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# Lessons learned from a large-scale infrastructure as code project

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# After this Session

- I am able to **develop a mature “Infrastructure As Code”** project from scratch using a Test-Driven development approach, avoiding common pitfalls and getting a heads up in necessary considerations, tools and best practices
- I can **build sophisticated Azure Release Pipelines** that leverage advanced testing scenarios using Azure Resource Manager Templates, PowerShell tooling to support an advanced “Infrastructure As Code” project



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# Agenda

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Introduction

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Architecture

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Demo

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“ “  
By viewing cloud computing as a starting point for IT automation, companies may be able to have it all: scalability, agility, flexibility, efficiency, and cost savings.

But that's only possible by building up both **automation and cloud** capabilities.

– McKinsey

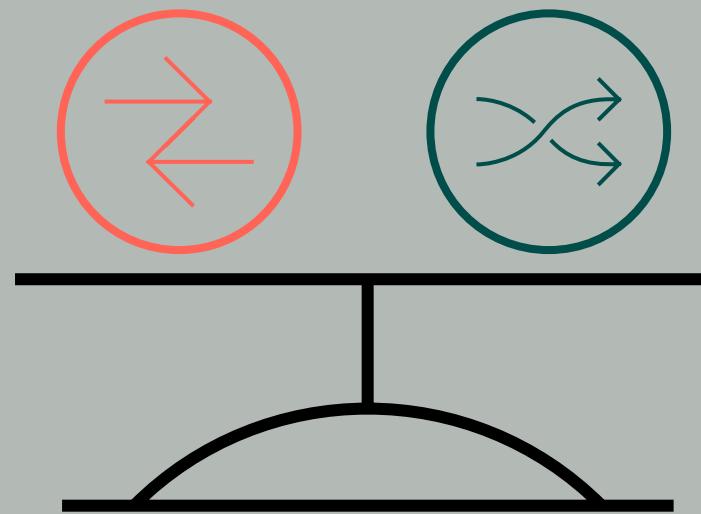
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# What is the challenge?

Control



Speed  
Agility

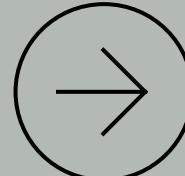


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# Why change?



