9fold

Cloud architecture for the public sector and regulated industries

Senior architecture and platform capability, engaged directly or through your delivery partner.

What we do

Architecture and assurance

Architecture leadership and design authority. Independent assurance of supplier designs. Discovery and Alpha. Bid and solution design support.

Platforms and security

Cloud foundations and landing zones. Platform engineering on Kubernetes. Security architecture. Migration and modernisation.

Optimisation and capability

Well-Architected and cost reviews. Data platforms. Building in-house cloud teams.

Track record

Programmes led by our founder, Adam Davies, before starting 9fold. Client names withheld; references available.

- **Two GDS Alphas for two government departments**, an income-verification API and a data analytics platform. Both approved for Beta.
- **Secure by Design foundations** and a critical data migration for a central government department.
- **High-performance computing platforms** for a national health research programme, leading six DevOps engineers.
- **Independent assurance** of a supplier-led migration and identity architecture for a government agency.
- **Seven years at a UK cloud consultancy**, building and leading a practice of 30 architects and engineers across government, health, financial services and retail.

How we work

- Every engagement is led by a 9fold principal who stays on it.
- Every significant decision is written down, with its options and reasoning.
- Risks are raised early and in writing, and we hand over work your team can run.
- We don't resell cloud, licences or managed services.

At a glance

Platforms
AWS, Azure and private cloud

Standards
GDS Service Standard, Secure by Design, NCSC cloud security principles, Well-Architected

Sectors
Central government, public bodies, health and research, financial services, retail

Location
Swansea, working across the UK

Ways to engage

Fixed scope
A defined outcome at an agreed price

Capacity
Named people on a day rate, under a statement of work

Through a partner
As a subcontractor on your programme, to your methods

Technology

AWS Organizations, Control Tower, Transit Gateway, WAF, EKS, RDS, Glue, Redshift. Azure AKS, Entra ID, Sentinel. Terraform, Kubernetes, GitLab, Vault.

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