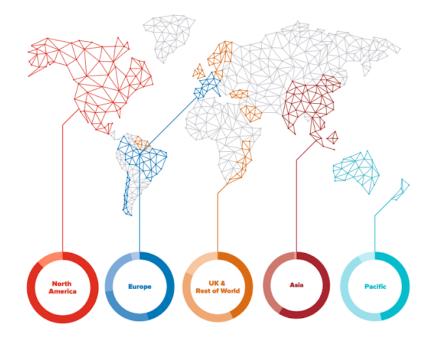
# **Global Deployment of SD-WAN**

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Rentokil Initial is a member of the FTSE100 and is an international pest control and hygiene services company.

- 35,000+ employees
- 1800 local services teams
- 70+ countries
- 650+ offices
- 4 regional data centres in London, Singapore, Sydney and Philadelphia



"Over the next three years we see significant opportunities to drive revenues, reduce costs and help better serve and retain our customers through the deployment of digital technologies."

### Rentokil Initial tech at a glance

## **Internet of Things**

Winners of 2016 UK BCS IT Industry Award for Best Internet of Things Project

## Google

35,000 Google Apps accounts globally, and adoption of Google Chromebooks underway. Replatforming business apps onto Google Cloud

## **SD-WAN**

Driving cloud-enabled WAN with SD-WAN

## Hyper Converged

Deployment of Hyper Converged infrastructure in all our global data centres



### Current Global SD-WAN Deployment

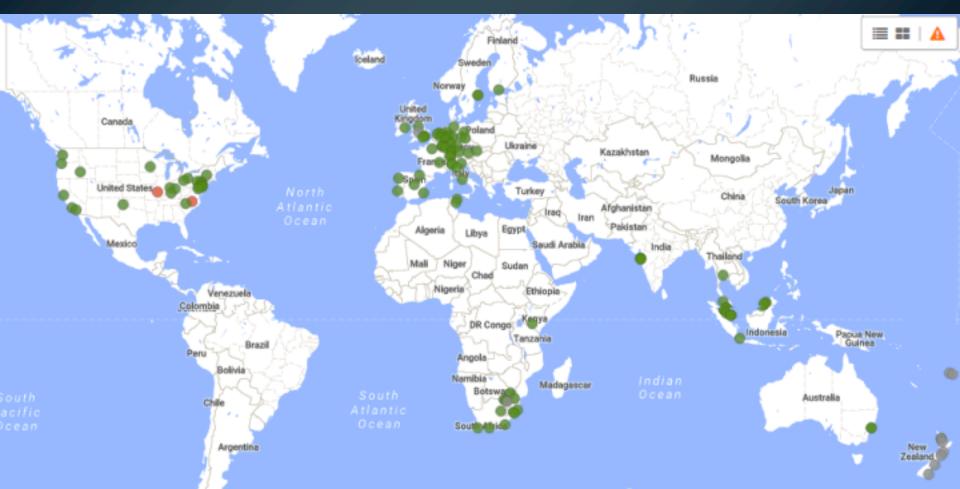
Using **VeloCloud Cloud-Delivered SD-WAN** we have currently delivered SD-WAN connectivity to the following:

- 5 Continents
  - o North America, Europe, Africa, Asia, Australia
- 30 Countries
  - Austria, Australia, Brunei, Canada, Switzerland, Germany, Spain, Finland, Fiji, France, Indonesia, Ireland, India, Italy, India, Kenya, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Netherlands, New Zealand, Portugal, Sweden, Singapore, Thailand, Tunisia, Singapore, UK, USA, Singapore, South Africa

#### • 4 Regional Data Centres

- o London, Singapore, Sydney and Philadelphia
- 120+ Sites
  - Too many to list!

