

**WEBINAR**

# Introducing HiveMQ Cloud



**HIVEMQ**



# WELCOME

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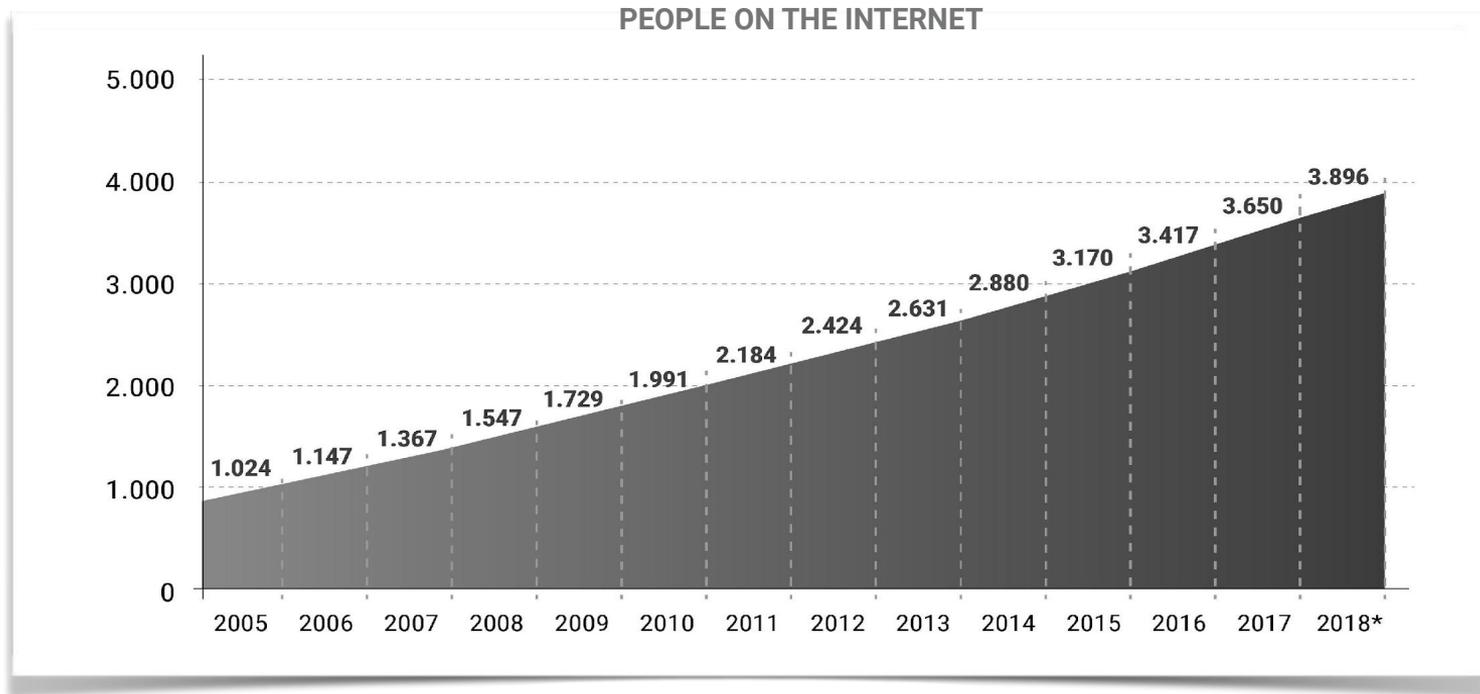


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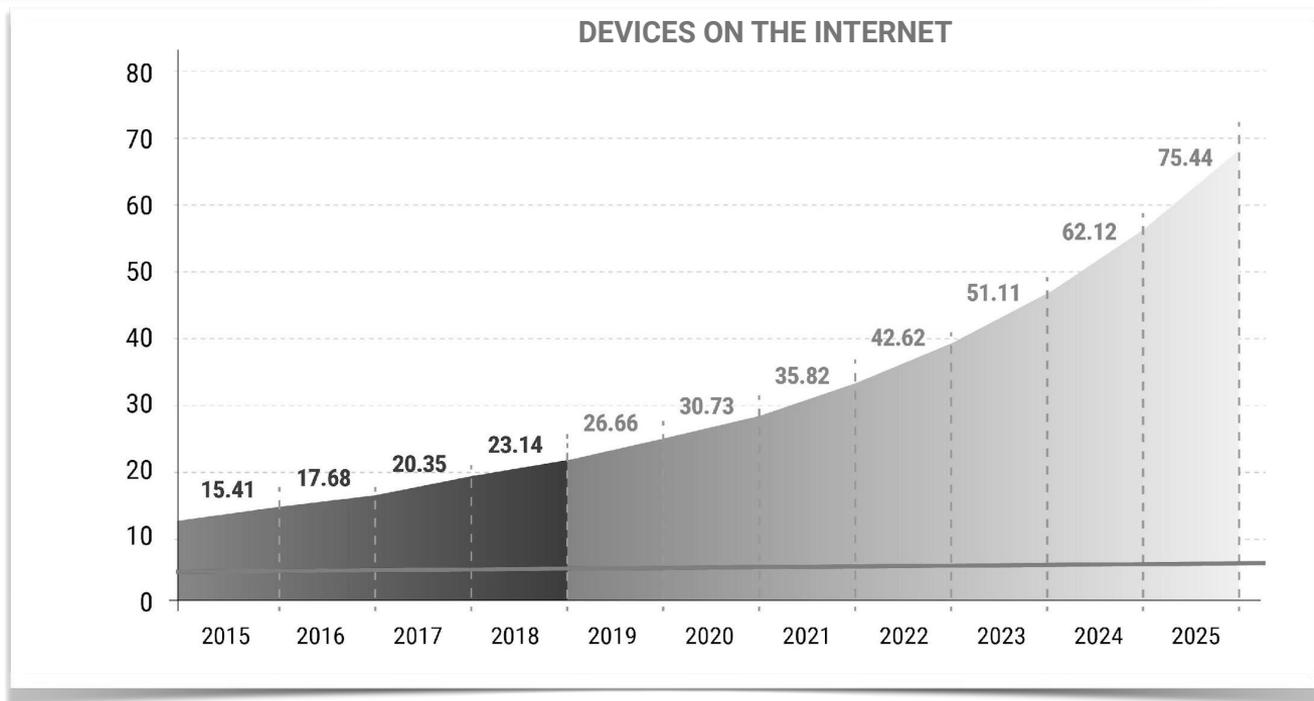
A night city street with light trails and buildings. The scene is illuminated by warm yellow streetlights, creating a sense of motion and urban activity. The background shows several multi-story buildings with lit windows, and the foreground features a road with white lane markings and a sidewalk. The overall atmosphere is one of a bustling, modern city at night.

