

AWS Partner Network (APN) ISV Partner Path – First Steps

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AGENDA

- 1. Partnership overview
- 2. Benefits
- 3. Requirements
- 4. Next Steps



APN Partner Paths

CHOOSE THE RIGHT PATH FOR YOUR CORE BUSINESS!



The AWS ISV Partner Path is a curated path for businesses that provide software solutions that run on or are integrated with AWS. This includes Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) and Customer Deployed solutions.



AWS Technology Partners provide hardware or connectivity services on AWS. AWS Technology Partners include original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), semiconductor manufacturers, and network carriers.

Partners can select all paths that apply to their business!



These professional services firms include system integrators, strategic consultancies, agencies, managed service providers (MSPs), and value-added resellers. Unlock more benefits and programs as you progress through the AWS Consulting Tiers and grow with AWS Partner Network (APN).



AWS Partner Network (APN)

What is the APN?

The AWS Partner Network (APN) is the global partner program for AWS. It is focused on helping APN Partners build successful AWS-based businesses or solutions by providing business, technical, marketing, and go-to-market support.

Why do AWS Customers work with APN Partners?

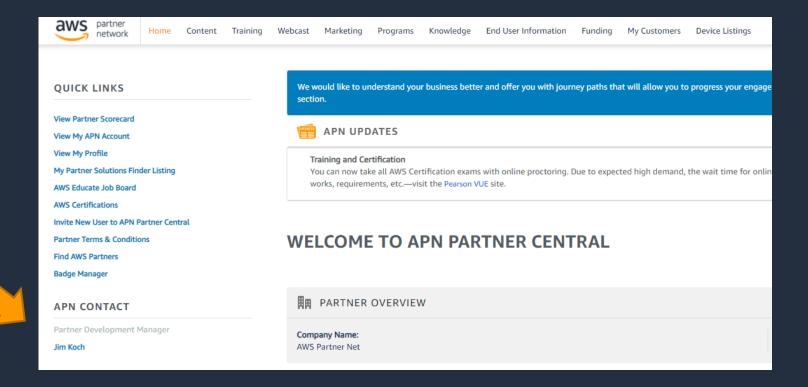
The APN further enables AWS Customers to identify high-quality APN Partners who deliver value-added services and solutions on AWS through specific APN Partner Programs and go-to-market (GTM) opportunities.



APN Partner Central Portal

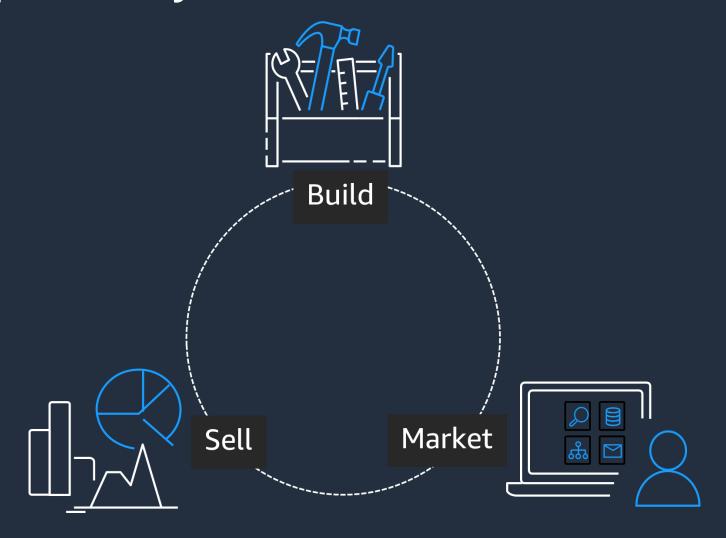
The APN Partner Central Portal is a one-stop-shop for all of the tools and content that you need to grow your buisness on AWS.

APN Contact is the name of your Partner Manager at AWS who will guide you in your APN journey.





