

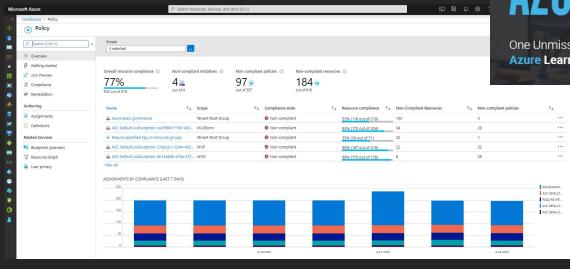
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# Azure Policy with Azure Security Center - Your Cloud Guards

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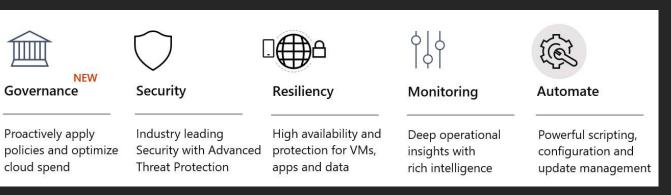


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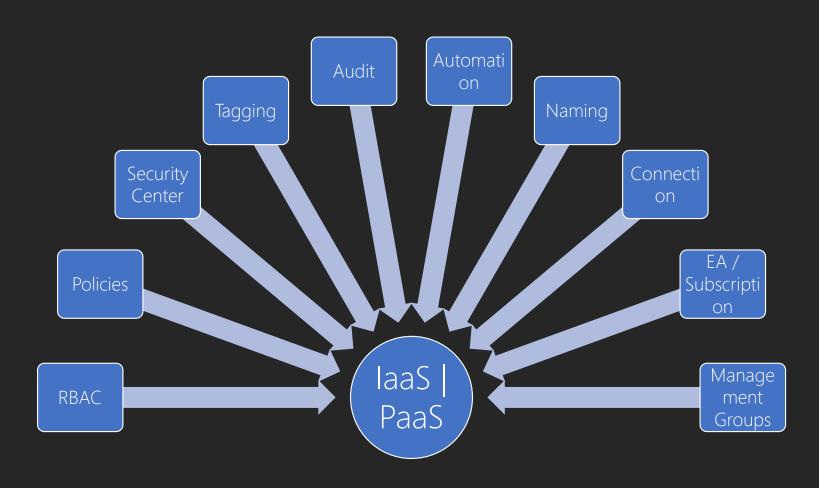
## **Agenda**

- Azure Policy
- Azure Security Center
- How does it work together
- Summary





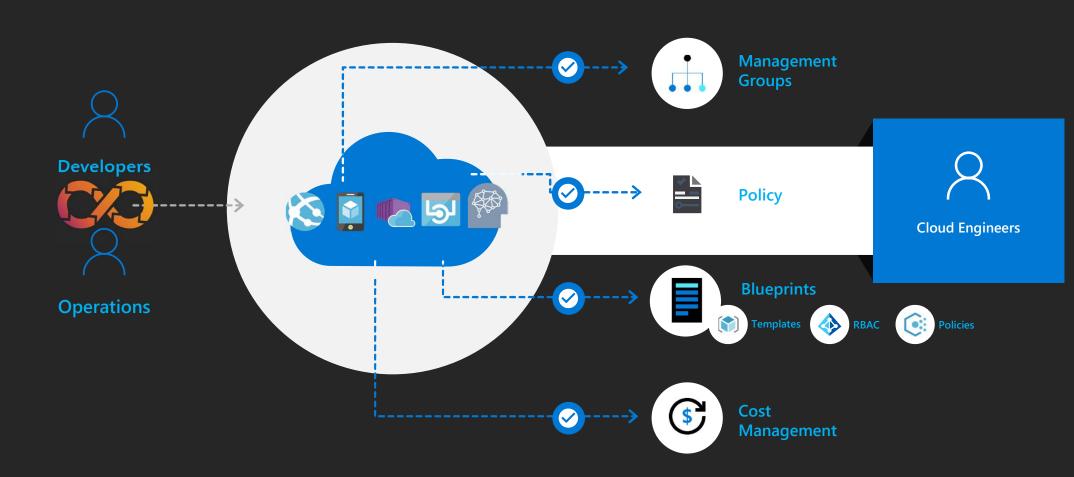




## **Speed + Control**



Cloud-native governance -> removing barriers to compliance and enabling velocity





## Azure Policy Concepts 👀

- Create, assign and manage policies
- Enforce rules to ensure your ressoures are compliant
- Focus on ressource properties for new and existing deployments
- A <u>definition</u> is a set of conditions in audit or deny mode
- An <u>assignment</u> is a policy definition placed on a specific scope
- An <u>initiative</u> is a collection of policies



