



## Infrastructure Optimisation Assessment

Where are you on the Infrastructure Optimisation journey? Answer the questions in the left panel below - we will assess your current position and deliver an optimisation roadmap for your business.

### I/O - Brief Assessment Questions

- Do you have a primary directory service and what percentage of your network users and resources are defined in it?
- How do you protect your messaging infrastructure from virus and spyware attacks?
- How do you use client and/or network firewalls?
- What proportion of your business data stored on your infrastructure do you back up and how do you do this?
- Is there a documented and enforced corporate security policy to govern IT standards, policies, guidelines and procedures?
- How do you update your desktop PCs and servers with the most recent OS and application patches?
- How does your organisation monitor its server infrastructure?
- How many different desktop operating systems do you use?
- How do you control client device and application configurations for your users?

Based upon Gartner's Infrastructure Maturity Model, the Infrastructure Optimisation (I/O) model from Microsoft has been developed using industry best practice together with Microsoft's own experiences with its enterprise customers. It is a simple and flexible benchmark of infrastructure capability and business value.

### I/O Benefits

As a member of Microsoft's exclusive I/O Academy, Teksys uses the I/O model as a strategic tool to help customers evaluate the maturity level of their core technology infrastructure. By assessing your current position within the I/O model we can provide an optimisation roadmap to enable you to make better decisions about your core IT infrastructure investments.

### Return on Investment

Dramatic cost savings can be realised by moving from an unmanaged environment toward an environment of fully automated management and dynamic resource usage. Similarly, security improves from 'highly vulnerable' in a Basic infrastructure to 'dynamically proactive' in a more optimised infrastructure. IT infrastructure management changes from 'highly manual and reactive' to 'highly automated and proactive'. All these changes deliver significant cost and agility improvements.

### Rationalised

A Rationalised infrastructure generally includes proactive processes, provisioning, and policies that have matured and begun to play a large role in supporting and expanding the business. Most importantly, the costs involved in managing desktop computers and servers are at their lowest.

**Dynamic** - Customers with Dynamic infrastructures are fully aware of the strategic value that their infrastructures provide in helping them run their businesses efficiently. Processes are fully automated, often incorporated into the technology itself, enabling IT to be aligned and managed according to business need.

### Assessment Process

This high value engagement is conducted free for qualifying organisations and delivers a written report illustrating your current I/O maturity with some key recommendations on how to drive down operational cost within your IT systems. We will identify appropriate next steps and benchmark your infrastructure against comparable organisations in your sector. This key data will be interpreted and delivered to your IT stakeholders in a 2 hour onsite workshop

### Take The Assessment Now...!

To initiate this engagement, speak to your account manager or fill out the online assessment form on our website at [www.teksys.co.uk/optimize](http://www.teksys.co.uk/optimize)

Note: Any information you provide will remain completely confidential.



### The Four IO phases:

As shown in the adjacent diagram, there are four phases in the IO journey. The characteristics of each phase are described here:

**Basic** - Companies in the Basic phase have manual, localised processes, minimal central control and un-enforced policies.

**Standardised** - A company in the Standardised phase typically has a managed infrastructure that introduces operational controls through standards, policies and resources.