

Cloud Computing Adoption and Organizational Performance: A Strategic Perspective on Digital Business Transformation

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Abstract

Cloud computing has become one of the primary technological enablers of digital transformation, allowing organizations to improve operational flexibility, reduce infrastructure costs, and accelerate innovation. The increasing availability of scalable cloud services has transformed traditional business models by supporting remote collaboration, real-time analytics, enterprise integration, and digital service delivery. This paper examines the strategic significance of cloud computing adoption and its influence on organizational performance within highly competitive business environments.

The study reviews contemporary literature on cloud technologies, digital strategy, organizational capabilities, and information systems management to develop a conceptual framework explaining the relationship between cloud adoption and sustainable competitive advantage. The proposed framework identifies technological readiness, executive leadership, organizational culture, cybersecurity preparedness, employee competencies, and regulatory compliance as critical determinants of successful cloud implementation.

The paper further explores the integration of cloud platforms with artificial intelligence, Internet of Things (IoT), enterprise resource planning systems, and business intelligence applications. These technological combinations enable organizations to optimize resource utilization, improve customer engagement, enhance decision-making, and respond rapidly to changing market conditions. Nevertheless, organizations continue to face significant challenges including vendor dependence, data privacy concerns, service reliability, regulatory uncertainty, and migration complexity.

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