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COGNOS BI IN THE CLOUD



# Today's Agenda

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- Introduction
- What is Cognos BI in the Cloud?
- Benefits
- Sizing
- Pitfalls
- Q&A

# Introduction: Today's Presenter

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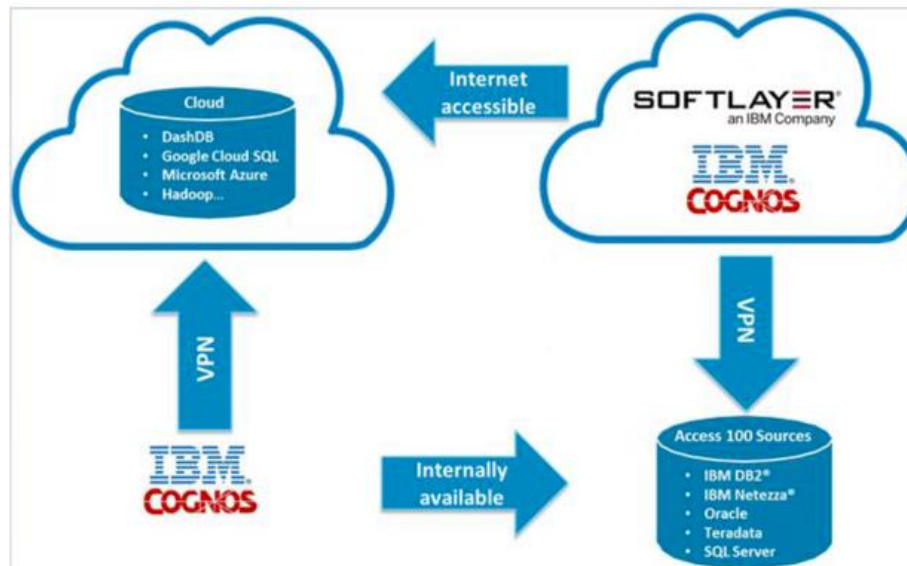
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**WHAT IS COGNOS BI IN THE CLOUD?**

# Cognos BI in the Cloud

- Cognos Analytics (v11) - latest release
- Servers hosted by IBM
- Content Store hosted by IBM
- Mix of on premise and cloud data sources





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## **BENEFITS**

# Hardware

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## Servers

- Remove cost of purchasing on premise servers
- Servers hosted and provided by IBM
- Tuned by IBM based on user base

## Disaster Recovery

- Provided at no additional cost
- Different geography



## Backups

- Content Store and config files backed up daily
- Replicated to another data center
- 7 days daily backups, 4 weekly backups
- Encrypted at rest on disk based backup system

# Upgrades

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- Kept current at no additional cost - no more falling behind
- Stay on top of new features and fixes
- Option to lag 1 release behind
- Development environment upgraded first
  - Production scheduled
  - Requires customer signoff



- Customer is responsible for testing



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**SIZING**

# 3 Options

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- Workgroup
  - Minimum 25 users
- Standard
  - Minimum 100 Users
- Enterprise
  - Minimum 150 users

# Workgroup

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- Ad hoc reporting
- Visualizations
- Dashboarding
- User & role management
- Mail delivery
- Mobile
- Access to on premise and cloud data sources
- Disaster recovery - up to 100GB
- Single tenant
- Tech support

\* Does not include a development server

\*\* Can be purchased for an additional cost

# Standard

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- Includes all Workgroup features
- Pre-production environment
- User storage up to 250GB
- Disaster recovery up to 250GB

# Enterprise

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- Includes all standard features
- High performance environment
- Bare metal server
- 500GB user storage
- 500GB disaster recovery



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**PITFALLS**

# Missing Capabilities

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- Query Studio/Analysis Studio
- Metric Studio
- Powerplay Studio
- Dynamic Cubes
- Compatible Query Mode (CQM)
- Skinning/branding
- SSO
- Hosting of third party code
- Cognos for Microsoft Office/CAFE
- Multi tenancy functionality

# No Access to Servers

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## Tasks requiring a PMR

- Image uploads
- Content deployments
- Addition or removal of security namespaces
- Addition or removal of database servers
- JavaScript API code
- Cognos service restarts

