

License Compliance Reporting



Today's IT managers are faced with increasing demand for cost optimization, avoid unbudgeted costs and at the same time be relevant to new technologies. License Compliance report checks deployments and license entitlements to achieve continual Cost Savings, Risk Mitigation and assesses readiness to technology transitions.

WHAT IS COMPLIANCE REPORTING?

License Compliance refers to software usage in accordance with terms and conditions set forth by software publisher. The assessment of software usage in line with agreed terms delivers a License Compliance Report. The report highlights the risks and mitigation steps to curtail the impending damage and realize value for license investment.

CHALLENGES

As the IT landscape grows, software has to be managed on Mobile, On-premises and on cloud both in controlled and uncontrolled environment. IT managers are expected to know deployed software as well as license entitlements to answer key questions such as do I have enough licenses, am I rightly interpreting contract and license terms and am I compliant.

Organizations use software discovery tools to produce enormous deployment data but it isn't always tailor made when there are several datacentres running several types of software and usage of managed and unmanaged SaaS. Most organizations either fall short or miss the logic in recognizing effective methods for software discovery.

When thousands of software in use are discovered then the next question is how they are measured. Client estates are predominantly easy to measure but the big question is always on Datacentre and SaaS products which use rather complex usage measurements. Organization often not equipped to analyse large datasets and lacks competency to interpret license metrics.

On the other hand, software licensing is evolving and software publishers are adopting new ways of measurements requiring organizations to know both legacy and new licensing methods in order to get best value out of software investments.

On the whole, IT managers must keep up to the dynamics of IT assets in order to get best value out of it.



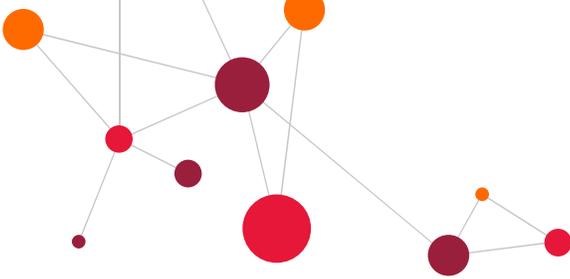
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CGI's ITAM delivery model is unique in the market. You can engage with ITAM consultants from Onshore, Offshore and Near-shore supporting varied customer requirements. Each consultant undergoes license training to stay up-to-date and be capable of delivering findings similar to that of a regular auditor.

We expertise on wide range of software publishers and able to support customers from various industries.

- Adobe
- Autodesk
- IBM
- Microsoft
- Oracle
- Red Hat
- VMware
- SAP
- Many more...

Additionally, if you are looking for certified ITAM consultants for delivering compliance reports then CGI can certainly support you.



SOLUTION

Our aim is to deliver comprehensive view on IT assets that facilitates financial benefits, identify and suppress the risks and at the same time make it a smooth exercise for IT technicians and ITAM managers. We achieve it in four phases

- Scope
- Extract
- Analyse
- Transform

Scope of work is determined based on the goals of the customer and within the boundaries of the technology used. We use project management techniques to set right expectations with regular touch base on the progress.

With the identified scope, CGI shall then request for specific datasets that supports customer goals from each tool where customers can easily **extract** from tools. CGI is equipped to list out steps to extract specific data if need arises. The extracted data will then be **analysed** to apply respective license metrics and terms. The analysis on the data is extended to capture limitations of the existing tools and to cover areas of customer goals. Resultant of the data analysis is **transformed** into reports consisting of license position, detailed datasets and overview on risks, remediation steps and guidelines to manage compliance in future.

BENEFITS

Compliance reporting is not limited to indicate the license position but supports the journey of IT Asset Management. Some of the benefits from Compliance Reporting are

- Pro-active governance – adjust policies and procedure
- Rectification of data at source – Completeness and accuracy of the data
- Clear visibility on compliance position – Insight on the assets and usage
- Realize Cost benefit – With purchase patterns and usage
- Mitigation of risks – Actionable steps to address incompliance
- Better IT forecasting – Avoid unforeseen costs due to audits

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