

## Silver and Gold Microsoft competencies for ISVs developing on the Azure cloud

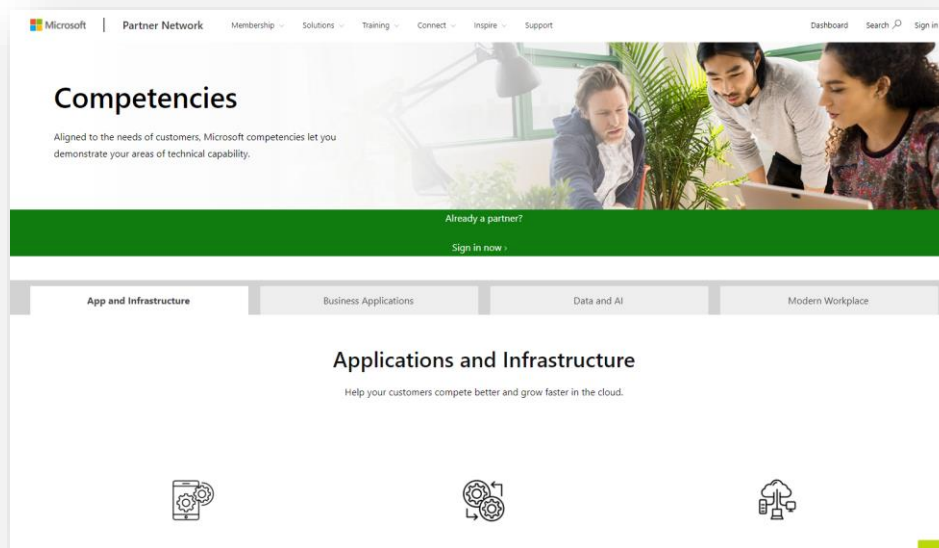
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This QuickStart guide explains how to **become a Microsoft Silver or Gold partner as an ISV** and how to get Microsoft competencies to **gain benefits such as incentives and marketing funds**.

This QuickStart guide is created especially for ISVs, however Microsoft currently has 19 competencies in the fields of App and Infrastructure, Business Applications, Data and AI and Modern Workplace. Each competency comes with its own set of requirements and benefits. Please find detailed information about all competencies and requirements on the [Microsoft partner website](#). The relevant competencies for ISVs developing apps on Azure cloud are:

1. [Application Development](#)
2. [Application Integration](#)
3. [Cloud Platform](#)

The following chapters will explain the requirements of each of these competencies.



*Screenshot: gain Microsoft competencies and Silver or Gold partner status*

Please note: following a [training course for AZ-900 Microsoft Azure Fundamentals](#) is not required for following any of the training courses below or passing the required exams required for the mentioned Silver or Gold competencies. It is however recommended to start with this training course to gain the fundamental knowledge about the Azure cloud. This training course can also be taken by individuals on a separate basis, without the purpose of gaining additional certifications.

## Application Development (Silver or Gold)

To gain the **Silver Application Development competency** as an ISVs developing apps on the Azure cloud two individuals currently working for your organization need to pass either:

- The [AZ-103 Administrator role exam](#) to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Administrator Associate](#)
- The [AZ-203 Developer role exam](#) to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Developer Associate](#)

Our learning partner for the DACH-region, brainymotion, offers training courses for both these exams and certifications:

- [Training courses for the AZ-103 Microsoft Certified Azure Administrator](#)
- [Training courses for the AZ-203 Developing Solutions for Microsoft Azure](#)

To gain the **Gold Application Development competency** as an ISVs developing apps on the Azure cloud your organization need to pass the requirements to gain the Silver competency plus 4 individuals currently working for your organization need to pass the exams to gain the [MCSD: App Builder](#) certification.

## Application Integrator (Silver or Gold)

To gain the **Silver Application Integrator competency** as an ISVs developing apps on the Azure cloud two individuals currently working for your organization need to pass:

- The [AZ-203 Developer role exam](#) to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Developer Associate](#)

These same two individuals also need to pass the [Microsoft Partner Network BizTalk Technical Competency Assessment for Application Integration](#) assessment.

To gain the **Gold Application Integrator competency** as an ISVs developing apps on the Azure cloud four individuals currently working for your organization need to pass:

- The [AZ-203 Developer role exam](#) to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Developer Associate](#)

These same four individuals also need to pass the [Microsoft Partner Network BizTalk Technical Competency Assessment for Application Integration](#) assessment.

Our learning partner for the DACH-region, brainymotion, offers training courses for this exam and certification:

- [Training courses for the AZ-203 Developing Solutions for Microsoft Azure](#)

## Cloud Platform (Silver or Gold)

To gain the **Silver Cloud Platform competency** as an ISVs developing apps on the Azure cloud one individual currently working for your organization need to pass:

- The [AZ-103 Administrator role exam](#) to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Administrator Associate](#)
- The [AZ-203 Developer role exam](#) to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Developer Associate](#)
- Both the [AZ-300 Microsoft Azure Architect Technologies](#) and the [AZ-301: Microsoft Azure Architect Design](#) exams to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Solutions Architect Expert](#)
- Both the [DP-200: Implementing an Azure Data Solution](#) and the [DP-201: Designing an Azure Data Solution](#) exams to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Data Engineer Associate](#)

Additionally, partners must also demonstrate US \$15,000 Azure customer consumption within the previous 12 months, offer types Trial, Benefits programs, Support and Internal are excluded.

To gain the **Gold Cloud Platform competency** as an ISVs developing apps on the Azure cloud two individuals currently working for your organization need to pass:

- The [AZ-103 Administrator role exam](#) to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Administrator Associate](#)
- The [AZ-203 Developer role exam](#) to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Developer Associate](#)
- Both the [AZ-300 Microsoft Azure Architect Technologies](#) and the [AZ-301: Microsoft Azure Architect Design](#) exams to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Solutions Architect Expert](#)
- Both the [DP-200: Implementing an Azure Data Solution](#) and the [DP-201: Designing an Azure Data Solution](#) exams to become a [Microsoft Certified: Azure Data Engineer Associate](#)

Additionally, partners must also demonstrate US \$100,000 Azure customer consumption within the previous 12 months, offer types Trial, Benefits programs, Support and Internal are excluded.

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- [Training courses for the AZ-103 Microsoft Certified Azure Administrator](#)
- [Training courses for the AZ-203 Developing Solutions for Microsoft Azure](#)
- Training courses for the [AZ-300 Microsoft Azure Architect Technologies](#) and the [AZ-301 Microsoft Azure Architect Design](#)

- Training courses for the [DP-200 Implementing an Azure Data Solution](#) and the [DP-201 Designing an Azure Data Solution](#)