

Securing the “Sky”: Cloud Integrity and Audit

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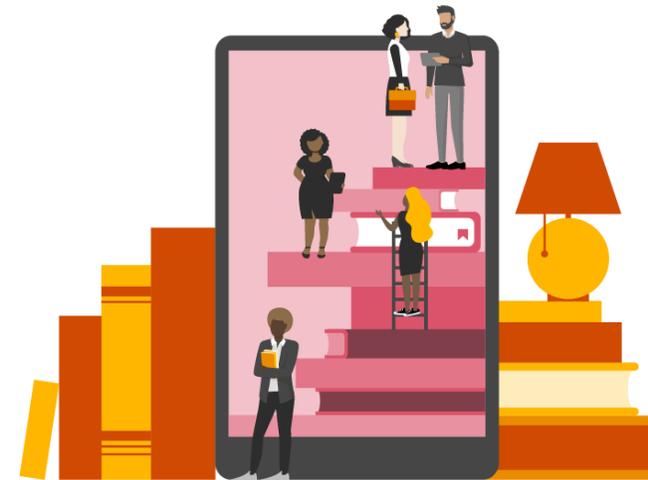
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1. Who are we?



With you today....



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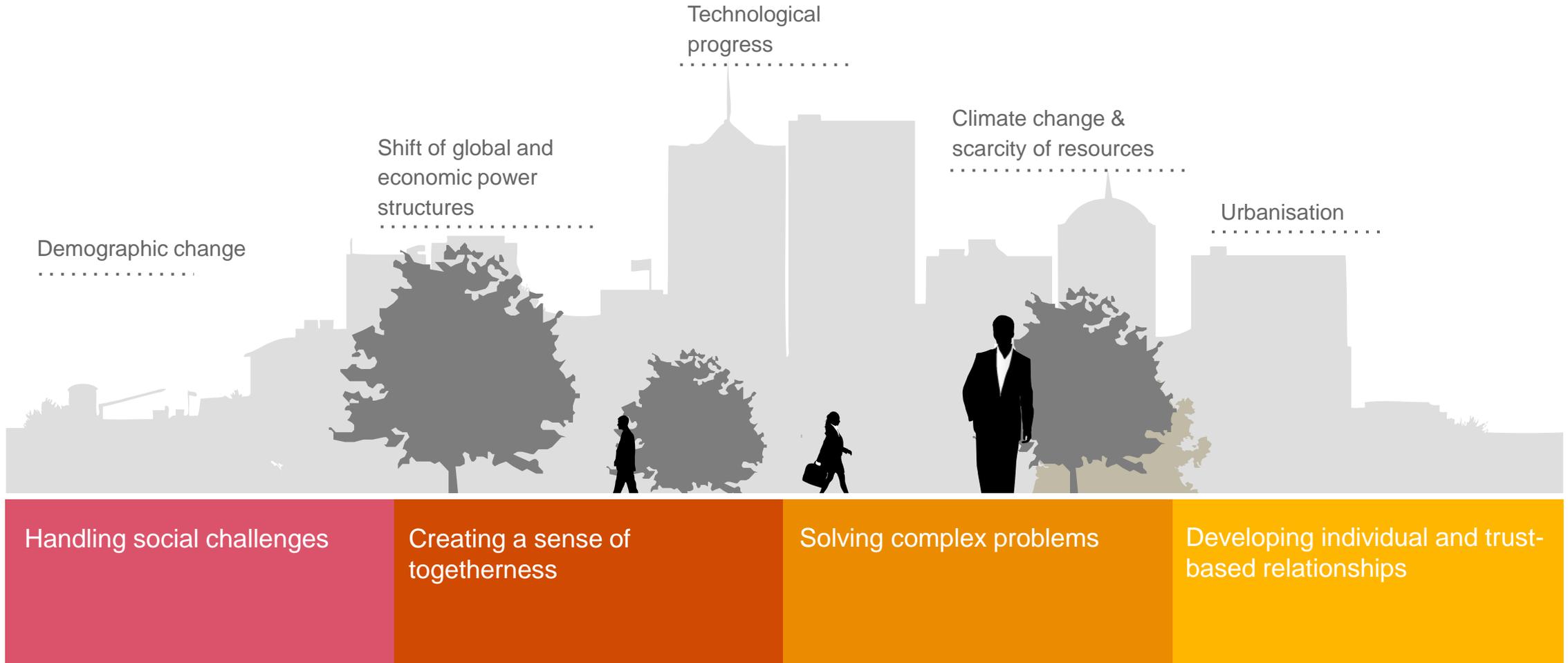


