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Establish and govern a multi-account AWS environment with AWS Control Tower

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Agenda

Your AWS journey – scaling from one account to many accounts

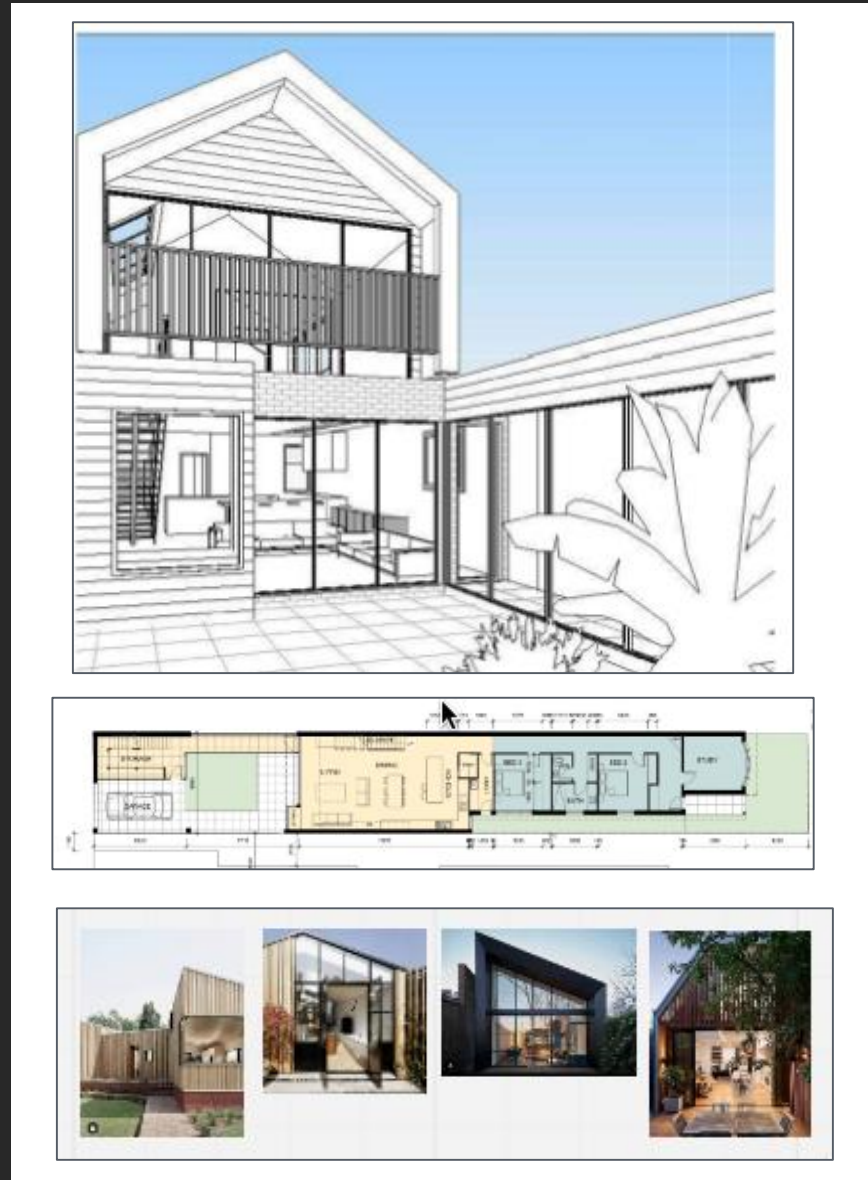
AWS Control Tower overview

AWS Control Tower integrations

AWS Control Tower deep dive

AWS Control Tower vs. AWS Landing Zones solution

Scaling out



One build



...to many builds

From one Builder to many Builders

New

Early stage

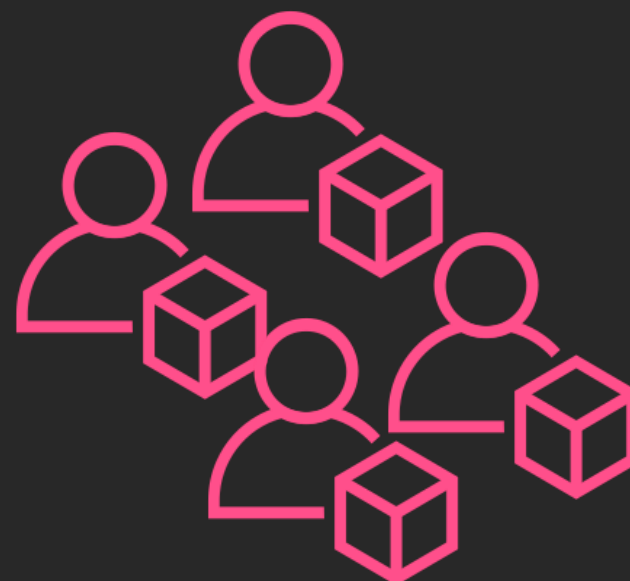
Established & scaling

One Builder



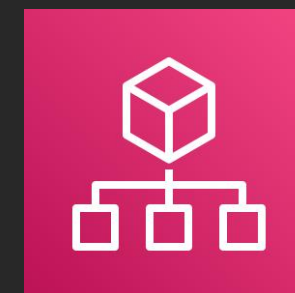
AWS account

Many Builders



Multiple AWS accounts

Builders across the company



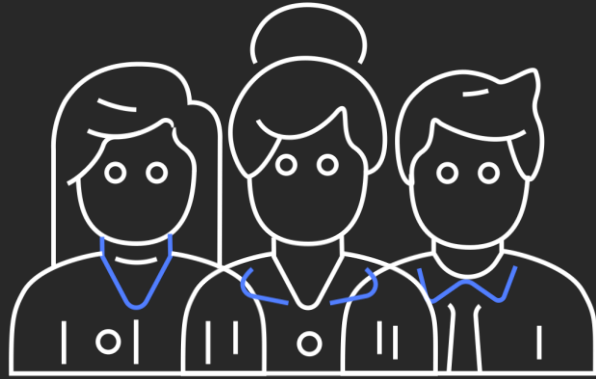
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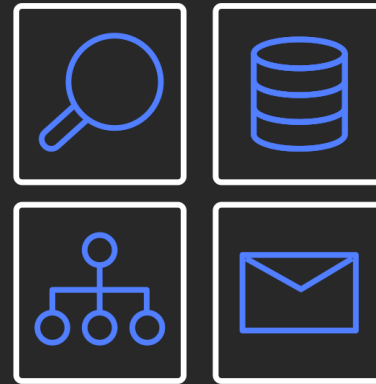
Many Organizational Units (OU)

Multiple AWS accounts

Why use a multi-account AWS environment?



Many teams of
builders



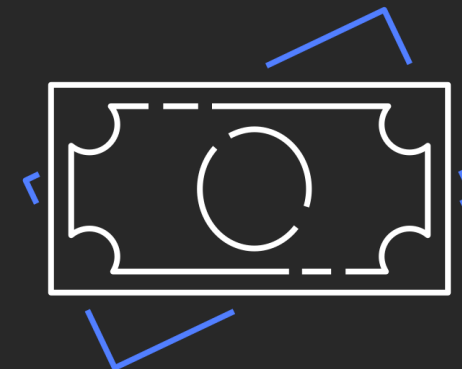
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Security/compliance
controls



Business process

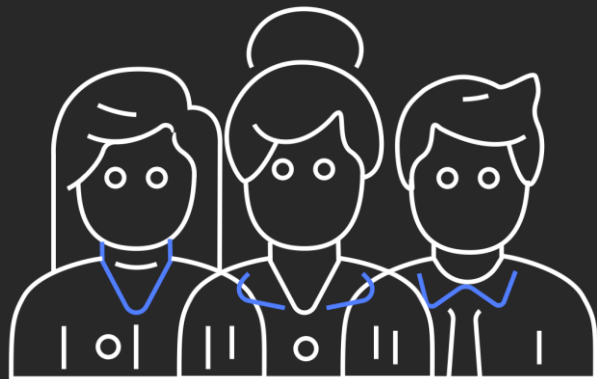


Billing

Common personas working with AWS accounts

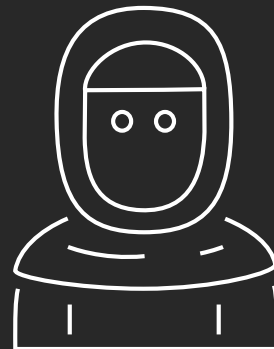
Builders

Developers
Engineers
Data scientists
Marketers
Business unit teams



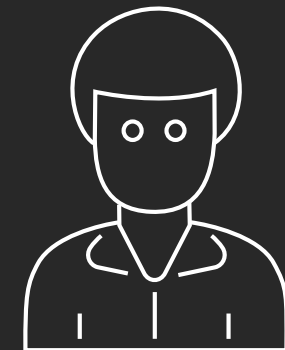
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Cloud services lead
IT admins

