



## Windows 10 Readiness

The ability to provide a unified and highly secure Windows-based experience across a range of devices is a huge challenge for organisations, especially if they are still hard-tied to legacy operating systems (OS) such as XP, Vista and Windows 7. Often, an inordinate amount of time, resources and money is wasted keeping an aging end user computing (EUC) platform working, to the detriment of new features and functionality. With older operating systems quickly moving out of mainstream and extended support, the need to deliver a stable, performant and well-supported endpoint solution is greater than it's ever been.

Windows 10 Enterprise provides IT professionals with advanced protection against modern security threats, as well as comprehensive management and control over devices and applications, alongside flexible deployment, updates, and support options. As a Microsoft Gold Partner with generations of real-world Windows OS experience, we are able to conduct a tailored readiness assessment. Starting out by analysing your current EUC environment, we will review the findings and deliver a step-by-step plan, designed to help you move away from legacy operating systems and bring you closer to adopting Windows 10 Enterprise throughout your organisation.

### Scope

Since the most direct route to Windows 10 isn't always clear, Ultima has developed an assessment to help ensure that the underlying components and systems are in place to design, build, deploy and manage Microsoft's flagship OS.

This 5-day assessment is designed for IT professionals and key operational and management stakeholders, who want to put their right foot forward when it comes to transitioning away from legacy operating systems.

### Engagement Approach

We adopt a simple, but effective, four stage process, allowing us to interrogate your existing end user computing environment and deliver recommendations regarding the move to Windows 10. This structured engagement is delivered by a Microsoft consultant, who can provide forensic analysis of your Windows estate, and articulate findings to your business.

#### Step 1 - Analyse

Our consultant will lead a planning call to agree the scope and objectives of the assessment, and further understand your current IT infrastructure. Once completed, we will use various tools - including those from Microsoft - to analyse your environment:

- Assessment of existing desktop hardware for Windows 10 compliance
- Application compatibility testing using Microsoft Assessment and Planning Toolkit
- Assess current Windows client build environment
- Assess existing Windows OS security configuration
- Explore current Windows 10 Mobile Device Management (MDM) capabilities

#### Step 2 - Review

Our consultant will conduct a workshop with your team to review the data captured, and further use this information to identify the potential risks, issues and dependencies related to a Windows 10 EUC transformation project. This will include helping to:

- Identify existing client OS versions and architectures
- Determine which applications are not compatible with Windows 10
- Outline hardware which does not meet the minimum specification and should either be replaced or upgraded
- Check the versions and upgrade roadmaps for supporting client management (e.g. SCCM) and build (SCCM, MDT, WDS) environments
- Identify design changes or feature implementations to better deliver Windows 10

#### Step 3 - Define

We will articulate the findings of the assessment, detailing actions required to support the introduction of Windows 10. Our comprehensive readiness report will provide your organisation with the following insight:

- Challenges associated to your business
- Summary of hardware compliance and application compatibility, outlining where to invest and considerations
- Recommendations for the build and configuration of Windows 10, alongside its deployment and on-going management
- Recommendations for the introduction of Mobile Device Management capabilities
- Roadmap for change, detailing next steps and key actions to become Windows 10 ready

#### Step 4 - Present

Ultima will email the assessment report for review, before presenting the management summary to your team via Skype. It will drill down into the findings, including the risks, issues and recommendations we have made around adopting Windows 10, providing you the opportunity to plan for next steps, including potential remediation activities.

### Windows 10 Readiness Summary

#### Key Benefits

- Mitigate the risks of introducing Windows 10 Enterprise
- Understand application compatibility challenges
- Determine the suitability of existing client hardware
- Find out how to effectively enable user mobility
- Assess the suitability of supporting infrastructure
- Define the steps required to deliver a Windows 10 build

#### Prerequisites

- Schedule of engagement, outlining the scope
- Administration access to systems in scope for review
- Support at management and technical levels

#### Key Deliverables

- Windows 10 readiness assessment document
- List of challenges identified
- Roadmap for change
- Prioritisation of next steps

#### Typical Duration

5 Days

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