

VMware Enhanced Candidate Selection Service

AT A GLANCE

- Rank the best virtualization candidates in your environment through a virtualization candidate report.
- Meet your business drivers and mitigate potential risk by identifying the best candidate applications for virtualization based on your specific organization's requirements.
- Understand the financial advantages of virtualization for your organization through an estimated total-cost-of-ownership and return-on-investment analysis.
- Educate your application owners about the power of virtualization to help alleviate any remaining fears and get their buy-in.

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Leverage VMware tools and expertise to determine the best candidates for virtualization within your IT infrastructure

Determining where to start a virtualization initiative and what servers and applications to include is a daunting and time-consuming task. Often, this step can cause a consolidation project to stall or run over its anticipated timeline.

The VMware Enhanced Candidate Selection service helps you quickly determine where to start. VMware Consultants will analyze your current server and application environment, business requirements, goals and risk considerations to determine the best candidates for virtualization within your IT infrastructure.

If you are looking for a cost-effective yet timely candidate assessment solution for your IT environment, this service is right for you. Equipped to handle the nuances of such a planning assignment, our VMware virtualization experts use data gathered from VMware vCenter™ Application Discovery Manager and VMware Capacity Planner. This information is then compiled, correlated, analyzed and ranked using the VMware Virtual Candidate Selection tool in conjunction with in depth discussions with your team and application owners, resulting in a prioritized virtualization candidate list.

Delivered by VMware Professional Services consultants, this service leverages VMware best practices to meet your business requirements and associated objectives with your virtual infrastructure. Our skilled service specialists are experienced with both virtualization and information infrastructure and are trained and ready to deliver using proven methodologies.

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VMware Professional Services will work closely with your team throughout the engagement to ensure clear communication, project status and confirmation on finalizing the project. Our team provides quality service while keeping timelines and other operational constraints in mind. This service encompasses the following:

Data collection

VMware conducts a service evaluation meeting to determine project scope, plan for risk mitigation, and review your operational and business goals and requirements.

The implementation review meeting confirms that all the prerequisite tools and information are available. VMware service professionals visit your site and install up to three VMware vCenter™ Application Discovery Manager and up to two VMware Capacity Planner appliances at one geographic location. These tools are then configured to collect characteristics and data from up to 200 candidate servers. VMware service professionals then survey your IT site to understand your data center environment, including server and operating systems details, utilization levels, applications and their dependencies, and business services in context of an impending virtualization implementation.

Investigation and analysis

Once the data collection phase ends, the gathered data is ready for analysis with the VMware Virtual Candidate Selection tool. Using this tool, VMware professionals methodically and programmatically analyze performance data collected from both of the installed applications, as well as information collected from pre-site documents, team interviews and discussions.

Project Deliverables

Upon conclusion of this engagement, VMware Consultants will deliver a Final Consolidation Report. This report will provide you with:

- An Executive Summary
- Findings from vCenter Application Discovery Manager and VMware Capacity Planner data collection tools
- A list of server and application candidates that are suitable for virtualization
- A final roadmap plan, including a risk mitigation plan specific to your environment
- A consolidated ROI/TCO analysis describing the possible savings of your virtualization strategy

Get Started Today

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About VMware Professional Services

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