As we speak **millions of things** are newly connected to the internet

# The Internet of Things is HUGE



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# Technical IoT Challenges

# Challenge 1 - Scalability



- Enterprise IT infrastructure is **not suitable** for IoT
- **Massive scalability required** for millions of devices

## Challenge 2 - Instant Data Delivery required

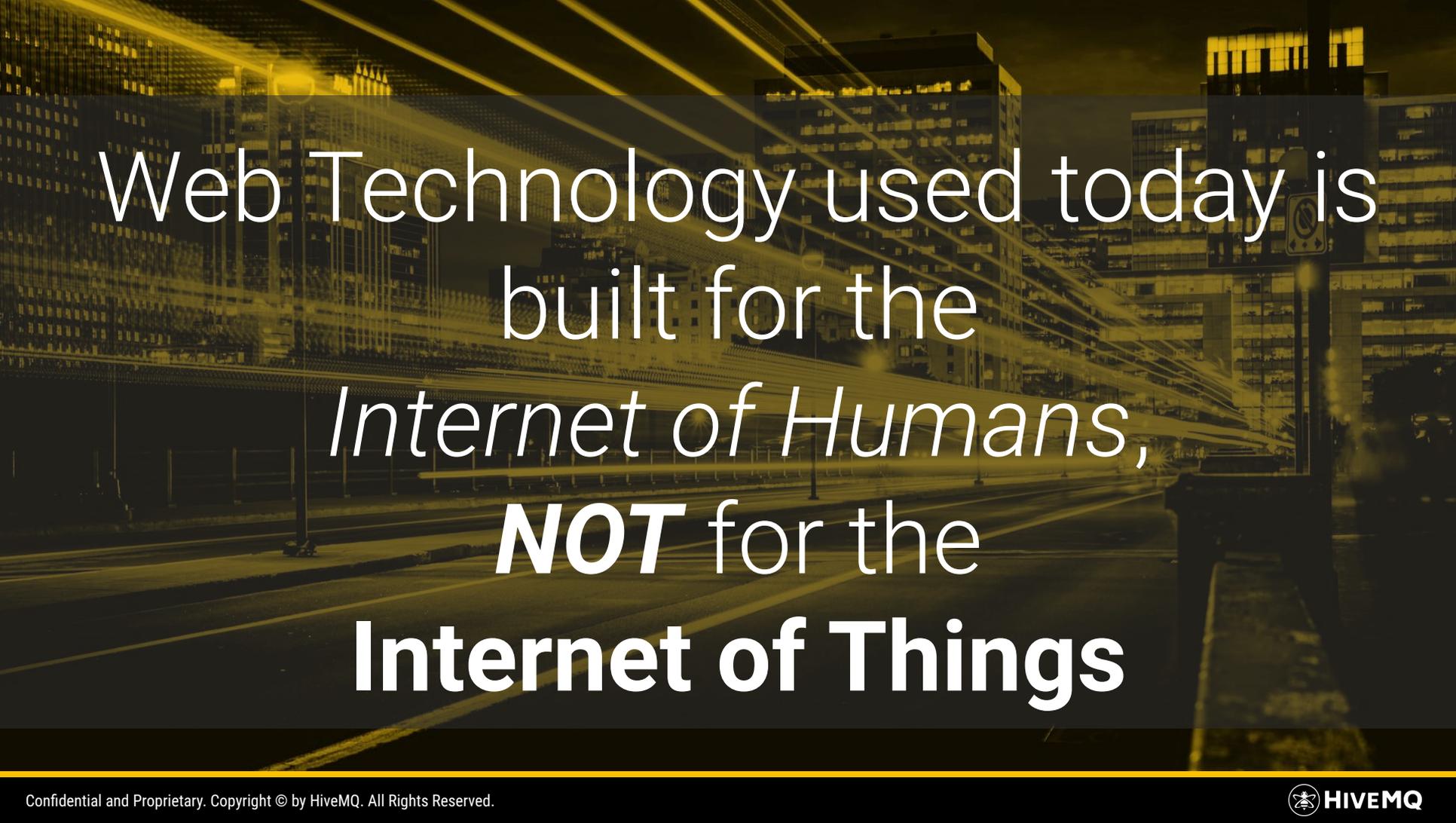


- **End customers are used to *instant user experiences*** like instant messaging with WhatsApp
- **Critical systems need reliable and *instant data transfer*** like manufacturing systems

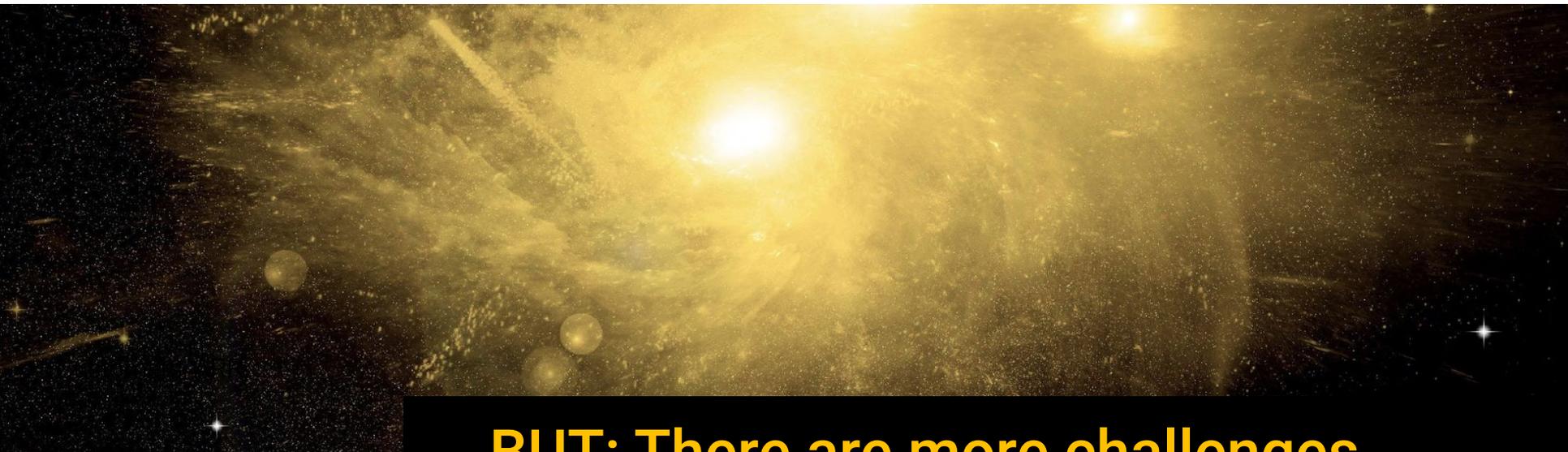
## Challenge 3 - Unreliable Networks



- **Customer experience for IoT apps and devices must be excellent even when internet connectivity is flaky**
  - Especially for moving “devices” like cars
- **Devices and apps must be easy to program and maintain, complexity should be in the cloud not on the device**
  - Cloud is easier to update than physical devices



Web Technology used today is  
built for the  
*Internet of Humans,*  
**NOT** for the  
**Internet of Things**



**BUT: There are more challenges**

# Challenge 1: Flexibility



- **IoT Devices and Services may change and evolve in the future**
  - Important to add functionality easily without changing device to cloud communication protocols
- **Time to market is critical and lean/agile principles require flexibility on cloud and device side**
  - Secure bidirectional communication simplifies send/receive behavior changes

## Challenge 2: Investment protection



- **IoT data communication enables digitization, new services and new business models**  
→ But how to make sure I'm not tied to my cloud vendor?
- **Vendor lock-in for device-to-cloud communication is risky because of investment protection**  
→ What if my vendor doesn't support my devices anymore? What If I'm forced to update devices in the field?



We need **open standards**  
designed for the  
**Internet of Things**

The logo for MQTT, featuring a square icon with three white curved lines on a black background, followed by the text "MQTT" in a bold, black, sans-serif font.

