



Microsoft and AT&T enter multiyear alliance for cloud, AI and 5G innovation

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Microsoft (MSFT) and AT&T (T) are entering an extensive, multiyear alliance. Microsoft will be the preferred cloud provider for non-network applications, as part of AT&T's broader public cloud first strategy, and will support AT&T as it consolidates its data center infrastructure and operations. AT&T is becoming a "public cloud first" company by migrating most non-network workloads to the public cloud by 2024. As part of the agreement, AT&T will provide much of its workforce with cloud-based productivity and collaboration tools available with Microsoft 365, and plans to migrate non-network infrastructure applications to the Microsoft Azure cloud platform. AT&T expects to have nationwide 5G by the first half of 2020. The companies will bring to market integrated industry solutions including in the areas of voice, collaboration and conferencing, intelligent edge and networking, IoT, public safety, and cyber security.

The companies already have joint enterprise solutions for networking, IoT, and **blockchain** in market, and expect to announce additional services later in 2019

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