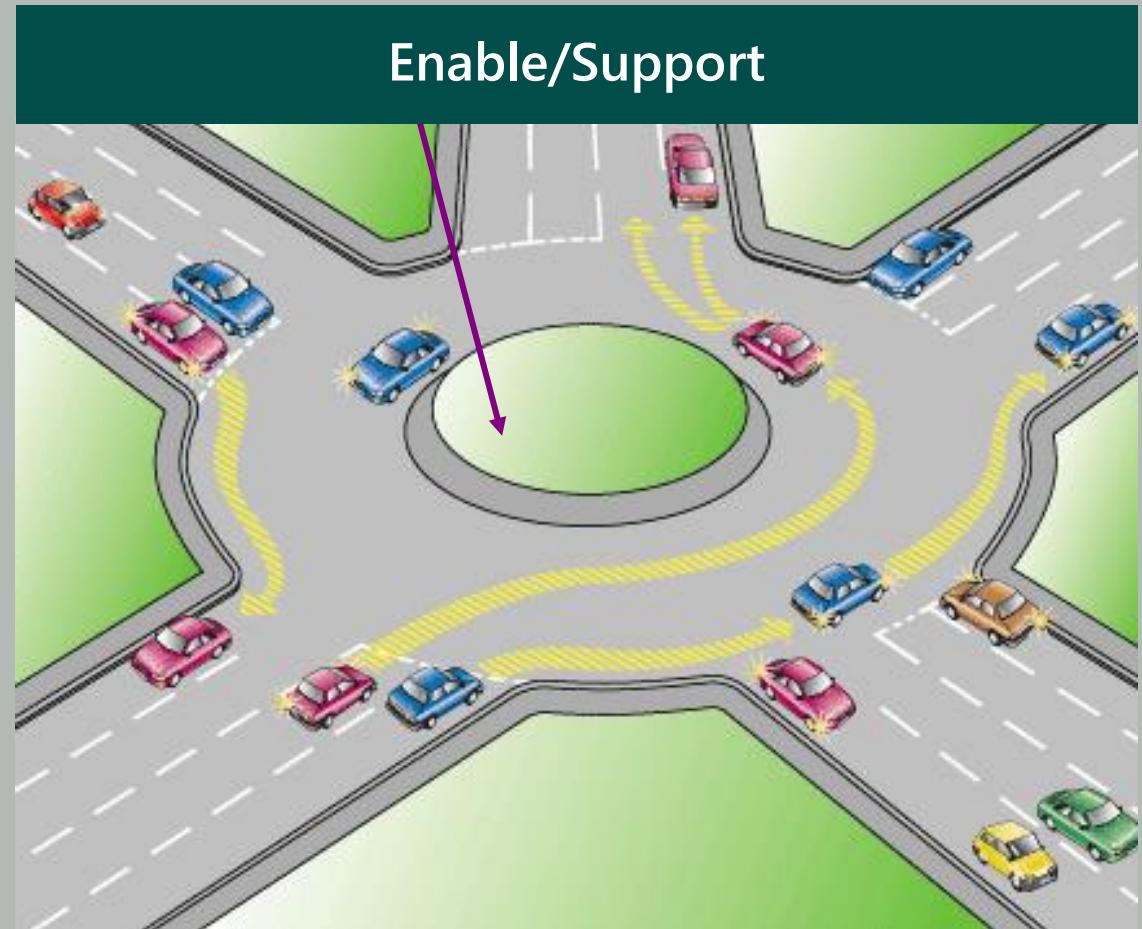
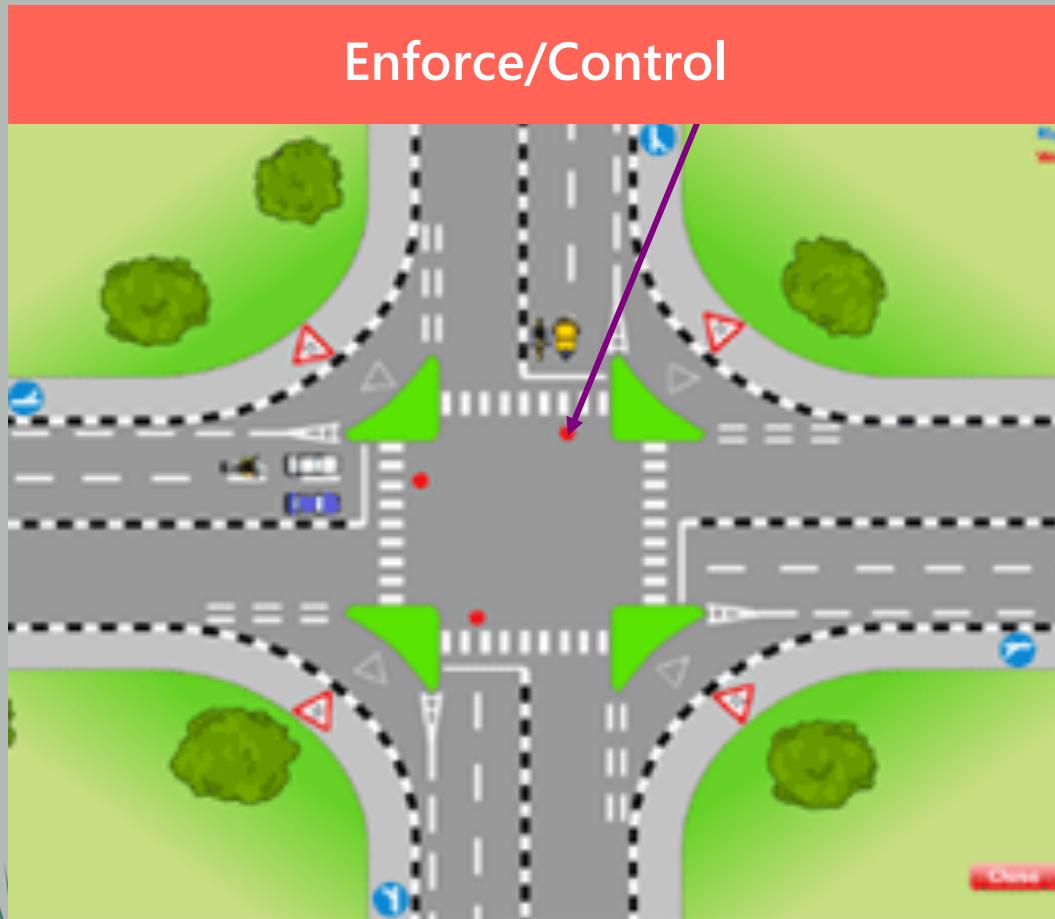
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Services



