Management summary

“It is not the strongest of the species that survive, nor the most intelligent, but the one most responsive to change.”

Setting the scene

In the current world of IT and the development of IT-related products or services, companies from enterprise level to smaller sizes are starting to use the DevOps processes and methods as a part of their day-to-day organization process.

The goal is to reduce the time involved in all the software development phases, to achieve greater application stability and faster development cycles.

However not only on the technical side of the organization is DevOps changing the playing field, also an organizational change that involves merging development and operations teams is required with an hint of cultural changes.

And last but not least the skillset of all people involved is changing.

Goal of this Point of View

This point of view aims to create awareness around the transformation towards the DevOps way of working, to help gain understanding what DevOps is, why you need it and what is needed to implement DevOps.

An Enterprise Architecture perspective

Even though it is DevOps from an Enterprise Architecture service line perspective, this material has been gathered from our experiences with customers, combined with knowledge from subject matter experts and theory from within and outside Deloitte.

Targeted audience

It is specifically for the people within Deloitte that want to use this as an accelerator for conversations and proposals & to get in contact with the people who have performed these type of projects.

By all means, it is a deck that can be shared within Deloitte and with our customers to provide a more holistic view.

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What is DevOps?
What is DevOps?

DevOps is a new way-of-working that improves value delivery for the customer and enables benefits for both development and operations.

Definition

DevOps is a new approach to optimize and manage end-to-end service delivery and operations. It applies a set of principles to transform the entire software delivery lifecycle to introduce new practices enabled by technology.

DevOps principles

- Culture of shared responsibility and collaboration
- End-to-end ownership of services
- Multi-disciplinary teams
- Incremental value delivery
- Flow optimization in the delivery process
- Automate (almost) everything
- Measurement of everything
- Continuous improvement

Software Delivery Lifecycle

New DevOps practices:

- Continuous Integration
- Continuous Testing
- Continuous Delivery
- Continuous Operations

Applying DevOps principles to the SDLC lead to new practices that benefit both Development and Operations

Goal

DevOps primary goal is to improve the flow from an idea towards value for the customer, enabled by an environment in which multidisciplinary teams work collaboratively to continuously deliver high quality solutions, in a faster pace, that qualify for operations.

Benefits

- Increases the frequency and quality of deployments and releases
- Improves innovation and risk-taking
- Realizes faster time to market
- Improves solution quality and operational reliability
- Improves the Mean Time to Recover (MTTR)
The History of DevOps

DevOps is becoming the norm in software delivery and is increasingly being adopted & matured across enterprises, becoming the new best practice.

2008
The chronic conflict between Dev & Ops is explored
Based on personal experience living in the world of Dev and Ops, Patrick Debois from Belgium starts investigating the chronic conflict between Dev and Ops.

2009
Pre-DevOps
In IT, traditional waterfall methods of application development were losing ground to iterative methods such as agile. Speed became the goal, which took priority over development and deployment processes.

2008
The “DevOps” term is coined
Andrew Shafer and Patrick Debois meet at the DevOpsDays 2009 and later at Velocity conference, the term is picked up: “10+ Deploys a Day – a collaboration between Dev & Ops at Flickr” – Velocity, 2009.

2010
The grass roots movement takes off
DevOps expands upon the practices of “infrastructure as code” and continuous integration and deployment. DevOps principles start being applied to the IT value stream.

2011
“DevOps is the future”
March 2011, Gartner predicts “By 2015 DevOps will be adopted by 20% of the Fortune 2000.” Most CIOs and IT organizations are looking into doing work differently.

2015
DevOps incorporated into SAFe
SAFe is rapidly gaining traction in the enterprise arena, where DevOps is adopted and scaled across.

2016
DevOps is the new norm for high-performing companies
“Clearly, what was state-of-the-art three years ago is just not good enough for today’s business environment.”
Most CIOs and IT organizations are looking into doing work differently.

2018
State of DevOps report defines 5-stage approach
From level 0 to 5, a descriptive, pragmatic approach is introduced to guide teams and mature DevOps initiatives, a report sponsored by Deloitte.