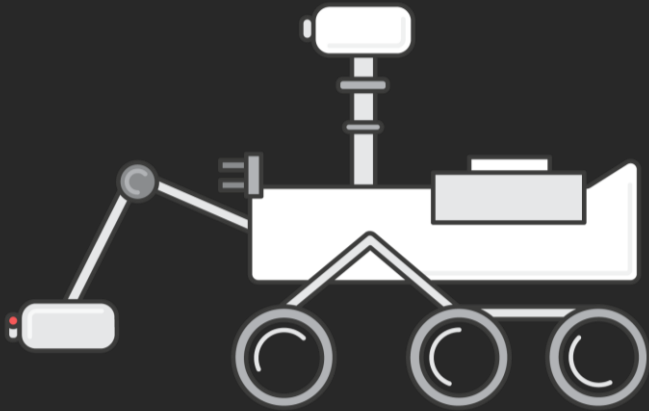


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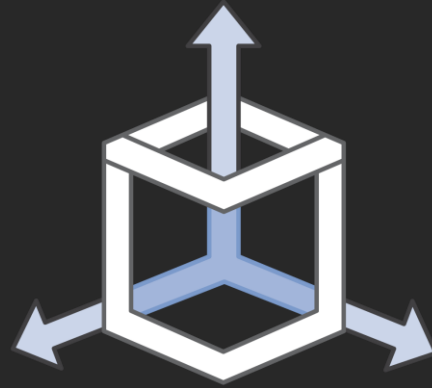
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Compliance team



Common **goals** for any AWS environment



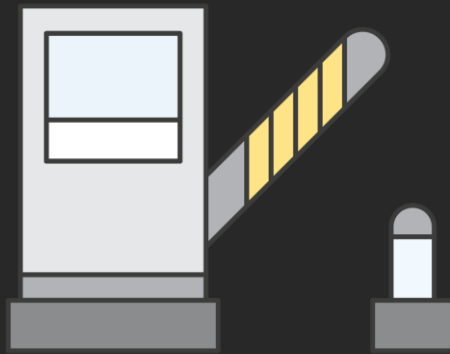
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Scalable



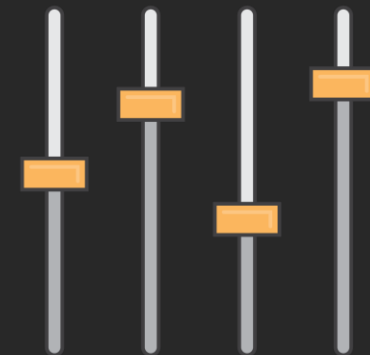
Self-service



Guardrails

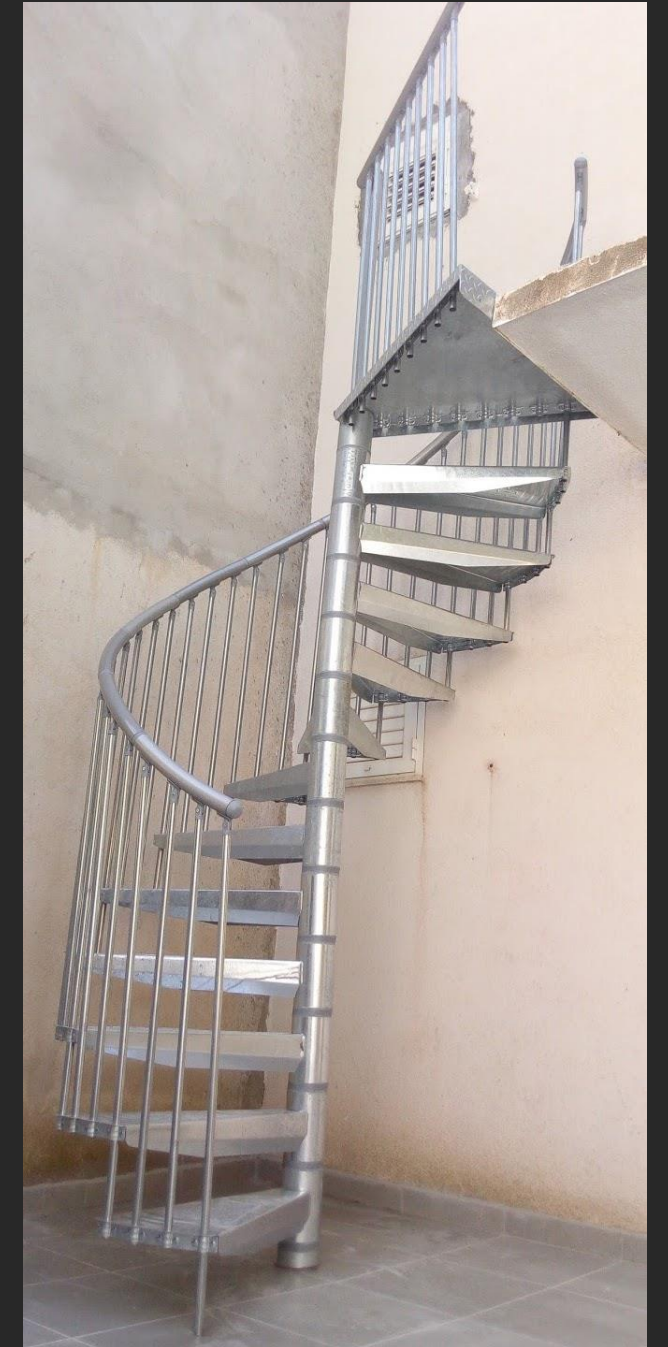


Auditable



Flexible

Not this!



We want to avoid:

- ⚠ Long delays to get builders building on AWS
- ⚠ Failing security and risk controls
- ⚠ Unknown state of our AWS accounts
- ⚠ Unmanaged activity in our AWS accounts

More of this!



We seek:

- ✓ Builders building and innovating quickly on AWS
- ✓ Staying within our security and risk posture
- ✓ A known state of our AWS accounts
- ✓ Managed activity in our AWS accounts

The **challenge**: balancing the needs

Builders:

Stay agile



Innovate with the speed
and agility of AWS

Cloud IT:

Establish governance



Govern at scale with
central controls

introducing ...AWS Control Tower



Enable



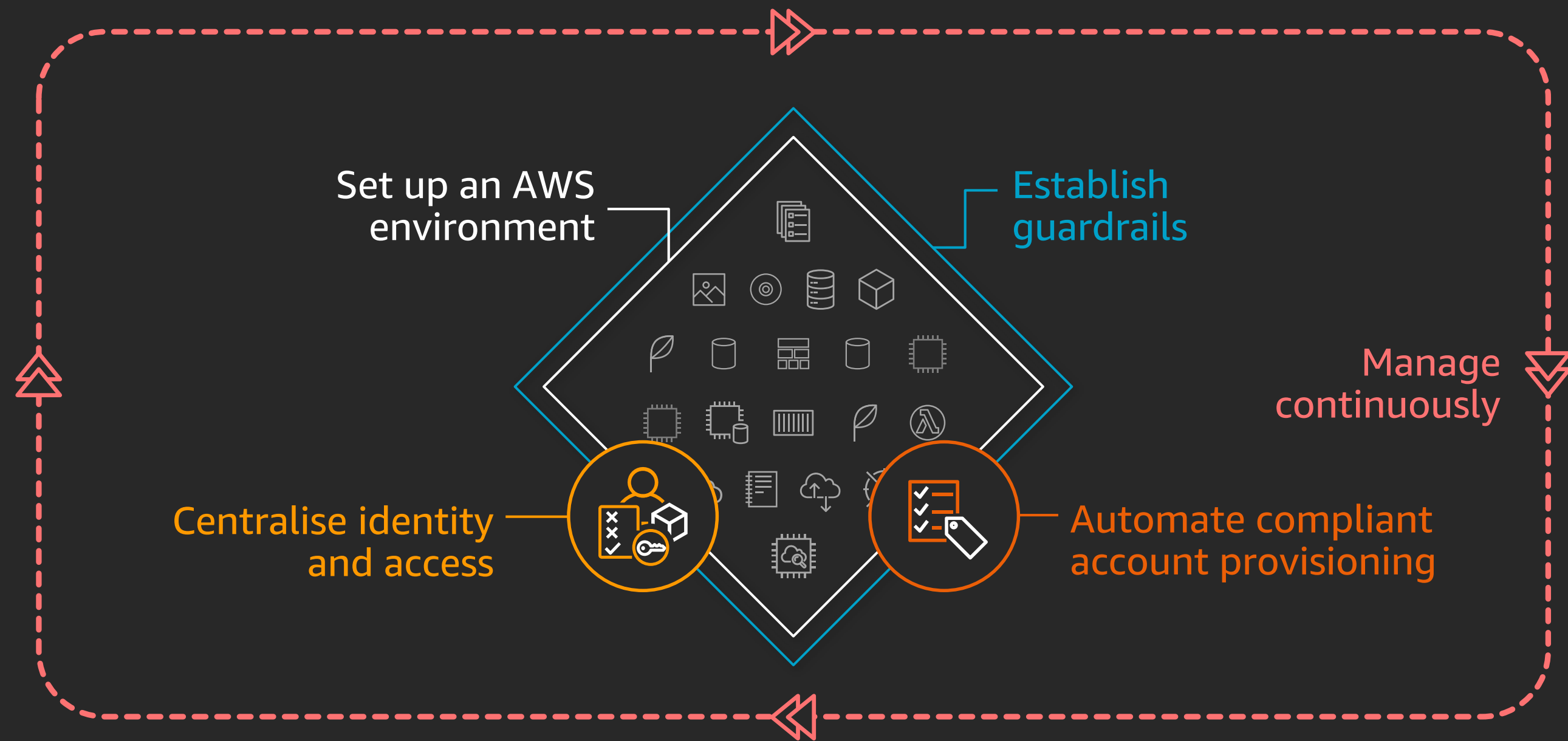
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Business agility + governance & control