# Paradigm shift



# What organization want

Control



Secure, predictable, and flexible service delivery and operations capability (end to end traceability).

Innovation



Faster business innovation through adoption of cloud services.

Speed/Agility



Business agility and reduced time-to-market through efficient DevOps teams.

Costs



Efficient use of public cloud scale.



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# DevOps benefits based on research

Comparing elite DevOps performers against low performers,  
we find that elite performers have...



46 times more

Frequent code deployments



2,555 times faster

Lead time from commit to deploy



7 times lower

Change failure rate  
(changes are 1/7 as likely to fail)



2,604 times faster

Time to recover from incidents



Source: [2018 State of DevOps Report DORA](#)

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“ “  
A Cloud Center of Excellence (CCoE) is a **cross-functional** team of people responsible for **developing** and **managing the cloud** strategy, governance, and best practices that the rest of the organization can **leverage to transform the business** using the cloud.

– Cloud Management Report

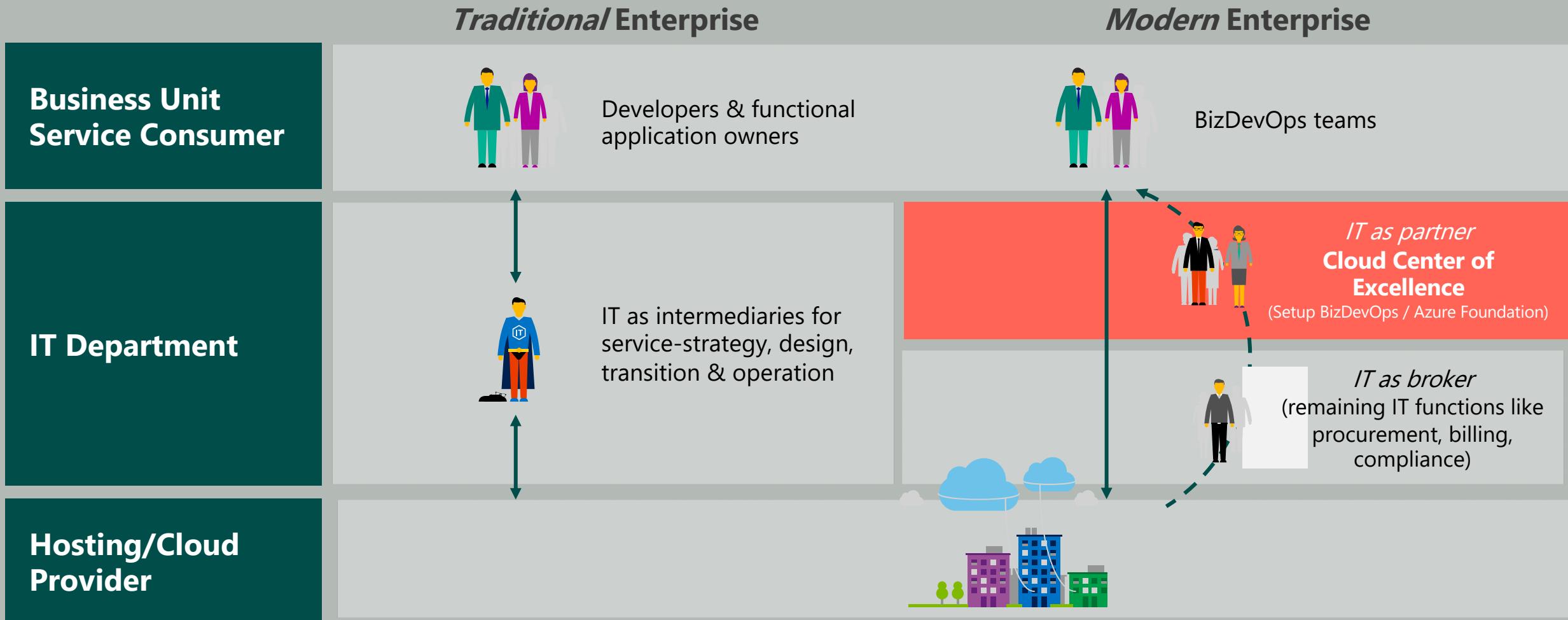
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<https://cloudcheckr.com/document/cloud-management-report/>