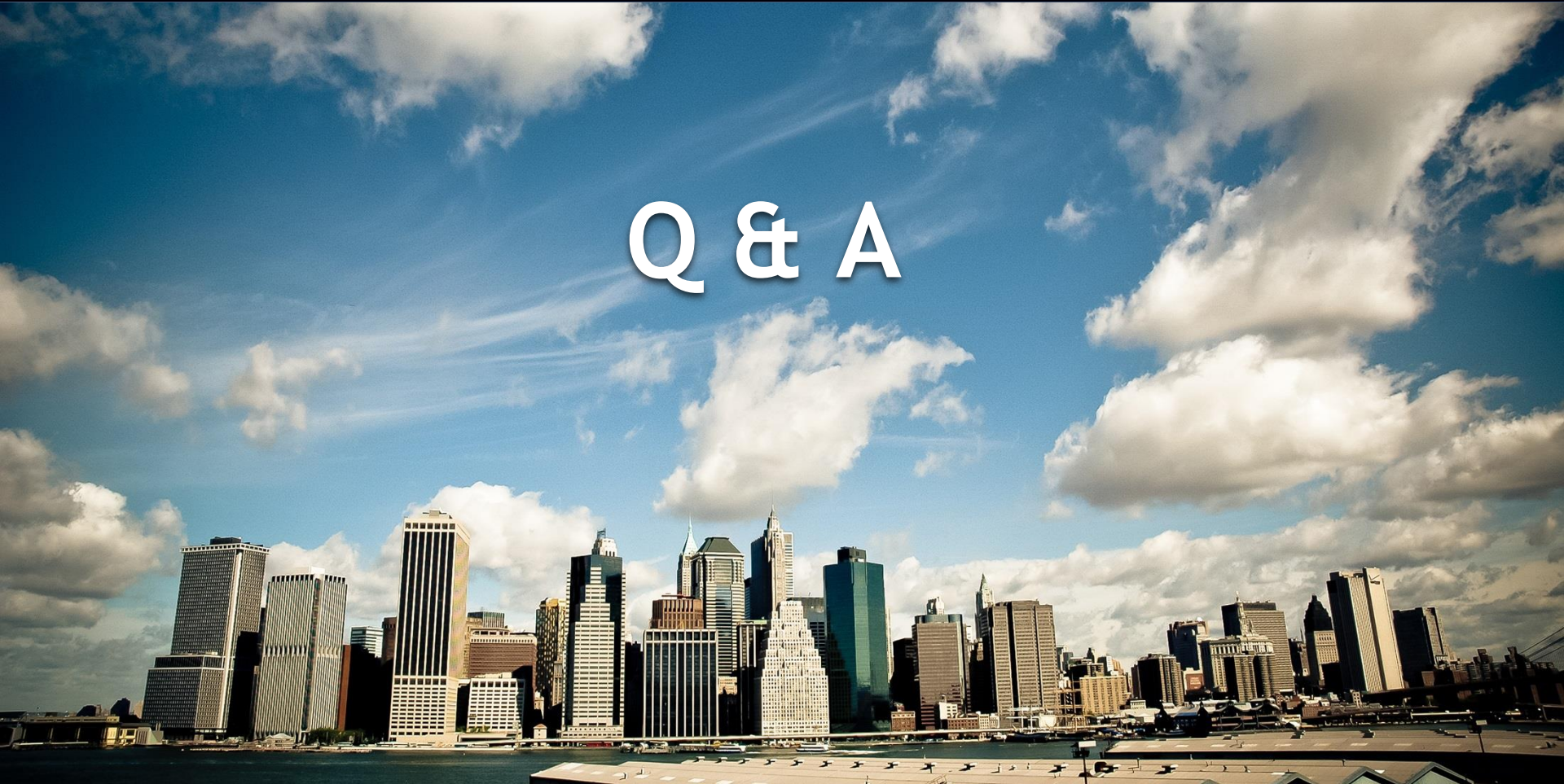
## PowerCubes

- Build on premise
- Staging area needs to be created by CloudOps
- WinSCP files to cube landing area



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Q & A



# Thank You!

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