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Our purpose

To build trust in society and solve important problems



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Austria

- More than 1,450 employees
- 5 locations
- Revenues: €212.6m



International

- More than 370,000 employees
- Locations in 149 countries
- Revenues: US\$55.4bn

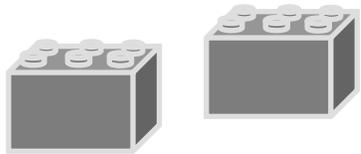
2. Types of Cloud



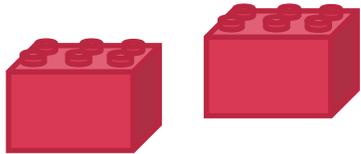
“The Cloud” is like saying “IT”. It's a concept, not one thing.

Building Blocks

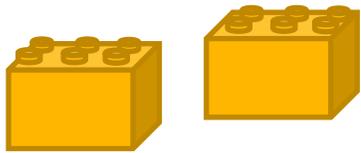
It's not a 'black box'.... but built up of many blocks that you can mix and match - all this is **available in a few clicks** and easily integrated



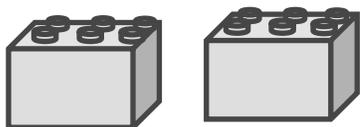
Business Process as a Service (BPaaS)
Think... have someone else "do" stuff
Takeover of business processes
Ex: Payments, AR, eCommerce



Software as a Service (SaaS)
Think... how you "use/apply" Stuff
Business Applications to create value
Ex: Finance, ERP, CRM, etc. applications



Platform as a Service (PaaS)
Think... how you "run" Stuff
Easier and faster tech to support your bus apps
Ex: Natural Language Processing, AI Models, WebApp deployment platform



Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS)
Think... where you "store" Stuff
Capacity, Data Storage, Network and Connectivity
Ex: Servers, "pipes/plumbing"

Finished Product

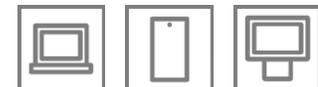
New Applications, bots, predictive maintenance, global deployments, etc. with a **Pay as you Go Model**

Combine and pay for **only the Blocks you need** - create a 10 room castle or a 2 room house



New, integrated applications
Predictive Analytics
Connected Supply Chains
Bots
Real-time Financial Close
and much more...

