Your ITSM migration checklist

Step by step considerations when migrating your ITSM solution





Step 1

Initial planning

Evaluate where you are now

 Consider your current tool configuration, is it being used for, what should it be used for, what are all the integration points and how are they working.

Think about where you want to be

- This is an opportunity to rebrand and showcase the services you are providing.
- Think about the interface that you will be making available to your users, what message do you want to present, what URLs will you have to make it intuitive.
- Think about the backlog of functionality you've wanted to roll out, mobile applications, AI, Chat technology, improved security and ensure your new tool will meet these needs.
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Corporate Secuity

- As you move from on-premise to cloud technologies anticipate concerns about the security of the new solution.
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Step 2

Detailed Planning

Now that your initial planning has lead you to a decision to move to the cloud you might spend a bit more time planning to hit the ground running with your new cloud partner. This should include:

- Reviewing and documenting all integrations
- Ensuring security requirements are understood and the solution you are considering exceeds these
- Start the honest evaluation of your ITSM data – what is good, what is bad (but maybe usable with some clean up) and what is beyond redemption.



Step 3 Getting to it

Environments established

Your ITSM platform provider will immediately provision your new environments, typically including Test and Production environments. This will include configuration of secure authentication using technologies such as SAML.

Planning workshops

Meet with the project team in planning workshops to detail the migration approach, what is coming "as is", what is coming with clean up and what is being left behind.



Build activities

- During this stage you will configure the service cloud environment ready for use. You will establish processes for copying data, with or without clean up as well as adding the new data and configurations that you want in the new solution. You will also establish fresh configurations for all the integrations that you want to bring to the cloud. While integrations used to be a fairly big concern 10 years ago, with modern technology there are seldom significant challenges in configuration integrations in the cloud.
- This stage will include testing, training and corporate communications.

Step 4

Product cut over

Your build is complete, and you are ready to go! Activate authentication, update users to point to the new URL, disable the legacy tool and your migration is complete!



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