

Top 5 ways to get more agility from your network

It only takes one complication for your network operation costs to spiral. Digital transformation means survival of the fittest. Your network needs to be agile to enable your business to innovate and to keep pace with changing requirements. And stay secure. Which means commoditisation of the network is no longer enough.

Here are 5 ways to ensure your network will give you the agility you need.

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Say hello to easy deployment and management

Simplify operations and roll out new virtual network services in minutes on any platform. Get faster time to service and innovation with reduced operational overhead by automating the provisioning and configuration of your network. Make your bandwidth work for you by deploying software-defined WAN without compromising the application experience. And benefit from ongoing innovation, updates and upgrades with flexible software licencing.

[Network Function Virtualisation](#) [CiscoONE Flexible Software Licencing](#)
[Application Policy Infrastructure Controller](#) [Intelligent WAN](#)



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Say goodbye to operational complexity

Speed maintenance and responses by orchestrating and managing services with design templates. Free up your IT resources with network function virtualisation. Cascade policies across all types of access points through a simple, flexible interface, and automate the deployment and compliance checking of network policies across your entire network without needing any infrastructure replacement.

[Application Policy Infrastructure Controller](#) [Identity Services Engine](#) [Network Function Virtualisation](#)

“Some engineers say they never realized how bad the old network was. Jobs that used to take half an hour now take just a few minutes.”
Greg Fisbeck, Program Manager, Whirlpool Corporation

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Leverage insights to improve performance

Understand who, what, when, where, and how network traffic is flowing. Use the insights to improve the performance of business-critical applications across LAN, WLAN and WAN, and accelerate problem resolution. So you can reduce vulnerability of the network as related to outage for efficient operation of the network and lower costs through better utilization.

[NetFlow](#) [Application Visibility and Control](#)



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Get security that doesn't compromise agility

Control all access from one place across wired, wireless, and VPN connections. And cascade and enforce policies easily across all types of access points with software-defined segmentation. So you can provide and control access and security policy consistently and efficiently, removing the stress of complex access management. Without compromising agility.

[TrustSec](#) [Stealthwatch](#) [Identity Services Engine](#)

“Organizations interviewed reported a reduction in operational costs ranging from 25% to 80%.”
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Make your move to the cloud

Deploy and manage your network quickly and easily, without training or proprietary command line interfaces. And get centralized management, visibility, and control without the cost and complexity of controller appliances or overlay management software. Cisco Meraki cloud networking provides centralized cloud management, device and application visibility, real time web-based diagnostics, monitoring, reporting and security.

[Cisco Meraki Cloud Networking](#)



It's all good. Until it goes bad. Don't treat your network as a commodity. Get the network agility your business needs, so you can innovate and adapt to future requirements. Plus, keep secure while maintaining the high levels of quality of service your users and business needs.

Start your journey to a digital network architecture today.

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