# What Is MQTT?



- (I)IoT Messaging Protocol
- Created for extreme scale and instant data exchange
- Publish/Subscribe based architecture
- Easy on the device side, pushes all implementation complexity to the server
- Built for machines (binary, data agnostic)
- Designed for reliable communication over unreliable channels

# MQTT Use Cases

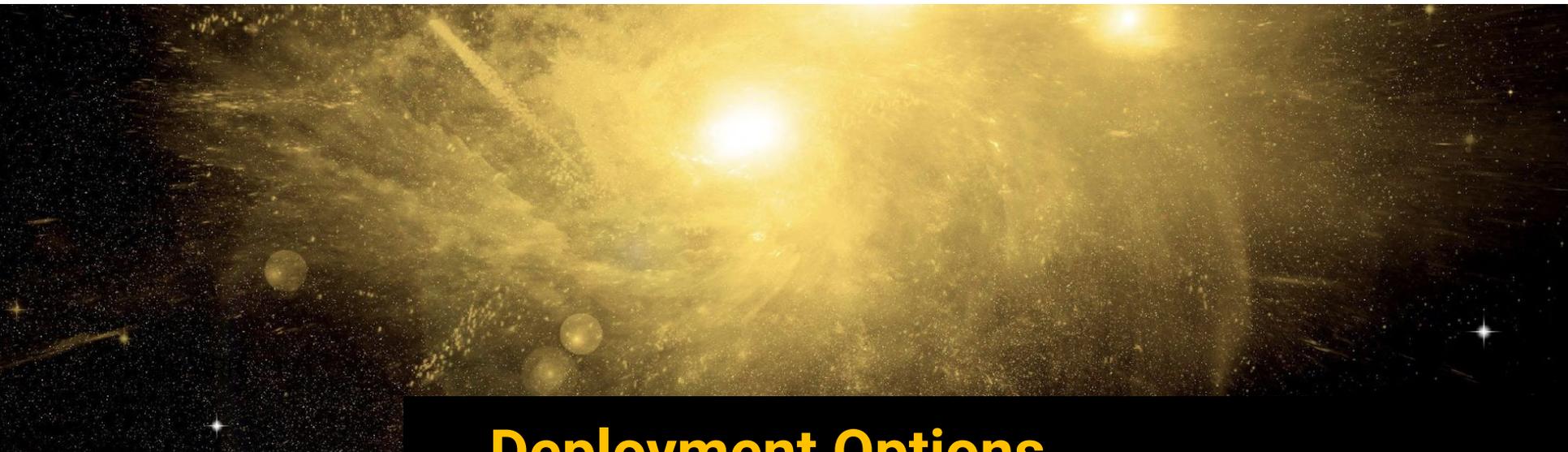


- Connected Car
- Industry 4.0 / IIoT
- Logistics / Transportation
- (IoT) Messaging Middleware
- Telecommunications

# MQTT Use Cases



- Push Communication
- Reliable Communication over unreliable networks
- Constrained Devices
- Low Bandwidth and High Latency
- Industrial Message Bus



# Deployment Options

# Options for MQTT Deployments



1. Proprietary Cloud Vendor

2. Self-hosted solution

# Self hosting an MQTT broker for IoT connectivity

**Proof of  
concepts are  
easy, but  
production is  
hard**

**Many start with HiveMQ CE or mosquitto**

→ Difficult to scale for big use cases

**Overwhelming complexity of managing the system**

→ Lot of technologies

→ New challenges like millions of open tcp connections

**Needs people and processes**

→ For running the system 24/7

**Scalability and availability**

→ Downtime affects ALL customers in MQTT systems  
due to centralized architecture

**Connecting external services**

→ Needs custom programming

# Risks when using cloud platform for IoT connectivity

## Cloud Services don't offer the MQTT ISO Standard

Only **subsets of the ISO standard protocol are supported** and MQTT can only be used in a very opinionated and **proprietary way**

**Azure IoT Hub** does not support the MQTT 5 specification and doesn't support all MQTT 3 features

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## Cloud vendor lock-in

## Azure IoT Hub - MQTT Restrictions and proprietary changes

# Communicate with your IoT hub using the MQTT protocol

10/12/2018 • 15 minutes to read •  +26

IoT Hub enables devices to communicate with the IoT Hub device endpoints using:

- **MQTT v3.1.1** on port 8883
- MQTT v3.1.1 over WebSocket on port 443.

IoT Hub is not a full-featured MQTT broker and does not support all the behaviors specified in the MQTT v3.1.1 standard. This article describes how devices can use supported MQTT behaviors to communicate with IoT Hub.

Source: <https://docs.microsoft.com/en-us/azure/iot-hub/iot-hub-mqtt-support>

# AWS IoT - MQTT Restrictions and proprietary changes

Although the AWS IoT message broker implementation is based on MQTT version 3.1.1, it deviates from the specification as follows:

- In AWS IoT, subscribing to a topic with QoS 0 means a message is delivered zero or more times. A message might be delivered more than once. Messages delivered more than once might be sent with a different packet ID. In these cases, the DUP flag is not set.
- AWS IoT does not support publishing and subscribing with QoS 2. The AWS IoT message broker does not send a PUBACK or SUBACK when QoS 2 is requested.
- When responding to a connection request, the message broker sends a CONNACK message. This message contains a flag to indicate if the connection is resuming a previous session.
- When a client subscribes to a topic, there might be a delay between the time the message broker sends a SUBACK and the time the client starts receiving new matching messages.
- The MQTT specification provides a provision for the publisher to request that the broker retain the last message sent to a topic and send it to all future topic subscribers. AWS IoT does not support retained messages. If a request is made to retain messages, the connection is disconnected.
- The message broker uses the client ID to identify each client. The client ID is passed in from the client to the message broker as part of the MQTT payload. Two clients with the same client ID are not allowed to be connected concurrently to the message broker. When a client connects to the message broker using a client ID that another client is using, the new client connection is accepted and the previously connected client is disconnected."
- On rare occasions, the message broker might resend the same logical PUBLISH message with a different packet ID.
- The message broker does not guarantee the order in which messages and ACK are received.

