

VMware vCloud™ Director Jumpstart

Overview

The VMware vCloud Director Jumpstart provides customers with accelerated knowledge transfer and an opportunity to understand how vCloud Director fits in the customer’s environment, guided by a VMware expert. By exploring the technology in a non-production environment, the customer can gain the confidence and understanding needed to consider the requirements for designing and deploying a production VMware vCloud Director environment.

Target Customers

- Enterprise customers, Hosting and Service Providers who have adopted VMware vSphere™ as their virtualization platform and have virtualized a significant share of their server environment, including key business applications.
- Enterprise customers who face the following challenges to optimizing and expanding their virtualization environment:
 - VM sprawl
 - Reduced efficiency of deployed vSphere hosts (e.g. due to “islands” or “silos”)
 - Desire to pool disparate resources for greater efficiency and business agility
 - Increasing end-user demands for faster provisioning and ability to self provision
 - Increased use of external service providers for IT capacity and associated data security concerns
 - Multi-tenancy needs
 - IT Cost Management and SLA mandates

Benefits

- Gain confidence with vCloud Director
- Understand the architecture and logical constructs of the vCloud Director solution and its components
- Identify deployment requirements and considerations for vCloud Director
- Be better prepared to implement VMware vCloud Director

Deliverables

- Detailed knowledge transfer workshop including group discussion and white-boarding sessions on key topics related to VMware vCloud Director
- On-site installation of a limited capacity, isolated, non-production of a VMware vCloud Director and compatible VMware security and networking technologies for vCloud Director

Knowledge Workshop: Topics Covered

- Features and functions of VMware vCloud Director components and conceptual and logical architecture, and integration of these components
- Provisioning, consumption, resource pooling, networking, security, and chargeback options and benefits compared to traditional methods
- Discussion of using service catalogs to provision vApps within a cloud environment

KEY ACTIVITIES
Pre-engagement call
Engagement Kickoff
Product Overview
Knowledge Transfer Workshop
Installation and configuration
vCloud Director setup and administration
Cloud consumption model discussion
Engagement wrap-up

Roles and Responsibilities

- VMware Consultant: Conduct workshop, setup and configure vCloud Director components and technologies, provide knowledge transfer of a demonstration vCloud solution in an isolated, non-production environment
- Customer Project Manager: Planning and coordinating IT functions and engagement logistics
- Customer vSphere, Storage, Database and Network Administration personnel: Provide and maintain an operational non-production environment for the demonstration vCloud installation. Meet Customer Prerequisites and Requirements as described below.
- Customer Enterprise and/or Cloud Architects, vSphere, Storage, Database and Network Administration personnel and Project Manager: Attend workshops, collaboration sessions and demonstrations.

Scope and Pricing

- Up to five (5) days onsite
- Maximum of five (5) customer participants
- SKU: CON-VCLOUD-JS

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Customer Prerequisites and Requirements

- vSphere operational and administrative experience and ability to stand up vSphere installations
- Minimum of two (2) 64-bit x86, two socket, quad-core (or equivalent) dedicated ESX/ESXi version 5/4.1 hosts with a minimum of 32GB RAM and two (2) physical network interface cards (more preferred)
- vSphere, Enterprise or Enterprise Plus installed and configured (Enterprise Plus required for advanced networking features)
- Virtual machines:
 - vCenter Server VM
 - Compatible RHEL VMs (clean installation with current VMware Tools installed), and compatible Oracle database with DBA access
 - An active RHEL subscription or an alternative set of packages pre-installed (list to be provided)
 - Windows Server 2008 64-bit or other supported VMs (patched and with current VMware Tools installed)
- Access to DNS, AD, and NTP services
- Network
 - IP addressing topology for internal private networks and external public internet networks (as needed)
 - Three (3) VLANs for use by vCD configured on physical switches (four (4) VLANs preferred)
- Storage
 - Minimum of two (2) 500GB datastores
 - (Optional) NFS shared storage availability
- Customer must have at least two (2) virtualized application base image templates to load into a vCloud Director service catalog, each with the following attributes:
 - Up to three interdependent VMs with no external dependencies
 - Preferably, a multi-tiered business application such as a Web front-end in conjunction with a back-end database
- All hardware components provided by Customer must be supported as per the VMware Hardware Compatibility List

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