Enable governance



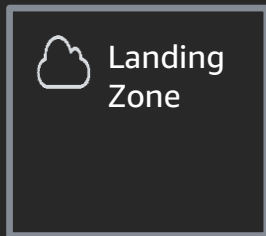
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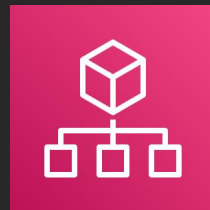
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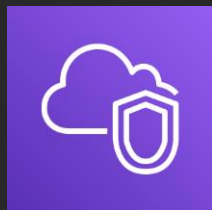
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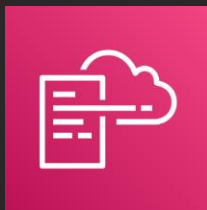
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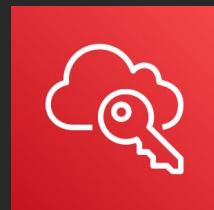
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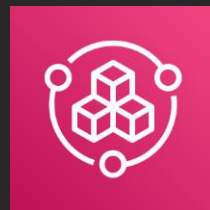
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CloudFormation

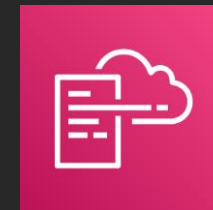


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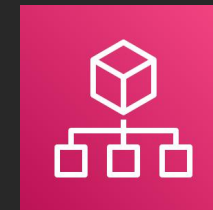


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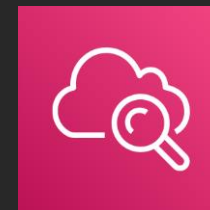
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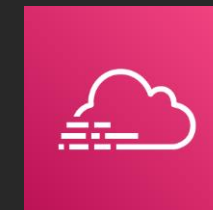
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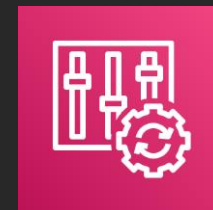
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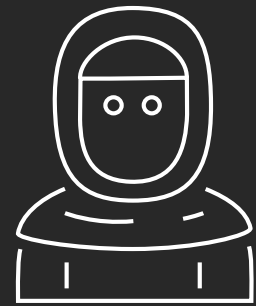


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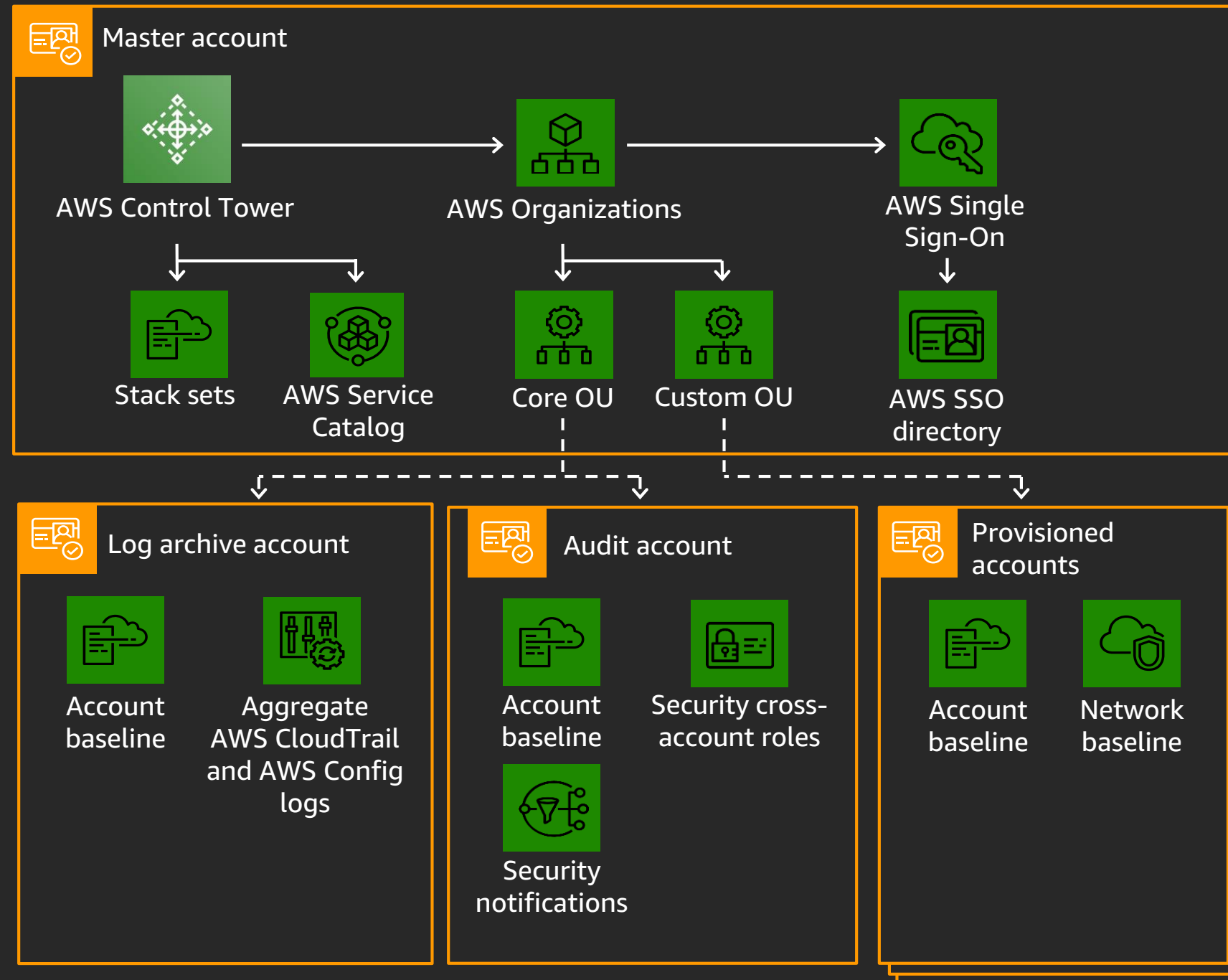