2019
Enterprises embed more IT functions in their teams next to ‘Dev’ and ‘Ops’
“organizations are embedding security (DevSecOps), privacy, policy, data (DataOps) and controls into their DevOps culture and processes.”
Deloitte Tech Trends 2019

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DevOps practices

DevOps practices apply continuous automation cycles throughout software development and operations processes

Continuous Integration
the streamlining of internal development by integrating code into a shared repository several times a day. Each check in is then verified by an automated build, allowing teams to detect problems early in the cycle

Continuous Testing
automating and integrating tests into the software delivery chain, and automatically executing those tests against each build of the code base

Continuous Delivery
is the process of delivering code that is production ready and is kept in an always releasable state, so it can be deployed (automatically) to production at any given time based on business needs

Continuous Operations
is proactively managing the solution based on feedback loops. Monitoring and telemetry become part of the backlog. Processes such as patching also fall under this practice
Why do I need DevOps?
Prior to DevOps change release frequency was low, Development and Operations worked separately to serve business demands, having completely opposite mindsets.

1. Focusses solely on development activities
2. Operational requirements are unclear between environments making the hand-over cumbersome
3. Operational feedback is only retrieved after completing a release
4. After releasing, developers are no longer involved

1. Focusses solely on operational activities
2. Operational requirements are unclear, needing ad-hoc changes to the environment
3. Operational understanding and experience is gained only when the app is released
4. Operators manage and control software written by others
DevOps unifies the mindset of Development and Operations

Today business wants to release on demand. With DevOps, both functions continuously collaborate to align business demands within the software delivery lifecycle.
Where is DevOps applicable?
Indicators for DevOps Applicability

Several indicators help to determine if DevOps is applicable for your organization

**DevOps is Applicable**

- Management trusts delivery teams to work autonomously and only shares a product vision
- Multiple teams are responsible to manage the end-to-end lifecycle of a single product
- Environments where IT solutions are changing rapidly
- An incremental delivery process that focuses on early value delivery
- Desired product end-state is unknown, changing business requirements give guidance on steering development
- People have great affinity with software and technology and are not change averse
- Product is software that could be delivered as-a-service

**DevOps is Not Applicable**

- Management requires direct involvement in the delivery process and makes all decisions
- Product or service delivery does not require a multi-disciplinary (cross-functional) team
- Environments where IT solutions have low change rate
- Your delivery process has many sequential constraints, where outputs equal required inputs for consecutive process steps
- Desired product end-state is known and business requirements do not often change
- People have no affinity for new technologies, and are change averse
- Products are tangible, typically consisting of semi-finished products provisioned by multiple partners that don’t have a direct relation with each other
What is needed for DevOps to work?
DevOps dimensions

The DevOps operating model is structured along People, Process and Technology, each dimension is necessary for successful DevOps

Process
Establish standardized interconnected process in the software development (and operation) lifecycle
- Continuous Everything: integration, delivery, testing, monitoring, release management and planning
- Continuous Integration and Continuous Delivery are key to build quality into DevOps processes
- Establish interconnected processes across all phases of development and operations for consistent and predictable deployments

Technology
Improve toolset to support the delivery and automation of the process specifically to accelerate software delivery activities
- Container based delivery and immutable infrastructure blocks
- Leverage the vast DevOps tooling landscape to automate and support Continuous Integration and Continuous Delivery and minimize user intervention
- Support of dynamic environment configuration to help remediate the current bottleneck in testing environment availability

People
Establish a DevOps Organization & Culture with cross-functional teams that are open and trustful
- T-shaped employees
- Foster continuous learning and development to build cross functional capabilities and a mindset open to continuous change
- Transformational leadership & balanced metrics to drive DevOps culture
- Open and transparent communication enable feedback and short learning cycles

Operating Model
- People, Process and Technology combined in a governance model for the DevOps way-of-working
- Teams deliver services end-to-end in the DevOps Target Operating Model
People
# DevOps Organization & Culture

The principles of the DevOps way-of-working have extensive implications on the organization structure, as well as on the culture of the workforce.

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Teams are accountable for progress and output, not an individual team member. Team setup is persistent and co-located to improve collaboration and performance.

