



CAST Brings New Benefit to Microsoft Visual Studio Enterprise Subscriptions

CAST's Software Intelligence solution helps developers create cloud-ready apps for Microsoft Azure with speed and confidence

New York – Dec. 4, 2018 – CAST, a leader in [Software Intelligence](#), today announced at [Microsoft Connect\(\); 2018](#) that it launched a new benefit for Microsoft Visual Studio Enterprise subscribers. Visual Studio Enterprise subscribers now receive a free 30-day subscription of [CAST Highlight](#), the ultra-rapid SaaS-based application portfolio analysis solution from CAST. CAST Highlight offers objective assessments of application cloud readiness, health, complexity and technical debt to improve investment and rationalization decisions during the planning and execution stages of cloud migration.

Now, specifically for Azure, Highlight is empowering developers to get ahead of their company's cloud migration efforts, helping them write secure code for cloud-native applications in a swift and easy manner. Through its predictive pattern analysis, Highlight helps developers [build Azure migration roadmaps](#) that consider key factors, such as:

- **Blockers** – code patterns in applications that slow down migration due to their complexity or security concerns.
- **Boosters** – code patterns in applications that signal they are ready to be migrated today with low-risk.
- **Business Drivers** – a collection of technical enablers and process maturity that contributes to overall cloud readiness.

"Most organizations have already invested in Infrastructure as a Service, but that's just the first part of the cloud maturity journey," said Jeff Fraleigh, Head of CAST Highlight. "Refactoring applications or building cloud-native apps from the ground-up is now a chief priority for companies wanting to maximize the value of cloud computing. Highlight is helping developers lead this strategic effort by providing real-time insight on software health, complexity and potential migration challenges."

For more information about the 30-day free subscription of CAST Highlight for Visual Studio Enterprise subscribers, [go here](#). You can also tune in to Scott Hanselman's keynote presentation on demand on the [Microsoft Connect\(\); event site](#) on Tuesday, December 4, 2018.

About CAST

CAST is the market leader in Software Intelligence, with unique technology backed by \$150 million in software analysis and measurement R&D. CAST technology helps digital leaders and doers see the truth, become software geniuses and deliver super software - resilient, responsive, safe and secure software. Hundreds of companies rely on CAST to improve end-user satisfaction and time-to-market, prevent business disruption and reduce cost. Founded in 1990, CAST operates globally with offices in North America, Europe, India and China. For more information, visit. www.castsoftware.com.

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