

Modernizing IT with Desktop as a Service

itopia is the leading cloud automation and orchestration solution enabling Desktop as a Service (DaaS) on GCP. The future of VDI is delivering desktops in the cloud.

itopia makes it easy for enterprises to migrate VDI workloads to GCP and securely deliver Windows desktops & apps on any device. itopia uses automation to provision VMs with Microsoft RDS in your GCP project. IT admins easily manage their entire workforce from a single control panel in the browser. itopia's automation and simplicity yields significant cost reduction compared to other DaaS solutions.

itopia can deploy your cloud environment in multiple regions, replicating changes to Active Directory across all sites. itopia will automatically determine a user's location and route them to the nearest GCP data center, ensuring the lowest latency. itopia's intelligent Auto-Scaling will adjust VM quantity and sizing to match real-time user demand, while Scheduled Uptime and Dynamic Uptime reduces compute costs by automatically powering VMs on and off as needed.

Product Features

Single Control Panel

With itopia, all admin activities related to automated provisioning and management of the cloud environment is managed through a single control panel. Based on Google's *Material Design* visual language, itopia's interface is clean, modern, and intuitive.

Automated Migration & Provisioning

Seamlessly migrate the configuration of your existing VDI environment into GCP. itopia will automatically create the required RDS server roles and provision VMs as *cloud desktop infrastructure*. With a few simple clicks, itopia orchestrates the entire deployment:

- Google Cloud environment: Network, Firewall, Compute, and Storage
- Windows infrastructure: Active Directory, Group Policy Objects, RD Gateways, RD Brokers, RD Web, RD Licensing, RD Session Hosts, and File Servers.

Identity & Access Management

itopia provides a centralized console for user access and group management. Create new users or import users from your existing Active Directory (or, extend your on-prem AD into Google Cloud). Assign user groups to collections with designated Windows apps and permissions, accessible across multiple regions.

Collection Pools

Create unique "pools" of VMs for different types of workloads in your company. Collection Pools are fully customizable:

- Auto-Scaling for dynamic adjustments to the quantity, size, and capacity of VMs (CPU, RAM, and storage resources)
- Custom Images of Windows OSes and Apps
- Multi-Region Accessibility and User Connection Settings such as Session Timeout

Nearest Connection Point

itopia can automatically determine a user's location and route them to the collection in the nearest region, ensuring the lowest latency and best user experience.

Scheduled & Dynamic Uptime

Scheduled Uptime can start and stop individual VMs conveniently according to a preset schedule. Useful for shutting down unneeded compute resources on weekends or off-peak hours.

Dynamic Uptime will intelligently start and stop VMs based on the number of active users in the collection pool. By keeping only the necessary number of VMs active, *Dynamic Uptime* can reduce compute costs significantly.

Image Management

Once a VM has been configured with the desired OS, apps, and settings: itopia can automate the creation and deployment of the image across multiple VMs, either manually or via itopia's *Auto-Scaling*.

File Shares

Manage file shares from a centralized location. Define the folder structure and permissions. Assign mapped drives to users and groups.

- Windows File Server
- NetApp Cloud Volumes Service: High performance, fully managed file server option with support for both NFS and SMB protocols. Enjoy Storage-as-a-Service with file speeds up to 10X faster than leading alternative solutions.

Snapshots & Backups

Capture full VM snapshots using preset schedules and version retention policies. Snapshots can be used to restore one or more VMs to a prior point-in-time configuration. This provides insulation from server-wide failures, yielding a powerful backup tool for disaster recovery.

Insights

Gather insights from itopia's analytics dashboard to report on historical user behavior and compute activity with our direct integration with BigQuery. This provides monitoring on: session length per user, frequency of app usage and file access, as well as a breakdown of GCP consumption costs.

Technical Specifications

Virtualization Model: Single-user and multi-user terminal server.

Environment Model: itopia is a management layer living on top of the Google Cloud project which provisions and administers the Microsoft RDS environment.

VDIs OSes: Windows Server 2019/2016/2012R2 (Windows 10/8 desktop experience).

End-User Client: Standard RDP protocol (Microsoft RDP-compatible client). HTML5 browser-based client.

Application Streaming: Supported natively via RemoteApp.

Active Directory: Self-contained Active Directory (full AD deployment). Integration with existing Active Directory (native integration). Google Managed Microsoft AD (beta).

API Support: REST API.

Billing Model: Monthly license fee per user. Available through the Google Cloud Marketplace (integrated billing). Compute resources are usage-based down to the second.

Bring Your Own Licenses: RDS CALs based on Microsoft licensing agreement.

Additional Features: VPN configuration support. Network discovery tool for migrating on-premises resources to itopia. Automated configuration of Stackdriver monitoring agents. Integrated support for FSLogix profile management and app masking (coming soon).

Common Use Cases

Financial Services

Companies with recent M&A can quickly on-board workers with secure access to critical Windows apps to accelerate productivity. Ensure business continuity by quickly adhering to compliance mandates and safeguard against data breaches.

Healthcare

Clinicians can access Windows apps to pull up patient information from any device as they move about their hospital or clinic, or work remotely. Sensitive data is protected in the cloud away from user devices, and adheres to HIPAA compliance.

Manufacturing

Reduce data center footprint and eliminate recurring hardware refresh cycles of rising capital expenditures. Workers across the supply chain can access Windows apps such as AutoCAD or ERPs such as SAP on any device, anywhere.

Education

Students can access Windows apps such as MATLAB, Adobe Photoshop, and Microsoft Excel on any device, such as the popular Chromebooks. Cloud resources can be scaled up and down in real-time to meet daily and seasonal school-year demand.

We shift the IT burden from your staff to our **cloud automation software**, enabling your company to focus on what you do best.