# Partner Positioning and Value Proposition for Azure

## Today's agenda

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## Opportunities for partners through SAP on Azure

### **Learning Objective**

Benefits of promoting Azure as the preferred platform for SAP applications

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## Best practices in selling SAP on Azure

### **Learning Objective**

How to promote Azure for SAP based on the combined experiences of Microsoft and our partner ecosystem

# SAP on Azure: The best choice for partners

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## S/4HANA presents great opportunity for Azure partners

- 1 SAP is the world's largest ERP provider. 80% of the world's business transactions use an SAP system.
- Winning SAP workloads for Azure secures the data center.
- SAP is replatforming its business suite to S/4HANA as a new mandatory upgrade, creating a \$100B market opportunity.

## **Partner Opportunity**

- Azure Migration services
- Database Migration Services
- Application Management Services
- Application Deployment Services
- Analytics Solution Services

- O365/SharePoint deployment services
- Digital Transformation
   Solutions
- ISV/IP Solutions Upsell

#### \$2M to \$10M in Average Services

- Migration Services \$1-2M
- App deployments and AMS \$5-10M
- Analytics services \$1-2M
- 0365/SharePoint services \$1-2M

## Public Cloud for SAP is good for clients and good for you

#### **Good for Clients**

Public cloud offers many advantages for SAP applications including:

**Scalability** 

Speed of provisioning

**Built-in tooling** 

Pay for use

Partner and services ecosystems

**Good for Partners** 



#### Create new billable projects

Guide clients in their cloud migration strategies and win projects.



## Forge new customer relationships

Help new clients move to the cloud to forge new ongoing relationships. nmediate revenue opportunities



## Begin a Digital Transformation journey

SAP cloud migration is just one step in Digital Transformation. Use SAP migration to become the proven partner for future initiatives.



## Differentiate through cloud expertise

Lead with cloud for SAP to demonstrate your expertise and open the door to future opportunities. ong term succes initiatives

## Azure is the strongest public cloud platform for SAP

## **Advantages for Clients**

#### **Business advantages**

**Trust in Microsoft** 

Deep SAP/Microsoft relationship

Maturity of SAP on Azure implementations

Full-stack Microsoft technology support

#### **Technical advantages**

**Hybrid cloud** 

Data privacy

**Capacity** 

Global presence

Reliability

#### **Advantages for Partners**



#### Attractive financial incentives

Strong financial incentives are available for partners driving Azure deployments.



#### Funding for pre-sales activity

Funding available for POC and other pre-sales activities.



## Marketing program support and sales assistance

Sales assistance and programs including events, PR, and awareness campaigns for qualified partners.



## Architecture design and technical support

Experienced technical assistance available for architecture design and implementation.



#### **Microsoft Partner Network**

Extensive documentation support and sales/marketing assets available for partner use.



## The most extensible platform for Digital Transformation expansion

Industry-leading security, capacity, and advanced capabilities facilitate further Analytics and Digital Transformation activity.