Team resources are allocated by services instead of organizational functions. Teams take end-to-end accountability and responsibility (vertically integrated) for the delivery of a service.

Teams are setup vertically, end-to-end responsible for the whole lifecycle of a product. It contains balanced T-shaped skilled personnel from various domains (cross-functional) to achieve its targets.

Work is broken down into small pieces to continuously deliver value to the business using iterative and frequent releases.

Elimination of waste, shift left and limit work in progress optimizes the flow in the delivery process. Teams test as early and as often as possible, minimize handoffs and maximize checkpoints to reduce dependencies and risks.

Tools automate as many tasks and process steps as possible in the delivery process to drastically reduce time, effort, and risk of human errors.

Everything is monitored and measured by a balanced metric system focused on the speed and stability of service delivery.

Teams organize retrospectives, (automated) feedback loops, and touchpoints with the business in order to continuously improve their delivery and way-of-working.
DevOps principles are the starting point for an organization structure.

Based on DevOps principles, an organization allocates resources by service instead of functions to enable end-to-end ownership and increase agility within teams.

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**Product/Service** multi-disciplinary team(s) are aligned to a particular service.

**Product Owner** is a fixed business resource empowered to shape and direct the development of a product in a way that maximizes business value.

**Cross Functional DevOps team** is a long-standing, fully-allocated, cross functional team that is end-to-end responsible for (a module of) the delivered product.

**Common Core services** are shared services provided, preferably through self-service portals, by teams of the technology organization to be used by the different DevOps teams.

**Tech Lead** is a product team member with extensive technical development experience who can lead the Product Team in the execution of its work.

**Functional Communities of Practices** are the knowledge sharing and communication glue that keeps functional expertise (e.g. QA, development, testing etc.) together.

**Solution Architect** is a product team member who governs architecture, design and implementation while enforcing architecture standards and guidelines.

**Service A**
- PO
- TL
- DevOps team 1
- DevOps team 2
- DevOps team 3
- Solutions Architect

**Service B**
- PO
- TL
- DevOps team 1
- DevOps team 2
- Solutions Architect

**Common Core services**
- Shared functions (e.g. Service Desk)
- Infrastructure functions
Key DevOps roles and responsibilities

Several key roles should be represented in a cross functional DevOps team; a team member with a T-shaped profile can fulfill more than one role

The **DevOps Engineer** writes and verifies code, fixes bugs, executes patch management, maintains asset and configuration repository and functions as 2nd line support.

The **Test Engineer** creates and executes test scripts, automates tests, supports usability testing & UAT, and manages test environments and test data.

The **Business Analyst** engages the business for requirements, helps defining features, user stories & test cases, and validates designs.

The **Infrastructure Engineer** configures, maintains and monitors the provisioned infrastructure that is hosting the application (full-stack responsibility).

The **Scrum Master** facilitates the team on processes & approach, manages impediments and enables continuous improvement.

The **Operations Specialist** executes day-to-day technology operations (functional maintenance), monitors technology operations, performs Problem Management, manages change processes (Approves/Rejects).

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*The scope of infrastructure engineer role depends on the maturity of the shared infrastructure function.*
Different team topologies
No one-size-fits-all approach, DevOps can be implemented in many different organizational and team setups

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T-shaped profiles

Ideally, DevOps team members have a T-shaped profile, teams have a combination of different profiles covering all knowledge and skills areas.

Knowledge Areas:
- Business Value Optimization
- Business Analysis
- Architecture & Design
- Programming
- Continuous Delivery
- Test Specification
- Infrastructure Engineering
- Security, Risk & Compliance
- Courage
- Teambuilding
- DevOps Leadership
- Continuous Improvement

Skills Areas:
- Business Value
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Why we advise T-shaped profiles

A T-shaped profile entails that a team member covers different knowledge areas and skills in varying levels of expertise.

A team with T-shaped profiles does not have a hierarchy since everyone’s skills and knowledge complement each other.

A lack of hierarchy brings a team closer together and creates a sense of shared ownership.

