

5 secrets of an effective data centre

Make the most out of your data centre. We know you're under pressure to be efficient, reduce costs and keep things simple. But with the agility to move fast on new opportunities. Here are 5 strategies for firms of all sizes to break free from the confines of traditional IT and build a data centre fit for the digital future.



1

Get flexible for growth.

It's all about your applications. A data centre combining compute, storage, and networking, plus security and virtualisation makes it simple to support business growth and new applications. When managed centrally, it's faster to deploy, cost-effective to operate, and easy to scale.



2

Make the most efficient use of resources.

Virtualising portions of your data centre is the best way to improve efficiency. It means you can move applications from one physical location to another with ease. It enhances disaster recovery through simple application migration. And you can balance workloads across multiple data centres and perform maintenance without downtime.

3

Simplify operations for more innovation.

If you're looking for faster deployment of new services, you should link all data centre resources into a single platform with a central point of management. With direct access to both physical and virtual resources, IT staff are freed from tedious tasks to focus on strategic ones. This boosts innovation, revenue and productivity.



4

Anticipate and adapt to business needs.

Use the information the data centre collects about application traffic to fine-tune network and security configurations automatically. You can also make changes on demand to support the needs of individual applications and increase their performance, and speed the delivery of new ones. You'll be more efficient in both time and cost.

5

Be ready for tomorrow.

It's important to move your data centre towards a smarter, more dynamic setup so you can adapt to new standards, protocols, and consumption models. Take an open standards approach to keep pace with data centre and cloud evolution.



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