Source: <https://docs.aws.amazon.com/iot/latest/developerguide/mqtt.html>

# Risks when using cloud platforms for IoT connectivity

## Unpredictable Pricing

- **May change at any time** for most cloud vendors (including AWS and Azure)
- **Usually consists of many variables** (connections per hours / messages with arbitrary counting decisions / traffic / ...)
- Distinction between incoming and outgoing traffic and different MQTT packet types
- **Service Integrations with other services usually also adds more variables**
- Pricing for PoCs extremely low, but **actual production workload is expensive**

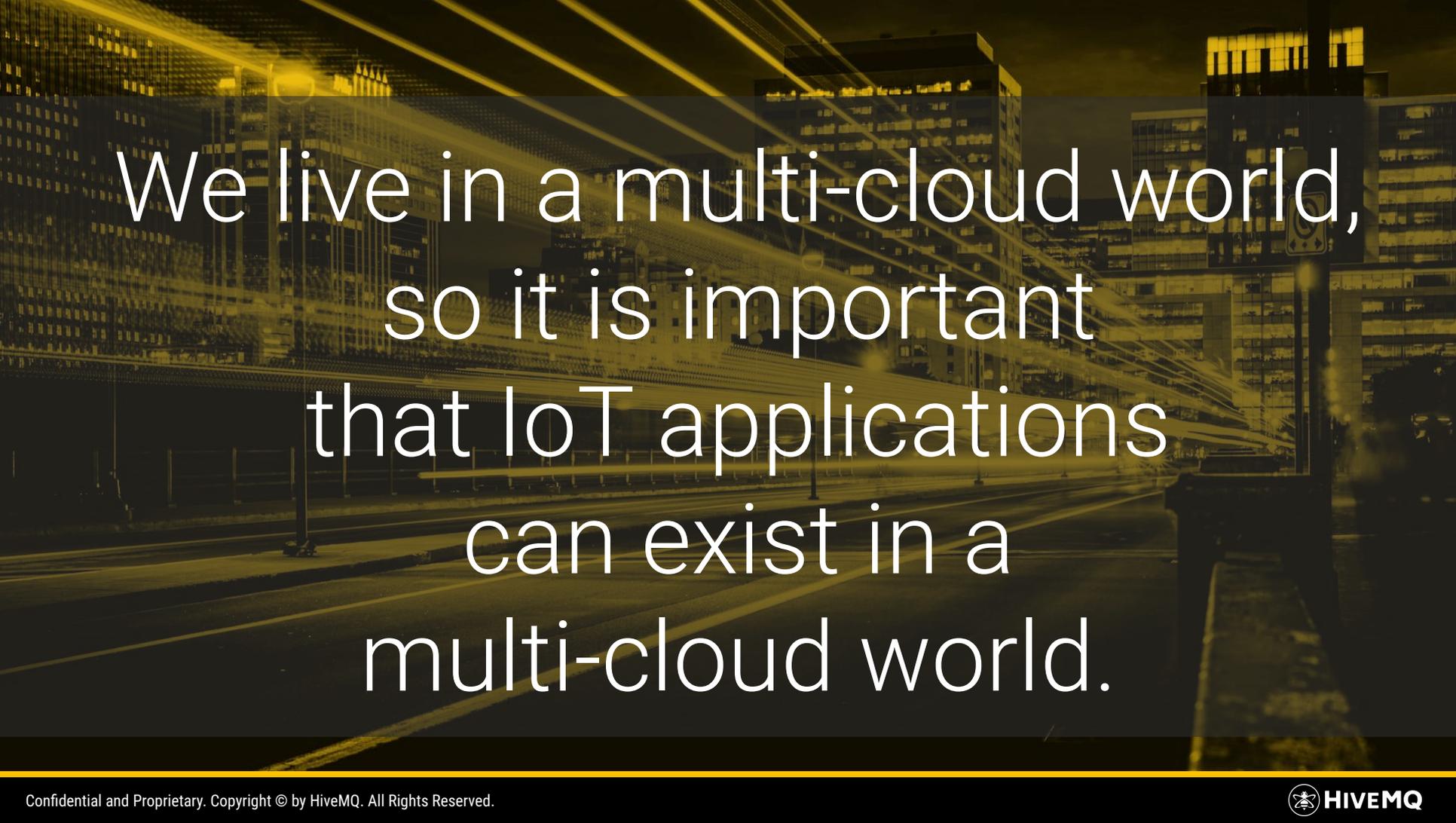


**Hard to calculate costs upfront**



# MQTT 5 Support





We live in a multi-cloud world,  
so it is important  
that IoT applications  
can exist in a  
multi-cloud world.