# How to promote and sell Azure for SAP

## Customer motivations for moving SAP to public cloud



Introduce modern technologies



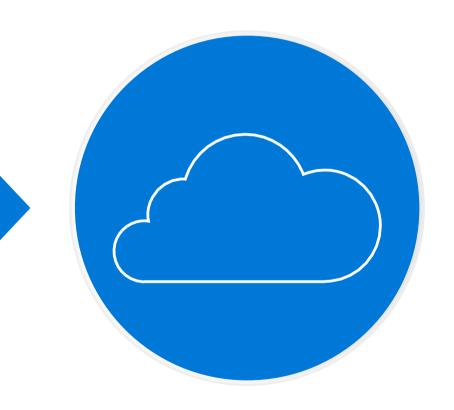
Gain advantages of cloud architecture



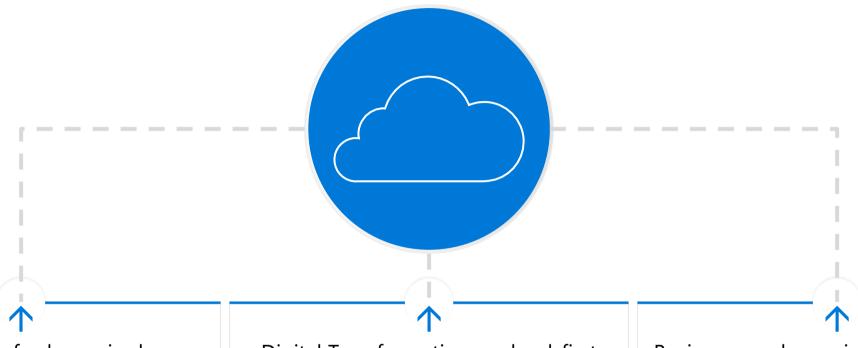
Adopt expense model that matches usage



Remove unsupported or non-performing legacy technology



## Trigger points for moving SAP to public cloud



Hardware refresh required

End-of-support for critical hardware/software components

Particularly the upcoming 2025 end of support for NetWeaver

Digital Transformation or cloud-first initiative

Move to HANA or other SAP upgrade project

M&A activity

Business needs require better access to SAP data for analytics

End of hosting or outsourcing contract

Change in decision maker

## Adoption follows four potential paths

## Most advanced

## Simplest & most basic

#### **REDEPLOY TO AZURE**

Adapt and deploy existing workstreams to Azure.

This entry point to SAP on Azure is the most common deployment type

#### **HANA**

Deploy HANA on Azure.

Upgrade from AnyDB to HANA Replatform existing HANA implementation to Azure

## ANALYTICS & VISUALIZATION

Implement analytics functionality to take advantage of Azure's capabilities.

Power BI

Machine learning

IoT analytics

Open Data Initiative (with SAP and Adobe)

## EXTENDED CAPABILITIES

Azure offers unique capabilities that add value beyond what other public cloud platforms can provide.

Blockchain DevOps

Out-of-the-box support for Active Directory and O365 identity and access

## **Benefits of Advanced Specialization**

The Microsoft Partner Network Program showcases partners that differentiate themselves based on proven expertise – from adding new competencies to introducing new ways for partners to feature their advanced specializations. These changes demonstrate our passion to increase partners' opportunities by getting partners better connected to customers and other partners who are looking for the solutions and services they can offer. The SAP on Azure Advanced Specialization designation provides partners the ability to showcase that they have a strong team ready to engage with customers and have demonstrated their ability to deliver SAP on Azure projects.



#### **Validate Your Expertise**

Demonstrate your expertise so customers can trust you as an advisor and implementer.



#### **Ensure Complete and Accurate Knowledge**

Stay current in your technical knowledge of this complex and fast-moving platform.



#### **Promote Confidence**

Your SAP on Azure Advanced Specialization helps give Microsoft decision makers confidence in your ability to successfully lead prospects through Azure implementations.

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## Best practices in promoting public cloud for SAP



Remember these tips when engaging with prospects who use SAP.

- 1 For every SAP opportunity, make sure you explore public cloud as an option
- 2 Lead with cloud rather than waiting for clients to identify it as an area of interest
- 3 Look for the trigger points detailed earlier and present cloud replatforming as a potential response
- 4 Use cloud as a unique opportunity to show your differentiation as a consulting vendor
- Recommend Azure as the preferred public cloud platform using the unique advantages documented in the accompanying customer sales presentation
- 6 Obtain Advanced Specialization in SAP on Azure

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# See these additional resources to help you promote and deploy SAP on Azure

#### SAP on Azure customer presentation

Start your SAP on Azure conversation here. This presentation contains the information you need to introduce the idea of migrating SAP workloads to Azure, explaining why it's a good idea for your customer.

#### SAP on Azure Partner Battlecard

This document walks you through the best practices in pitching and winning engagements for SAP on Azure including door openers, competitive differentiation versus other public cloud platforms, objection handling, and more.

#### SAP on Azure Solutions Brief

Keep this two-pager handy as a quick reference for all the essentials of introducing and qualifying deals and helping your clients through the SAP on Azure decision process.

#### SAP on Azure GTM Playbook

A quick guide to the sales material Microsoft provides to help you introduce and promote SAP on Azure.

#### **SAP on Azure Technical Playbook**

A quick guide to the technical material Microsoft provides to aid in SAP deployments on Azure.



# Thank you