AWS Config

AWS Control Tower - set up an AWS landing zone



**Cloud IT
Admin**

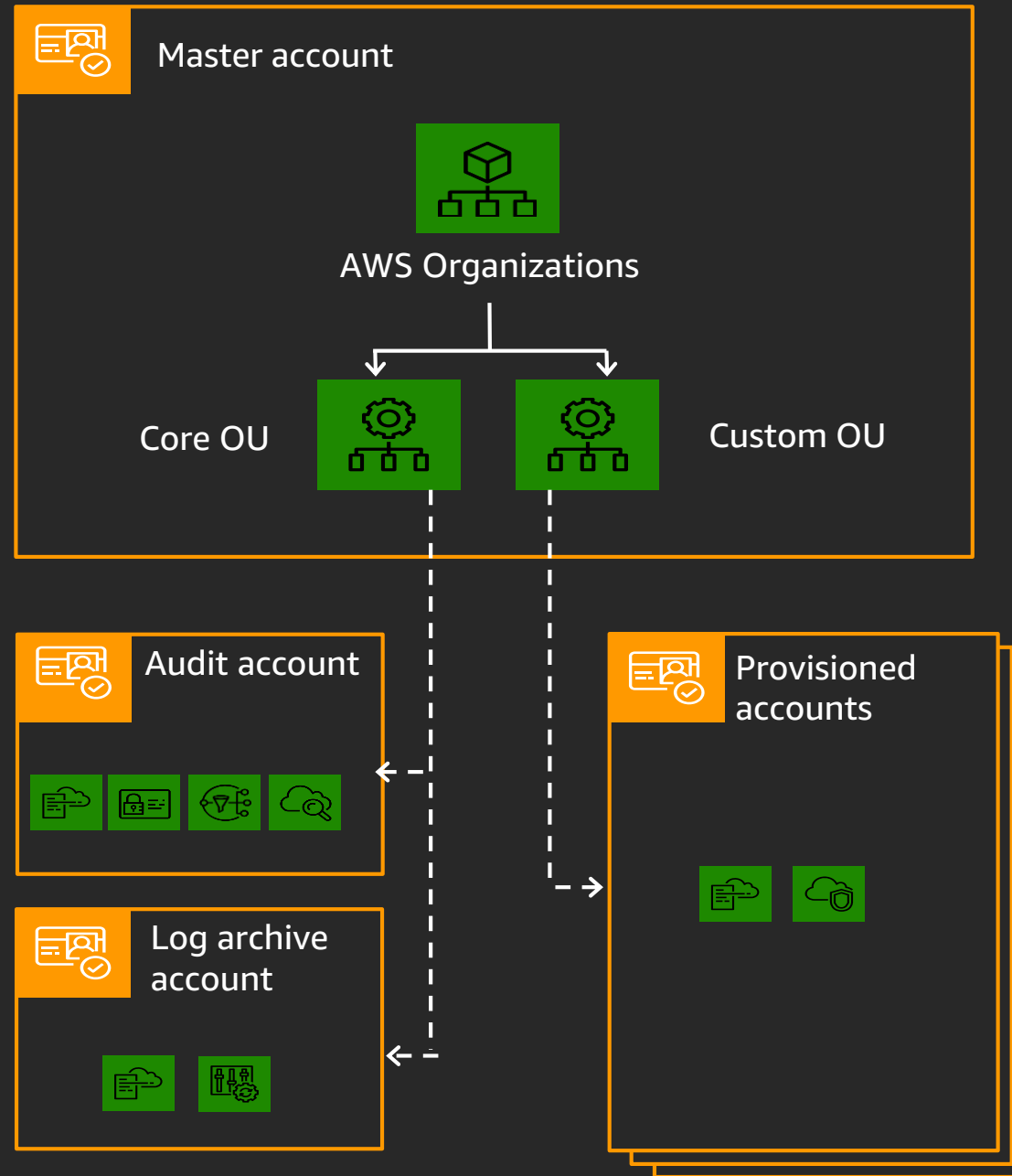


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Security & Compliance**

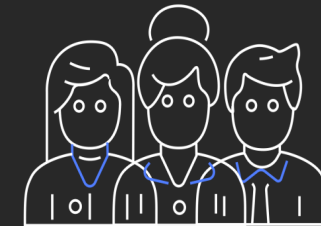


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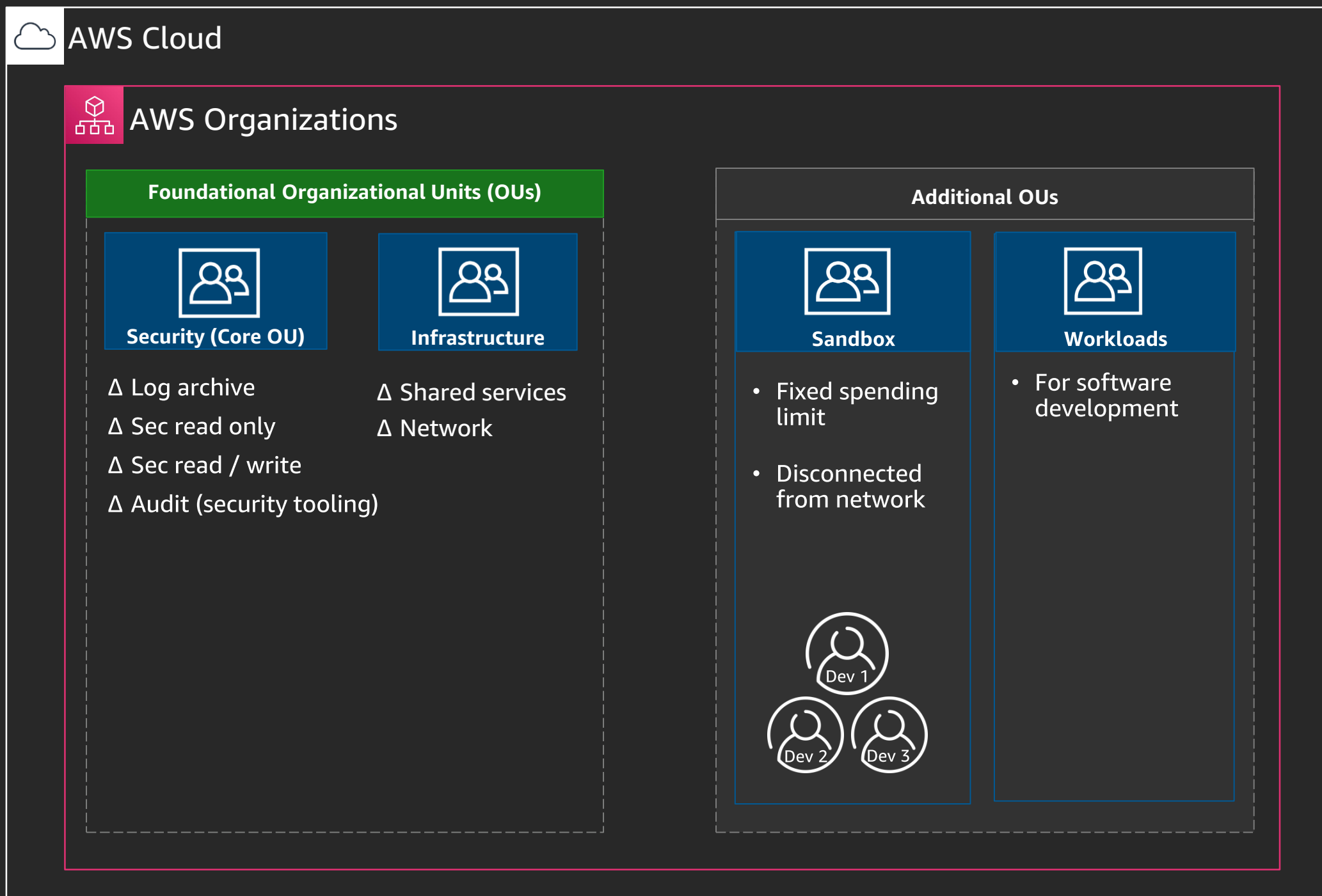
Multi-account architecture



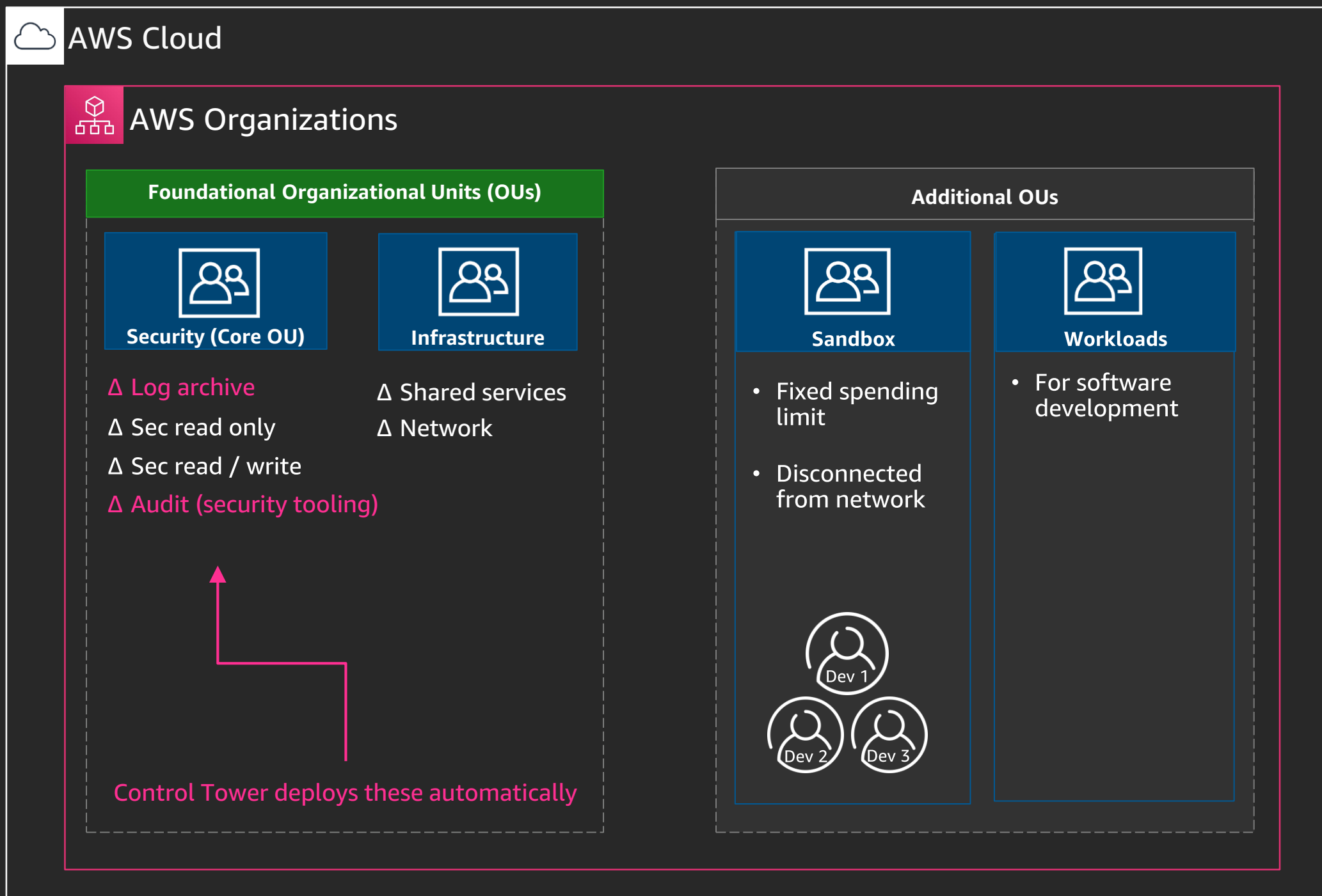
- **Baseline AWS Organizations setup:**
 - Core OU: AWS Control Tower baseline accounts (cannot change)
 - Custom OU: Your provisioned accounts to enable and organise your teams of **Builders**



