Multi-Cloud Decision Wizard
Quick Cheat Sheet (v1.5.2)

Use this when you already understand the basics and just need a fast reminder of what to fill where and what it drives.

A. 5-Minute Workflow

1) Pick the cloud in the top-right (Azure / AWS / GCP / OCI).

2) Step 1: Set Initiative type, Architecture type, Traffic pattern, Latency, Team strengths, and a short description.

3) Step 2: Fill the path block that appears (New / Change / Maintenance / Migration) and set Primary data pattern + Data sensitivity.

4) Step 3: Lock in Tier, Uptime, RTO/RPO, Time-to-market, Ops maturity, Source environment, Migration approach, and IaC tool.

5) Step 4: Enter rough peak users, RPS, data volume, daily ingest, retention; tick environments; choose non-prod scale and regions.

6) Click Finish. Review the right side, tweak any inputs, click Finish again.

7) Copy the Implementation playbook into Word / Confluence as your first-cut plan.

B. What Really Matters

• Initiative type + path details → decides whether guidance is about building new, changing, running, or migrating.

• Primary data pattern + data sensitivity → drive database, storage, security, and region/compliance guidance.

• Tier, uptime, RTO/RPO → drive HA/DR and operations expectations.

• Source environment + migration approach → drive migration methods and landing zone patterns.

• Team strengths + IaC tooling → tune how aggressive the platform choice is and how the playbook talks about automation.

• Sizing (users, RPS, volume, ingest, retention) + environments + regions → build the sizing & environment footprint section.

C. Inputs → Outputs Mapping (At a Glance)

Inputs group	Main outputs affected
Step 1: Initiative & basics	Pills, path focus, and high-level tone of compute & migration sections.
Step 2: Path details	Whether guidance emphasises new build, change, maintenance, or migration, and what the main success target is (scale, cost, compliance, etc.).
Step 2: Data & sector	Data and storage stack, integration approach, and compliance / region controls.
Step 3: Non-functional	Ops, resilience, SLOs, DR patterns, and level of automation expected.
Step 3: Source & 7R	Migration method and the way landing zones and refactoring are described.
Step 3: IaC tooling	How the playbook frames automation and CI/CD work.
Step 4: Sizing & environments	Sizing summary paragraph and the environment footprint table.

D. When in Doubt

• If you are unsure, choose the simpler option and note the caveats in the description.

• Treat the output as a starting point. Refine it with your architects, engineers, and stakeholders.

• Re-run the wizard with different tiers, patterns, or clouds to explore alternatives.