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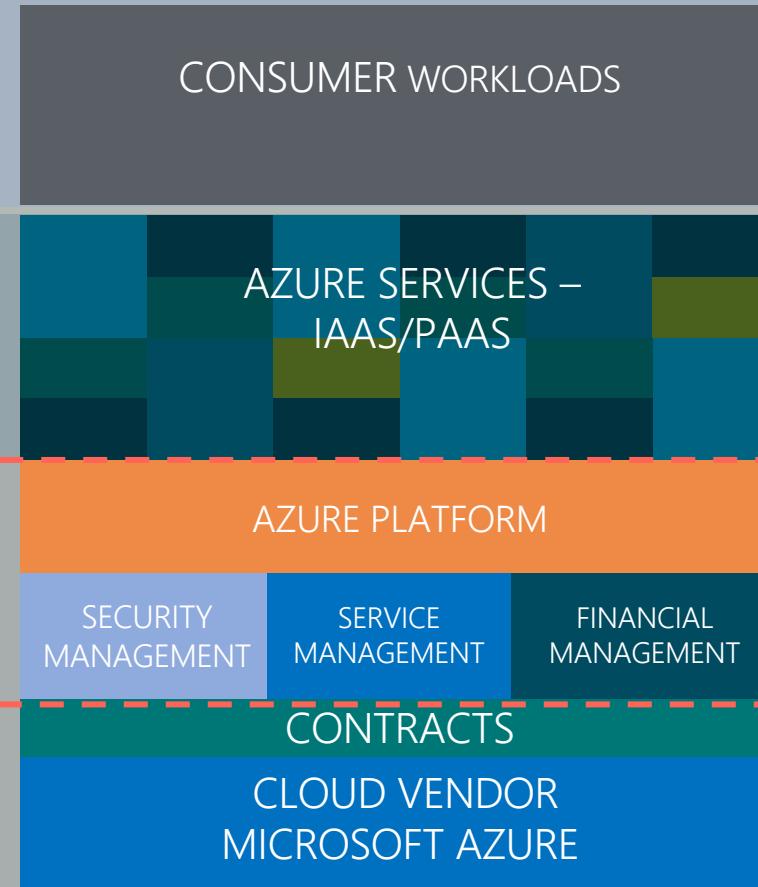
# What is CCoE about?