# How to Fix?

- Use a vendor that supports 100% of the MQTT ISO standard in a cloud agnostic way
- Usually the connectivity layer (MQTT Broker) is HOSTED at a cloud provider but not proprietary cloud-specific services are used
- Use a MQTT broker that is built for high-availability and has industry references
- Don't use open source software like mosquitto for mission-critical deployments (fine for testing, though)
- Use a vendor that can integrate with the value-added services of your cloud providers (like Device Management, ...)
- If it's mission critical, make sure the vendor has good SLAs and is responsive

# Operating an IoT infrastructure



Vendor lock-in when using big cloud providers



Hosting an MQTT broker needs expertise and resources

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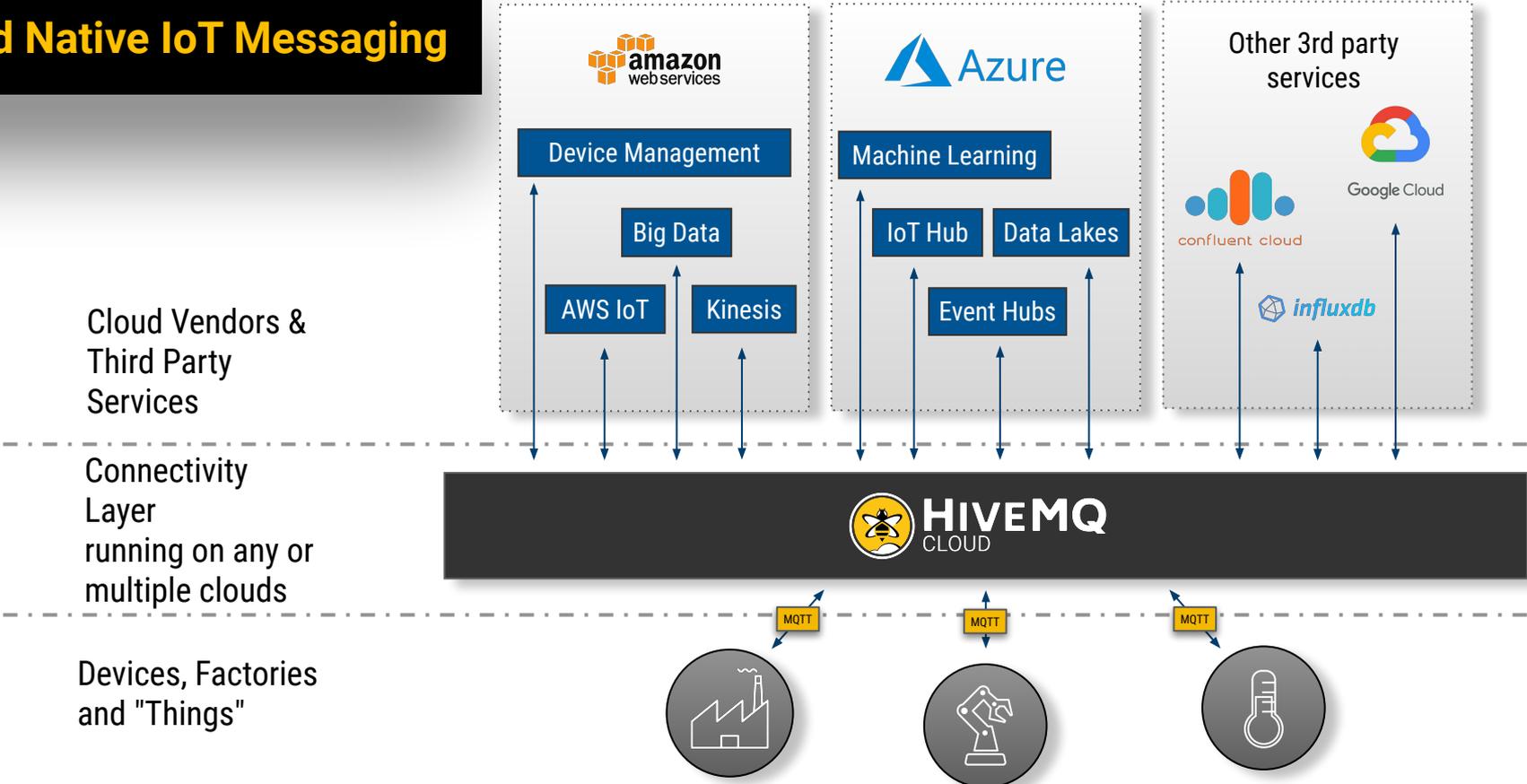
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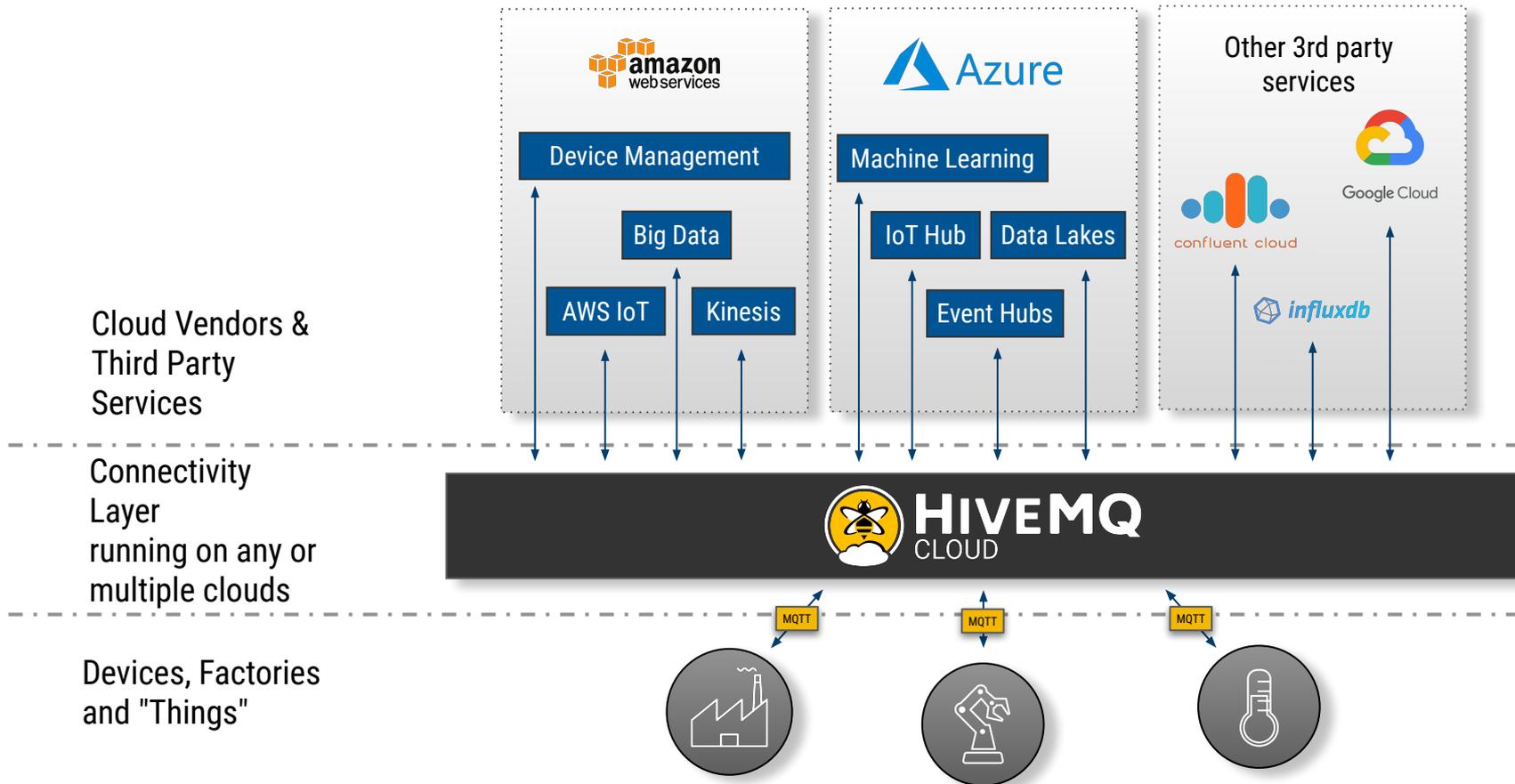
# Cloud Native IoT Messaging Service



