Using Technology and Contract Terms to Avoid Vendor Lock-In

Migrating applications and workloads to a cloud provider has obvious benefits – scalability, flexibility, efficiency, and cost considerations are all driving the dramatic increase in the use of cloud services, write **Peter M. Watt-Morse** and **Glen W. Rectenwald** of Morgan Lewis.

In their article on the firm's Tech & Sourcing blog, they discuss how enterprises that start utilizing proprietary application programming interfaces (APIs) and other vendor-specific development and integration tools can easily become locked into their cloud providers.

"The efficiency and low cost of using cloud services, including form vendor agreements that are provided with such services, can lead to vendor lock-in, making it difficult and expensive to migrate applications in-house or to a new provider," they write.

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