Starter AWS multi-account framework



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High-level OU structure



AWS Cloud



AWS Organizations Master

Foundational Organizational Units (OU)



Security (Core OU)

- Δ Log archive
- Δ Sec read only
- Δ Sec break glass
- Δ Audit (security tooling)



Infrastructure

- Δ Shared services
- Δ Network

Additional OU



Sandbox

- Fixed spending limit
- Disconnected from network



Workloads

- For software development



Policy Staging

- Verify & test SCP changes



Suspended

- Account closures
- Tag account prior to moving



Individual Business Users

- For individual business users



Exceptions

- Customised security stance
- SCPs at account level
- Under greater scrutiny

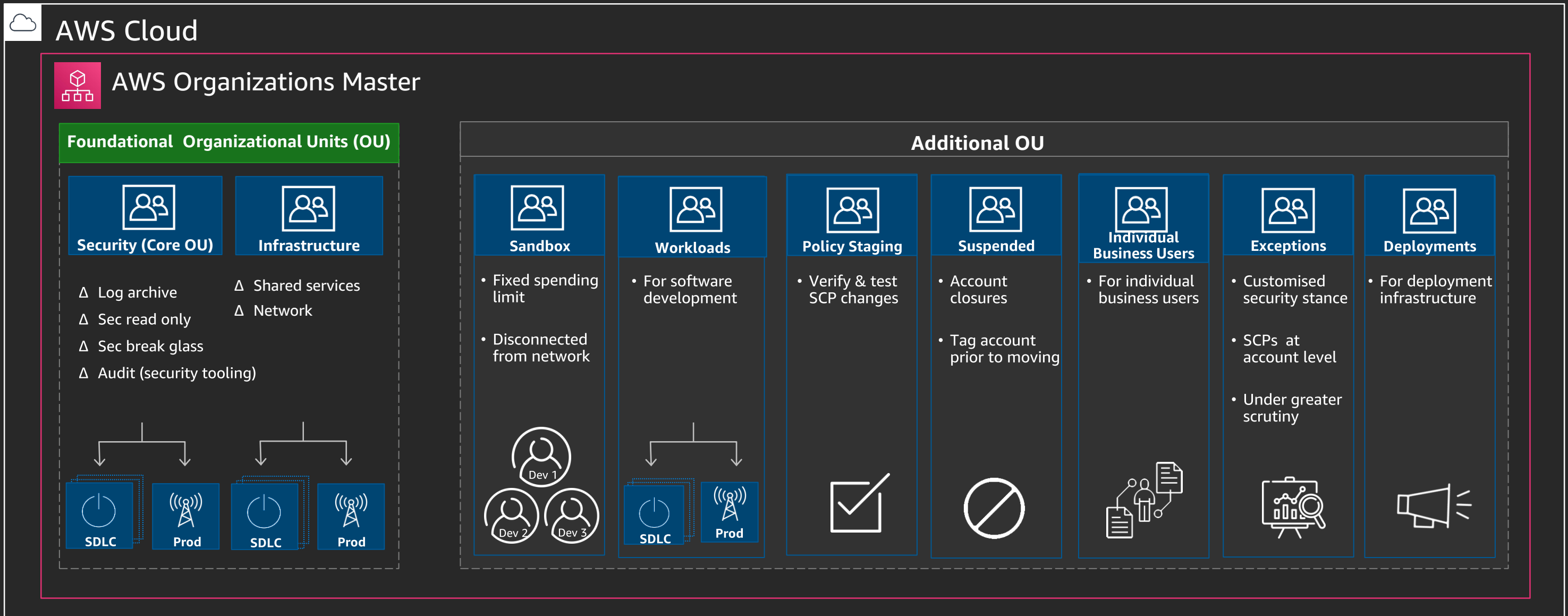


Deployments

- For deployment infrastructure



Recommended AWS multi-account framework



Centralise identity and access



- AWS SSO provides default directory for identity
- Preconfigured groups and permission sets

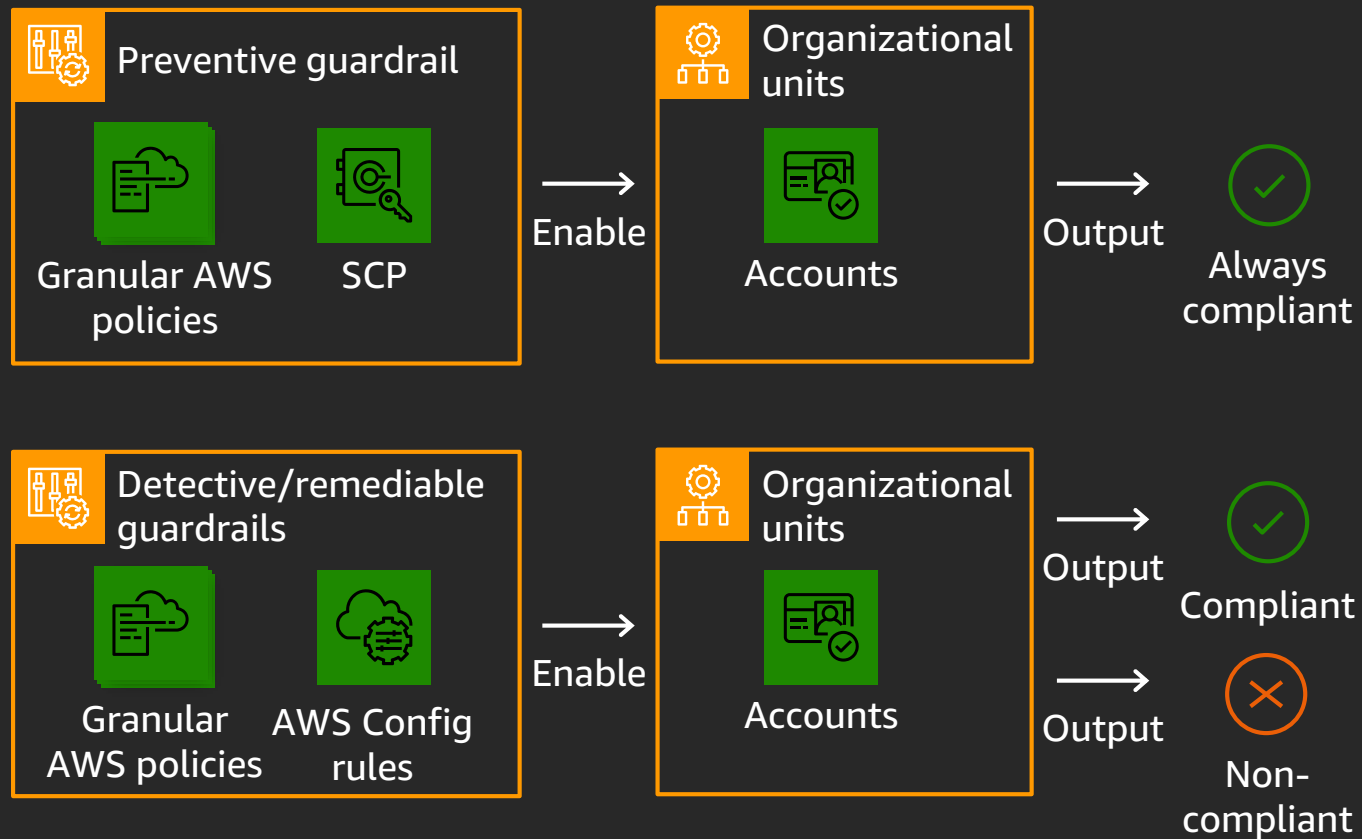


- Option to integrate with your managed or on-premises Active Directory (AD) using AWS Managed Microsoft AD
- Other integrations: Okta

Establish guardrails



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Guardrail examples



Goal/category	Example
IAM	Require MFA for root user
Data security	Disallow public read access to Amazon S3 buckets Disallow public access to Amazon RDS database instances
Network	Disallow internet connection via Remote Desktop Protocol (RDP) Disallow internet connection through SSH
Audit logs	Enable AWS CloudTrail and AWS Config
Monitoring	Disallow policy changes to log archive
AWS Control Tower setup	Disallow changes to IAM roles set up by AWS Control Tower
Operations	Disallow EBS volumes that are unattached to an EC2 instance

