

Westminster eForum Keynote Seminar
Cloud computing – security, market development and prospects for the G-Cloud

Timing: Morning, Tuesday, 13th September 2011

Venue: Sixty One Whitehall, London SW1A 2ET



Agenda subject to change

- 8.30 - 9.00 Registration and coffee
- 9.00 - 9.05 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Chi Onwurah MP, Shadow Minister for Innovation and Science
- 9.05 - 9.25 **A view from the cloud**
Latest thinking on the opportunities for vendors and potential buyers of cloud computing services in the UK and internationally. Is 2011 the year that the cloud goes mainstream for government and businesses?
Dr Mark Ferrar, National Technology Officer, Microsoft UK
- 9.25 - 9.55 **How is the market for cloud services developing for businesses and consumers?**
How is the market for cloud services developing: who are the new customer groups, and how well is the cloud service provider sector preparing to meet their needs? With several cloud service launches due in 2011 and recent high-profile acquisitions of cloud computing businesses, what are the companies to watch in the coming year? What opportunities are cloud services creating for software, networks and consumer technologies? How are the potential challenges of adopting cloud computing – including organisational upheaval, issues over trust, security, downtime and customer service – being addressed by the industry? How well do cloud clients understand how to make best use of cloud services, as well as the possible drawbacks? How well are cloud service vendors communicating with potential clients?
Simon Briskman, Partner, Field Fisher Waterhouse
Andy Burton, Chairman, Cloud Industry Forum
Paul Adams, Head of Service Provider Marketing, Alcatel-Lucent
Questions and comments from the floor with **Dr Mark Ferrar**, National Technology Officer, Microsoft UK
- 9.55 - 10.10 **'Where is Cloud Computing taking us ... beware of the False Cloud'**
Reza Mohsin, Vice President, Office of the Chief Scientist, Salesforce
- 10.10 - 11.00 **Security, privacy and compliance**
What are the most recent views on the security and privacy offered by cloud services compared to local solutions? How is technology and industry practice developing? How are the legal issues associated with the storage of data online being addressed? How should questions be resolved over who takes responsibility for the contents of files, and their safe storage, in the cloud? Is the cloud suitable for Government, banks and other organisations holding sensitive data? Why are hybrid/public cloud services proving so popular, and what is the future of hybrid systems? How should the industry tackle interoperability issues and the danger of clients being trapped by their choice of cloud service?
Francis Ofungwu, Manager of Security Strategy, Rackspace
Mark Hall, Deputy Chief Information Officer, HM Revenue & Customs
Richard Nethercott, Global Security Practice Lead, Logica
Dr Peter Pietzuch, Lecturer, Large-Scale Distributed Systems Group, Imperial College London
Louise Taylor, Senior Associate, Taylor Wessing
Questions and comments from the floor with **Reza Mohsin**, Vice President, Office of the Chief Scientist, Salesforce
- 11.00 - 11.05 **Chairman's closing remarks**
Chi Onwurah MP, Shadow Minister for Innovation and Science
- 11.05 - 11.30 Coffee
- 11.30 - 11.35 **Chairman's opening remarks**
Nigel Adams MP, Joint Vice-Chairman, PITCOM
- 11.35 - 12.05 **Cloud computing in the overhaul of Government's digital strategy**
What role can cloud services play in enabling a 'shared, agile, cost-effective suite of web technologies' for Government?
Martin Bellamy, Director of Change & ICT, National Offender Management Service, Ministry of Justice
Neil Cresswell, Managing Director EMEA, Savvis
- 12.05 - 12.55 **What can cloud services offer to the Government and the public sector?**
With Government commitment to moving IT services into the cloud, what are the major challenges that will be faced in implementing this strategy? How can the public services also utilise cloud services and use them effectively? What types of public service client are most suited to move their IT services into the cloud? Can local authorities share or outsource their processing and storage requirements? How much control can clients have over the storage, processing power and customer service they receive from the cloud?
Barry Jennings, Senior Associate, Bird & Bird
Ilias Chantzos, Senior Director, Government Relations and Public Affairs, Symantec
Andy Macleod, Strategy and Policy, Public Sector, Cisco
Andrew Tait, Head of Public Sector Strategy, VMWare
Questions and comments from the floor with **Neil Cresswell**, Managing Director EMEA, Savvis
- 12.55 - 13.00 **Chairman's and Westminster eForum closing remarks**
Nigel Adams MP, Joint Vice-Chairman, PITCOM
Peter van Gelder, Director, Westminster eForum