



F5 Project Definition Workshop

KEY BENEFITS

Extend your staff's reach

F5 consultants will expand your team's expertise to deploy critical projects and ensure effective knowledge transfer.

Maximize your investment

Optimize your migration or upgrade plan for scalability, performance, and security of application and network services.

Drive results

Capitalize on new F5 products and technologies that support your organization's business objectives.

Mitigate risk

Take advantage of F5's subject matter experts to plan for a robust design and deployment approach.

The ability to quickly take advantage of technological advances that support innovation and strategic business initiatives is what differentiates market leaders from those who fall behind. Knowing when to migrate to new platforms, when to refresh technology, and when to leave behind legacy products positions a business to drive future revenue and growth.

As your organization evaluates the transition to new technologies for on-premises, cloud, or multi-cloud services, you face new challenges to meet business goals in an agile and efficient way that identifies requirements from multiple resources to ensure a successful project and minimize potentially negative project impacts.

Successfully Transitioning to F5 Technologies

A smooth transition requires planning, analysis, and expert support. Consider the scope, approach, schedule, risks, assumptions, and governance *before* taking the first step towards deploying a new solution. Then, you can make sure that the overall technical approach and high-level task plan focus on a successful infrastructure transition.

With this service, F5 project managers and technical experts review and assess your project requirements, risks, assumptions, schedule completion dates, and governance requirements to help you understand, discuss, and agree on the best transition plan.

At the conclusion of the workshop, you'll have an action plan that's based on the foundations of industry standard project management methodologies and designed to meet your specific business goals.

How the assessment works

Led by F5 Professional Services experts, the workshop is based on a three-phase workshop and a report. The Project Definition Workshop gives your staff a clear understanding and documented view of the constraints, risks, assumptions, dependencies, and milestones associated with a mission-critical F5 migration or upgrade. Through a facilitated, interactive workshop, our subject matter experts collaborate with your team to create a comprehensive project definition.

The workshop establishes a framework to scope, plan, resource, and manage a project in full alignment with internal project or program management policies, including PMI and PRINCE2. The workshop uses a three-step methodology to ensure the project supports your unique business and technical requirements.

Project Definition Workshop Schedule:

Phase 1: Prepare

F5 Professional Services collaborates with your team to gather information about your current architecture, project overview, business goals and identify the people in your organization who should participate in the workshop.

Phase 2: Analyze

During this phase, F5 Professional Services performs a comprehensive review of your current project definition in the following areas:

- Overview of business needs and goals
- Scope identification
- Current environments
- Constraints, issues, assumptions, and dependency identification
- Prioritization
- Roles and responsibilities
- Resource requirements

Working as a team, workshop participants will discuss and agree on the project's business need, scope, constraints, work package definition, and prioritization.

Phase 3: Plan

The F5 Professional Services team will lead a discussion on the best approach for transitioning to the proposed deployment. The team will also produce a high-level plan to document roles and responsibilities, required hardware installations, assessed risk, assumptions and dependencies, service impact, operational considerations, and governance.

Report

Following the Project Definition Workshop on-premises activities, the F5 Professional Services team will present a summary report to you, detailing the findings of the workshop as well as the agreed-upon approach, detailed plan, and work packages. This report will also highlight details of the prerequisite work and any associated activities required, including product certification, other project dependencies, training requirements, business notification, and preparation.

On completion of the Project Definition Workshop, you can request the F5 Professional Services team draft and submit a fully customized Statement of Work (SOW).

Conclusion

The Project Definition Workshop is intended to mitigate risk and instill confidence. This will help you to move forward with an improved security posture that helps you to achieve your desired business goals.

Why F5 Professional Services?

The world's largest businesses, service providers, government entities, and consumer brands rely on F5's intelligent services framework to secure and deliver their applications and services while ensuring people stay connected. The mission of F5 Professional Services is to simplify the deployment of F5 solutions and maximize the value of your F5 product investment throughout its lifecycle for a faster, smarter, and safer application environment.

For more information about how the F5 Project Definition Workshop can help you get the most from your F5 investment or to inquire about purchasing a Project Definition Workshop, contact your F5 Professional Services Sales team at consulting.sales@f5.com.

