Enterprise Networking for Optimized Business Agility

In response to the COVID-19 crisis, enterprises are prioritizing digital transformation. The goal is not to simply bounce back, but build resiliency — and thrive under any circumstance.

COVID-19 & Beyond: The 3 Phases of Business Resiliency

**RESPOND**
- **REALITY:** Immediate need for secure remote work due to worker safety.
- **PRIORITY:** Provide secure network access.
- **BENEFITS:** Lower operating costs (OC); higher employee productivity, satisfaction, & retention; high-quality global resources at a lower cost.

**RETOOL**
- **REALITY:** Create a trusted hybrid workplace that’s safe, flexible, & seamless.
- **PRIORITY:** How to reimagine a post-pandemic environment that is safe for employees, promotes employee collaboration, anywhere, on any device, and secure, with policies and protocols in place.
- **BENEFITS:** Lower real estate & operating costs (OUC); higher employee productivity, satisfaction, & retention.

**REIMAGINE**
- **REALITY:** Optimize & transform existing networks to ensure rapid recovery in face of future disruptions.
- **PRIORITY:** How to establish and manage advanced networks while leveraging AI-powered analytics to minimize disruptions, increase visibility, & ensure positive bottom-line impact.
- **BENEFITS:** Improved business continuity & recovery speed.

**Organizations’ top networking priorities globally ranked.**

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**Top challenges cited by global respondents in enforcing cybersecurity protocols:**

- Lack of visibility: 31%
- Lack of employee awareness/education: 59%
- Too many tools/solutions to manage: 50%
- Inconsistent interfaces: 35%

**Efficiency to Adaptability**

- Pre-COVID-19: 19%
- During COVID-19: 62%
- Post-COVID-19: 37%

- 20–30% yield in growth in higher workforce productivity and up to 60% loss of IT error & rework.

**Bottom Line Impact: The Hybrid Model**

The future of work is taking shape as a hybrid model where employees work remotely 2-3 days per week. The benefits of this framework add up to significant savings in time and money.

- **35 minutes gained in daily productivity for half-time remote workers.**
- **15% increase in productivity due to half-time remote work (equal to 74 new employees for free).**
- **$11K amount saved annually for each U.S. employee who works half-time remotely.**
- **$396 daily savings for every half-time remote worker.**
- **$1.9M annual savings per 1K half-time remote workers if office space reduced by 25%.**

**WORKFORCE**

- Empowers employees to work and collaborate anywhere.
- Optimizes each employee experience for performance, cost & security.
- Extends enterprise-class operations to the home or other remote location.

**WORKPLACE**

- Ensures employee safety and wellness.
- Expands operational consistency across environments.
- Evolves to a secure & seamless distributed work model on top of a redesigned network.

**That ultimate workplace redefines business resiliency and embraces — even welcomes — change.**

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3. The Business Case for Remote Work for Employers, Employees, the Environment, and Society by Global Workplace Analytics

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