SUCCESS STORIES

Optimising Azure spending within IM(IT) organisation [Global].

Problem statement

The client lacked visibility and governance on Azure spending. It wanted to know what was driving costs, when and why costs change (especially unexpectedly), and a mechanism for managing/reducing/optimising cost.

Our solution

We developed an application that involved creating multiple reports for different Azure areas (Cloud Platform, Data Platform, Virtual Data Center, Office 365). We scheduling monthly usage reports to relevant Service Delivery Manager(s), creating budgets per area, forecast alerts, "anomaly alerts", and cost reduction recommendations through our Cloud-Spend-Analysis tool.

Outcome achieved

- 4% reduction in Azure hosting costs per annum (like for like)
- Greater awareness and ownership internally for Azure spend
- Improved budgeting and forecasting

Time to market: < 4 weeks

Budget: 25k€ **Efficiency achieved:** ca. €30-50K / year

"By simply informing people on their usage, it allowed for greater ownership and immediate cost savings"



Next step

Based on the spending insights and demand of the applications, automate spend optimization process.

Services used:

Design thinking, agile innovation, process and change management, application development, ongoing support.