

# Best Practices to a Successful Cloud Migration

## 1 Get Stakeholders and Senior Leaders Aligned



### Leadership can make migration possible.

Big changes, like cloud migration, can stall unless you have leaders championing on your behalf continuously.



### How to get started successfully.

Identify goals specific to your executive sponsors and achieve quick wins to stay motivated.



### Move forward. Be positive.

When setbacks happen, stay the course and remain confident that this is a top priority.

“ Having an IT executive sponsor for cloud is key—but having an executive sponsor in the business is transformational. ”

**Ryan Hughes**  
VP, Cloud Solutions  
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## 2 Set Top-down Quantifiable Goals



### Focused vs Organic

The fact is your organization will get to the cloud faster when you create clear objectives, rather than attempting an organic approach.

GE reduced their data center footprint from

**34 to 4**

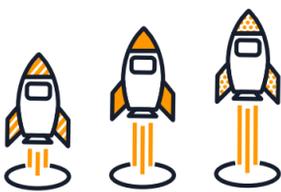


They also reduced their TCO by

**52%**



## 3 Trust the Process



Every migration is different, but similar. A standardized process has worked for

**over 1 million active customers.**

### The recommended approach



#### 1 Assess

Assess your organization's current readiness for operating in the cloud.



#### 2 Mobilize

Mobilize with a detailed migration plan and refined business case.



#### 3 Migrate and Modernize

Migrate and modernize your applications to accelerate innovation and increase efficiency while optimizing operations along the way.

## 4 Choose the Right Migration Pattern: The 7 R's

The seven patterns that will help you create a modern strategy

- ✓ Refactor
- ✓ Re-platform
- ✓ Repurchase
- ✓ Rehost
- ✓ Relocate
- ✓ Retain
- ✓ Retire



Level of effort



Migration Plan (Backlog)

Avoid stalls in your cloud migration.

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