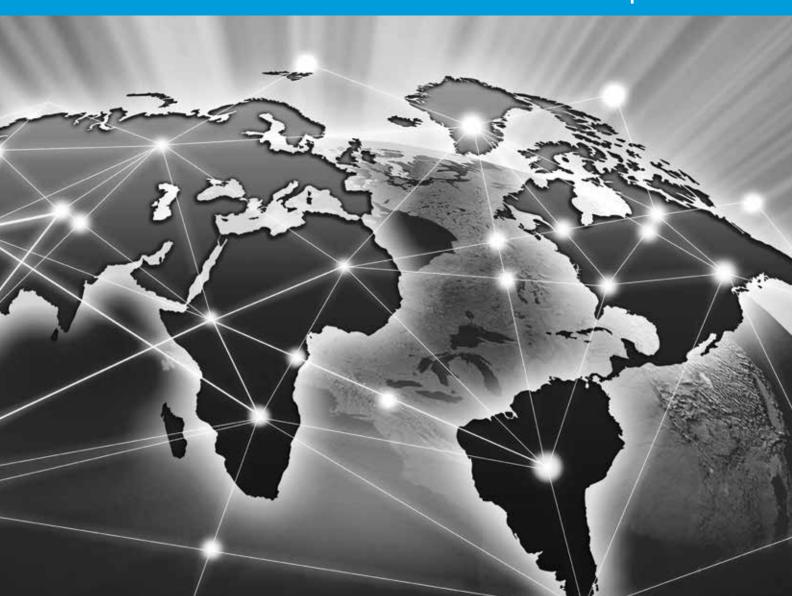
# **Cloud** Enterprise Computing Solutions

# ArrowSphere xSP



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# The Arrow Difference

At Arrow we aggregate. Enable. Build ecosystems. We anticipate market momentum, technology demands and adoption patterns. And we bring the right resources and people together.

We are an information technology distributor specialising in end-toend IT infrastructure solutions, including cloud services, data storage, data centre infrastructure management, enterprise software, servers, network security, unified communications and virtualisation.

Working with our channel partners, we bring efficiency to the storage management, security and deployment of data, providing secure access to business-critical information any time, from any location, on any device.

Our goal is to facilitate new business models. And to offer solutions, tools and resources for the dynamic transformation of your business.



# **ArrowSphere** Enabling cloud service providers

The cloud. It possesses extraordinary promise. But comes with complex challenges.

That's why we at Arrow built ArrowSphere, an innovative marketplace for the channel that delivers on the potential of the cloud.

Through ArrowSphere xSP, Managed Service Providers (MSPs) can manage all cloud service provider software licence programmes, source laaS and SaaS offerings to help build more cost effective and scalable cloud services plus improve management of their build programmes utilising Stack Builder. All this meaning costs are reduced, time to market for offerings are increased and SLAs can be better managed.

In addition cloud service providers can now resell services from the ArrowSphere catalogue, enhancing their portfolio to gain more share of customer wallet.

# Business Benefits for Managed Service Providers

Cloud is changing the market, and change always presents difficulties, but along with its challenges the cloud represents tangible business potential for service providers like you.

As you are looking for ways to grow your recurring services model, you'll find an upside. Your role as an essential resource for cloud services will position you to become more deeply embedded in your customers' business processes, reinforcing relationships that one-time transactions never could.

#### MANAGING OPERATIONAL COST

Better manage multiple cloud service provider programmes replacing man days of non productive work and avoiding the costly yet inevitable mistakes when managing diverse programmes manually. And utilise ArrowSphere's marketing leading laaS offerings replacing (or complementing) proprietary hardware or software.

#### COSTING AND PRICING SOLUTIONS

The ArrowSphere xSP helps you optimise the price (and cost) of your offerings by analysing build vs buy options for foundational elements of your service and finding the best priced services on the market.

#### MANAGE CAPACITY AND RESILIENCE

We understand that as a cloud service provider it is critical that you are able to offer the best service possible to your customers and they will demand guarantees of uptime and include penalty clauses for downtime within their contracts. And then there are the peaks and troughs in demand or "bursts" due to seasonality or unique events that you need to manage and still meet your SLAs. By utilising commoditised laaS offerings from specialist providers, you can be more confident in disaster recovery, and they can provide the SLAs and penalty clauses your customers demand, allowing you to focus on what you do best – developing that unique service that your customer needs.

