PowerShell App Deployment Tool-Kit

The PowerShell Deployment Tool-Kit (PSDT) is a set of tool and scripts that helps automate the deployment of a software application, infrastructure, and configurations using PowerShell.

Key Features:

- 1. Automates repetitive tasks
- 2. Streamlines deployment Processes.
- 3. Provides flexibility and customization
- 4. Integrates with existing PowerShell Scripts and workflows.

Use:

- 1. Software installation and deployment
- 2. Configuration management
- 3. Infrastructure provisioning
- 4. Automated testing and validation.

PowerShell App Deployment toolkit Steps:

Download and Extract the PSADT package and familiarize yourself with PowerShell Scripting.

Steps:

- Customize the script : Modify the deploy-Application.ps1 script to fit with your applications specific needs.
- ➤ Configure the application: Update the Application.xml file your applications details, such as name, version, and installation parameters.
- ➤ Prepare the Installation Files: Gather all necessary installation files, such as a executable, configuration files, and dependencies.
- ➤ **Test the deployment**: Run the Deploy-Applications.ps1 script is testing mode to verify the deployment process.
- ➤ **Deploy the Application**: Execute the Deploy-Application.ps1 script to deploy the application to target machines.

Configuring PowerShell App Deployment Toolkit (PSADT)*

To configure PSADT, you'll need to modify the `Deploy-Application.ps1` script and the `AppDeployToolkitConfig.xml` file.

AppDeployToolkitConfig.xml Configuration:

- 1. General Settings: Configure general settings like logging, UI, and installation options.
- 2. Installation Settings: Specify installation parameters like install directory, executable names, and silent installation switches.
- 3. Logging Settings: Configure logging options like log file location, verbosity, and retention.

Deploy-Application.ps1 Configuration:

- 1. Application Details: Update application details like name, version, and publisher.
- Installation Functions: Customize installation functions like `Execute-Process` and `Execute-MSI`.
- 3. Error Handling: Implement error handling and logging mechanisms.

Key Configuration Options:

- 1. Installation UI: Choose between different UI options like Full, Silent, or Basic.
- 2. Logging Level: Set the logging level to control the amount of log output.
- 3. Installation Timeout: Configure timeout settings for installation processes.

Folder Structure in PowerShell App Deploy Tool-Kit

The PowerShell App Deployment Toolkit (PSADT) typically follows this folder structure: AppDeployToolkit/



Key Folders and Files:

- 1. AppDeployToolkitConfig.xml: Configuration file for PSADT.
- 2. Deploy-Application.ps1: Main deployment script.
- 3. Files/: Folder for application files and dependencies.
- 4. SupportFiles/: Folder for additional support files, like logging configurations.