Level 1 — Novice
Strict obedience to rules, no experience, little situational perception, no discretionary judgement

Level 2 — Competent
Still limited with situational perception, knows the aspect guidelines and treats all attributes and aspects separately, yet equally

Level 3 — Proficient
Sets priorities, actions are seen partly in longer term goals, deliberate planning, standardized procedures

Level 4 — Expert
Perceives deviations from the normal patterns, makes decisions more easily, assesses situations as part of the “big picture”

Level 5 — Master
Has a wealth of experience, creative solutions and visions, breaks the rules when needed, uses analytic approaches sparingly, makes good decisions quickly yet professionally

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The mindset of a DevOps team member

DevOps team members foster certain cultural aspects contributing to the end-to-end ownership of services

**A mindset of effectiveness**
We continuously improve our delivery to improve our effectiveness. We define effectiveness as our ability to adapt to "market" circumstances and the success (value) of the product features delivered. Note that this also includes the effectiveness of activities, such as backlog prioritization.

**Inspirational and fun environment**
An environment in which people perform at best, where they feel inspired, where they want to be, feel welcomed and are encouraged to think out of the box.

**A mindset of taking responsibility**
All members of our team are responsible for the complete product, which includes the full delivery cycle as well as operating/providing customer support throughout the lifecycle of the product in a collaborative mindset.

**Continuous learning & Continuous improvement**
We have the desire to explore and learn in all activities we do. We strongly believe that working together, transparency, and sharing knowledge is vital. We care about our job enough to not pass the buck, we want to learn all the parts as a whole and not just our little world.

**An engineering mindset**
We have the desire to utilize our knowledge, skills, and creativity to solve problems, implement product features, and optimize our delivery process. We do not settle for the current status quo. We strive to improve our craftsmanship.

**Experimentation & Risk taking**
We always conduct experimentation using solid methodologies to ensure ideas are evaluated on the real value instead of the assumed value.

**Build quality in**
Quality is built-in from the initiation of the teams up to discharge. It is at the heart of every activity. It is never compromised. We value full transparency.

**A mindset of product thinking**
Our application is our product. It must deliver value when it runs in production. We need continuous improvements to ensure the application delivers value now and in the future.
Factors influencing DevOps organization design

DevOps theory doesn’t always apply to practice, client specific factors need to be taken into account for an applicable and effective DevOps organization design.

- Regulatory Requirements
- Existing organizational Structure
- Architecture
- Resource Capacity
- Product Varieties
- Sourcing Model
- Process & technology heterogeneity
- Business Needs

Client specific factors to be taken into account for an DevOps organization design

DevOps organization design is client specific

Setting up DevOps teams or an entire DevOps organization requires understanding of existing, but also future organizational structures.

Client specific factors might increase the complexity and effort that is required to transform towards a DevOps organization.

There is no “one-size-fits-all” DevOps organization design. Client specific factors must be taken into account.

Example considerations for an effective “to-be” DevOps organization design are:

- Keeping some functional hierarchy intact to facilitate collaboration with the enterprise
- Re-architecting the technology stack to enable DevOps practices
- Adhering to some degree of separation of duties to comply with regulations
Process
The DevOps model is significantly different from the traditional IT model.

DevOps integrates the application lifecycle into an end-to-end, iterative process.

### Traditional IT Model

- **Define**
- **Design**
- **Develop**
- **Test**
- **Release & Deploy**
- **Operate**
- **Retire**

### Implications
- Straightforward sequential process assuming all is known
- Big chunks of work
- Maximizes each process-step, big-bang delivery
- Many separated functions (silos) with (manual) handoffs
- Specialization (I-shaped roles)
- Rigid change ability

### Target State DevOps Model

- **Plan**
- **Source** (Continuous Integration)
- **Build** (Continuous Integration)
- **Test**
- **Release** (Continuous Delivery)
- **Deploy**
- **Operate** (Continuous Operations)
- **Monitor**
- **Retire**

### Implications
- Complex iterative process to manage unknowns
- Small chunks of work
- Maximizes flow, incremental delivery
- Fewer handoffs (less silos)
- Generalists (T-shaped roles)
- More flexible to adapt to change
DevOps leverages technologies to automate the software delivery process

While extending agile, DevOps optimizes the software delivery process by leveraging CR/CD which automatically promotes developer’s source code to operational solutions.

