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## SharePoint as a Cloud Computing Platform

### SharePoint can start as your file server in the cloud and grow with your needs

As the cloud offers a new paradigm for computing and businesses are looking for transformational technologies to help make the leap from traditional IT to SaaS, SharePoint delivers on the promise.

The reason SharePoint is a transformational technology is in its ability to function the same on-premise as it does in the cloud. Users that have a SharePoint solution deployed on-premise can switch to a SharePoint solution hosted in the cloud and their user experience does not change.

For those users that do not already have a SharePoint solution on-premise and are looking for a reason to switch to the cloud, then SharePoint is the “killer app” for file sharing in the cloud. File sharing is a base function that we all depend on and it is as important as email. File sharing is also the core of collaboration and being able to collaborate in the cloud is enough of a reason to adopt cloud computing.

SharePoint's integration with Microsoft Office makes it an ideal extension for users to manage their documents online with its rich features and simple to use interface. Once users switch to SharePoint in the cloud, they will experience the freedom of being able to work anywhere and manage all their documents from one location. No more multiple copies of documents or changes made over another revision of a document. SharePoint's rich version control and check-out features make multiple copies of a document a thing of the past.

ITUtility.NET used SharePoint to develop its Business Portal to provide users with access to file sharing combined with a set of business productivity tools that can displace the need to install a server on-premise. The set of business productivity tools include sales management, help desk, project and expense tracking and are bundled with business-class email using Microsoft Outlook and Exchange. Businesses can now subscribe to this bundle as a managed service through the network of ITUtility.NET Partners.

IT companies are now benefiting from offering SaaS as a value-added service to their customers. Partnering with ITUtility.NET can help companies reach profitability sooner while reducing the risk of setting up their own platform to deliver SaaS. A number of our Partners have leveraged our platform to get them to market quickly with minimal investment. Visit <http://www.portaldesk.net/partners.aspx> for a list of our Partners and how their solutions help businesses transition from on-premise IT to SaaS.

ITUtility hosted solutions are delivered from its PortalDesk Platform, for more information contact sales or visit [www.ITUtility.NET](http://www.ITUtility.NET).

Software-as-a-Service (SaaS) continues to enjoy explosive growth as companies realize the added value that hosting providers bring with business-class e-mail, anti-spam, virus detection, remote accessibility and collaboration tools. ITUtility hopes you find the information contained here to be of value to you. Each quarter we will select a fresh topic that we believe is important to share and invite your comments and ideas for future issues.

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### About Us

ITUtility is a white label Software-as-a-Service provider for hosted solutions based on Microsoft software. Hosted solutions are delivered through a channel of value-added partners to small and medium-sized businesses as a subscription service that can be turned on/off like a utility.

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