



Is CI or HCI Right For You? Converged & Hyper-Converged Decision Making



One-Day Seminar Workshop Session – 3 April 2017

Advanced workshop for ICT, Data Infrastructure (Server, Storage) Decision Makers

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Whom this seminar is for

ICT and IT information data infrastructure professionals along with others who need to know more about legacy, converged infrastructure (CI) hyper-converged infrastructure (HCI) server and storage decision making. This includes private along with hybrid cloud, server, virtualization and containers, storage as well as IT professionals who manage, architect or are involved with data infrastructure strategy decision making.

Background and Abstract

There are many different options for CI, HCI, All-in-One (AiO), cluster-in-box (CiB) for enabling legacy as well as software-defined data center (SDDC) including virtual, container and hybrid clouds. What is common is that one size or solution approach does not fit all environment or application needs. Which is the best storage for your environment? The answer is it depends on what you are trying to do, the size of your applications and amount of work to be done or users among other considerations.

This interactive seminar workshop combines overview fundamentals of CI and HCI along with who's doing what. We will also discuss approaches for your application and environment needs. This -workshop will help you make more informed server, storage and CI as well as HCI decisions including comparing apples to apples vs. apples to pears.

Agenda and topics to be covered

Some of the topics and themes that we will discuss include:

- When should decide to evaluate CI/HCI vs. traditional approach
- What are decision and evaluation criteria for apples to apples vs. Apples to pears
- What are the costs, benefits, and caveats of the different approaches
- How different applications such as VDI or VSI or database have various needs
- What are the network, storage, software license and training cost implications
- Different comparison criteria for smaller environments remote office vs. Larger enterprise
- How will you protect and secure a CI, HCI environment (HA, BC, BR, DR, Backup)
- Do it yourself (DiY) vs. Turnkey software vs. Bundled tin wrapped software solution
- Associated trends including software-defined, NVM/SSD, NVMe, VMware, Microsoft, KVM, Citrix/Xen, Docker, OpenStack among others.

Seminar workshop leaders:

Greg Schulz is the founder and a Sr. Advisory Consulting with the independent IT industry analyst firm Server StorageIO (aka StorageIO). Greg is a noted and accomplished IT professional and data infrastructure thought-leader having real-world experience as a customer, vendor, analyst as well as consultant, not to mention being a Microsoft MVP Cloud and Data Center as well as VMware vSAN vExpert. Schulz's career spans over 35 years in the industry ranging from IT customer operations to business systems applications development, system architecture, design and administration.

This is part of an of education series being held the week of 3 April 2017. Learn more by [clicking here](#) and to register call Brouwer Storage Consultancy +31-33-246-6825 Email Seminars@brouwerconsultancy.com