DevOps extends the Agile process and puts emphasis on the software delivery cycle and operations...

... its practices focus on bridging the stage gate gaps between phases to accelerate throughput by promoting more frequently with smaller products...

... next to this, DevOps practices incorporate feedback loops continuously in the process for value creation and learning by experience.

CI/CD pipelines integrate process into technology

- Automates almost everything - Automation drastically reduces time, effort, and risk of human errors
- Done means released - Deliver releases for pre-deployment or deploy new releases to productions in minutes instead of months
- Everything in Version Control - Versioning ensures that no work gets overwritten and that the latest versions are built upon
- Builds Quality Into the Process - The quality of every deliverable is guaranteed; errors and problems are detected early
Technology
A legion of tools are available to support DevOps practices
As DevOps is a tool intensive practice, a thorough tool selection incorporating client maturity is a crucial part of the DevOps transformation

**DevOps is a tool intensive practice**

The voluminous amount of tools available, delivering one or multiple capabilities brings consequences when transforming towards a DevOps organization

- Selecting the right tools requires an iterative approach (a procedure per capability)
- Selection is, among others, based on engineering skills, prior experience, or tools (architecture) already in place

*XebiaLabs published A sample selection of DevOps tools categorized in capabilities*

Patterns to setup a CI/CD pipeline
Selecting the right set of tools (Best-of-Suite, Best-of-Breed or hybrid) for the CI/CD pipeline depends heavily on IT maturity and tech-savviness of the organization

Applicability of the toolset

Best-of-Suite
“Bundle of end-to-end enterprise software applications”

Advantages
• Control – one central place to manage users, applications etc.
• User experience – one similar user interface for the pipeline
• One integrated platform to process the pipeline from

Disadvantages
• Standard solution – Often a bit more rigid than best-of-breed solutions, offering less room for specialization
• Partner dependency – The performance and development of the features depend on a single provider
• Integration focus – New features have the objective to integrate with the core instead of being the best of its kind

Best-of-Breed
“Selecting the best product of its kind”

Advantages
• Flexibility – you are not depending on a one-size-fits-all solution
• Independent – you can pick and choose new capabilities regardless of the core solution

Disadvantages
• Maintenance – requires knowledge of the setup of each, and dependencies between applications
• Vendor segregation – issue solving might cover multiple vendors with different support models

Hybrid
“Best of both worlds”

Advantages
• Quality cascade – iterate upon the current setup and consider best option available

Disadvantages
• Effort to determine concurrent tools – The hybrid approach considered a thorough reconsideration for every requirement between Best of Breed and Suite
A basic functional flow through a CI/CD pipeline

A CI/CD Pipeline can be built in various ways considering the desired tooling patterns, covering the same functional flow with different tools and integrations between them.

- **Source & Develop**
  - Distributed source code repository and version control system manages code changes during software development

- **Build & Test**
  - Build and test automation process the application code based on the latest changes in the source code repository

- **Release & Deploy**
  - Central repository manages and versions the released application artifacts and dependencies

- **Operate & Monitor**
  - Monitoring the performance of the team in the software delivery process using DevOps metrics and KPIs

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**Source Code Repository and Version Control**
- Agile Planning and Collaboration
  - Collaboration environment supports the delivery process and planning of the DevOps Teams

**Code Build and Automated Testing**
- Test Strategy, Execution and Reporting
  - Test repository manages test strategies, test cases, test execution and reporting of test results

**Artifact Repository**
- Automated Deployment
  - Deployment automation deploys the released application artifacts and dependencies to target environments

**Software Delivery Process**
- Software Operations
  - Monitoring of the deployed system’s health & performance using application and infrastructure monitors

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**Best-of-Suite**
- Azure DevOps covers the full extent of the CI/CD pipeline, with no external integration required

**Hybrid**
- Only a few interfaces are required as Atlassian’s suite covers the majority of required functionality

**Best-of-Breed**
- The pipeline orchestrator (Jenkins) becomes the central component to integrate all applications
DevOps and Cloud go hand-in-hand

The DevOps way-of-working makes instrumental use of cloud automation. However, DevOps practices can also be applied in hybrid or on-premise environments.

