Identity and access management assessment and strategy services

Highlights

- Assess key IAM gaps and evaluate their impact on your organization
- Define the future state of your IAM program
- Create an executable strategy to support long-term business needs
- Formulate a prioritized IAM roadmap
- Execute on a reasonable timeline with a clear budget requirement

Design an identity and access management program to fit your business

Organizations today must balance the seemingly contradictory imperatives of enabling end-user access to trending apps and tools and protecting sensitive information from breaches, all the while maintaining ever-increasing levels of regulatory compliance. However, many fail to meet one or more of these objectives due to fragmented, stagnant and incomplete identity and access management (IAM) programs that have been developed over time using point-technology solutions. As a result, businesses are exposed to the risk of major losses and miss the competitive advantage of an agile and connected workforce.

IBM Identity and Access Management Services for identity and access strategy and assessment can provide an achievable plan to enhance your regulatory compliance capabilities, grant convenient access to your authorized users, and help protect your most valuable data. This approach helps you optimize your IAM program with a prioritized list of projects to execute on a reasonable timeline, within your budget requirements.

Benefit from a deliberate approach to identity and access management.

Future-proof your IAM program

Optimize your roadmap

Make the most of your budget

Support your business objectives with an IAM program tailored to your organization.

Manage compliance	Manage regulatory compliance more consistently and cost effectively
Enable access	Give your company the competitive advantage of a more agile and collaborative workforce
Adopt leading trends	Leverage software as a service (SaaS), bring your own device (BYOD) and the Internet of Things (IoT) with confidence
Support security-rich access	Help reduce insider threats and identity fraud

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Identify key IAM gaps and evaluate their impact on your organization

Our identity assessment and strategy service analyzes your identity management maturity level across multiple layers and helps identify gaps that expose your organization to risk, highlight potentially costly inefficiencies, and uncover opportunities to bring greater value to the lines of business supported by your IAM program. Through a standardized, repeatable and extensible assessment methodology, IBM helps prioritize your IAM needs relative to your strengths, weaknesses and goals.

Create an executable IAM strategy to support long-term business needs

Leveraging IBM proprietary assessment tools and industry best practices, our technical specialists help formulate an IAM strategy based on your current and future business requirements. They also help you design an IAM program that can enhance your ability to support an evolving IT landscape driven by the adoption of cloud, mobile, and social technologies. This approach can increase cost efficiency through automation and can improve operational efficiency through an integrated technology framework.

Our methodology is delivered in four key phases.

Deliver phase	PHASE 1: **Project Initiation**	PHASE 2: **Assess**	PHASE 3: **Strategize**	PHASE 4: **Plan**
Duration	1-to-2 weeks	2-to-4 weeks	1-to-3 weeks	1-to-3 weeks
Key activities	Initiate project and collect pre-data	IAM current state assessment	Conduct IAM program scenario analysis	Develop IAM project definitions and prioritization
	Prepare team and assets	Define business risk and objectives	Define IAM target state	Create IAM roadmap
		Perform gap analysis		Develop IAM cost analysis*

* IAM program cost model (optional client request) Note: Delivery of each phase generally depends on the completion of previous phase. The process can be iterative, which may create overlap between phases.

Formulate a prioritized IAM roadmap, timeline, and budget requirements

IBM can deliver an achievable plan optimized to meet your business and IT requirements—based on your budget and timeline constraints. IBM specialists help you adopt a phased approach to address key gaps in your IAM program while supporting reduced costs and improved operational efficiency. Additionally, our expertise enables us to integrate the solution with your existing IT assets to help ensure successful implementations.

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Why IBM?

IBM Security Services professionals can offer virtually unparalleled IAM expertise, broadened by their access to IBM's research and development team. Available worldwide, IBM specialists can tailor their recommendations to your region's unique circumstances. Their approach to IAM strategy and assessment examines impact at every level of your organization—from business strategy to applications to IT infrastructure—to help you implement an IAM program designed to meet your business and IT objectives.

For more information

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