

[Checklist] When should I move my ERP to the Cloud?

Good Question!

"To Cloud or Not to Cloud? The answer to this popular question may come down to a –when- decision, and not an –if- decision for many organizations."

Jennifer Harris, TMC President



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With a few exceptions, the advantages of deploying your ERP to the cloud are hard to ignore.



These criteria can assist in your evaluation about moving your ERP to the Cloud.

This eBook aims to give you the keys to better understand an ERP conversion to the Cloud through examples and decisional questions for your organization.





What is the condition of the current hardware?

Viewing a move to the Cloud as a “when decision”, the focus can turn to the remaining useful life of the servers in place today.

For a hardware environment that is up to the requirements of the ERP system, the decision to move to the cloud may be able to wait.

However, if the current system is older, and will need to be upgraded to support the new ERP, the decision to migrate to the cloud can avoid the expense of new hardware.

The company is expanding, financially and physically.

Adding new locations or facilities, opening new stores?

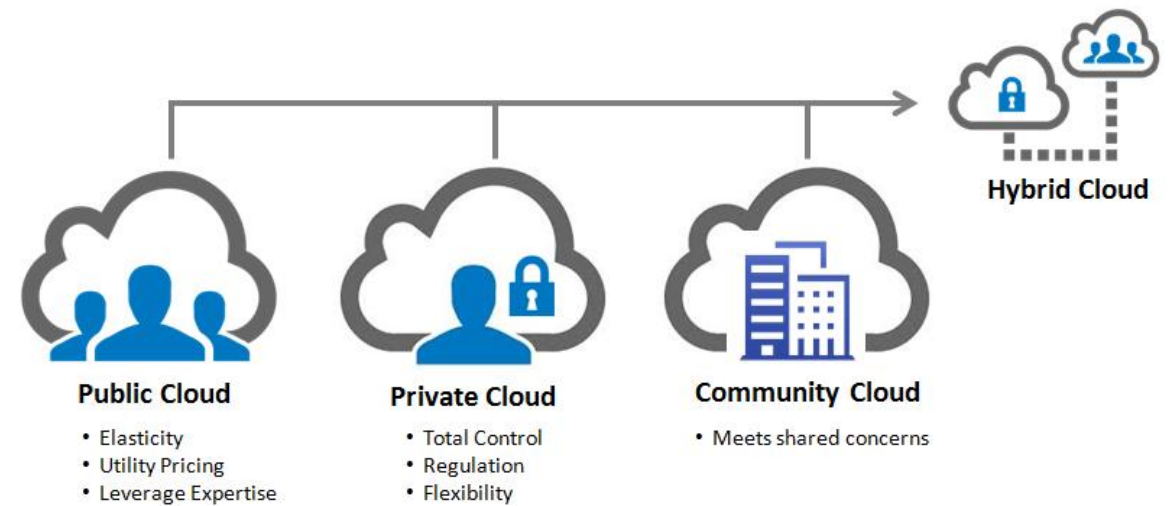
Rather than building out your own wide-area network, and then maintaining that network over time, *a migration to the Cloud will minimize or eliminate those networking challenges.*

Accessible at any time, from virtually anywhere, a Cloud deployment will easily handle your future growth and expansion needs.



Would a Hybrid deployment work better for your company?

For some companies, it may make sense to maintain some of their systems On-Premise today, while other supporting systems can be moved to the Cloud.



One example might be maintaining the ERP system on-site (for now, until the hardware needs to be replaced) while moving to Office 365 and Exchange online. Other cases might involve moving the ERP to the cloud, while maintaining an on-premise support system.

Our approach is to support the deployment of critical systems where they make the most sense, On-Premise, In the Cloud, or a mixed hybrid.



What you need to know about moving to the Cloud



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- ✓ Existing hardware can be used, up to a point, but purchasing new hardware? Think about moving to the cloud instead.
 - ✓ Plan your growth and expansion around a cloud model to simplify deployment and reduce costs.
 - ✓ Options are available – On-Premise, In the Cloud or a Hybrid deployment.

What you need to know about your change of partner

Easy Steps to Changing your partner:

- Sign the Change of Partner agreement with Microsoft
- Engage with your new partner to assess the current state of your system
- Change of partner can be completed, at any time, in just a few days.

Useful Links

- [Change of Partner](#)
- [Dynamics GP - What's New](#)
- [Dynamics GP - Hardware Requirements](#)



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