

# VMware Desktop Virtualization Strategy Assessment Service

## AT A GLANCE

The VMware Desktop Virtualization Strategy Assessment Service can start your desktop virtualization initiative on the right track by helping you understand the changes brought about by desktop virtualization so you can prepare for and proactively manage the successful adoption of this technology.

### Who benefits from this service?

The VMware Desktop Virtualization Strategy Assessment Service is designed for enterprise customers who are interested in desktop and application virtualization and who plan a significant adoption of the technology across their organization. Customers in the early stages of adopting desktop virtualization will find the greatest value in the results of this effort.

## Prepare your organization for Desktop Virtualization

Prepare for the successful adoption of your desktop virtualization initiative with a comprehensive understanding of the scope of the changes to your organization.

Unlike server virtualization projects that are limited to the datacenter, the impact of desktop virtualization initiatives spans the organization. Desktop virtualization can impact:

- **People**—Administrative groups that have previously had little or no interaction will now have to work together.
- **Processes**—Processes that once ran in parallel will likely merge, becoming streamlined and more agile.
- **Technology**—Various technologies that previously operated separately will now come together to form the Virtual Desktop Infrastructure

In order to successfully prepare and execute a desktop virtualization initiative, organizations need a clear understanding of the scope of the changes brought by desktop virtualization, including:

### How will desktop virtualization impact IT Management personnel and end users?

Team members will need to understand the interdependencies and impact of their work across the organization, how they may interact with new technology groups, how different work groups will be affected, who in the organization needs to be involved in the transition, and what skills and or training can foster success.

### How will desktop virtualization impact processes?

Organizations will need to develop a broad understanding of the changes that come with desktop virtualization, including how processes are likely to merge and become more agile, and how to develop effective plans to transition to the new technology.

### How will desktop virtualization impact technology?

IT organizations need to identify which users and applications can and should be virtualized, how previously disparate systems will come together to form the virtual desktop environment, and how to support and maintain a virtualized user community.

The right level of planning can enhance the success of an organization's transition to desktop virtualization and accelerate the potential cost savings and operationally efficiency benefits of adopting this technology.

The VMware Desktop Virtualization Strategy Assessment can get your planning started on the right track.

**Service Approach**

VMware Consultants will follow a four-phase approach as they work with your organization:

**Interview**—Determine and document business drivers, project and technical requirements.

**Collect**—Collect inventory, usage and performance data regarding desktop inventory, end user and application environments using a combination of assessment questionnaires, VMware tools and third party toolsets.

**Analyze**—Apply project requirements to current environment and perform Gap Analysis, Application & User Analysis.

**Report**—Create and provide to customer written documentation detailing

**Desktop Virtualization Strategy Assessment**

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The VMware Desktop Virtualization Strategy Assessment Service is comprised of a four-phase (Interview, Collect, Analyze and Report) service approach which includes the following activities:

**Project Kickoff Meeting**

- Exploratory Workshop—Including key stakeholders across the organization

**Desktop Virtualization Assessments**

- Desktop Infrastructure Virtualization Assessment
- Desktop Application Virtualization Assessment

**Project Wrap up and Final Presentation**

VMware Professional Services Consultants will provide:

- An exploration of the organization's business requirements and short and long term goals for desktop virtualization
- An understanding of the aspects of the infrastructure that need to be considered for an effective roll-out of desktop virtualization, including deployment considerations and risk areas, along with best practices and knowledge gained from successful customer deployments.
- A summary recommendation of which user groups and applications in the environment are the best candidates for virtualization
- A summary recommendation of which Microsoft Windows-based applications in the environment are the best candidates for virtualization
- A summary of the benefits of adopting desktop virtualization technology and the requirements to complete a successful implementation

The end result of these efforts is a clear understanding of how to proceed to implement a successful desktop virtualization initiative.

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