## Digital transformation still on the rise

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Three out of four companies already use services from the cloud, and the trend is rising (source: Bitkom). This is shown by several surveys. In particular, this enables many companies to keep pace with the greatly changed hardware and software requirements. Companies' expectations of cloud-enabled concepts are high - also in engineering. For them, the question is whether previous on-premise solutions are also cloud-capable? Solution provider Eplan already launched its first cloud products and services years ago. Now the spectrum is being expanded in the context of the cloud:

Eplan offers customers of the Eplan platform a standardized and free implementation concept for the provision of the platform in the Microsoft Azure Cloud. The prerequisite for this is that these customers have already set up or are setting up their company's own cloud infrastructure in Microsoft Azure. In addition, the company offers professional consulting for implementation. The operation of the cloud infrastructure and the Eplan software remains in the hands of the customer. Companies benefit from an installation package that has been tested and preconfigured as executable, combined with state-of-the-art deployment technology.

## Available globally

The solution is deployed globally through the Microsoft Azure Marketplace, following proven quality standards. In addition to being verified by the solution provider, the applications have also been validated by Microsoft. Thanks to the worldwide availability of Microsoft Azure, this offers global companies in particular the opportunity to move their engineering to the cloud and thus facilitate cross-location work. Deployed in the customer's own cloud environment, the responsibility for operating and maintaining the software and the associated infrastructure remains with the customer.

## Implementation concept facilitates entry

The motivation for a complete move to the cloud is often similar: companies decide to move their existing and local IT landscapes to the cloud. This makes it possible to significantly reduce overall IT management costs or outsource them to external cloud service providers. However, there is also a challenge in every changeover: companies often need intensive support, for example when it comes to the specification of the cloud infrastructure, integrations with other systems or location-independent database access. Eplan has developed a sophisticated implementation concept that provides assistance in implementing the solutions in the company-specific cloud. In addition, the Eplan consultants offer support during the set-up via a wide range of consulting services.