

mPLAT becomes compatible with Microsoft Azure

~ ensuring effective and safe operation for enterprise systems in the public cloud ~

Tokyo, March 7, 2017 - Nomura Research Institute, Ltd. (NRI), a leading provider of consulting services and system solutions, today has announced mPLAT's^{*1} compatibility with Microsoft Azure^{*2}. This enhancement ensures effective and safe operation for enterprise systems in the public cloud.

The demands for the public cloud have recently been heightened, however it still remains necessary to cooperatively connect systems in the public cloud with existing systems. For example, if you are migrating an information system to the public cloud while keeping a mission-critical system on-premises, it is required to operate each system in a synchronized and cooperative manner. IT department in charge of system management needs to comprehensively manage such system-related tasks as monitoring mixed environment, managing complicated job schedule and operational process and so on.

In order to resolve these issues, NRI reinforced mPLAT's operation management functions that enable systems run on Azure. This reinforcement includes Azure's compatibility with mPLAT/SOP (Self Operation Platform) and mPLAT/SMP (Service Management Platform).

mPLAT/SOP mainly provides functions for system monitoring, job schedule management and automatic operation. Integrated management is implemented by monitoring coordination with various operation services of Azure and cooperating with Microsoft Operations Management Suite (OMS).

mPLAT/SMP manages operational processes, incidents and inquiries and so on. Customers can centrally manage the operational processes by mPLAT/SMP even if the operation management processes are different between on-premises and Azure environment. Moreover, by linking incident information of mPLAT/SMP to OMS, customers can visualize and analyze operational situation for continual service improvement.

*1 mPLAT: Cloud-based operational infrastructure built by operation management tool "Senju Family" developed by NRI. NRI provides English, Chinese and Japanese versions of mPLAT. They will be available in 3Q of 2017 in the U.S.

*2 Microsoft Azure: Public cloud service provided by Microsoft Corporation.

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