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Service description details



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Methods' NCSC consulting, provides NCSC assured experts that support organisations to achieve a high level of assurance. Our Consultants are experts in ISO standards, Secure by Design, GovAssure, Supply Chain Resilience, NIST, Azure, AWS, Data-Science, SecArc and, AI. We provide customers with the latest robust, pragmatic, consistent and secure solutions.

What is the Service

Methods is an NCSC Assured Cyber Consultancy, demonstrating a proven track record of delivering cyber security consultancy expertise, undertaken by industry qualified and proficient experts, as defined by NCSC and the UK Cyber Security Council.

Methods manage engagements in accordance with industry best practice, that meet NCSC requirements for certified professional cyber services companies, complying with a code of conduct, and maintaining their cyber security expertise for CNI customers, Government and the wider public sector.

- Utilising our extensive industry experience and pragmatic approach, we help to establish and embed compliance frameworks and practices which enable clients to focus on their core business activities.
- Provide pragmatic and proportionate risk-based guidance as trusted consultants covering compliance, architecture and design assurance; system accreditation across Code of Connection (CoCo) and MOD DefCon standards.
- We adopt certified frameworks for HMG where data is classified OFFICIAL through to SECRET and above. Methods has a large pool of SC and DV cleared UK personnel and has experience of designing, building and maintaining governance and security to deliver service offerings at OFFICIAL, SECRET and ABOVE SECRET classifications.

Our experienced consultants have proficiency working on a variety of Government projects with different divisions including critical national infrastructure (CNI), defence, policing, justice, education, healthcare, border control, central government, local authorities and government digital services. We understand that Cyber Security, Data Protection and Compliance challenges are different for every organisation in every industry.

Our methodology is agile and is designed to integrate seamlessly into the organisation, complementing and innovating the current working practices. Whether the organisation is looking for ad-hoc support, or a long-term partner, our team can help identify and implement best-in-class solutions.

One of our core tenets is collaboration, which lays out how our team works with the client. We adopt the principles of openness and knowledge transfer to empower the people and build impressive, sustainable governance around complex multi-cloud solutions. We work closely with key stakeholders and programme teams to devise a bespoke solution that meets the demands of the business processes, strategic business objectives and regulatory requirements.

What it can do for you

Engaging a NCSC Certified consultancy with CCP Lead Practitioners in Cyber Security & IA Architect, provides assured expert guidance to organisations managing their cyber security risks, breaking down the task of protecting the organisation into critical areas.

Methods can adapt to any compliance requirement, by developing and implementing the relevant security measures covered by NCSC, NIST, OWASP, etc. We assist organisations reduce overhead by utilising our broad experience to estimate and reduce the likelihood of cyber-attacks and minimising the impact to the organisation when incidents do occur.

Service Features

- 1. Support/advice aligned to NCSC, NIST and CPNI guidelines
- 2. Cyber Security services for specific or full organisational tasks
- 3. Cyber Security posture assessment and support with remediation requirements
- 4. Establish and maintain Risk Management Accreditation Document Sets (RMADS)
- 5. Publish and deploy Policies, Standards and Procedures
- 6. Support and manage Risk/Incident Management and Crisis Events
- 7. Conduct supplier assurance activities
- 8. Technical and vulnerability assessments, scoping and scheduling penetration tests
- 9. Recommend vendor agnostic services and technology to meet requirements
- 10. Impartial, straightforward & pragmatic best practice advice

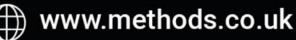
Assured Service Provider in association with National Cyber Security Centre

Service Benefits

- 1. Pragmatic and cost-effective support, ensuring maximum return on investment
- 2. Provide independent oversight and validation of Cyber Security posture
- 3. Effectively managing Data Breaches and/or Security Incidents
- 4. Enabling your business to make informed, risk-based decisions
- 5. Enabling you to create Security Business Cases
- 6. Access to technical skills and resources, allowing continuous improvement
- 7. RMADS process and engage with Accreditors, to ascertain Accreditation
- 8. Reduce costs through adopting appropriate Cyber Security measures
- 9. Experienced in Public Sector risk & security delivery initiatives

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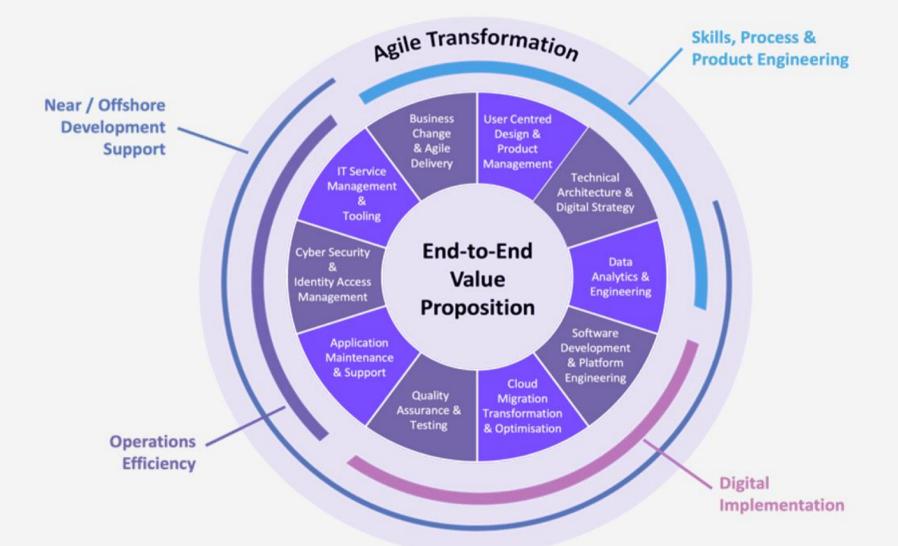
End-to-end transformation and innovation experts

Applying our skills in innovation and collaboration from across the Methods Group, to deliver end-to-end business and technical solutions that are people-centred, safe, and designed for the future.