# Azure Policy 👀



- Turn on built-in policies or build custom ones for all resource types
- Real-time policy evaluation and enforcement
- Periodic & on-demand compliance evaluation
- VM In-Guest Policy (NEW)

Enforcement & Compliance



- Apply policies to a Management
  Group with control across your
  entire organization
- Apply multiple policies and & aggregate policy states with policy initiative
- Exclusion Scope

Apply policies at scale



- Real time remediation
- Remediation on existing resources (NEW)

Remediation



**Azure** 

Resource

Graph

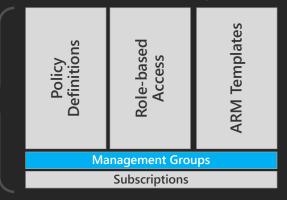
# Azure Governance Architecture providing control over the cloud environment, without sacrificing developer agility

Virtual

Machine

1. Environment Factory: Deploy and update cloud environments in a

repeatable manner using composable artifacts



**Azure Portal** CLI 3rd party **CRUD** Query

**Azure Blueprints** 

- 2. Policy-based Control: Real-time enforcement, compliance assessment and remediation at scale
- **3. Resource Visibility**: Query, explore & analyze cloud resources at scale



#### **Azure Resource Manager (ARM)**

Network Storage

Resource Provider

### Leverage built-in initiative & policies





**Azure Security Center** 

**Guest Config baselines** 

Key Vault certificate

NSG rules

AKS & AKS Engine

RBAC role assignment



NIST SP 800-53 R4

ISO 27001:2013

CIS

PCI v3.2.1:2018

FedRAMP Moderate

Canada Federal PBMM

SWIFT CSP-CSCF v2020

UK Official and UK NHS

IRS 1075



Require specified tag

Add or replace a tag

Inherit a tag from the RG

Append a tag



#### **Resource standardization**

Allowed/ not allowed RP

Allowed locations

Naming convention

Back up VMs

Allowed images for AKS



Allowed VM SKUs

Allowed Storage SKUs

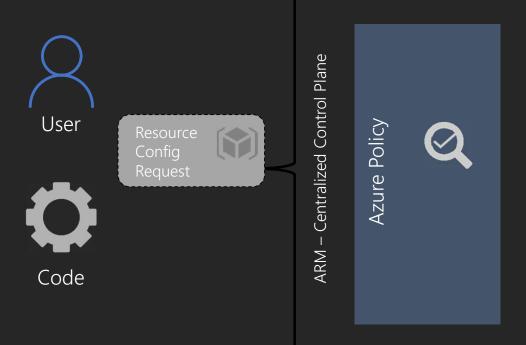
# **Azure Policy**







### How does it work?



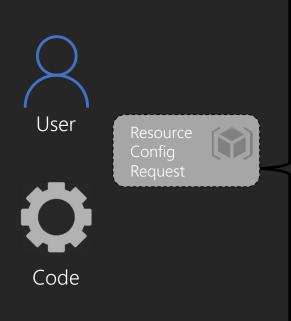
Cloud Resource

### Order of evaluation

- Append
- Audit
- DeployIfNotExists AuditIfNotExists



### How does it work?



ARM – Centralized Control Plane





Reso

- Append
- Deny
- Audit
- DeployIfNotExists
- AuditIfNotExist s

# **Azure Policy**







## Azure Policy Defintion structure

```
{ "properties": {
     "mode": "all",
     "parameters": {
       "allowedLocations": {
          "type": "array",
          "metadata": { "description": "The list of locations that can be specified when deploying resources",
             "strongType": "location",
             "displayName": "Allowed locations" }, "defaultValue": [ "westus2" ]
      } },
     "displayName": "Allowed locations",
     "description": "This policy enables you to restrict the locations your organization can specify when deploying resources.",
     "policyRule": {
          "not": {
             "field": "location", "in": "[parameters('allowedLocations')]"
       "then": { "effect": "deny"
       } }}
```



