Keep control over your resources
Technical Governance in Azure

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Agenda

What is Governance
Methods & tools
Zoom into Tags, Templates and Policies
Cost Management by Cloudyn
Q&A



What is governance?



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Governance ensures that policies and strategy are actually implemented, and that required processes are correctly followed. Governance includes defining roles and responsibilities, measuring and reporting, and taking actions to resolve any issues identified.

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ITIL Service Strategy

IT Governance Definition



...and what is Azure Governance?

- Methods, tools and best practices to
 - Organize and structure resources
 - Standardize and define resources
 - Ensure transparency of resources
 - Control access
 - Control costs
 - **E**nforce policies

...and what is Azure Governance?

Examples:

- Accounts and departments in the EA portal
- Azure AD accounts/RBAC
- Naming conventions/policies
- Subscription management
- Resource groups
- Resource tags
- Resource templates
- Resource policies



Resource Tags



What are Tags?

Name: Value pairs

Describe, structure, document resources

Can be applied to resources and resource groups



Limitations

Max. tags per resource/resource group: 15

Max. length tag name: 512 chars

Max. length tag value: 256 chars

No inheritance



Example

```
"tags": {
 "department": "IT",
 "owner": "username",
 "costCenter": "12345"
```

Demo



ARM Templates



What is JSON?

Java Script Object Notation
Origin: Web application development
Easy to learn, easy to read
Condensed



JSON vs XML

```
JSON
{
    "id": 1,
    "name": "A green door",
    "price": 12.50,
    "tags": ["home", "green"]
}
```

XML

```
<object>
    <id>1</id>
    <name>A green door</name>
    <price>12.50</price>
    <tags>
        <tag>home</tag>
        <tag>green</tag>
        <tags>
        <tag>cobject>
```

Structure

Basic example

```
{
    "$schema": "https://schema.management.azure.com/schemas/2015-01-01/deploymentTemplate.json#",
    "contentVersion": "1.0.0.0",
    "parameters": {
        "EmptyStorageType": {
            "type": "string",
            "defaultValue": "Standard_LRS",
            "allowedValues": [
            "Standard_LRS" ]
    }
    "variables": {
        "EmptyStorageName": "[concat('EmptyStorage', uniqueString(resourceGroup().id))]"
    },
    ...
}
```



Basic example



Basic example

```
"tags": {
       "displayName": "EmptyStorage"
    "properties": {
       "accountType": "[parameters('EmptyStorageType')]"
"outputs": {
```

And now?

How do we get the template into the cloud?

Azure Portal PowerShell Azure CLI Visual Studio





Demo



Resource Policies



Policies

Establish and define Conventions Frameworks Cost control

Enforce limitations i.e. for test- and dev environments



RBAC vs. Policies

RBAC focuses on User activities within a defined scope

> Role model

Policies focus on Ressource attributes during deployment Define general standards



Structure

Parameters
Display name
Description
Policy Rule
Logical evaluation
Effect

```
"parameters": {
    "notAllowedLocations": {
        "type": "array",
        "metadata": {
        "description": "The list of locations that are not allowed when deploying resources",
        "strongType": "location",
        "displayName": "Not allowed locations"
    }
}

"displayName": "Not allowed locations",
    "description": "This policy enables you to block locations that your organization can specify when deploying resources.",

"if": {
        "field": "location",
        "in": "[parameters('notAllowedLocations')]"
        "then":
        "effect": "deny"
```

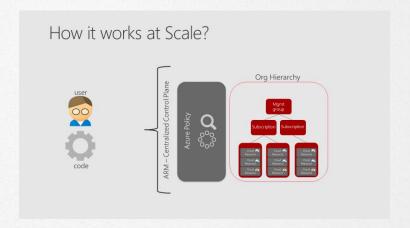
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Bundling assignments into initiatives

Assign initiative to multiple

Assign initiative to multiple subscriptions
Audit policies





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Cost Management by Cloudyn



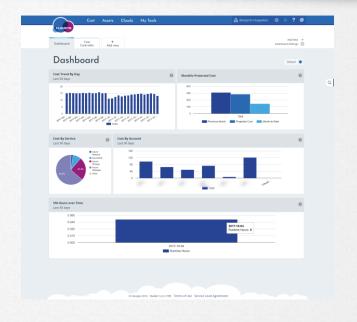
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Various Azure Subscription Types

- Enterprise Agreement
- CSP
- Pay-per-use

Multi Cloud

- Azure
- AWS
- Google





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