VMware vRealize Automation
Modern infrastructure automation platform

What is VMware vRealize Automation?
VMware vRealize Automation™ is a modern infrastructure automation platform. It helps organizations implement self-service hybrid clouds, multi-cloud automation with governance, and DevOps-based infrastructure delivery. With vRealize Automation, internal IT operations, DevOps engineers, developers and lines of business get the environments and resources they need faster with a public cloud–like user experience, while IT maintains security and control. Customers benefit from increased scalability, speed, flexibility and reliability as they reduce the complexity of their IT environment, streamline IT processes and deliver a DevOps-ready automation platform.

KEY BENEFITS
• Ease of use – Easy and fast to set up and manage a secure hybrid cloud environment throughout its lifecycle
• Security and control – Consistent policy, control and compliance across a multi-cloud environment
• Agility and flexibility – Modern DevOps platform with infrastructure as code (IaC) and seamless integrations with DevOps and configuration tools
• Accelerated time to market – Rapid and automated infrastructure delivery with agility, consistency and visibility
• Consistency and reliability – Consistent automation and service delivery while dynamically adjusting to changing infrastructure environments
• Future ready – Manage traditional and cloud native workloads across private, hybrid and multi-cloud environments

FIGURE 1: VMware vRealize Automation overview.

Modern infrastructure automation platform
Easy and fast to set up and manage a secure multi-cloud environment
vRealize Automation helps customers establish an intelligent approach to automated lifecycle management by attaining end-to-end lifecycle management with VMware vRealize Suite Lifecycle Manager™. The process includes installation, configuration, upgrading and patching, all based on best practices and VMware Validated Designs™. vRealize Automation is designed to provide immediate value for deep, native integrations across the VMware stack with VMware vRealize Operations™ and self-service cloud setup for VMware Cloud Foundation™ and VMware Cloud™ on AWS.
CUSTOMER USE CASES

- Self-service private and hybrid cloud
  - Unity self-service provisioning and catalog for private and hybrid cloud infrastructure based on VMware Cloud Foundation and VMware Cloud on AWS.
- Multi-cloud automation with governance
  - Extend self-service automation to multiple public clouds, including Amazon Web Services, Microsoft Azure and Google Cloud Platform.
- DevOps for infrastructure
  - Enable a powerful IaC platform with support for infrastructure pipelining and iterative development.
- Kubernetes automation
  - Automate Kubernetes cluster and namespace management and support for vSphere with Kubernetes.

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Self-service provisioning with consistent compliance, policy and control

End users can ask for comprehensive IT services through a common, self-service product catalog that aggregates all services, templates and images from multiple clouds and platforms, including native public cloud services. With fine-grained policy management in vRealize Automation, admins can apply predefined and custom roles, policies and approval flows to projects and organizations to provide the desired level of access for all internal users. For identity management, vRealize Automation provides native integration with VMware Workspace ONE® Access® and Microsoft Active Directory.

Self-service automation across hybrid and multi-cloud environments

To optimize infrastructure workload deployments, the VMware Cloud Templates™ designer allows users to model business-critical IT services by using a visual canvas with a drag-and-drop interface. Templates can also be defined through IaC using YAML/JSON formats. Cloud-agnostic templates can be deployed quickly and effortlessly to any endpoints based on predefined policies. Enhanced multi-cloud support allows users to embed native public cloud services constructs into templates that can be deployed to any public cloud endpoint.

Infrastructure as code and Kubernetes automation

vRealize Automation is a powerful DevOps platform that supports IaC, infrastructure pipelining and seamless integrations with third-party tools, including Ansible, Puppet and Terraform. The release pipeline management is automated with VMware Code Stream™, while increased coverage for infrastructure and app pipelines is offered through the easy-to-use, self-service catalog. Enhanced visibility and analytics provide an end-to-end view of all pipelines and their current status. In addition, vRealize Automation provides Kubernetes infrastructure automation capabilities. It provides VMware vSphere® with Kubernetes integration, enabling cloud admins to create namespaces and assign them to projects.

vRealize Automation components

VMware Cloud Assembly

VMware Cloud Assembly™ is a multi-cloud provisioning service. For virtualized data center infrastructure based on VMware Cloud Foundation, it offers the ability to create a private cloud. VMware Cloud Assembly provides a cloud API layer utilized by the templating engine. It also supports extensibility mechanisms for private cloud through VMware vRealize Orchestrator™ workflows and event-broker subscriptions.

VMware Service Broker

VMware Service Broker™ aggregates content from multiple resources and platforms, including VMware Cloud Assembly, vRealize Orchestrator and native public clouds, into a common product catalog. It provides a self-service model with flexible, policy-based guardrails for governance. Enable a federated catalog by leveraging vRealize Automation Cloud™ for on-premises instances.

VMware Code Stream

VMware Code Stream automates the application and infrastructure delivery process with release pipeline management, including visibility and analytics into active pipelines and their status for troubleshooting. It allows DevOps teams to leverage existing tools and processes with out-of-the-box integration.

VMware vRealize Orchestrator

vRealize Orchestrator simplifies and automates complex data center infrastructure tasks, delivering consistent remediation of issues, extensibility and fast service delivery.