AWS Service Catalog: Secure self-service provisioning



Enable



Provision

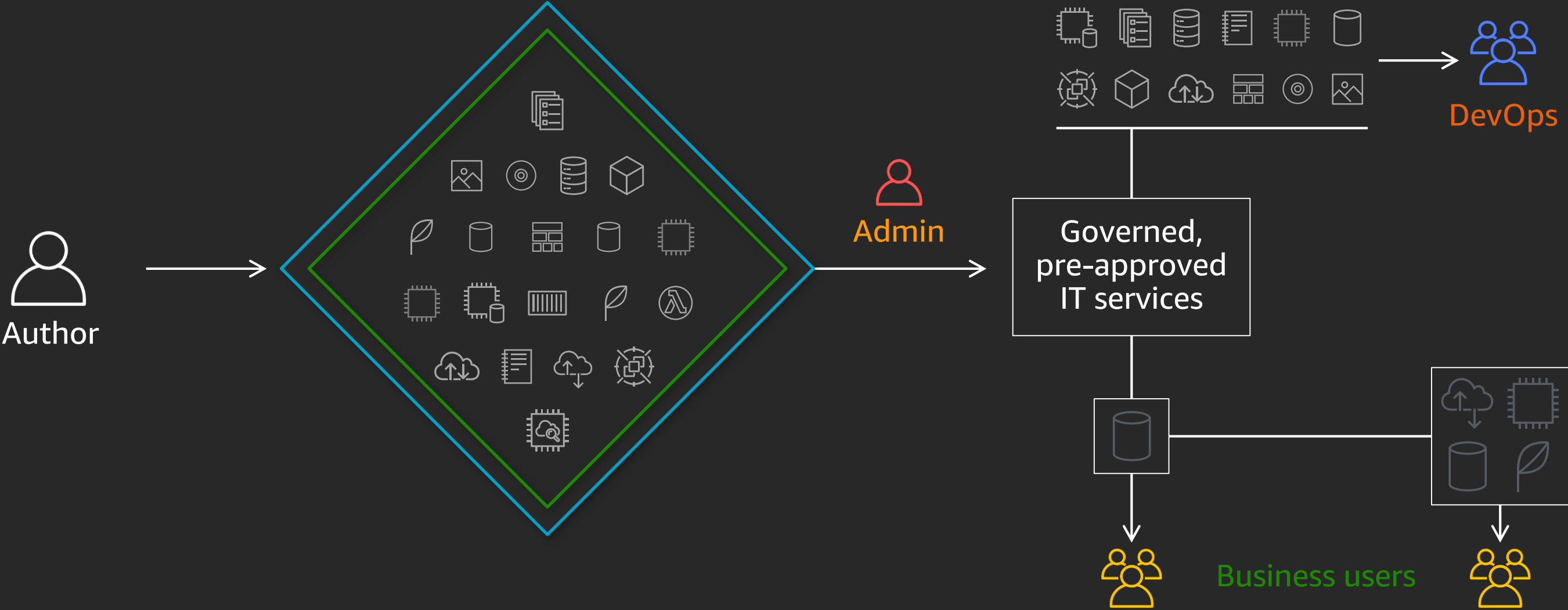


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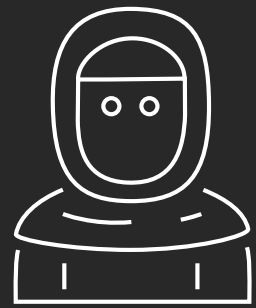
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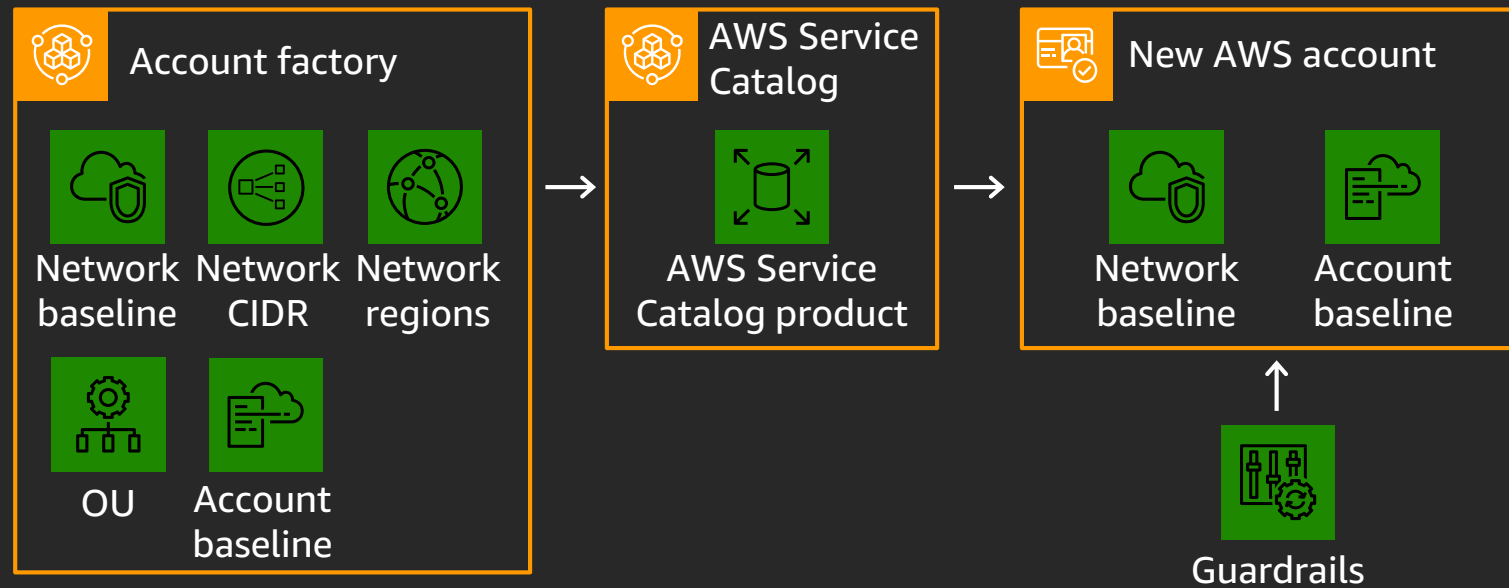
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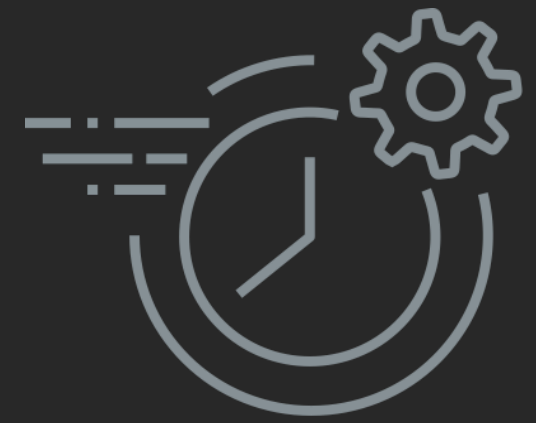


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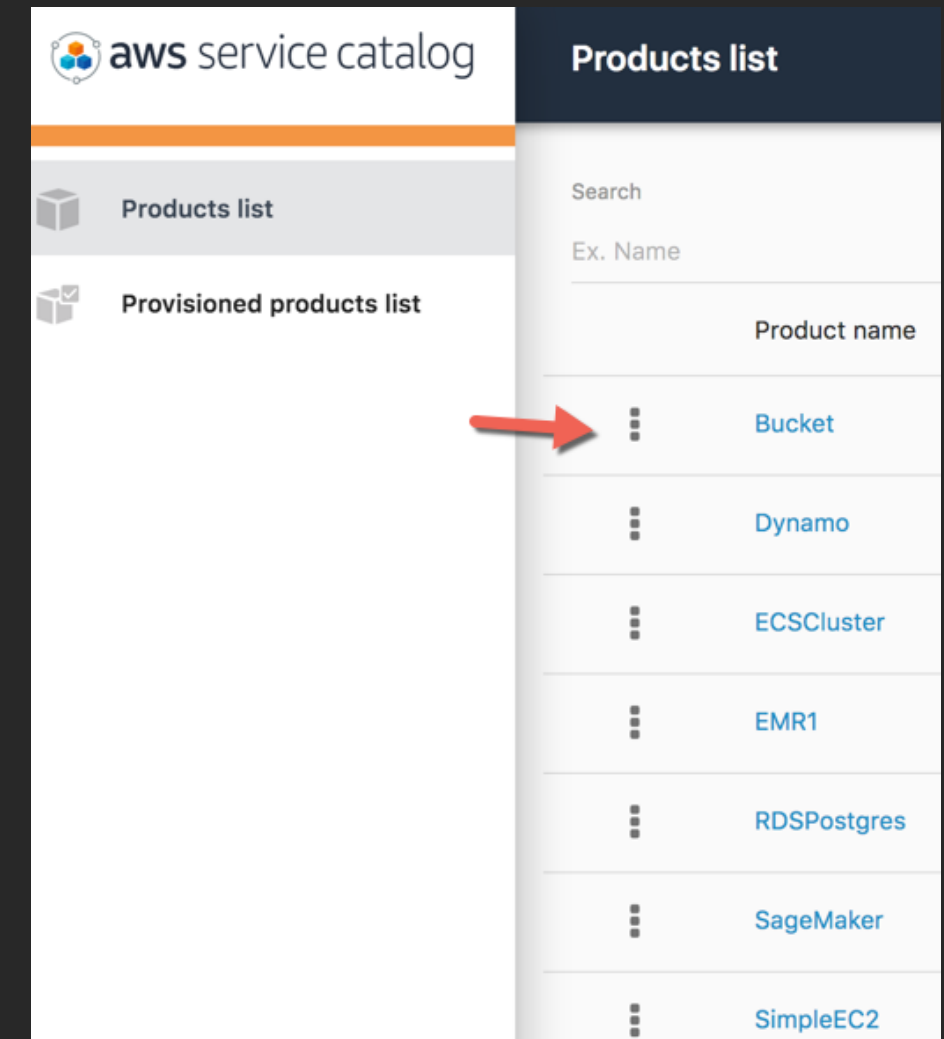


