Services Partner Directory or check with your Microsoft representative.

Planning Services has eight offerings available to help you plan your deployment of Microsoft technologies: Desktop (Office/Office 365 and Windows); Developer Tools (Visual Studio); Dynamics (Dynamics CRM, Dynamics CRM Online, and Dynamics AX); Private Cloud, Management, and Virtualization (Windows Server); Public Cloud and Microsoft Azure; SharePoint; Skype for Business and Exchange; and SQL Server Deployment Planning Services.

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.

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