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# De-risk cloud projects: GFT achieves AWS migration and DevOps Competencies

- Proven competencies give assurance to clients embarking on cloud initiatives
- Cloud projects run smoothly, painlessly and efficiently with highest quality and security
- Competencies proven in rigorous external audit process

**Stuttgart, 29 September –**Cloud usage has become a key driver for competitiveness and innovation in all industries. **80% of companies that move to the cloud are seeing improvements** within less than six months<sup>1</sup>. But, as with all transformations, it is crucial that it be well managed. Competent partners are therefore crucial to making the journey to the cloud smooth and successful.

Amazon Web Services (AWS) Competency certifications help companies decide who to rely on to facilitate their journey. AWS has now certified <u>Migration Competency</u> and <u>DevOps Competency</u> statuses for GFT Technologies.

## GFT provides deep expertise across all phases of complex migration projects

These designations recognise that GFT provides **deep expertise** to help customers modernise their technology estate and successfully move to AWS. This covers all phases of complex migration projects and includes discovery, planning, migration and operations. For GFT's clients, cloud computing has become key in securing and enhancing their competitiveness. Consequently, GFT has made great efforts to build its cloud competencies and deepen its collaboration with AWS. The cloud business, and membership of the AWS Partner Network, have been key drivers of the company's strong growth for several years now.

Achieving the AWS Migration and DevOps Competencies collectively differentiates GFT as an AWS Partner Network (APN) member. It confirms that GFT provides specialised demonstrated technical proficiency and proven customer success with specific focus on

- Migration Delivery
- Migration Consulting
- Discover & Planning
- Workload Mobility
- Application Profiling
- Data Migration
- Continuous Integration & Continuous Delivery,
- Monitoring, Logging, and Performance
- Infrastructure as Code

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://elearninginfographics.com/cloud-computing-infographic-10-amazing-facts/

To achieve these AWS Competencies, APN Partners must possess deep AWS expertise and deliver solutions seamlessly on AWS. They must also demonstrate to **external audit** committees that they executed projects on behalf of clients and received testimony back from them to prove that they followed a set of best practices and principles, and employed methodologies conforming to AWS specifications. As part of the audit process, GFT has also had to demonstrate that it has positioned itself as a thought leader on DevOps and cloud migrations.

"These AWS Migration and DevOps Competency statuses reassure our clients. They know that with GFT their projects will run smoothly, with a clear focus on successful outcomes, that support the clients' business goals," said Alpesh Tailor, Executive Director of the Global Cloud Business Unit at GFT. "Migration and DevOps are key competencies, because obviously migration for many companies is the first step in using the cloud. Using DevOps methodologies in their projects they can accelerate time to market, be more responsive and customer centric while reducing cost and duplication of siloed teams - which ultimately leads to improving reliability."

## Use case analysed migration of over 600 applications

Projects audited for achieving Migration Competency status include migrations from various onpremise infrastructures to AWS, as well as cloud native microservices platforms. One of the use cases analysed involved the migration of over 600 applications. DevOps projects covered both greenfield projects and legacy transformation engagements. In those, GFT leveraged CI/CD tooling to increase efficiency.

AWS is enabling scalable, flexible, and cost-effective solutions from start-ups to global enterprises. To support the seamless integration and deployment of these solutions, AWS established the AWS Competency Program to help customers identify Consulting and Technology APN Partners with deep industry experience and expertise.

This press release is also available for download via the GFT newsroom

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GFT is driving the digital transformation of the world's leading companies in the financial and insurance sectors, as well as in the manufacturing industry. As an IT services and software engineering provider, GFT offers strong consulting and development skills across all aspects of pioneering technologies, such as cloud engineering, artificial intelligence, mainframe modernisation and the Internet of Things for Industry 4.0.

With its in-depth technological expertise, profound market know-how and strong partnerships, GFT implements scalable IT solutions to increase productivity. This provides clients with faster access to new IT applications and innovative business models, while also reducing risk.

Founded in 1987 and located in more than 15 markets to ensure close proximity to its clients, GFT employs over 7,000 experts. GFT provides them with career opportunities in all areas of software engineering and innovation. The GFT Technologies SE share is listed in the Prime Standard segment of the Frankfurt Stock Exchange (ticker: GFT-XE).

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