1. Based on open standards
2. Transparent elastic scalability
3. Transparent fault tolerance & high availability
4. Cloud Agnostic
5. Data integration with other services

# Cloud Native IoT Messaging







*"As enterprises furiously adopt cloud as part of their overall architecture, **one of the choices they are forced to make will be whether to rely on services native to a single cloud vendor.***

*While these can seem more convenient in the short term, they have the **unfortunate side effect of locking buyers to a single platform.** This is why **customers are increasingly placing a high value on neutral, standards based software layers** that allow for seamless operation across different cloud providers.*

*This is, in essence, what HiveMQ Cloud is built for."*

- **Stephen O'Grady**  
Principal Analyst at **RedMonk**



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# HiveMQ Cloud



# HIVEMQ

## CLOUD

Completely managed

Observability for IoT Devices

**Completely managed** MQTT broker service in the cloud with best in class third party integrations

Built for Production

Automatic Scalability & Reliability

Enterprise-grade Security

Integration with Best of breed third party services

Cloud agnostic

Predictable Pricing

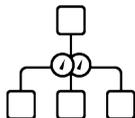
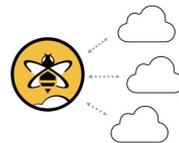
100% MQTT Specification compliant

# Built for Production



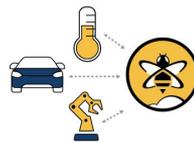
**Dedicated, highly available infrastructure**

**Deployed across 3 availability zones**



**Redundant load balancers**

**Connect hundreds of thousands of devices**



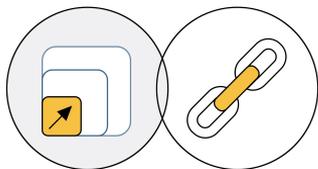
**High message throughput**

**24/7 professional HiveMQ support**



# Automatic Scalability & Reliability

**Automatically scales to meet the demands  
of your devices**



**Unique clustering technology**

**Automatically managed cluster nodes**

# Enterprise-Grade Security



**TLS secured communication**

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**MQTT client authentication**

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**HiveMQ Control Center user authentication**



# 100% MQTT Specification Compliant



**100% MQTT compliant to all MQTT protocol versions:**

- MQTT 5
- MQTT 3.1.1
- MQTT 3.1

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## **Support of all MQTT Features, like**

- All Quality of Service (QoS)
- Shared Subscriptions
- User Properties
- Retained Messages
- Persistent Sessions
- ...