#### **GROWING MARKET SHARE**

As the market becomes more and more competitive it is undoubtedly tougher to bring on board new customers, but your business depends on it. ArrowSphere can help whatever the issue! By getting your own services into the ArrowSphere catalogue you will be able to reach a whole new community of potential customers through our reseller network. Effectively extend your footprint and get closer to new customers through leading laaS providers data centre network.

### DEVELOPING NEW SERVICES TO STAY COMPETITIVE

By utilising commoditised laaS offerings through ArrowSphere you can focus your resources on your unique solutions for your customers and ArrowSphere SaaS offerings can extend your portfolio quickly and cost effectively, increasing share of customer wallet and creating more stickiness within the customer base.

### PARTNERING IN THE CHANGING MARKET LANDSCAPE

Leverage the changing channel landscape and turn your competitors into your channel and your suppliers! Arrow is uniquely placed with an established network of business partners including cloud service providers and resellers looking to include cloud services as part of a portfolio to address the market for hybrid cloud solutions.

# **Features and Functions**

# With ArrowSphere xSP you can

- Find software and services
  - Pay As You Go service provider licensing programmes
  - Market leading laaS offerings
  - Market leading SaaS offerings
- Combine all your software and services to build your optimised cloud 'stack'
  - Price and calculate profitability
  - Quote the solution
- View dashboard visibility at all times
- Report billing, service management and vendor compliancy

# Pay As You Go Software Programme Management

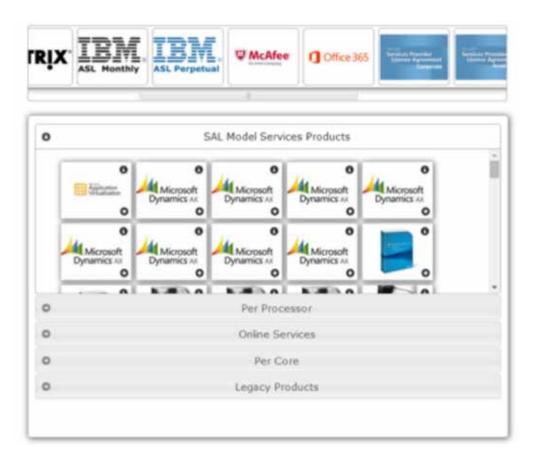
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Within ArrowSphere xSP you'll find useful information on all of our vendors' programmes and licensing. Whether you're looking for the benefits and requirements of joining a new programme or detailed information on how to deploy and licence a certain product, ArrowSphere xSP will help.

## Software Finder

To find detailed information around specific licences we have the Software Finder. By searching on key words like "Hosted Desktop", "Desktop-as-a-Service" or "VDI", ArrowSphere xSP will return all applicable licences within the catalogue. You can filter by vendor and how the software is licenced i.e. per user, instance, core, CPU, etc. In each licence there is a summary of what the software can do and the scenarios in which it would be deployed. This is particularly useful when you are building out or evolving your managed services. From here you can go on to layer additional solution components in our Stack Builder feature.



### Programme Manager

Includes the benefits, requirements and subscription instructions for that programme.

### Microsoft Services Provider Licence Agreement

The Microsoft Services Provider License Agreement (SPLA) is for organizations that want to offer hosted software and services to end customers, such as Web hosting, hosted applications, messaging, collaboration, and platform infrastructure. SPLA partners have the ability to deliver a customized service with a flexible cost structure, no startup costs, no monthly sales minimums or required term of commitment.

Vendor informations

Microsoft Microsoft One Microsoft Way Vendor Website 98052 Redmond United States Program Website Tel. (800) 642-7676

### **Program Details**

Microsoft Services Provider License Agreement (SPLA) is a worldwide program.

Program Level	Partner					
	Deliver a customized service					
	Flexibility to deliver tailored IT services to your customers through a dedicated or shared hosting environment. Increase the value of your services by managing software use rights for your customers.					
	Pay as you go with no up-front costs					
	Pay only for the products that you authorized your customers to use the previous month. There are no start-up costs, monthly sales requirements, or long-term commitments.					
	Access the most current product versions					
	Give your customers the most current and capable Microsoft platform. Download your products at no charge through the Microsoft Volume Licensing Service Center (VLSC) instead of ordering physical media.					
	Try before you buy					
	Test and evaluate products internally before offering them to your customers as a service.					
Benefits	Outsource data center services					
Denents	Install Microsoft products on servers under the day-to-day management and control of an outsourcing company. That company can then perform data center administration, testing, and maintenance support services on your behalf.					
Requirements	Eligibility					
	To be eligible for SPLA, you should be enrolled in the Microsoft Partner Network.					

