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THE MODERN WORKPLACE

YOUR GUIDE



INTRODUCING THE MODERN WORKPLACE

BRINGING THE BENEFITS OF MICROSOFT SERVICES TO YOUR BUSINESS

Microsoft Modern Workplace is the ultimate goal and destination of the Microsoft journey we describe in this white paper.

It's not a single product; essentially, it's what your IT environment looks like, and what your users interact with, once you've completed your adoption of cloud infrastructure.

In simple terms, it gives your people freedom to work securely from anywhere, without being coupled to an on-premise network.



THE POWER OF 365

For an SME, everything you need, and that we describe here, will be covered by a Microsoft 365 Business Premium licence. This gives you the familiar Office suite of apps - Word, Excel, PowerPoint - and any other services you access using your Microsoft 365 account.

These include Microsoft Entra ID Conditional Access, which enables Single Sign-On (SSO) and identity protection policies and allows you to determine who can login to mobile devices, desktop computers and other endpoints.

It gives each user their own, single Microsoft ID, eliminating the need for multiple logins and passwords, enhancing security and reducing the risk of credential theft.

Your Business Premium licence also gives you Microsoft Intune, which protects your data on company and personal devices by validating login requests from personal devices.

Acting together with Entra ID, it keeps your data secure while allowing users to work from any device in any location.



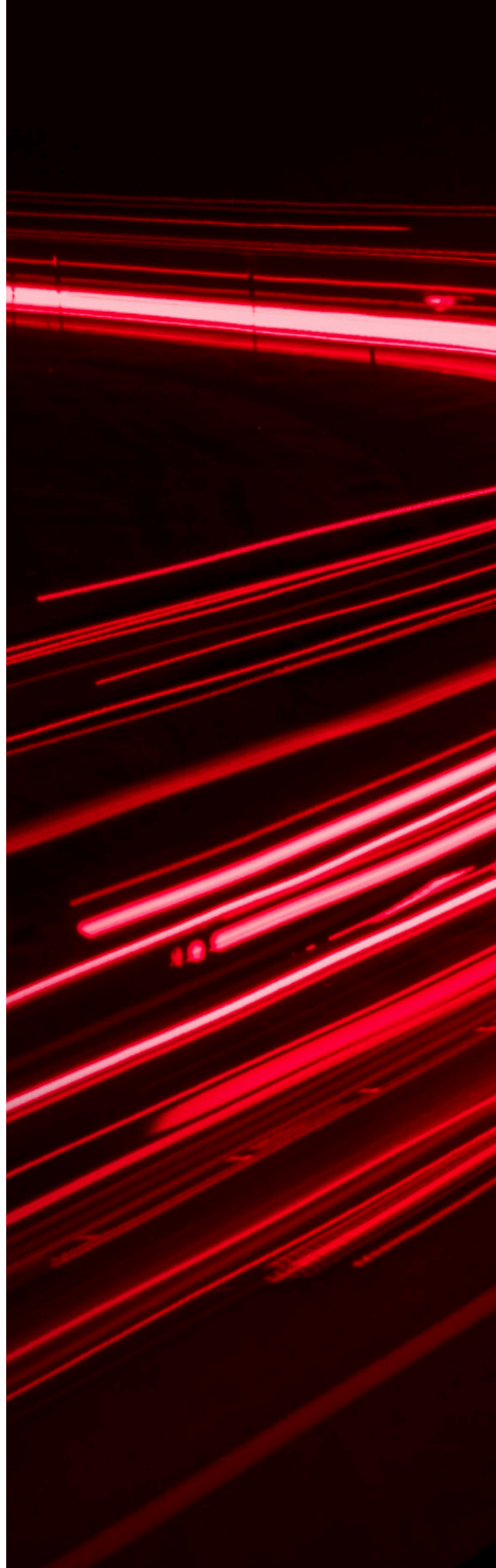
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For SMEs, we find mobile application management (MAM) is especially useful, setting policies and protocols for access to your corporate apps from mobile devices.

For example, you can specify that data must be encrypted, or that users aren't allowed to copy apps or data in from outside the organisation.

For SMEs, being able to block access by personal devices, particularly mobile phones, has the great advantage of taking away much of the burden of monitoring and controlling how, where and by whom your corporate apps and data are used.

From a practical point of view, it also makes it easier to achieve Cyber Essentials accreditation, which in many sectors, notably professional services, is an increasingly important compliance and due diligence requirement.





THE END OF THE JOURNEY...

As we've described elsewhere, the journey to Microsoft Modern Workplace begins with using Outlook for email, progresses to sharing files and folders through SharePoint.

Then goes on to controlling access and logins to devices both on and off your premises, before finally protecting all your data and devices through a unified security environment.

...AND A NEW BEGINNING

With full cloud adoption, SMEs can unlock a range of practical, commercial and technical benefits. Microsoft Modern Workplace allows people to work from anywhere, accessing apps and data securely via whatever devices they're permitted to use, under policies you set yourself.

It also reduces the administrative and technical burden: there are no servers or other on-premise infrastructure to maintain because everything is based in the cloud.

From an access and security point of view, once you've set your policies and protocols you can let Microsoft handle all updates and security in the background, leaving you free to focus on core activities.

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