

DEPENDENCY

MOVEMENT

ECONOMICS

OWNERSHIP

DESIGN - TIME

EXECUTION

LEGITIMACY

SURVIVABILITY

GOVERNANCE - TIME

Cloud Governance Is Replacing Cloud Architecture

The center of gravity moved. Here's where it went.



WHAT REVIEWS USED TO ASK

The old questions were about design.

- Can this scale?
- Is latency acceptable?
- Is the topology resilient?

THE “BEFORE”



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The real questions are about authority.

- Who can approve it?
- What happens if authority disappears?
- Can this decision survive audit?

THE “NOW”



Architecture decides once. Governance decides constantly.

ARCHITECTURE
DECISIONS

~10 / project

GOVERNANCE
DECISIONS

10,000+ / month

every deployment, every access grant,
evaluated against the authority model
in real time

As systems distribute, governance events outnumber architecture events by orders of magnitude.



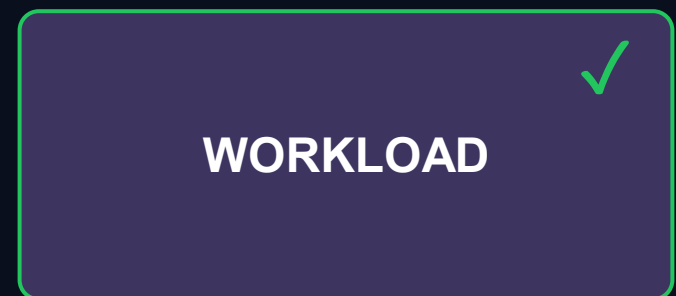
It's not that governance got more important.



It's that the governed surface grew faster than the designed surface ever did.

THE CONSEQUENCE

**The workload survives the move.
The governance doesn't.**



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The migration succeeds. The governance was never a property of the workload — it was a property of the platform, and the platform stayed behind.



INDEPENDENT CORROBORATION

Two pillars. Same failure.

78%

of leaders aren't confident they'd pass an
independent AI governance audit within 90 days



Capability outran governance — in AI infrastructure, same as cloud.

Source: Grant Thornton 2026 AI Impact Survey

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**Architecture still matters.
It's just not judged the same way
anymore.**

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