Enterprise DevOps: Continuous Integration and Continuous Testing Services

Increase the quality and speed of application development and delivery.

Executive summary

DevOps is gaining traction globally because IT organizations recognize it as the best way to deliver value faster, reduce risk, and achieve great outcomes for both the organization and its customers.

Many organizations are now looking to move beyond their initial footprint, but adopting DevOps across the board and scaling it to the enterprise level is not just “doing more of the same.” DevOps spans the entire IT Value Chain and finding the best starting point can be a challenge, as is driving adoption of the necessary changes across technology, process, culture, and overall mindset.

At Micro Focus Professional Services, we have helped many customers succeed with a “think big, start small” approach. This approach uses our Enterprise DevOps Point of View to set the vision, and starts the implementation where you can make the biggest impact in the shortest time: Continuous Integration and Continuous Testing.

Our approach

Micro Focus Continuous Integration and Continuous Testing Services enable organizations to increase the quality and speed of application development and delivery through:

- Best of breed (Micro Focus, third-party, and Open Source software) technology stack
- Our DevOps Model Office reference architecture and implementation
- Our DevOps Operating Model that holistically considers best practices including process maps, how to drive adoption and cultural change, roles and responsibilities, key performance indicators (KPIs), and Scaled Agile Framework (SAFe) alignment

Getting more from your software investments

We recognize that you may have already made investments in your tooling. We help you get more out of your investment with a best of breed solution. Our DevOps Model Office provides pre-configured integrations, using our Common Integration Framework, between Micro Focus products (such as Micro Focus Application Lifecycle Management Octane, Codar, Mobile Center and Performance Center) and your third-party and Open Source tools (like Jenkins, Bamboo, Chef, Puppet and GIT), including ChatOps and security.
Continuous Integration Service

Continuous Integration is a practice that requires developers to check-in code to a shared repository several times a day, where it is verified by an automated build. This allows teams to detect problems early in the application lifecycle.

Micro Focus Continuous Integration Service implements these principles and helps you to:

- Develop a common approach and integrated platform for IDEs, source control, build, testing, and deployment
- Improve code quality techniques such as static analysis, code decoupling, and unit testing
- Develop an end-to-end Continuous Integration process: from check-out, through unit testing, to build and deployment
- Rapidly provision and de-provision development and test environments

Benefits

- Improve agility and quality by increasing collaboration, feedback, quality, and velocity, resulting in direct economic and user experience benefits
- Improve productivity by focusing on new features and innovation rather than debugging builds and refactoring code
- Reduce risk by instituting Continuous Integration at the beginning of the DevOps journey, to immediately decrease risk of defects and negative customer experience
- Secure your applications by integrating security testing into your development lifecycle

Continuous Testing Service

Continuous Testing is the practice of executing automated tests as part of the software delivery pipeline, to obtain immediate feedback on the business risks associated with the software release. It requires developers and testers to work together to improve the overall quality of the entire product. It augments continuous integration as it allows teams to scale work volumes and process more changes without compromising quality.

Micro Focus Continuous Testing Service implements these principles and helps you to:

- Accelerate testing by establishing a collaborative test-driven approach of writing tests before code is ready
- Improve traceability by linking test assets to code, requirements, defects, and builds
- Adopt and improve automated testing capabilities across unit, functional, regression, performance, and security testing

Figure 1: Micro Focus DevOps Operating Model
• Use network, service, and data virtualization technology to shift testing left
• Integrating the overall test process with development, build, and deployment
• Use targeted change impact regression testing
• Focus manual testing on exploratory and investigative testing

Benefits
• Increase agility by ramping up test velocity, coverage, and efficiency
• Reduce the cost of development through early defect detection
• Eliminate traditional testing challenges with feedback loops across the application lifecycle
• Accelerate new feature delivery and reduce development costs by including continuous testing as a core step at the start of the DevOps journey

Our proven methods for managing change help you overcome resistance, drive adoption, and ensure that your DevOps success is not thwarted by these challenges.

The Micro Focus Professional Services difference

Micro Focus Professional Services provides unmatched capabilities with a comprehensive set of Enterprise DevOps consulting and implementation services and unique intellectual property that help you accelerate innovation and deliver high-quality applications faster. We bring:
• Market-leading technology
• Unique DevOps Model Office reference implementation
• Global reach with practitioner-level experience in implementing DevOps tool chains within complex organizations

Adoption of the DevOps mindset and approach

Analyst research suggests that among the biggest challenges facing enterprises wanting to adopt and scale DevOps are people and process. Resistance to change, skills gap, failure to collaborate, and process design—or even the misconception that DevOps teams do not need to have any process discipline—are just some of the issues. DevOps is transformative, and you need to invest time and money in the people and process accordingly.

Expertise in Micro Focus tools and their practical application for DevOps
• More than 20 years of experience helping large, complex, global organizations realize value from their Micro Focus investments
• Knowledge, expertise, and experience in managing change for transforming organizations
• Best-of-breed tool frameworks for continuous integration, testing, delivery, deployment, operations, and assessment
• Extensive educational services for Enterprise DevOps, Scaling Agile Framework, and Application Lifecycle Management

Only Micro Focus Professional Services brings together the consulting expertise and an industry-leading DevOps software platform to help you break down silos, encourage collaboration, and increase quality and speed of application development and delivery

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