Microsoft Power Automate

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Developer(s)	Microsoft
Initial release	November 2016 (as Microsoft Flow)
Stable release(s) [±] (https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Template:Latest_stable_software_release/Microsoft_Power_Automate?action=edit)	
Windows	May 2025 Update (11.2505.235.0) / May 27, 2025[1][2]
Android	3.0.971 / 3 June 2025[3][4]
iOS	3.0.970 / 28 May 2025[5]
Microsoft Edge	2.55.0.31 / 18 March 2025[6]
Operating system	Windows, Android, iOS
Type	Task automation
License	Proprietary software
Website	www.microsoft.com/power-platform/products/power-automate (https://www.microsoft.com/power-platform/products/power-automate)

Microsoft Power Automate, previously known as **Microsoft Flow** until November 2019,[7] is a SaaS platform by Microsoft for optimizing and automating workflows and business processes. It is part of the Microsoft Power Platform line of products, which include Power Apps and Power BI.[8]

History

On November 1, 2016, Microsoft Flow (now Microsoft Power Automate) became generally available.[9] Similar to services like IFTTT and Zapier, users could connect between cloud apps and services with automated workflows known as *flows*.

On November 4, 2019, Microsoft announced a rebranding of Microsoft Flow to Microsoft Power Automate and its inclusion in Microsoft Power Platform with a shift from solely workflows to also include business processes. At the same time, a number of new functions were announced, including robotic process automation (RPA) capabilities.[10]

In 2020, Microsoft acquired Softomotive,[11] the makers of ProcessRobot and WinAutomation, to further expand the capabilities in Power Automate.

In 2022, Microsoft acquired Minit[12] to further expand its process mining capabilities in Power Automate.

See also

- UiPath
- IFTTT
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