

## CIO Dive, U.S.: Hybrid Cloud Provides Fast Lane to Digital Transformation



“Hybrid cloud in all its permutations supplies the capabilities, agility, standardization, scalability and enhanced control needed for an enterprise to quickly develop, deploy and support digital features and services,” writes **Karun Sorout**, Associate Vice President, Global Hybrid Cloud Practice.

*Excerpts from CIO Dive’s article:*

“IT leaders are excited about the potential of cloud to supercharge the speed of digital transformation — it minimizes capex and opex, reduces cycle times and it’s scalable.

To support an innovative business model or completely reengineered process, it’s natural for organizations to consider a cloud-native approach. In the long term, cloud native may be the most effective and future-proof solution.

That said, most established companies must also operate legacy applications and systems even as they adopt modern, digital technology. The legacy systems may be business-critical and must interact with newer systems. Others may be nearing their sunset dates and should be wound down with care.

Enter the hybrid-cloud approach.

Hybrid cloud is often defined as a mix of on-site, public cloud and private cloud systems and is considered the most pragmatic approach to cloud adoption.

A more useful definition of hybrid cloud, however, is a framework that enables an organization to make the best use of the technologies at hand to meet its business objectives. It encompasses all the technology and support needed to deliver enterprise-grade cloud consumption.

With the proper management tools, hybrid cloud provides IT with the right infrastructure — virtual or otherwise — and the right platform for each use case.

That flexibility helps the IT organization be more agile and align more easily with digital business objectives.”

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