*"shift the value of the IT department from build, own and run, to enable others to do autonomously"*



# Scope of CCoE



CCoE needs to: find a tremendous amount of support from the executive team

Stephen Orban

<https://medium.com/aws-enterprise-collection/how-to-create-a-cloud-center-of-excellence-in-your-enterprise-8ed3a97adcc6>



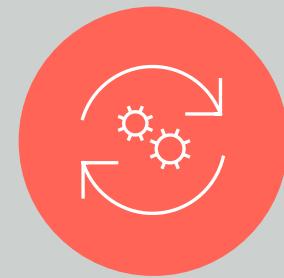
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# Speed and stability – no compromise



## Enable agility with DevOps

Incentivize desired behavior  
Insights vs control  
Balance standardization /  
flexibility (mature over time)



## Stay in control

End-to-end traceability  
Smart governance  
Identity & data centric controls



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# Technologies & Tools



ARM - Terraform



Azure DevOps – Jenkins



PowerShell - Python



Git – TFVC – Subversion



Ansible – Chef – PS DSC



Pester - RSpec - xUnit



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# PowerShell: Framework



## Pester

Test & Validation [@nohwnd](#)



Azure  
DevOps  
CI/CD



ARM-Templates



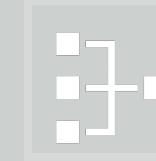
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azure-pipelines.yml



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[@xvorsx](#)



PSDepend  
[@psCookieMonster](#)



Azure  
Automation  
Functions



## PowerShell Module

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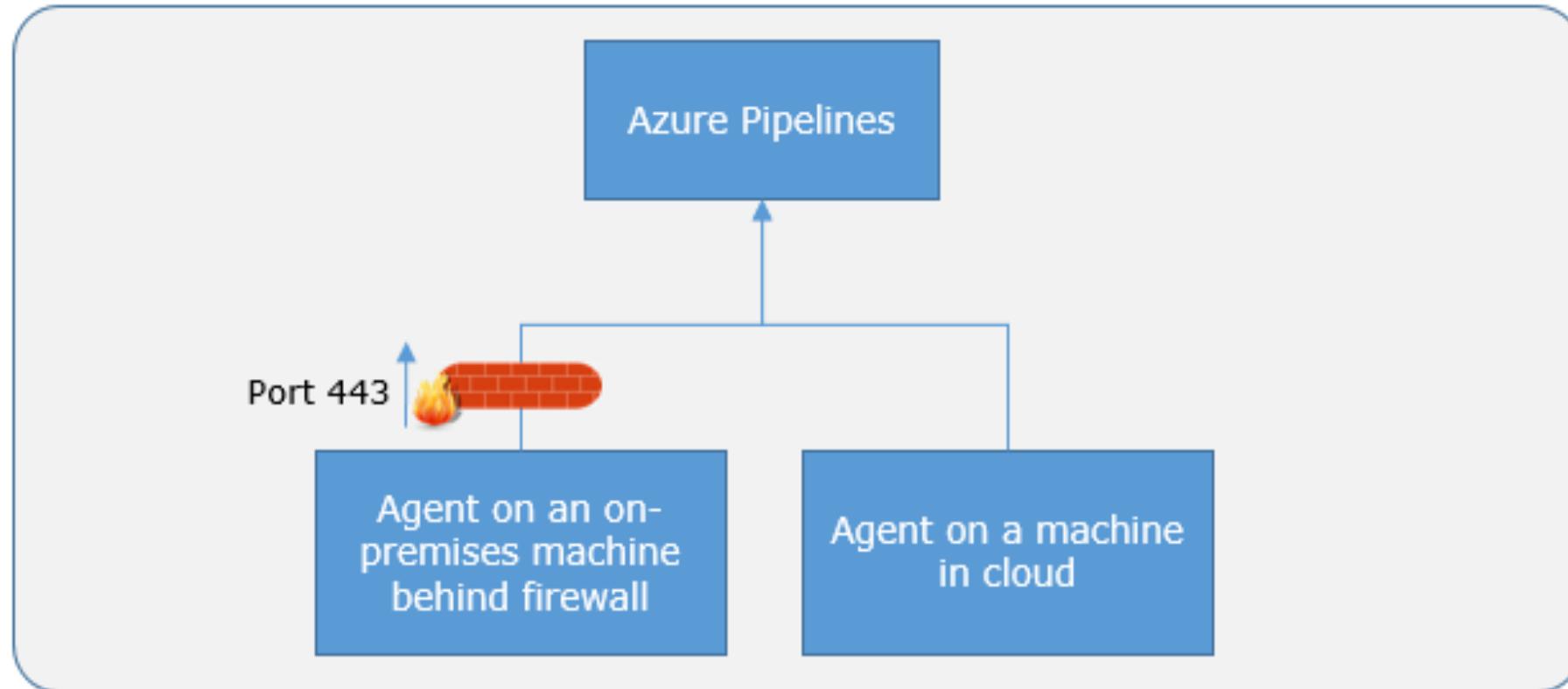