- Standardised account provisioning
- Automatic enforcement of guardrails
- Configurable network settings

Enable secure self-service provisioning



- Create best-practices templates with AWS CloudFormation or Terraform for commonly used products (Amazon EMR, Amazon EC2, etc.)
- Create AWS Service Catalog products in the master AWS Control Tower account
- Distribute products via AWS Organizations to all of your AWS Control Tower managed accounts



AWS Control Tower: Easiest way to set up and govern at scale



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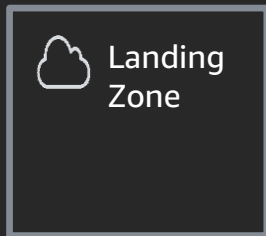
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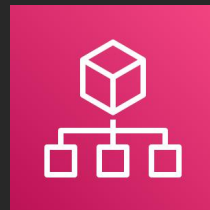
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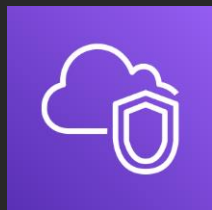
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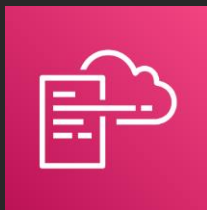
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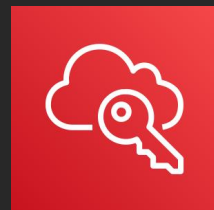
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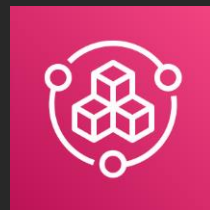
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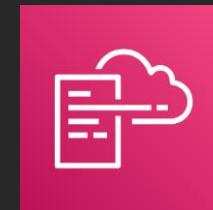


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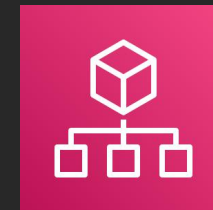


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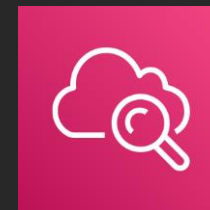
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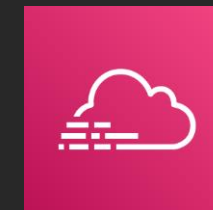
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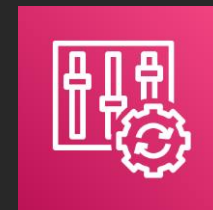
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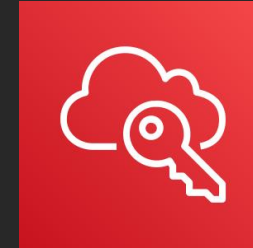


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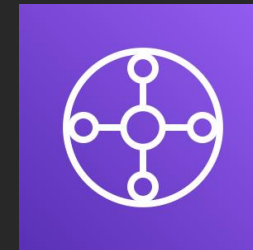
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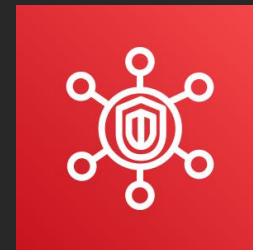
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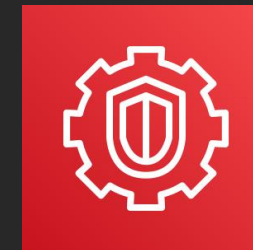
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AWS Security Hub



Amazon GuardDuty



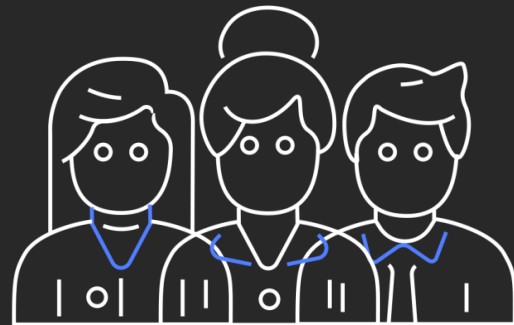
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Deep dive

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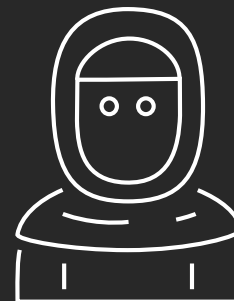
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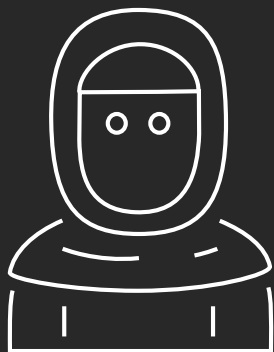
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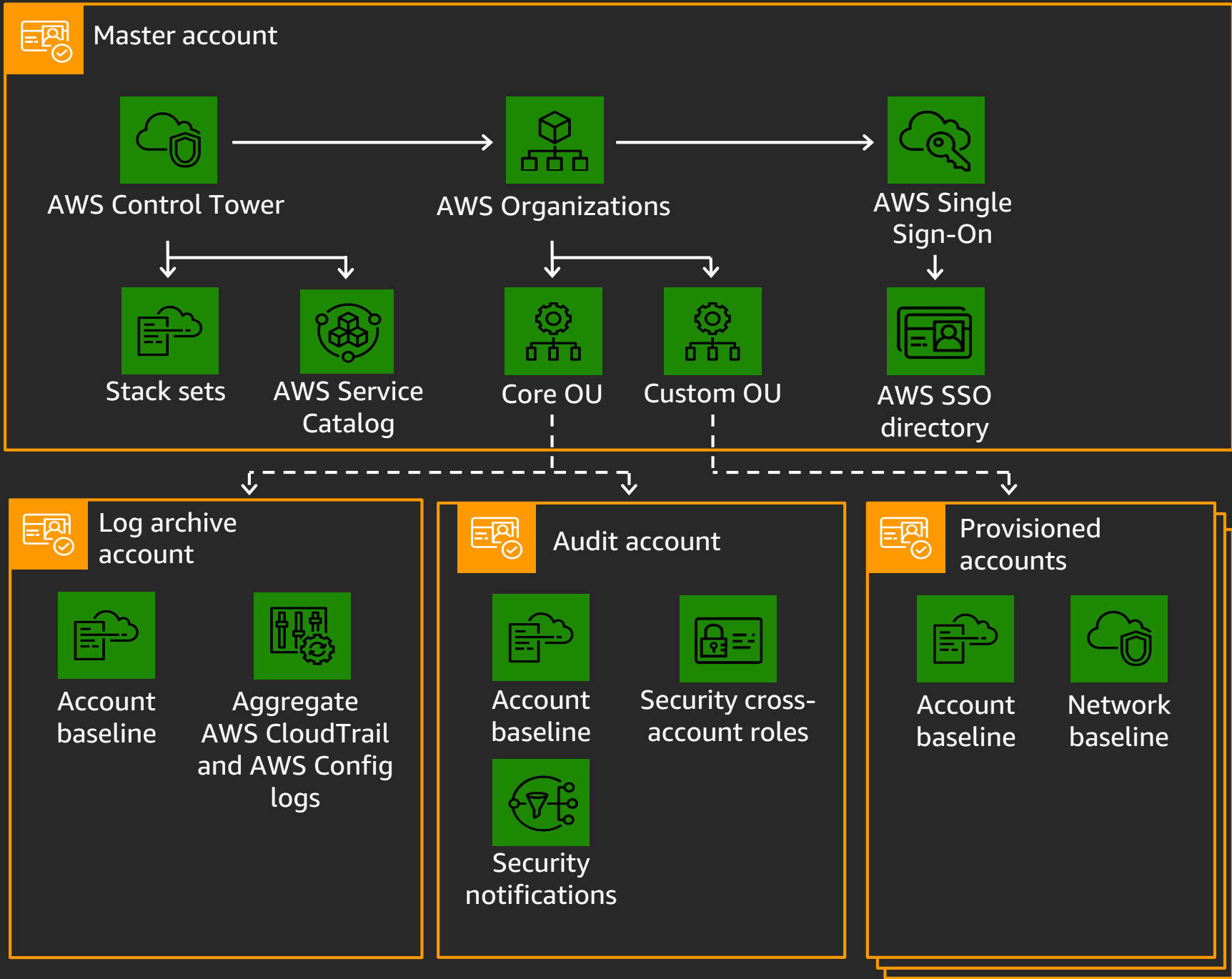
“We are completely new to AWS.
Where do we start?!”