# Observability for IoT Devices

**Monitor each HiveMQ Cloud cluster with the  
HiveMQ Control Center in real time**

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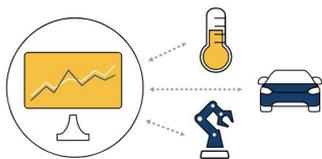
**Client overview and detail cluster view  
for each client session**

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**Advanced analytics of irregular behaviour**

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**Monitoring the health of the cluster**



# Predictable Pricing

## BASIC HOURLY PRICE:

\$ 7.50 per hour

## ADDITIONAL DATA:

\$ 0.15 per GB



## HIVEMQ Cloud PRICING INCLUDES:

- Dedicated infrastructure
- 3 different data centers
- 100% MQTT specification compliant
- 1 TB data traffic free
- 7/24 world-class HiveMQ support

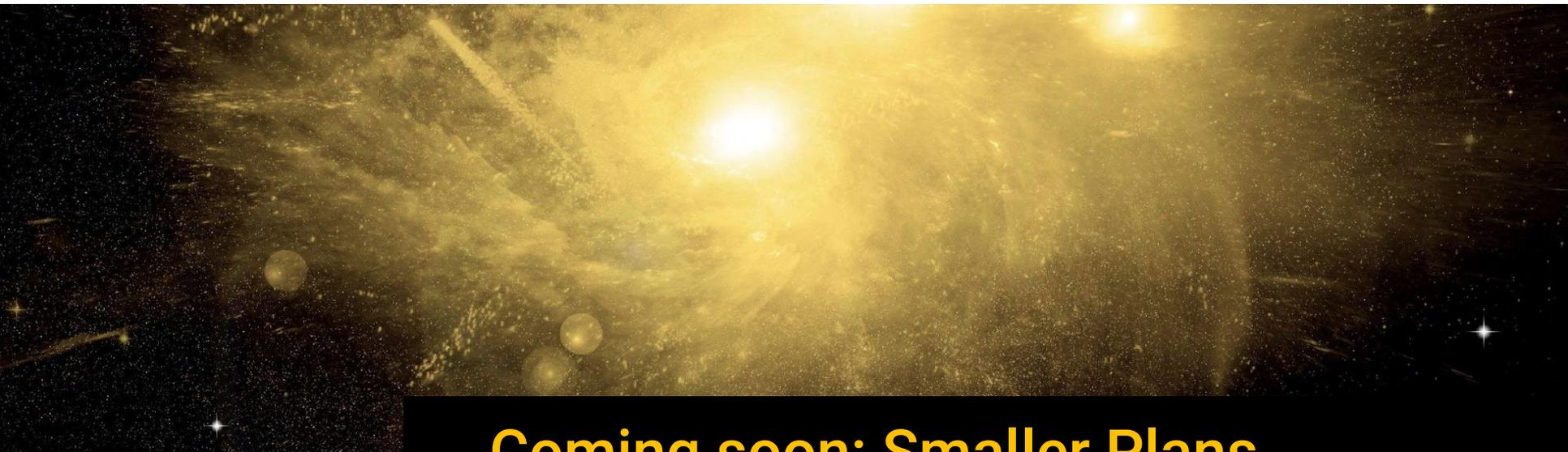
Take a Look



# HIVEMQ DEMO

CLOUD





**Coming soon: Smaller Plans**

# Choose Your Location

Support for all big cloud providers



Google Cloud



Support for multiple regions



# Third Party Integrations



External authentication providers

Kafka / Confluent Cloud



Cloud Provider Services (like Device Management)

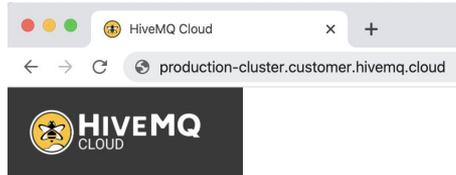
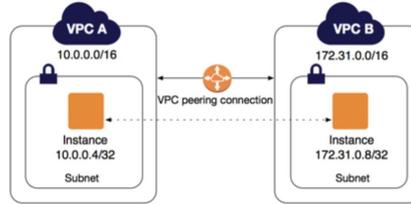
Other Best of Breed Services



*Connect once, Integrate everywhere*

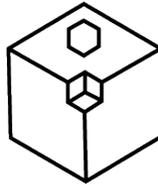
# Coming Soon...

## VPC Peering



## Custom URLs

## Custom + Pre-Built Extensions



# Resources



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[MQTT Essentials Series](#)



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