

Board Reality Check Cloud & AI Program Exposure



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A 3-week independent experienced based brief that tells the board what's real, what's risky, and what to stop.

WHO IT'S FOR

Boards, CIOs, CFOs, and Audit/Risk committees that are funding cloud or AI initiatives and want decision-grade clarity—not vendor optimism.

WHEN TO USE IT

- Cloud costs are rising, but nobody can explain why in one page;
- AI is “piloting everywhere” but value is unclear
- Multiple vendors are involved and accountability is diluted;
- The board needs a go/no-go or re-scope decision in weeks, not quarters.

WHAT YOU GET



Board Brief (10–12 slides) in plain language: where value is, where risk sits, what must change.



Exposure Map of top 10 failure modes (cost, security, delivery, compliance, operating model) with likelihood / impact.



Decision Tree: Continue / Stop / Re-scope with clear prerequisites.

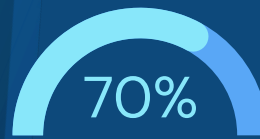


90-Day Stabilization Plan, not a transformation roadmap; a focused plan that removes ambiguity and restores control.

HOW IT WORKS

- Week 1: stakeholder interviews + document review (program plan, budgets, vendor SOWs, security posture, governance);
- Week 2: cost / risk / delivery triangulation; validate claims vs evidence;
- Week 3: board-ready synthesis + executive briefing + Q&A.

FINANCIAL OUTLOOK



A roadmap designed to achieve up to a 30% reduction in cloud run-rate over the next 6 months.



A clear path to rationalizing the application landscape, leading to a 20% reduction in TCO.



AI Reality Check: actual value versus “pilot hype” within the company’s specific strategy and competitive landscape.



Stabilization vs. Transformation plan focused on restoring control and removing risk.

Note: Estimates are benchmark figures from similar enterprise environments; actual results depend on your specific contracts, program maturity, and business requirements.

BENEFITS

- Replace vendor-driven narratives with an independent, audit-grade view that clearly distinguishes real cloud and AI value from perceived progress.
- Regain control over rising cloud and AI costs by enforcing clear Continue, Stop, or Re-scope decision gates supported by objective analysis.
- Reinforce accountability with a focused 90-day stabilization plan that clarifies ownership, restores governance, and minimizes future audit risks.

WHAT THIS IS NOT

This is not an implementation engagement, not a tool rollout, and not another strategy deck. It’s an independent decision brief designed to reduce waste and avoid expensive mistakes.