## **Policy**

- 250 policy definitions per scope
- 100 policy set definitions per scope
- 1000 policy set definitions per tenant
- 100 policyDefinition references per policySetDefinition
- 100 policy assignments per scope
- 250 notScopes per policyAssignment
- <a href="https://github.com/Azure/azure-policy">https://github.com/Azure/azure-policy</a>

# **Azure Security Center**





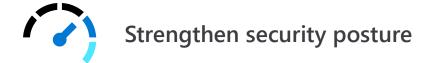
### **Azure Security Center**

- A service to strengthen your security posture
- Available in two Tiers Basic and Standard
- Basic -> Free Activated by default for all subscriptions
- Based on an security score scope based
- Available for all workloads (Server, Container, SQL, IoT and more)



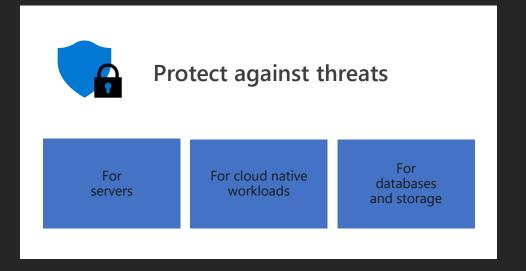
## **Azure security center**





Cloud security posture management

Secure Score
Policies and compliance

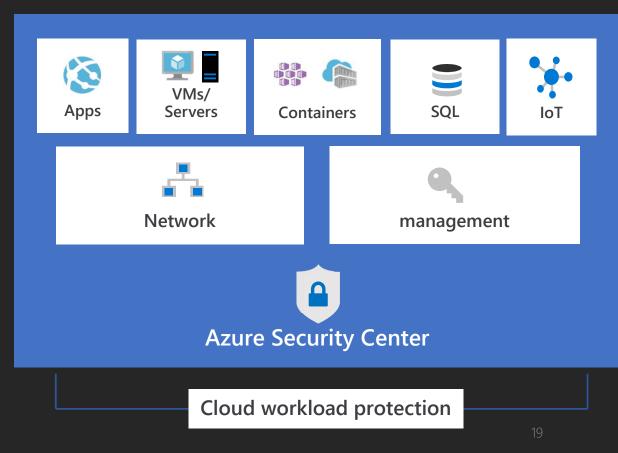






## Protect your workloads

- Detect & block advanced malware and threats for Linux and Windows Servers on any cloud
- Protect cloud-native services from threats
- Protect data services against malicious attacks
- Protect your Azure IoT solutions with near real time monitoring
- Service layer detections: Azure network layer and Azure management layer (ARM)



# **Azure Security Center**





#### Management Groups



**Environment modeling + org hierarchy Common Guardrails Common Cloud Infrastructure** Customization of infra/ guardrail **European Sharepoint** Conference **Prod Management Group Dev Management Group** Webservices Kubernetes SQL Webservices Kubernetes SQL



### How it works together

- All Azure Security Center recommendations based on Azure Policy
- Secure score is result of Azure Policy settings
- Recommendation is also a result of Azure Policy
- All Azure Policy are defined in Compliance mode
- You can define custom security policies for Secure score

# **Azure Security Center**







### **Azure Policy Recap**

- Powerful solution to define Cloud Guards for own Tenant
- Start with an audit effect instead of a deny effect
- Define Management Groups to group subscriptions and set Policies at Higher level
- Use Deny effect for Production workloads with wisdom
- Creating initivatives even for single policy definition
- Integrate Azure Policy in your regulary Azure check



### **Azure Security Center**

- Start with ASC to get a Security Overview
- Use ASC to strengthen your infrastructure
- Check the status in ASC regularly
- Create own security policies for secure score



#### Links

- https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/governance/policy/overview
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### Microsoft Cloud Adoption Framework for Azure





#### **Define Strategy**

- Understand motivations
- · Business outcomes
- Business justification
- Prioritize project



#### Plan

- Digital estate
- Initial organization alignment
- Skills readiness plan
- Cloud adoption plan



#### Ready

- Azure readiness guide
- First landing zone
- Expand the blueprint
- Best practice Validation



#### Adopt

#### Migrate

- First workload migration
- Expanded scenarios
- Best practice validation
- Process improvements



#### Innovate

- Innovation guide
- Expanded scenarios
- Best practice validation
- Process improvements



#### Govern

Methodology • Benchmark initial best practice • Governance maturity



#### Manage

Business commitments operations baseline •
Ops maturity



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