

Optimization

Audit Defense Service



A disruptive & potentially costly legal obligation

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Our Audit Defense Service can be deployed quickly for organizations that want to plan or need to respond to a vendor's licensing audit. Some audits can be expensive, disruptive and are on the increase. You need to be prepared.

When a vendor demands an audit, organizations like yours have a legal obligation to comply, but how the engagement is managed can make a significant difference to the outcome and the expense. We provide fast effective services to help plan and prepare for an audit, and provide the necessary support to make them as routine, non-disruptive and inexpensive as possible.

What does our Audit Defense involve?

Our consultants gather information and data from a variety of sources, including: key stakeholders, the deployed software estate and your vendor contracts. This information is analyzed in detail to understand your exact vendor licensing position, with any liability and compliance risk highlighted, allowing an appropriate audit response program to be created. The program is built with the necessary audit activity requirements in mind, providing a plan that can be executed easily and efficiently to ensure that your organization is ready to respond in the event of an audit request.



Audit Planning

- Audit plan & first actions
- Vendor entitlement collection
- Inventory collection
- Licensing application
- Supporting SAM policy & process evidence.



Engagement Deliverables

- Pro-active assessment & planning
- SAM capabilities & capacity
- SAM policy & process
- Vendor licensing entitlement, inventory & contracts
- Vendor licensing position
- Liability & risk assessment
- Audit preparation recommendations



What does our Audit Defense deliver?

Our Audit Defense service provides a complete program to help organizations plan, prepare and respond to audit requests from named vendors. It ensures that the optimum outcome can be achieved with minimal internal resource and outcome risk. By utilizing our extensive experience, a best practice management approach can be established to reduce the overall impact of an audit and ensure the overall cost and liability is minimized.

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Our vision is to be the leading independent, global provider of Software & Cloud Portfolio Management and optimization services for our clients and partners.

Providing the intelligence our clients use to govern their digital transformation journey. Optimizing their software portfolio to avoid unnecessary cost and risk, whilst driving value from their software and cloud investments throughout their lifecycle.

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