

You're in the cloud... now what?

IT departments are at the forefront of pushing the enterprise forward. They're tasked with enabling secure, robust network access—essential for supporting remote work and the growth of new, cloud-based business models.



75% of global IT decision makers agree "the cloud is the most integral part of our digital transformation strategy."1

Migrating to the cloud has enabled new business models

remote workers

Supporting full-time

workers will be working

remotely by the year 2025 —an 87% increase from pre-pandemic levels.²

work structures

Shifting to hybrid

of survey respondents expect hybrid work to become a standard practice in their organization within the next 3 years.³

transformation

Spearheading digital

of all organizations will have accelerated use of digital technologies by 2022.4

But the cloud also poses new challenges for IT



customer satisfaction The hourly cost of server downtime for 44% of enterprises surveyed is \$1M⁵

employee productivity and



50% of enterprise organizations will go cloud-native in 20227

platform to adopt new, cloud-based capabilities



86% of organizations expect to be impacted by a cyberattack within a year⁶



per year on average8

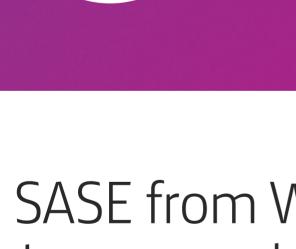
with SD-WAN and SASE Secure Access Service Edge (SASE) combines network as a service specifically, SD-WAN—with network security as a service, which includes Security Service Edge (SSE) technologies that work together to protect

your organization's data and systems from unwanted access.

of enterprises will have explicit strategies to adopt SASE by 2025⁹

Integrated network and security

By 2028, the SASE market is predicted to reach



registering a CAGR of 36.4%¹⁰

SASE from Windstream Enterprise: Just one solution is all you need

Get unified, secure connectivity that's available anytime, anywhere

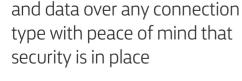
Windstream Enterprise is the first North American managed service provider to converge network and security into a fully integrated SASE solution. This cloud-native architecture enables businesses to adapt to constantly shifting users, applications and work environments while keeping all application

and security policies synchronized with these changing endpoints—all from a single pane of glass.

Consolidate Ensure enterprise-level Centralize

Put policy management in the

cloud and distribute enforcement



security

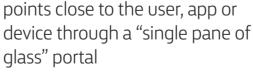
Allow users to access apps

Connect remote workers Ensure encrypted connections and base network access on the

identity of the user, device or

application to enable a secure

work-from-anywhere model



operations

Improve performance Leverage multiple access connections to improve

resiliency and performance for

critical applications—including



devices

Reduce the amount of

cost and complexity

Lower operational overhead Let SASE providers fully

manage, monitor and maintain

so IT doesn't need to constantly

security software and devices,

update, patch, upgrade and replace appliances

latency-sensitive apps

Cloud-enabled connectivity, communications and security. Guaranteed.

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