Accelerate 365

Deliver a better workplace experience faster

Modernize your workplace platform at lower cost and risk

Accelerate 365 from Avanade lowers the cost and risk of adopting and maintaining Windows 10 and Office 365 for your enterprise. It helps to make migrations up to 25% less expensive and 50% faster.

Accelerate 365 supports a more responsive, cost-efficient and secure workplace platform – helping to deliver a better workplace experience (WX). From planning and design through pilots, full deployment and ongoing upgrades, Avanade is with you every step of the way with our patented tools, methodologies and expertise in Microsoft technologies.
You need a new way to modernize your workplace platform

The old way to manage your enterprise software was never ideal. Major migrations or upgrades could take months or years, disrupting end-users, the IT organization and the business itself. Often it would end up costing far more than had been budgeted and leave you facing the same cycle again for the next software release.

Today, that old way just won’t work, because Windows 10 and Office 365 are different from all previous versions. As services rather than software packages, new versions come every few months rather than every few years, and new features come in a continual stream. There’s no time or money to do things the way you used to. Anyone still running Windows 7 given the January 2020 end-of-support date is courting trouble. You need a new way to get ahead with these enterprise solutions.

Moreover, the benefits of doing so can be extraordinary. That’s because Windows 10 and Office 365 are crucial components in the transformation of your WX. Done right, that transformation can deliver a modernized platform resulting in measurable improvements in growth, profitability, efficiency, innovation and customer experience.

Introducing Accelerate 365

Avanade delivers the crucial support your organization needs to get ahead and stay ahead with Windows 10 and Office 365.

Accelerate 365 is an end-to-end platform including tools, methodologies and best practices that power a highly automated, data-driven and lower-risk approach to adopting and maintaining your Windows 10 and Office 365 enterprise-scale environment. Created and developed by Avanade, it’s specially designed to help you adapt and grow that environment in the face of continual releases from Microsoft.

Mastering Windows 10 and Office 365 requires bringing together technology, operations, governance, culture and employee experience. Only Avanade does this, and you can only do it with Accelerate 365.

With Accelerate 365, you can drive down migration cost by 25% and speed time to completion by 50%, deliver great experiences for both end-users and IT, and achieve a new level of collaboration across the organization.

Towergate gains agility, saves $5 million a year

Europe’s largest independently owned insurance intermediary turned to Avanade and our Accelerate 365 approach to transform its WX, applications, infrastructure and more. Towergate says it’s now more competitive, more collaborative, and better able to serve customers.

THE RESULTS:

- Migration 50% faster than anticipated, reducing the duration by over 6 months
- Annual IT costs cut 30%, saving $5 million per year
- Business agility, competitiveness increased
Delivering great experiences

We understand the challenges you face in adopting and maintaining Windows 10 and Office 365 in an enterprise environment: end users who feel they’re out of the loop and not in control of their migrations, and IT that lacks the tools to optimize the process and to keep the environment up-to-date and at peak effectiveness.

With Accelerate 365, you gain the responsive, cost-efficient and secure workplace platform that delivers a better workplace experience. Here’s how:

Great business/IT collaboration

• Deployment planning and management based on your business goals, with direct business engagement that empowers the business and IT
• Robust reporting and consistent communications via our Business Intelligence dashboard, bringing together data from your disparate management tools for better, faster, data-driven decision-making
• Tools that empower the business to reduce the impact, increase predictability, and control migrations and updates
• Evergreen services so you continue to maximize your ROI as new features and versions become available

Great experiences for end users

• Self-service capabilities give your end-users more control over their migrations, so they always know what’s going on
• Organizational change-management capabilities minimize end-user disruption during migration
• Users stay current on their latest Windows 10 features with better information and easy-to-digest updates
• Automated application testing to minimize testing time and effort

Great experiences for IT

• Readiness management across your applications, devices and users reduces service desk calls and impact on your users
• Predictive analytics and a comprehensive BI toolset deliver faster rollouts and fewer failed migrations and deskside visits
• Automated checklists industrialize your processes to reduce risk and facilitate automated scheduling and deployment

Fortune 50 bank migrates 425,000+ machines with Accelerate 365

This global Fortune 50 bank turned to Avanade for the migration and management of half a million machines at a rate of up to 40,000 per month. The resulting desktop modernization boosts WX, reduces IT overhead, and improves productivity.

THE RESULTS:

• Data integrity up >4X in six months
• Single source of truth across 13 disparate data sources, 250,000 employees and 160 countries reduced rework, boosting customer satisfaction and security
• Proactive identification of operational issues reduces failure rates and IT costs
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Why Avanade?

Accelerate 365 is based on Avanade’s unmatched expertise in Microsoft technologies – expertise that’s helped us to earn Microsoft SI Alliance Partner of the Year award for an unprecedented 14 years.

We have the vision to help you fully exploit Windows 10 and Office 365 as part of a broader, transformative workplace experience. And we back up that vision with the experience that comes from having migrated more than 10 million devices to Windows and deployed more than 8 million seats of Office 365.

We don’t just talk the talk: Our own environment is one of the largest Windows 10 and Office 365 enterprises in the world. What we do for us, we can do for you.

Ready to transform your workplace experience with Windows 10 and Office 365?

Watch our video to learn more about how we can bring the benefits of Accelerate 365 to you.

Find out more at www.avanade.com/wxplatform