VSCode  
Extensions



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# Azure Pipelines agents



## Environment

„Baseline Infrastructure“



Reliable



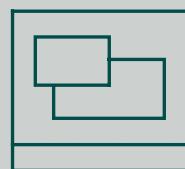
Stable

## Application

„Cloud Native App“



Fast Deployment



Focus on Requirements

## User

„Self-Service“



Accessibility

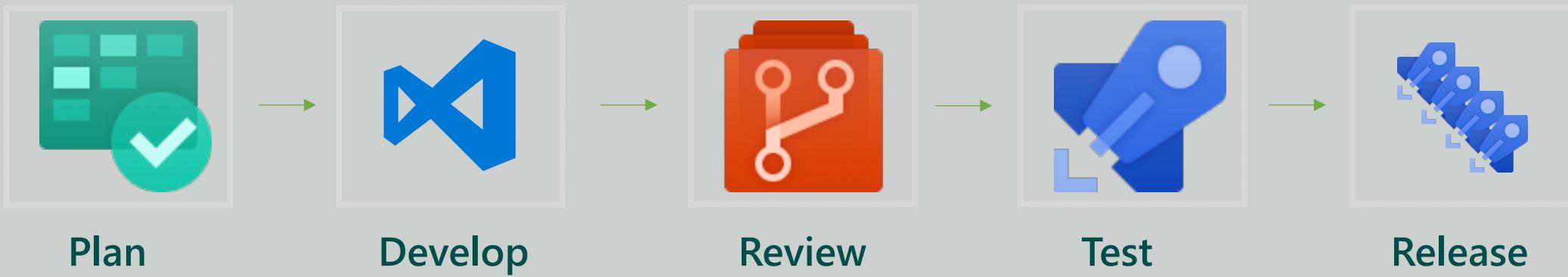


Self-Service

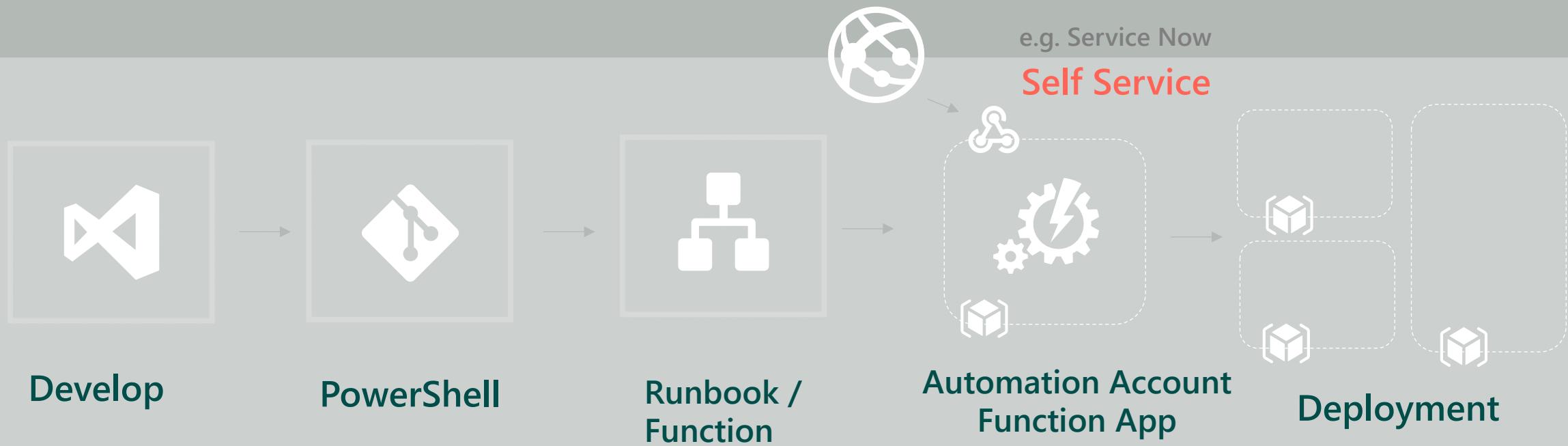


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# Release: Hub Deployment



# Release: Self Service



# DEMO

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- 📝 [aka.ms/az.new/resources](https://aka.ms/az.new/resources)

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# Summary

- Visit aka.ms/az.new to review content presented
- Review aka.ms/az.new/resources to look into the sources
- Look into building a CCoE to increase quality and maturity



# questions?

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# Sessions at PSConfEU 2019

Title	Speaker	Comment
PowerShell in Azure Functions	Joey Aiello, Tyler Leonhardt	Runing Interaktive IaC deployments
Pester + Azure (Monitor + Automation)	Mateusz Czerniawski	Running Azure Monitoring and Test
Extend your PowerShell skills by creating Azure DevOps Extension	Stefan Stranger	Modules to DevOps Extensions
OS image pipeline: Packer, PowerShell, DSC & Chocolatey	Gael Colas	IaC, golden image creation
Automate hybrid and cloud environments using Azure Automation	Jan Egil Ring	Automation Account upload from modules using ci/cd
Azure PowerShell vs Azure CLI: Duel at the command line	Aleksander Nikolic	Managing azure at command line