DevOps is accelerated using automation principles that are applied in the Cloud. DevOps methods and tools require a platform that is able to change quickly. Due to the agile and self-service nature of cloud, DevOps teams can collaborate on a single platform, in which they can source & develop, test and deploy new functionalities without the burden of underlying infrastructure.

On-premise environments increases the scope of the DevOps teams. Fortunately, DevOps practices are not environment specific and the DevOps teams can add team members with skills required to develop and operate the on-premise infrastructure.
DevOps Target Operating Model (TOM)

The DevOps TOM aims to land the DevOps way-of-working in the organization by describing the DevOps practices using Deloitte’s framework ‘Technology TOM in a box’.

The Technology TOM in a box is an holistic framework to describe the governance structure of an technology organization and how it functions as an entity.

The capabilities of the DevOps practices will be described through the dimensions of the Technology TOM in a box.

The DevOps Target Operating Model (TOM) outlines the governance structures on how an organization should govern and operate the DevOps practices.
Governance through a DevOps TOM

We use the DevOps TOM to explain to a client how it should **Organize**, **Execute** and **Behave** in a DevOps world

**DevOps TOM**

Using a number of inter-related dimensions we explained to the client:

1. **What** services the organization is going to deliver, and to whom

2. **How** these services are delivered using DevOps capabilities, processes and CI/CD tooling

3. **Where** these DevOps capabilities are sourced from, what the ecosystem looks like, and how to collaborate in a DevOps culture

4. **Who** are responsible for service delivery and support using DevOps roles and organization structure
The DevOps TOM describes capabilities that are part of the DevOps practices.

**DevOps capabilities (non-exhaustive)**

- **System Architecture**
- **Development Practices**
- **Development Environments**
- **Source Code & Version Control**
- **Automated Code Build**

- **Test Automation**
- **Test Environments & Data**
- **Bug Reporting & Defect Management**
- **Data Security**

- **Release Orchestration**
- **Deployment Automation**
- **Configuration & Asset Management**
- **Environment Management**
- **Infrastructure automation**
- **CI/CD Metrics and Tracking**

- **Telemetry & Logging**
- **Metrics / Dashboards**
- **Self-Service Portals**
- **Incident Response**

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DevOps operating model differentiators

The DevOps way-of-working has several implications on the operating model that differentiates from traditional operations.

### Organize

**Impact:**
- **Service Oriented Organization:** Resources organized around services, focused on delivering designated business outcomes
- **Organize the People:** Creating high performing teams working focusing on a common goal
- **Venture-Capital style Budgeting:** Funding dependent on minimal viable product, and its performance
- **Organize the Work:** Slicing the work into smaller chunks that add value to customers immediately and then investing in it
- **Sourcing Model:** Sourcing model aligned to need of firm based on additional capabilities and delivery methodologies introduced

### Execute

**Impact:**
- **Redefined Roles & Responsibilities:** Redefined managerial roles, integrated within self-organizing scrum teams
- **Iterative and Frequent Releases:** Introduction of DevOps practices for iterative and frequent releases
- **Speed Up the Work:** Providing tools and automating processes to minimize handoffs and maximizes checkpoints to reduce dependencies and risk
- **Improved Interaction:** Siloes broken down between and within the business units and IT organization

### Behave

**Impact:**
- **Structured Vision:** Vision adapted to changing business needs of the business and customers
- **Collaborative Services & Capabilities:** Increase in usage of collaborative services and capabilities to the support business expectation
- **Visibility and Transparency:** Greater visibility and transparency across the firm with merging of development and support functions and capabilities
- **Cross functional Team:** Resources formed from Run, Change, Design, and Test, to focus on specific product or service which needs to be delivered to customer or business

Source: Deloitte Technology TOM in a box
How do I implement DevOps?
Option 1: Standard Deloitte transformation approach
The DevOps transformation journey across a large organization takes 2-3 years, but starts with a clear Alignment & Vision created in 8-10 weeks

