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for a Post-COVID World

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Explore which Covid-inspired enterprise changes could enhance business models and which
Special attention will be given to the ways cloud adoption affects organizational structure an

"Without tradition, art is a flock of sheep without a shepherd. Without innovation, it is a corps
balancing of future demands with the foundation of the past. Industry leaders, too, must have
transformations. They should ensure that decisions are proactive and not reactive; leaders sho
strengthen tradition or merely change for change's sake.

COVID-19 required decision-makers to make quick, reactionary changes for the health and safe
nearly every norm, it provides a unique opportunity to evaluate which aspects of pre-Covid ope
which continued out of convenience. When considering which changes to uphold, these choice
technological shifts accompanying the pandemic, such as cloud adoption (https://www.toolbox
catalyst-for-cloud-adoption-reports-centrify/), normalization of remote work, and prioritization of
how they want to rebuild their organizations, from structure to security.

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poll (https://news.gallup.com/poll/306695/workers-discovering-affinity-remote-work.aspx), said th
after restrictions lift.

With a growing willingness to embrace remote work, companies can safely explore solutions t
person operations are necessary, hybrid employment models could be deployed. For example,
preserving the office for cooperative tasks, allowing companies to reinvent their offices: shrinki
rooms and work lounges more conducive for cooperation.

Regarding departmental reconceptualization, the concern on most CIOs and IT leaders' minds
cloud transformation (https://assets.toolbox.com/research/securing-cloud-transformation-with-a-
traditional IT models, it does not necessarily have to result in obsolescence. Notably, lateral jo
new IT projects will require attention.

Accenture (https://www.accenture.com/_acnmedia/pdf-39/accenture-reengineer-it-cloud-pov.pdf)
cloud, they should invest in alternative, lateral roles for individuals with IT expertise. A slew of
to ensure that companies, their cloud service providers, and other vendors are in communicati
purposes. Moreover, most organizations adopt a hybrid storage model with active on-premises

For remaining employees, companies can shift to DevOps (https://www.toolbox.com/security/da
protection-in-the-wfh-era-it-or-devops/)or service teams to develop and integrate technological a
employees will still require user assistance, especially early on in a cloud transition, and IT dep
on functionality, use, and security.

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While business leaders should be conscientious when making such decisions, the question sh
and internally (How secure can *we* make the cloud?) Notably, most cloud data breaches, acco
(https://www.gartner.com/smarterwithgartner/is-the-cloud-secure/), do not stem from the cloud
misconfiguration and unauthorized employee access are the two leading causes of data leaks.

Incidents of accidental employee data misuse increased as employees started working from h
(https://www.zlti.com/blog/survey-blurring-lines-between-professional-and-personal/) showed tha
personal matters (79%) and personal storage (71%). Not only does the overlap of personal an
use of work devices for personal matters could also lead to unauthorized access or introduce
is crucial to any holistic data security plan.

Understanding that malware, ransomware, and hacking are landmines existing in the digital lar
arduous processes to ensure their systems are secure. Specialization breeds performance, hav
cloud providers offer a high level of security (https://www.toolbox.com/tech/cloud/guest-article
moving-to-the-cloud/) that equals or exceeds that which many companies create themselves.

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Leaders Will Decide Which Changes Belong to

2020 has shattered traditional corporate operations, forcing leaders to deploy innovative soluti
preferences, corporate attitudes, and technological capacities have all changed over the course
organizations will get the chance to return to their pre-Covid strategies. While not every pande
transformations are worth continuing—in fact, they may even be essential.

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