# Resell

We know that as cloud and managed services become more diverse, Managed Service Providers are reviewing exactly where they want to focus their efforts and, for example, how they should build out their infrastructure, including potentially backing off part of their solution to a vendor or another provider. With this in mind ArrowSphere xSP provides a catalogue of enterprise grade laaS and SaaS products from the world's leading vendors and tier 1 providers.

### laaS Finder

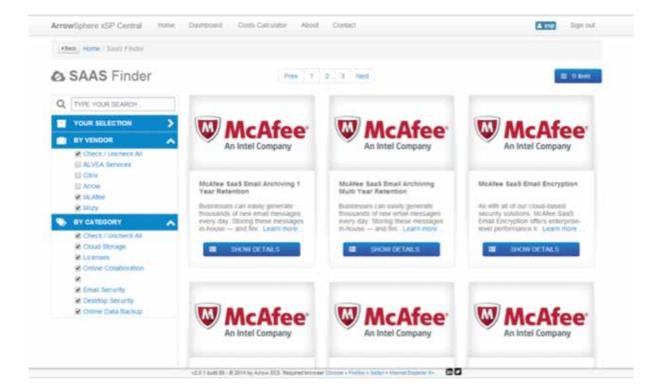
By specifying your requirements based on parameters such as CPUs, memory, storage options, bandwidth, IPs and even where you would like the infrastructure located in the world, ArrowSphere xSP will present a catalogue of services from our partners ready for you to resell stand alone or consume as part of your managed service. From the laaS Finder you can go on to layer additional solution components in our Stack Builder feature.

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### SaaS Finder

As with laaS we have the ability to search the catalogue of hosted software from the world's leading vendors. In the SaaS Finder there is all the information around price bands, terms available, end user agreements if purely reselling and renewal details. Once you've chosen the software right for your service you can go on to layer additional solution components in our Stack Builder feature.



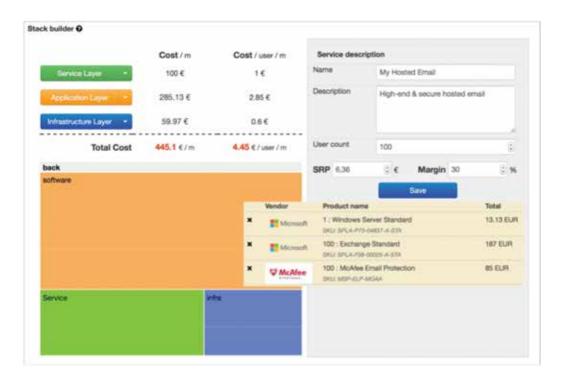


# Stack Builder

Bringing all the elements of ArrowSphere xSP together to provide you with complete visibility of solution costs is the Stack Builder. Here you can build up the layers of your solution including:

- Licensing costs from Service Provider PAYG programmes
- > Third party components from laaS and SaaS catalogues
- > Hardware costs
- Internal business costs such as support, hosting charges, Internet bandwidth, etc.

Once defined in the portal we can easily track solution costs, margin levels and how we licence the solution.



# Reporting

When it comes to reporting PAYG (Pay As You Go) licensing through ArrowSphere xSP, we've made things as simple and flexible as possible. Whether you want to simply streamline manual reporting or look to automate the process including discovery of usage, the options are there.

### MANUAL REPORTING

We've standardised the format of the reports for all of the different vendors available in the portal. Through the easy to use interface you can report all of your vendors' usage in no time. Simply choosing the licences from the drop down menu, adding the quantities and entering your purchase order, a single report takes seconds.

### UPLOAD TOOLS

For those vendors that have tools to help you measure your licence usage we have provided the functionality to upload export files directly into the portal. We can also measure the usage against your current commercial agreement to ensure you are getting the most out of the programme.





# Are You Five Years Out?

Most people live in the present. The world of now. But a handful of us work in a unique world that doesn't quite exist yet—the world of Five Years Out.

Five Years Out is the tangible future. And the people who live and work there know that new technologies, new materials, new ideas and new electronics will make life not only different, but better. Not just cheaper, but smarter. Not just easier, but more inspired.

Five Years Out is an exciting place to be. So exciting that, once you've been there, it's hard to get excited about the present. Because we know what's coming is going to be so much better.

Five Years Out is a community of builders, designers, engineers and imaginers who navigate the path between possibility and practicality. Creating the future of everything from cars to coffeemakers.

Are you one of them? Then you're probably working with us.

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