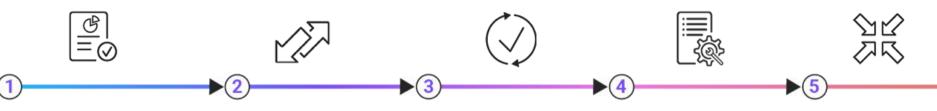
Methods provide collaborative and innovative solutions to help Central Government adapt to the changing landscape and deliver better outcomes for citizens.

With a focus on driving interoperability and innovation in UK Central Government, we have helped multiple organisations in the sector modernise their IT architecture, systems, strategy, and operating models to improve organisational resilience and service delivery.

Methods deliver wide-ranging services and thought leadership to support delivery including:



Onboarding and offboarding process



Understand Requirements

It is essential that we work with you to understand the requirement so that we provide the right resources with directly relevant experience at an appropriate level of seniority

Protect Team Availability

Having the right team on board from the start and maintaining continuity throughout the project ensures timely delivery of desired outputs

Work Synergistically and Innovatively

Drawing from our past experiences, we can frequently recommend optimal delivery methods and/ or alternative solutions which will deliver benefits (or costsavings) over time

Service Scope

Ensuring that the scope of the service to be delivered is properly quantified involves agreeing on logistics (e.g., deliverables, timelines, quality criteria, etc.) and understanding your constraints, sensitivities, and key drivers to match your expectations accurately

Review/Agree Engagement

After initial discussions and planning, you'll review and amend a draft Statement of Work(s)/Services to ensure mutual agreement and alignment of objectives before starting the assignment. We may iterate the Statement of Work(s) with you to finalise the requirements



Ordering and Invoicing

Once we have agreed a Statement of Work(s) we will sign the appropriate agreement and complete a Call Off contract with an attached Statement of Work(s), and submission of a Purchase Order. We will then set up a mutually acceptable start date and commence work.

Payment terms are 30 days or less as may be agreed.

Please note - we are unable to accept Government Procurement Card (GPC) payments.



Customer Responsibilities

For any given requirement, we will identify any dependencies on the customer (e.g. access to key stakeholders, facilities, documentation, etc.) and agree these at the start of the work.



Making a difference

The work we do each day is focused on delivering a positive difference for the public sector for the benefit of society as a whole.

Environment

We use the 'recycle, reuse, repair, refuse' approach to waste reduction to minimise landfill waste, support climate initiatives, and enhance biodiversity, creating a sustainable environment for our colleagues and community

Investment in Talent

We cultivate young talent through our GRAVITATE programme, championing vibrant apprenticeship and graduate schemes while aiding tech career exploration for individuals aged 14-24

Volunteering

We continue to support charitable causes that align with and support our values including our charity partner and VCSE initiatives

Diversifying our Supply Chains

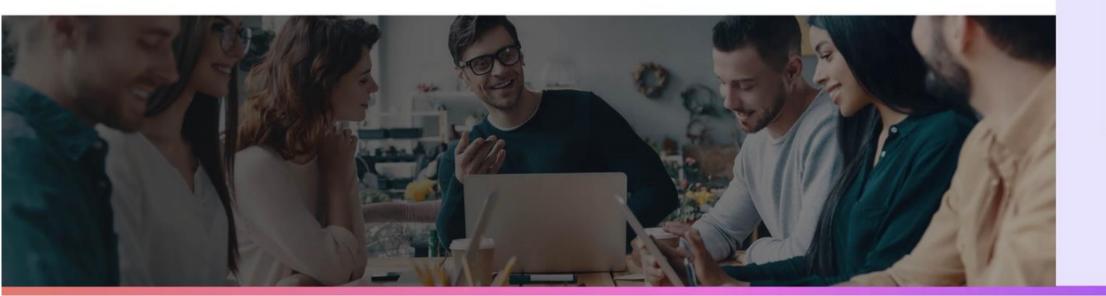
We diversify our local supply chains, promoting small business enterprise and engaging local people, SME, and micro-business suppliers

Staff Wellbeing

We offer career paths and continue to enhance our PDP processes, and maintain our commitment to the Armed Forces Covenant. Moreover, we continue to support our colleagues holistically, considering them as complete individuals at every career stage with Methods

Safeguarding Services

We continue to provide insightful thought leadership on leveraging modern technology to secure our public services for future generations. This involves speaking at industry events, educating youth on tech career paths, and offering pro-bono advice to senior policymakers



Customer stories



Stopped a Central Goverment high-severity Cyber threat in its tracks with a Threat Management solution that continuously monitors the security posture and responds to active cyber security incidents and vulnerabilities fast



Simplified 230+ service
offerings with no disruption
to live service to deliver
service management maturity
that was standardised to be
more efficient, and optimised
to reduce cost at a critical
time for HMCTS



Put nature at the heart of government decisionmaking using digital and Al innovation to explore 21 natural capital ecosystem assessments with Defra



Reduced service costs by 60% through the design and transition of Robotic Process Automation of 1.2M service billing transactions per month at NOS Telecoms Cabinet Office



Enabled the delivery of 4.7M care and food supplies to people who were at the highest risk from COVID-19 through the development, delivery, and maintenance of the Shielding Vulnerable People service at the Cabinet Office



Increased speed and traceability of annual education funding allocations by transforming the Funding Service at ESFA in the DFE

