



Follow a roadmap to success as you navigate your enterprise's disruptive cloud journey.

Adopting a cloud strategy is a journey. Navigating it relies on extensive experience and a deep understanding of what you're trying to accomplish. You need a plan to act as a compass that helps you meet key milestones and consider crucial waypoints.

"Journeys are disruptive. Because they're disruptive, having a plan for how you're going to address it within the organization is critical to success."



Brian Copeland Executive Director Solutions and Sales Enablement

## 5 Key Stages to Map on Your Cloud Journey



**Construct Business and Technology Foundations.** The first step to a purposeful cloud journey? Envision the future of the business and then identify how technology

can enable the delivery and flow of that value.

**Create Cloud Foundations.** First understand what and then how. An integral building block is defining, building and maturing a Cloud Center of Excellence (CCoE) focused on the technology foundation. Creating a Center for Excellence (C4E) focused on skills development and cloud adoption is critical for the long-term viability of any cloud journey.

**Build, Then Migrate.** Build the right secure cloud foundation, and then start small for big wins. Establishing a migration factory will drive speed, repeatability and quality across your migration.

**Modernize (Refactor).** Identify and refactor some applications to take advantage of the cloud or bring new business capabilities.



**Seek Continuous Improvement.** Keep the cloud environment as efficient and cost-conscious as possible.

Cloud journeys are disruptive and almost never follow a straight and narrow path. Mapping out a plan so you always know exactly where you are on the pathway is crucial to a well-executed strategy.

Your journey map will ensure you reach your destination, but it doesn't end there. Build agility and durability across the enterprise to be ready for the next disruption coming around the bend.

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