Partnership Journey with AWS



ISV Partner Journey – ISV Partner Path

- ✓ SaaS Factory Program
- ✓ Sandbox Innovation Credits
- ✓ Navigate Path

AWS EXPERTISE

✓ Training and Certification

- ✓ Service Ready Program
- ✓ Competency Program
- ✓ Public Sector Partner Program
- ✓ Device Qualification Program

- ✓ Partner Solution Finder
- ✓ Market Development Funds**
- ✓ APN Blog Posts & Case Study
- ✓ FTR Solution Badge
- ✓ APN Marketing Central



- ✓ ISV Accelerate
- ✓ POA Funding
- ✓ AWS Partner Device Catalog
- ✓ ACE Program
- ✓ AWS Marketplace



Sell & Grow

Build your AWS expertise

Differentiate your Business

APN BENEFITS

**Subject to designation programs



ISV Partner Path

A new partner journey within the AWS Partner Network (APN) designed to help ISVs build and grow their AWS-aligned business.

What's changing?

- Replacement of technology partners and removal of tier requirements
- Focuses on solution level validation and recognition, rather than partner tier
- Open to any ISV currently part of the APN, also consulting partners



New ISV Partner Path











Registered



APN blog post















Go-to-market & Differentiating your business

ISV PATH



AWS Program structure | Registered

Registered

Access to ACE Platform

Access to APN Partner Central for tools and resources (e.g., APN Webcasts)

Training for APN Partners

(e.g., Online training, AWS Accreditations, discounts on AWS instructor-led trainings)

Innovation Sandbox Credits



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Partner Solution Finder Directory

Get the APN solution badge

Access to APN Marketing Central and go-to-market resources

Access to Partner Opportunity Acceleration (POA) Funding and AWS Promotion credits

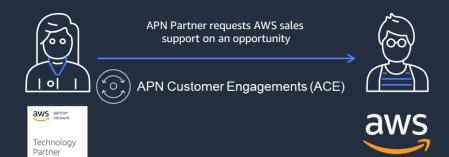
Unlock Programs

(e.g., AWS Competency Program, ISV Accelerate...)

Eligible for Marketing Development
Funding (MDF)
(by obtaining competency, service ready...)



ACE Program



What is it?

The APN Customer Engagements (ACE) Program enables AWS Partners to build, grow, and drive successful customer engagements with AWS Sales. It provides Partners with a platform to collaborate with AWS Sales and Marketing teams, request funding, and technical support to help you co-sell with AWS.

What's the benefit (Top 3)?

- 1. Partners can request business or technical support from AWS Account Managers
- 2. Partners can qualify for additional co-selling programs by submitting opportunities
- 3. Eligible partners can request Partner Opportunity Acceleration Funding

What's in it for me (Top 3)?

- Using ACE increases chances to be considered for AWS referred opportunities
- Partners can gain more visibility towards AWS' global sales organization by using ACE
- Leveraging AWS expertise helps accelerate partners' opportunities



- ACE Program Website
- ACE Access in Partner Central

- PartnerCast ACE Training Series
- ACE What's new



Dive Deep - Funding benefits



Innovation Sandbox



Marketing
Development
Funds (MDF)



Free Trial Campaigns



Partner
Opportunity
Acceleration
(POA)



Dive Deep: AWS Service Ready for ISVs

Recognition OF AWS Service Integrations



AWS Lambda



Amazon Linux





AWS Outposts



Amazon Redshift



Amazon RDS



Dive Deep: AWS Competencies for ISVs Recognition of specialization across industries, Use cases, and workloads





How to become an AWS Partner?

- 1. Register on the APN Partner Central portal
- 2. Pass the Foundational Technical Review (FTR) led by a PSA
 - Valid for 2 years
 - Partner must have completed a Well Architected Review (WAR) prior to FTR
- 3. Annual APN membership fee: \$2,500 (1x per partner)
 - Promotional credit: \$3,500
- NDA in place







Next Steps

- 1. Start the Well Architected Review from your AWS console
- 2. Once completed the WAR, review the requirementes for the Foundational Technical Review:
 - SaaS -> here the <u>requirements</u>
 - Customer Deployed -> here the <u>requirements</u>
- 3. Apply to the FTR via Partner Central



Best Practices

- Define a dedicated Alliance Lead
 - Share the responsibility of the APN Partner Central with other key people in your organization (sharing opportunities)
 - Include both technical & marketing experts-matter to have a successful engagement with AWS partnership
- Keep your PDM informed about product innovation led by your organization; the APN can support you!
- The APN program is a shared responsibility model, with expected commitment on both sides (partner and AWS)
- Define clear objectives and dive into the APN programs
- Reach out to your PDM when ready to get involved in a program.



Need help?

APN Team supports internal issues related to the APN

