

ASL Private Cloud Hosting Solutions for ERP Vendors

As an ERP vendor, it's likely that your customers and prospects (heavily influenced by software giants such as Microsoft), are expecting you to offer a cloud based alternative to your traditional 'on-premises' ERP solution. With so much hype, it's not surprising that your customers are being persuaded that the future belongs to the cloud.

Overcoming the complexity of ERP hosting

ERP is often complex, customer specific and must be adaptable to meet differing business demands. The one size fits all philosophy doesn't apply, and that has implications for the cloud deployment of solutions where:

- Customisation is the norm
- Integrating with third party 'on-premises' solutions is essential
- Exporting data is a daily occurrence
- 24/7 access to the entire operating environment is non-negotiable
- Adding to existing IT resources needs to be fast, efficient and cost effective
- Multiple environments are necessary for testing and upgrades

Where companies are able to standardise their business processes, it may be true that cloud-based ERP software, on platforms such as Microsoft Azure, are faster to implement than traditional 'on-premises' solutions. In reality, it's often the case that standard packaged solutions fail to meet the needs of many businesses, which is particularly true within the manufacturing and distribution sector. These businesses need:

- Package software that can be modified to meet their specific requirements
- IT environments that can adapt quickly to a change in market conditions
- Freedom to change software to gain competitive advantage
- Immediate access to systems during unexpected emergencies
- A flexible charging structure to reflect the uncertainties of complex ERP implementations
- Pricing models that are transparent and allow reliable budgets to be set throughout the lifetime of the project

The implications for independent software vendors (ISVs) are clear: project delays, resourcing issues, capacity planning, shifting goal posts and bespoke software can be costly and inefficient under a restrictive cloud model. A flexible approach to hosting is therefore required for ERP vendors.

Call **0345 862 0350** to learn how your business can deliver ERP cloud solutions that work in the real world, or to discuss partnering with ASL.

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Why ASL's private Cloud ERP hosting is the right way to go

Our Private Cloud Hosting Solution for ERP vendors overcomes the challenges of ERP hosting. Our pragmatic approach enables ISVs to work with professionals that understand the challenges of implementing ERP solutions.

- We have over 20 years experience in ERP, providing robust hardware and infrastructure solutions that truly accommodate the needs of fast paced, high transactional manufacturing and distribution businesses
- We've taken everything we know about robust on-premises deployments of ERP solutions and made certain that our cloud solutions follow the same principles
- Our ISV partners can confidently promote the cloud without worrying about the restrictions and pricing uncertainty that typifies the big cloud providers

Key points of difference between ASL and Microsoft Azure

Requirement(s)	Microsoft Azure	ASL Hosting
Availability requirements with SLAs	✓	✓
Ability to respond quickly to incidents	*Refer to MS guides	✓
Incident escalation	*Refer to MS guides	✓
Disaster recovery and business continuity	*Refer to MS guides	✓
Ease of integration with third party in cloud and on premise solutions	*Refer to MS guides	✓
Speed of deployment	✓	✓
System performance	✓	✓
Proactive system monitoring	✓	✓
Moving out of the cloud to on premise	*Refer to MS guides	✓
Easy management of the system	*Refer to MS guides	✓
Integration	×	✓
No in-house IT Knowledge required	×	✓
Pricing clarity	×	✓

Working with ASL, you can be confident that your customers' cloud deployment will be straightforward, expertly managed and delivered on time with no hidden or unforeseen costs.

How much does this service cost?

Ask a member of our team to provide you with an accurate cost for your business' unique needs.

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