





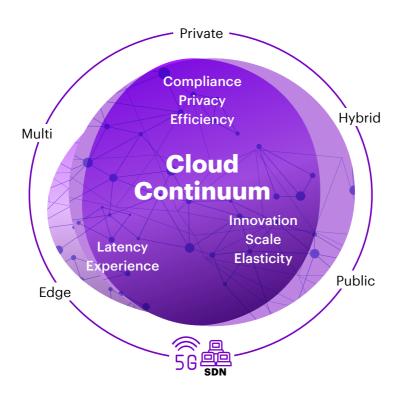




Accenture and Cisco created together an Intelligent Edge & Network Center of Excellence (CoE) – both a physical place and a team of expertise - focused on:

- Private and Industrial Networks (Multi-cloud ready Enterprise networks)
- Network and Application observability for Large Enterprises
- Edge Computing and IoT

CoE aims at concretizing <u>Accenture Cloud</u> <u>Continuum</u> vision leveraging best of breed of available technologies.





As a medium-term objective, the Accenture-Cisco Center of Excellence should be an aggregation point of companies and entities interested in the topics.

CoE will include main and bold Cisco technologies related to Networks (WAN, LAN, Wireless), chain them together and with a multi-cloud environment, leveraging platform Equinix, to showcase value in a realistic enterprise scenario.

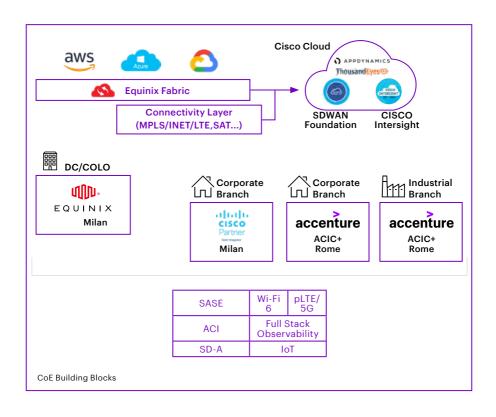


The Accenture-Cisco Center of Excellence is an international center with a hub in Rome in the Accenture Cloud Innovation Center and one in Milan, in the Cisco Cybersecurity Co-Innovation Center as well as a Demo Center at Equinix's datacenter ML5.

CoE will be integrated with **ACIC+** and in its catalogue as a vertical on Cisco technologies and will launch its activities in October 2022.

CoE will leverage Market leader software-defined solutions for DC,WAN and LAN, Security for both corporate and industrial sites, to establish, based on Equinix Fabric and network edge catalog, a direct and low latency cloud interconnection through its resilient facilities to main cloud providers (MAG).

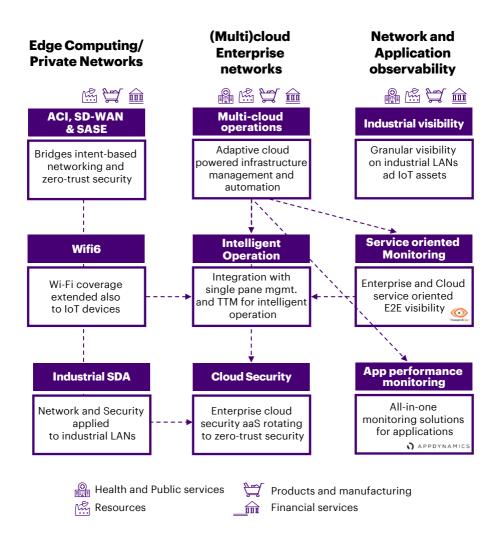
The benefits of having Equinix in this architecture are numerous in terms of lower IT costs thanks to consumption-based billing, faster time-to-market and rapid innovation that supports large scale-up with fluid and real-time service enablement, plus monitoring from a single portal.





CoE catalogue will start with **10 use cases** focusing on corporate and industrial network automation, standardization and visibility, in order to optimize performance and ease management in a hybrid cloud environment.

Center of Excellence Catalogue



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