### Standard Deloitte Transformation Approach

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<td>Help articulate the vision, execution plan and funding requirements in a short sprint. Deloitte team leads with sponsorship and co-leadership from client team.</td>
<td>Select a pilot to build a MVP with a CI/CD pipeline to establish a model for rapidly identifying and launching projects to propagate DevOps thinking into practice quickly across organization. Deloitte acts as facilitator and starts the transition as the client takes on a more coaching/managing role.</td>
<td>Establish Nerve Center/Center of Excellence for scaling DevOps capability. Typically done in a Build Operate Transfer (BOT) model.</td>
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| 8-10 weeks | 8-12 weeks | 18-24 months |
Option 2: Co-created transformation

A future vision stays the basis for the DevOps TOM, but for delivery we can shift towards a bottom-up approach and co-create change iteratively with the client.

Imagine the future of services in the service organization (dot on the horizon):

- What is the mission of service organization?
- What IT services, and to whom, is the service organization going to deliver?

Co-create the DevOps Operating Model iteratively using a combined Deloitte client project team:

- Each iteration defines and implements a prioritized set of DevOps capabilities based on the delivery of CI/CD pipeline technology.
- Scope is determined prior to each sprint based on:
  1. Actual CI/CD pipeline technology delivered
  2. Relevant Technology TOM in a box dimensions
- Collaboration with the client:
  1. Full support and dedication of DevOps champions (dedicated client project team members)
  2. 2-wk alignment with internal client stakeholders

Scale the DevOps Operating Model and technology within the client organization depending on the transformation need.
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What are the challenges of implementing DevOps?

DevOps majorly challenges skills of everyone involved: management and team. It may lead to development slowdown and will not compensate for lack of responsibility

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<td>Ensuring the support of the client can be accelerated by having a champion from their side spreading the DevOps culture and principles</td>
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Deloitte Accelerators
Deloitte DevOps Maturity Assessment Offerings

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Deloitte’s DevOps Maturity Assessment (DDMA) is an extensive questionnaire for assessing current state against desired future state maturity of DevOps capabilities across the DevOps domains: from Release Planning to Continuous Deployment and Monitoring.

- 180 questions along each of the DevOps domains (Release Planning, Continuous Development, Continuous Integration, Continuous Testing, Continuous Deployment, Continuous Monitoring)
- Assesses maturity against desired future state
- Identifies areas for capability improvement

Included in price of DevOps KickStart or DevOps Dojo

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**What is it?**

DORA provides a SaaS questionnaire that benchmarks DevOps performance against 2000+ leading Enterprises across industries

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**Cost**

Deloitte receives a 30% discount from DORA; will be an additional cost on top of pilots

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**Sample Output**

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- **Industry Benchmark**
- **Capability Prioritization**
- **Release Planning Maturity**
- **Continuous Integration Maturity**
Deloitte Global Accelerators

Our Global DevOps Community of Practice has a wide variety of accelerators available that we can use in our engagements

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<td><strong>Deloitte supplied tools</strong>&lt;br&gt;Tools that can be supplied for client engagements:&lt;br&gt;• Agile Manager&lt;br&gt;• HP Application Lifecycle Management&lt;br&gt;• Fortify&lt;br&gt;• JRebel&lt;br&gt;• Performance Center&lt;br&gt;• SonarQube&lt;br&gt;• Unified Functional Testing and UFT Pro</td>
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<td><strong>Videos &amp; Demos</strong>&lt;br&gt;A collection of videos and demos regarding Deloitte methodologies and instructions for DevOps tooling</td>
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Note: non-exhaustive, Global examples, which may be updated continuously
Client example 1
DevOps journey and CI/CD pipeline implementation
Client example 1: Global parcel delivery services company

We took our client on a DevOps transformation journey across all five dimensions to streamline the software delivery lifecycle of their mission critical system.

