



DEPLOYMENT COORDINATION SERVICES (DCS) FOR MICROSOFT CLOUD SERVICES

“The deployment coordinator role, tools and process were invaluable to us in proceeding with a quick and orderly migration. The outside perspective and best practices were also instrumental in stopping debate on how to do it best and just get it done!”

—IT Manager, Global 500 Company

Overview

Project Leadership Associates (PLA) is pleased to announce Deployment Coordination Services (DCS) for Microsoft Cloud Services (Cloud Services) - a new service that enables organizations to address all critical client related project management processes involved when migrating from on-premise to cloud based solutions. PLA’s DCS for Cloud Services combines our proven process with experienced project managers who have worked directly with Microsoft to deploy Cloud Services. Our team fully understands what needs to be accomplished from the customer’s perspective and facilitates all tasks that the Cloud Services team needs to complete. DCS for Cloud Services creates a clear path for corporations to become “deployment ready” in much less time than projects that do not use the principles and technologies leveraged by DCS.

Benefits of Implementing DCS for Microsoft Cloud Services include:

- Leveraging DCS is a critical investment that mitigates significant risk around a ‘One Time’ high velocity migration approach. There is no time to slowly ramp up and learn on the job.
- The experience of PLA’s deployment PMs combined with DCS ensures the User experience with Go-Live activities will be greatly enhanced, reducing the time the User spends on Go-Live activities and not working productively.
- The Deployment Database is the source of truth for all deployment events. It is populated and refreshed with repeatable processes so it is always accurate and current reducing the risk of out of date and inaccurate data for the various groups to execute on.
- DCS leverages our pre-configured comprehensive Communication Plan, Training Plan, Pre-Deployment Plan, Go-Live Plan, and Post Go-Live Plan Templates.

This service offering is based on PLA’s extensive experience successfully working with Microsoft Cloud Services and deploying diverse technologies in medium to large organizations. DCS for Cloud Services accelerates a company’s transition to the cloud, providing a path to the finish line faster and with much higher end-user satisfaction.

ASSESS →	PLAN & DESIGN →	DEPLOY →
<p>Current State Assessment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Current Support Organization & Processes ■ Workflow Processes ■ Reporting Requirements ■ Migration Objectives & Logistics <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Offices, Users, Groups, Locations ■ Project Team ■ Data Export Requirements ■ Project Constraints (Ex. Migration window, network bandwidth, etc.) ■ A preconfigured Deployment Database that handles User IDs, Email Accounts, PC Node Names, Applications, etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Project Plan with all the major steps for coordination with the Microsoft Cloud Services plan ■ Deployment Database <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · End Users · Locations · Executive/Admins · Mailbox Size · BlackBerry/Windows Mobile · Shared Mailboxes · Distribution Lists ■ Training Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Executive/Admin Training · End User Training · IT/Power User Training · Go-Live Aids like Quick Reference Cards 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Communication Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Executive Communication · End User Communication · IT Communication ■ Processes to facilitate the provisioning of BPOS-AD including experience with MMSSPP ■ Processes to facilitate the working of DirSync and Co-Existence (if the BPOS migration includes Exchange) ■ Process to facilitate the definition of Governance and Support post-deployment ■ SharePoint Requirements Templates ■ SharePoint Portal Design Templates
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ Deployment Validation/Scheduling Processes ■ Technology Testing and QA Strategies ■ Steady State Transitioning Processes ■ Series of database reports for <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · User communication · Training · Support · Metric reporting · Other custom reports ■ Project Management Coordination

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