Predictability
Scalability
Agility
Accessibility

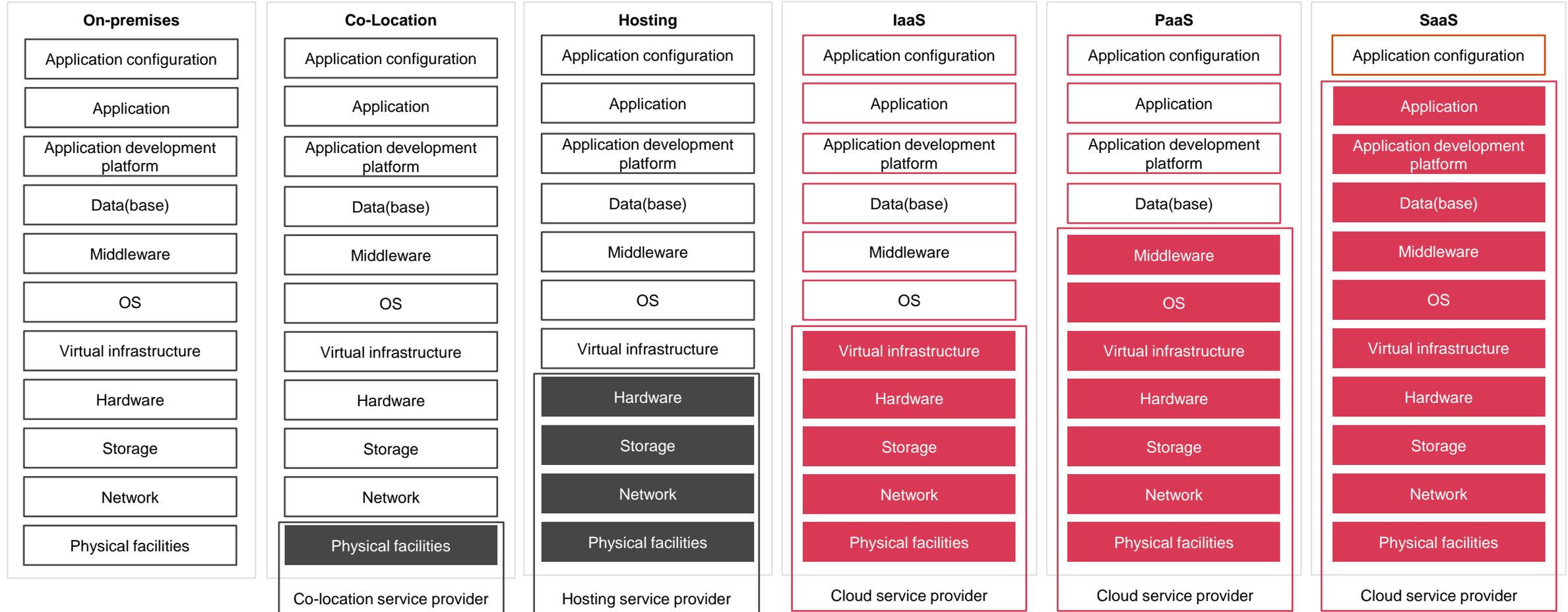


Example of clouds

<p>IaaS</p>  <p>Google Cloud</p>  <p>Microsoft Azure</p>  <p>amazon web services</p>  <p>IBM Cloud</p>	<p>SaaS</p>  <p>ORACLE NETSUITE</p>  <p>workday</p>  <p>slack</p>  <p>Microsoft 365</p>  <p>salesforce</p>  <p>GSuite</p>  <p>ZUORA</p>  <p>Jira</p>
<p>PaaS</p>  <p>App Engine</p>  <p>OPENSIFT</p>  <p>Heroku</p>  <p>force.com platform as a service</p>  <p>GitHub</p>  <p>GitLab</p>	<p>BPaaS</p>  <p>stripe</p>  <p>PayPal</p>  <p>quadrant accounts receivable by YayPay</p>  <p>fulfillment by amazon</p>  <p>MARQETA</p>  <p>shopify</p>

Cloud services – Shared responsibility model

Cloud services shared responsibility models



3. Cloud Integrity



Common myths about cloud compliance & security

Myths



If my cloud service provider is compliant, I am compliant.



Existing controls can be lifted and shifted.

Reality

Companies need to be ready to manage their shared responsibilities with their cloud service provider (CSP). In addition to the CSP's service auditor report (SOC), organizations must establish and maintain their own controls addressing the SOC CUECs (Complementary User Entity Controls). For organizations running IaaS or PaaS solutions, their responsibilities for company-specific controls increases (vs. SaaS).

There is not one template or one-size-fits-all approach for address cloud risk. The risks and corresponding control activities will be different and unique based on your organization's:

1. business/industry;
2. business processes on the cloud; and
3. your selection of CSP(s).

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My existing risk management and governance programs are robust enough to tackle the cloud.



Reality

New requirements, applications cloud services and tools are introduced frequently in an ever-changing environment. Without the right governance and operating model, it can be difficult for an organization to manage its cloud risk & compliance objectives at the velocity and volume of change that occurs in the cloud.



Cloud compliance is just IT General Controls (ITGCs).



Not exactly. If you understand ITGCs, you will understand the risks associated with having your IT infrastructure in the cloud; however, each cloud provider has different infrastructure, services and tools that:

1. Need to be understand and assessed for specific risk(s)
2. Present opportunities to automate controls in the cloud (cloud policy, configuration)
3. Present opportunities to drive efficiency utilizing cloud native technology



Cloud environments present unique risks and threats

Cloud environments break the mold with dynamic new possibilities. This potential brings unique challenges, risks and threats.



4. Our Audit Approach



Combination of different types of trust services

Short Introduction

ISAE 3402

- standard for service organizations to demonstrate the design/operation effectiveness of **their internal controls**
- report provides assurance to users of the service organization's services regarding the reliability of the controls in place
- **Predefined reporting structure**

ISAE 3000

- standard for assurance engagements on **non-financial information**
- report provides assurance on subjects such as corporate governance, risk management, sustainability reporting
- prerequisite is a type of framework with criteria against which the testing can be conducted

ISO 9001

- globally recognized standard for **quality management systems**
- valid for a specified period of time (e.g. 3 years)

SOC 1

- US standard for reporting on the controls at a service organization
- focused on controls for **financial reporting**

ISO 27001

- globally recognized standard for **information security management systems**

SOC 2

- US standard with focus on controls related to **security, availability, confidentiality, and privacy of data**

Difference between Type I and Type II

Type I: This report describes the service organization's controls at a specific point in time and assesses whether those controls are **suitably designed** to achieve the related control objectives.

Type II: This report not only includes the description of controls but also provides assurance on the **operating effectiveness** of those controls over a period of time, usually a minimum of six months.

SOC 3

- summary of the controls, usually in a **less detailed format**, suitable for sharing with a broader audience

Thank you!

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