Demo: Provision AWS Control Tower landing zone and dashboard tour

Set up an AWS Landing Zone



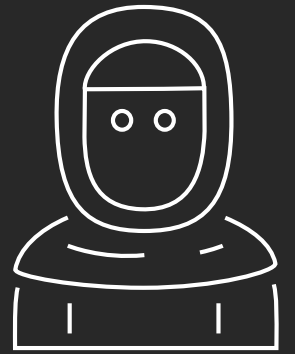
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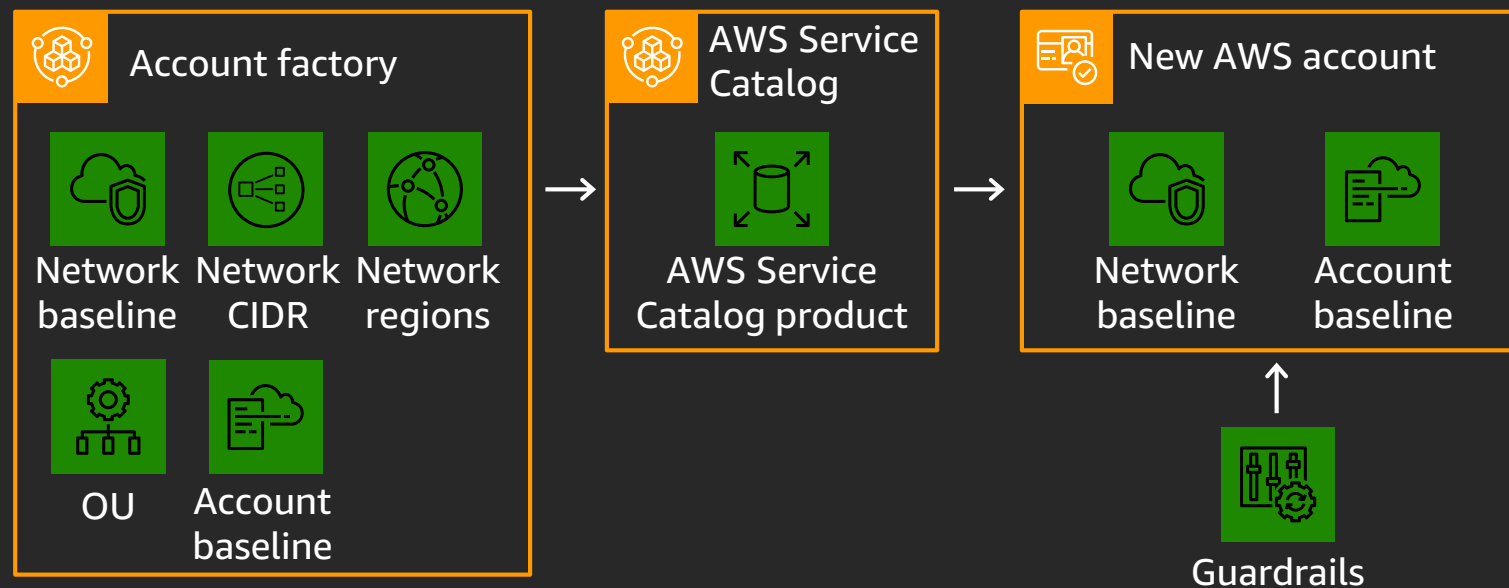
“How do I provision new AWS accounts and provide access?”

Demo: Provision new user and AWS account

Automate compliant account provisioning



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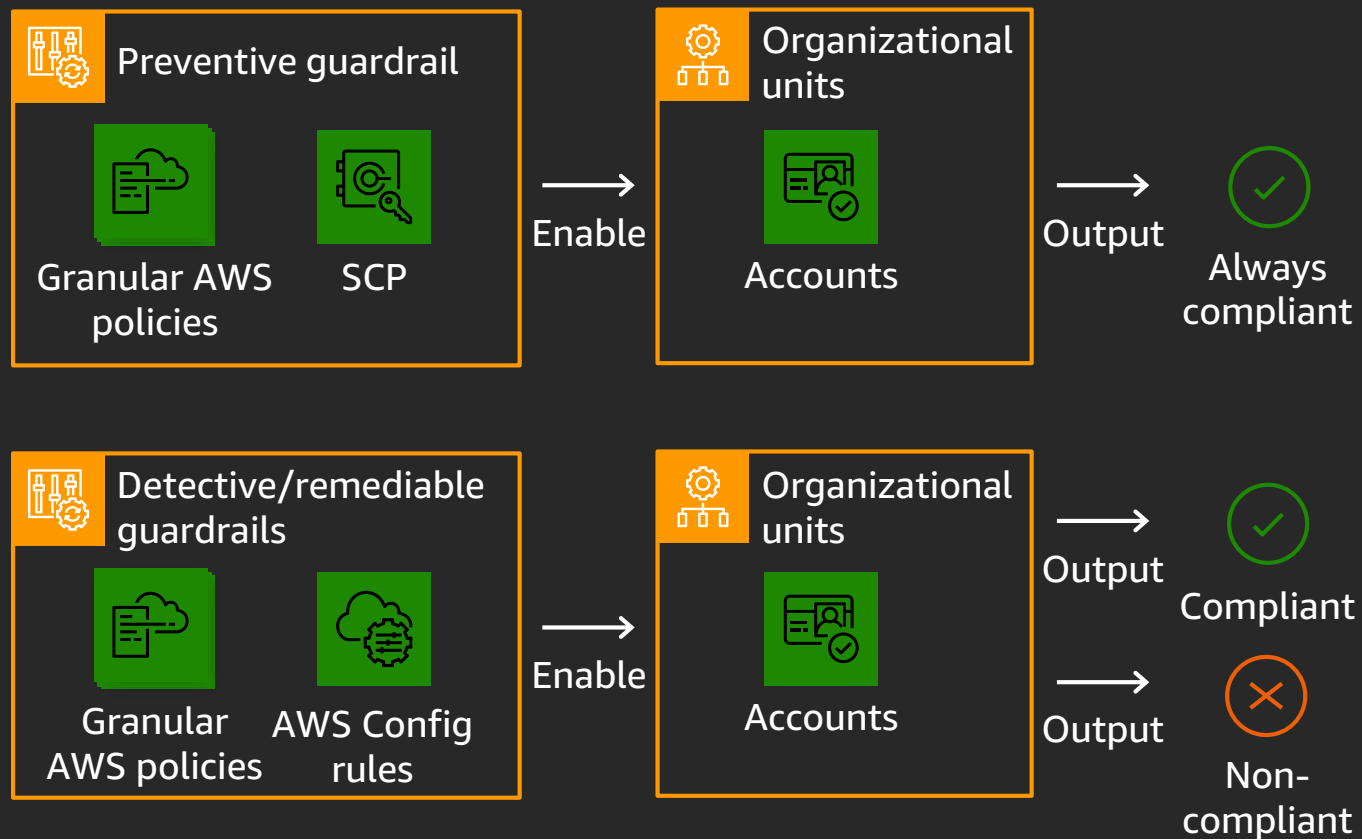
“I want to ensure we are secure
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“Is there an easy way to deploy web servers so I can start testing quickly?”

Demo: Enabling Builders

landing zone vs AWS Landing Zone vs AWS Control Tower

landing zone, AWS Landing Zone, AWS Control Tower

landing zone:

- Secure pre-configured environment for your AWS presence
- Scalable and flexible
- Enables agility and innovation

AWS Landing Zone solution:

- Implementation of a landing zone based on multi-account strategy guidance

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AWS Control Tower:

- AWS service version of AWS Landing Zone

Recommendations

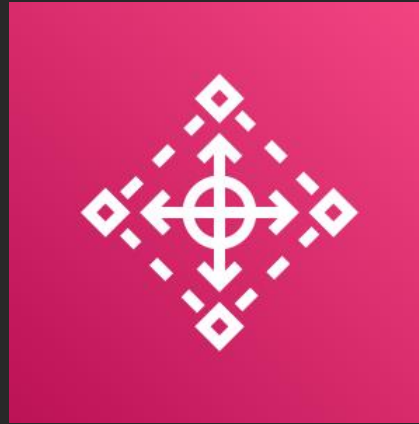
New customer:

- Recommend AWS Control Tower
- Use out-of-box guardrails and blueprints
- Use AWS Control Tower Account Factory
- Enhance your landing zone with AWS Control Tower integrations and customizations

Current AWS Landing Zone (ALZ) customers:

- New version will allow future upgrade
- Replaces ALZ code with AWS Control Tower functionality
- Extensibility framework with AWS Control Tower

Summary



AWS Control Tower



Enable



Provision



Operate

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Business agility + governance & control

Thank you!