### Current Global SD-WAN Deployment



Provide low latency high bandwidth connectivity to cloud-delivered services and applications

Deliver scalable and future-proof network capability

Greater business agility to provide secure connectivity quickly to anywhere in the world

Simplify the network, streamline processes and provide increased bandwidth

#### Deliver better value for money



### Benefits of SD-WAN

Cost	<ul> <li>Cost effective ISP circuits replacing MPLS for less critical sites</li> <li>Cost effective ISP circuits complementing MPLS to offload internet traffic for more critical sites</li> <li>Cost effective x86 hardware to provide routing and firewalling at branch level</li> </ul>	
Security	<ul> <li>End to end encryption of all data traversing the WAN, whether using MPLS or ISP overlay, data is fully encrypted and secured in transit</li> <li>Built in firewall at every branch; implementing security boundary as close to the user as possible</li> <li>Ability to send traffic to web-based security solutions for scanning</li> </ul>	
Agility	<ul> <li>The ability to provision a branch within minutes using a 4G dongle</li> <li>Reduced lead times with ISP circuits vs lengthy MPLS provisioning</li> </ul>	
Performance	<ul> <li>On average a 5:1 increase in ISP bandwidth compared with same cost MPLS circuit</li> </ul>	
Visibility	<ul> <li>Ability to view a complete application breakdown of all traffic flows across the SD-WAN compared with our existing archaic network monitoring</li> </ul>	

# Global Deployment Service Considerations

### Service Considerations

### Supply of SD-WAN Services

- How should you consume SD-WAN?
  - As a service (aaS)?
  - Through a channel partner?
  - o Through a MSP?



- Global or regional supplier of Hardware?
- Does provider have global reach and licensing to operate in all business regions?
- RMA hardware replacement, how quickly can the business function in an outage?

### Service Considerations

### Support

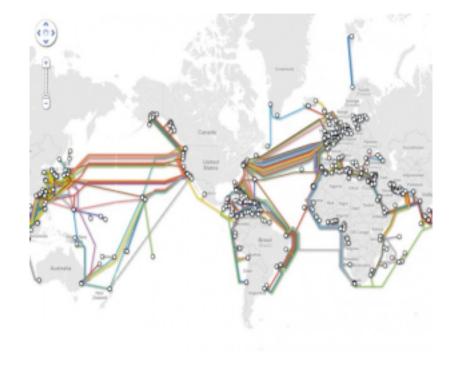
- How should you consume SD-WAN?
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- Should you outsource configuration or manage in house?
- How will support be managed on a global scale?
- Is your support supplier 24/7 or do you need support in each region?



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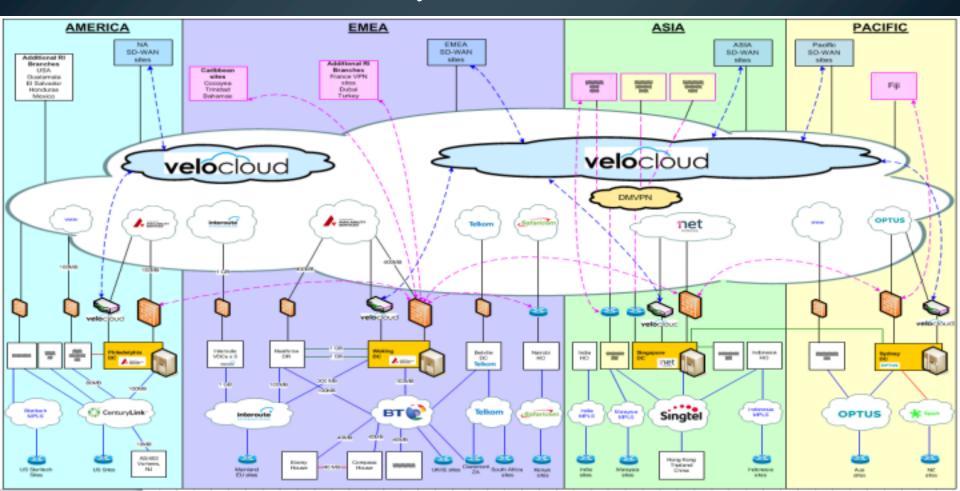
### **ISP Suppliers**

- Single Global Supplier
  - o Easy to manage
  - o Costly
  - Issues with delivery in remote sites
- Regional / Country Supplier
  - o Cheaper
  - Large overheads in management
  - Language issue dealing with in country providers
- Hybrid