Process
Develop a chain of full end-to-end processes to facilitate the DevOps way-of-working and continuous software delivery
• Described CI/CD processes to operate the pipeline through all DevOps practices
• Implemented continuous feedback loops into process flows to facilitate continuous improvement
• Defined and implemented auxiliary processes to support and smoothen the execution of the DevOps lifecycle

Technology
From requirements, to tool selection, architecture design and full implementation; we built a CI/CD pipeline base on MS Azure DevOps to enable continuous integration and continuous delivery
• Automated as much as possible, while maintaining stage gates for deploying to mission critical environments
• Supported persistent configuration management to deliver tailored software to distributed, distinct production systems

Organization & Culture
Designed and implemented a fully fledged DevOps organization, along with teams covering the full lifecycle of services, as well as defining a culture to facilitate collaboration, knowledge sharing and continuous improvement
• T-shaped role descriptions for team members
• Described ways-of-working to enhance visibility and feedback
• Defined a culture based on CALMR principles, with accompanying metrics to enhance adoption

Operating Model
Designed and implemented a governance structure to successfully have business- and value-driven DevOps teams that take full ownership of their product/service, including:
• Tailored DevOps Target Operating Model

Data
Obtain as much insight, by logging all data and monitoring relevant metrics, by employing DataOps
• Gather data from CI/CD process
• Infrastructure logging & monitoring of develop, test and production environments
• Operational data logging, monitoring and analytics on operational process execution
• Provide dashboards to view and report on performance
Client example 2
A CI/CD Pipeline for a Banking Platform
Client example 2: CI/CD pipeline

Deloitte developed an Open Banking Platform as a global asset with an CI/CD pipeline to ensures continuous integration and deployment.

![Diagram of CI/CD pipeline]

- **Local Development**: Secure coding guidelines & Training
- **Buildkat**: Build & Deployment
  - Azure DevOps: Code Repository (GIT)
    - Code review & Security checks
  - SonarQube: Unit tests, static code checks, code smells
  - Nexus: Repository Management
    - Check if the repositories used are whitelisted (only approved software)
  - Docker: Microservice is packaged in Docker container and published to container registry
    - Image is hardened and checked if in accordance with security baseline
  - Amazon ECR: Handles the container registry
    - An image scan is performed to detect known vulnerabilities
  - Kubernetes: Container is deployed to the platform
    - Validation of security baseline
  - Secrets Management
    - Fuzz testing, Pentesting & Vulnerability scans
  - Controlled deployment to production & testing environment based on agreed release candidate

- **Security & Quality Control**: Manual approval
Client Example 3
Test Automation for a Banking Application
Client example 3: Automating End-to-End Testing

We helped our customer to setup their testing capability, a vital but time-consuming part of the software delivery process

**Test Phase**
- Ideation
- Requirement & Design
- Develop
- Build & Deploy
- Test & Acceptance
- Release
- Operate & Monitor

**Software Vendors**

**Customer**

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| **Type of tests** | • System tests  
• Bug testing  
• Unit testing  
• Deployment tests | • Deployment tests  
• Integration tests based on user stories  
• Regression tests (E2E) | • Deployment tests  
• Business Acceptance Regression tests (E2E) | • Non-functional tests  
• Performance  
• Security  
• Disaster Recovery  
• Prepare for go-live execution |
Client example 3: Automating End-to-End Testing

Using a test automation framework based on Selenium, Deloitte delivered a total of 15 automated end-to-end test cases.

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And       I click "About Deloitte"
Then      I should see title "About us"

Web Browser Automation Framework
- Trigger test run based on
  - Time
  - Code commit
  - JIRA update
Recommended resources
In case you got excited and would like to learn more...

Books:
- **The DevOps Handbook**: How to Create World-Class Agility, Reliability, and Security in Technology Organizations
  - by Gene Kim, John Willis, Patrick Debois, Jez Humble
- **The Phoenix Project**
  - by Gene Kim, Kevin Behr, George Spafford
- **Continuous Delivery**: Reliable Software Releases through Build, Test, and Deployment Automation
  - by Jez Humble and David Farley
- **Accelerate**: Building and Scaling High Performing Technology Organizations
  - by Nicole Forsgren, Jez Humble, Gene Kim

Websites:
- [https://notafactoryanymore.com/](https://notafactoryanymore.com/)

Video’s:
- John Smart (Deloitte colleague) at the DevOps Summit: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Rq-fuiKNCU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Rq-fuiKNCU)
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