Private, Public, or Hybrid: An AHP Model for Infrastructure-as-a-Service IaaS Cloud Strategy Selection for Enterprises and Software Development Organizations

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Abstract: The decision to move to a private, public, or hybrid cloud deployment strategy for software development, pre-production, and production workloads for IaaS (Infrastructure-as-a-Service) is one of the most challenging and debated decisions today for enterprises, technology infrastructure, and software development organizations. This praxis examines what considerations and factors are important in IaaS cloud-computing strategy decision-making, applies these considerations to formulate a multi-level AHP model and system, and organizes these considerations into four major groups: (1) Enterprise Strategy Considerations; (2) Technical and Operational Considerations; (3) Economic and Financial Considerations; and (4) Security Considerations. The AHP cloud model and system is tested against three case studies of different cloud environments within Cisco Systems.

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