# Global Deployment Technical Considerations

### SD-WAN Architecture - Easy?!

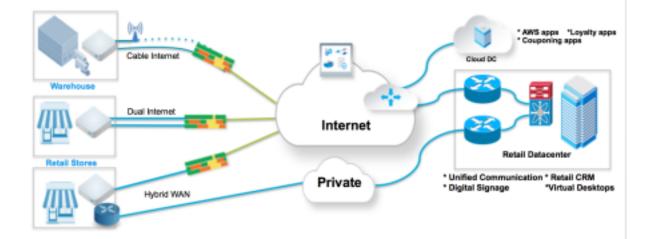


### **IP Addressing**

- Set a standard and enforce it
- Avoid using NAT or VRFs unless necessary
- Use well known standards so they are easy to enforce (i.e. country dialing codes)
- Route summarisation helps ease transition in a hybrid environment

### Routing

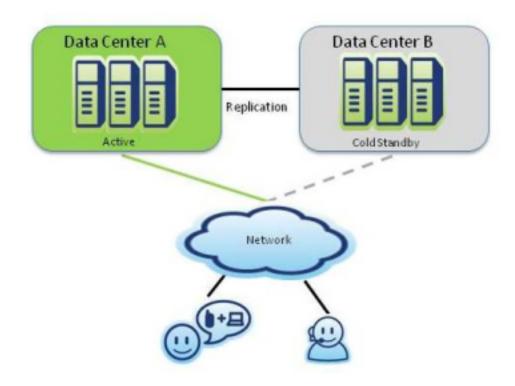
 Carefully design routing flows in a hybrid MPLS/SD-WAN environment, factors to consider



- Avoid inefficient routing in a hybrid environment:
- Static vs Dynamic = Control vs Overhead

#### **Disaster Recovery**

- Ensure you have considered routing to a DR facility in your SD-WAN network design
- Decide whether failover to DR facility should be automatic or manual



### Security

- End to End encryption in SD-WAN. Does this cause issues? (i.e. WAN Optimisation)
- Should you treat HTTP/HTTPS any differently to other protocols.
- Are there any specific traffic flows which are required by law to break out from specific locations?

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#### Web Filtering

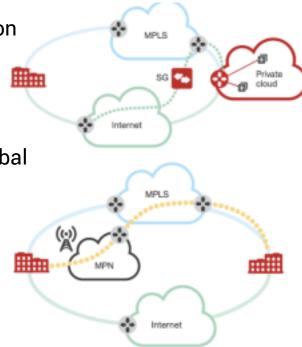
- How can you enforce web-filtering at the edge?
- Can SD-WAN Application Recognition replacing traditional Web Filtering?



Global Deployment Deployment Considerations

### Deployment

- Proof of Concept
  - Ensure it can run in parallel to your current production network
  - Ensure you assess the deployment against a measurable success criteria
  - Ensure it spans multiple regions to truly test the Global reach
- Global Deployment
  - Establish connectivity to your hub sites (Data Centres)
  - Plan country / regional deployments so as not to impact any branch to branch traffic
  - Pay close attention to current WAN contracts to avoid incurring heavy cease chargers



### Conclusions

- Not all SD-WAN solutions are created equal. Due diligence is key, ensure you outline your requirements in advance and asses vendors based on this
- Defining the service around supply and support is paramount in a global deployment, there may not be a one size fits all approach. If there is it may come at a costly premium
- Architecting a global hybrid network requires planning, trying to do this on the fly will result in network inefficiencies and outages.

### **Future Network Architecture**

A hybrid approach to network connectivity to enable cloud platforms Bring Internet connectivity closer to the end user to improve performance Reduce reliance on MPLS networks and move towards direct Internet connectivity Keep up with increasing demands on bandwidth from use of cloud and video calls Improve connectivity between regions to enable global support collaboration Deliver consistent wireless network experience

Reduce supplier complexity and cost

#### **Business benefits**

Improved access to applications - data centre and cloud Improved provisioning time allowing greater business agility Consistent service provided by a hybrid infrastructure Improved resilience and availability Better value for money

#### Considerations

Cloud-based applications can often mean single instances globally, which may increase distance between users and hosting

> Application, hosting and network architecture must be considered in detail to avoid performance issues