# Cloud Governance



Cloud Native



Organize  
Resources

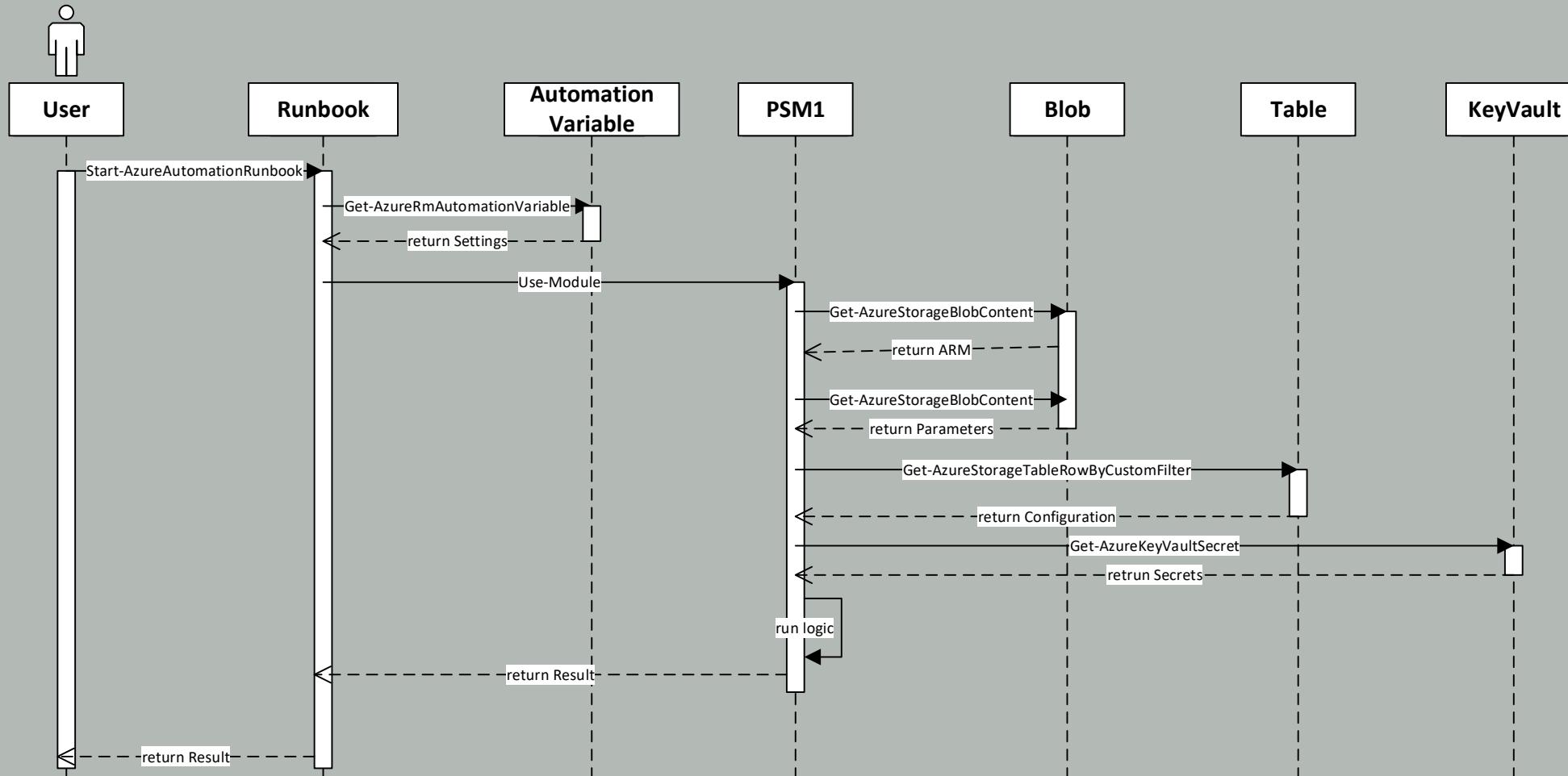


Policy &  
Blueprints



Security  
Center





<ComponentName>

.vscode -- *VSCode configuration*

- launch.json
- settings.json -- *VSCode Code Formating*
- tasks.json -- *VSCode Code automation tasks*

Static -- *Static files per component like ARM templates*

[Configuration] -- if more than one arm template can be used, distinguish with folders

- Azuredeploy.json \* -- see [ARM Template Nameconvention\\*](#)

[Classes]

docs

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about\_<ComponentName>.help.txt -- files should be generated using [PowerShell Help](#)

Public -- *Public functions of module : gets exported to user*

- Get-<Functionname>.ps1
- Set-<Functionname>.ps1
- New-<Functionname>.ps1

Private -- *Private functions of module : are for module internal use*

- <Functionname>.ps1

Tests -- *Pester tests : should at least contain a test per public function and tests for module*

- <ComponentName>.Tests.ps1 -- tests for module import
- Get-<Functionname>.Tests.ps1 -- tests per public function
- Set-<Functionname>.Tests.ps1
- New-<Functionname>.Tests.ps1
- Help.Exceptions.txt \*-- Exceptions of script analyzer, should be as few as possible \*
- Help.Tests.ps1 -- tests PowerShell help existing
- Project.Tests.ps1 -- tests whole PowerShell project
- Shared.Tests.ps1 \*\*-- tests shared components \*\*

<ComponentName>.psm1 -- *dot sources all functions and exports public folder functions to user*

<ComponentName>.psd1

# VSCode Extensions

- Formatting / Code Style
- Extension
  - PowerShell
  - Arm
  - Markdown
  - Brackets
  - LiveShare
  - Azure DevOps Integration



# Storage Account Layout

```
$StorageAccount = „centralStorage“  
$Container = "template"  
$ModulePath = „<My>Component“  
$TemplatePath = " $ModulePath/static/azuredeploy.json,"  
  
https://<StorageAccount>.blob.core.windows.net/<Container>/<Release.>/<Module>/<Tem  
plate>  
-> https://  
centralStorage.blob.core.windows.net/template/MyComponent/1.0.0/azuredeploy.json  
  
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# about\_Speaker

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