Azure Cloud Trial Start-Up Guide

Overview

A Blue Prism time limited trial is available on the Azure Marketplace. Blue Prism is offering a single VM based on Windows Server 2016 Datacenter, SQL Server 2016 Express Advanced, and Blue Prism 6.5 installed and configured. When the machine is provisioned and the user logs in a 30-day license from the previous Monday is installed, meaning users will have at least 3 weeks with the software.

This document will outline the steps to initially set-up the Azure VM and start the Blue Prism Trial. This process will take 10-15 minutes.

Prerequisites:

- Active Azure platform account: To use the Azure platform and its services an account is needed. This trial may incur Azure infrastructure costs. To create a free Microsoft Azure account visit: https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/free/

Instructions:

1. Find the Blue Prism Azure Trial on Azure Marketplace and, once ready, click *Get it now* to begin. This page will host Blue Prism's various offers. Currently only Cloud Trial is available now.
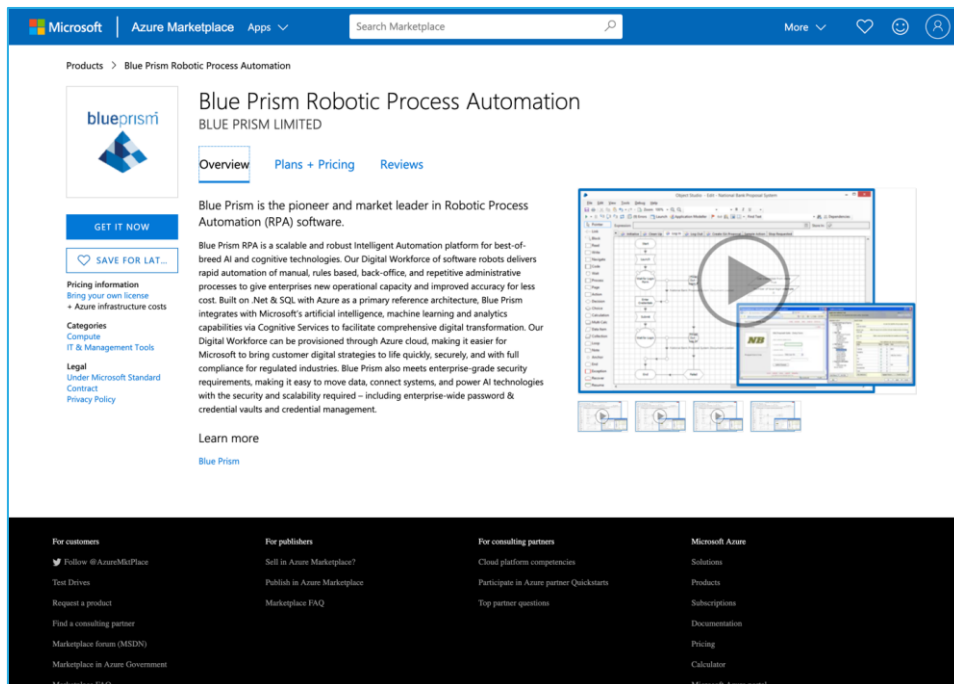

Figure 1: The Azure Marketplace Blue Prism listing.

2. Follow the prompt to sign in, create an account, or provide additional information. An account is needed to proceed with the Cloud Trial. Press *Continue* to move into the provisioning process.
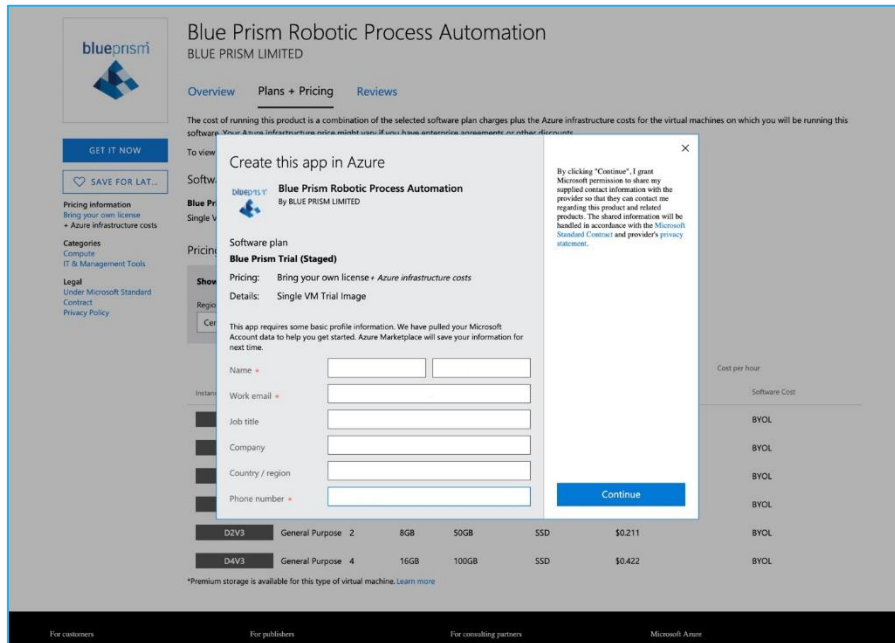

Figure 2 Account Set-up and Sign in

3. The page will be redirected to the Azure Portal to begin the provisioning process.
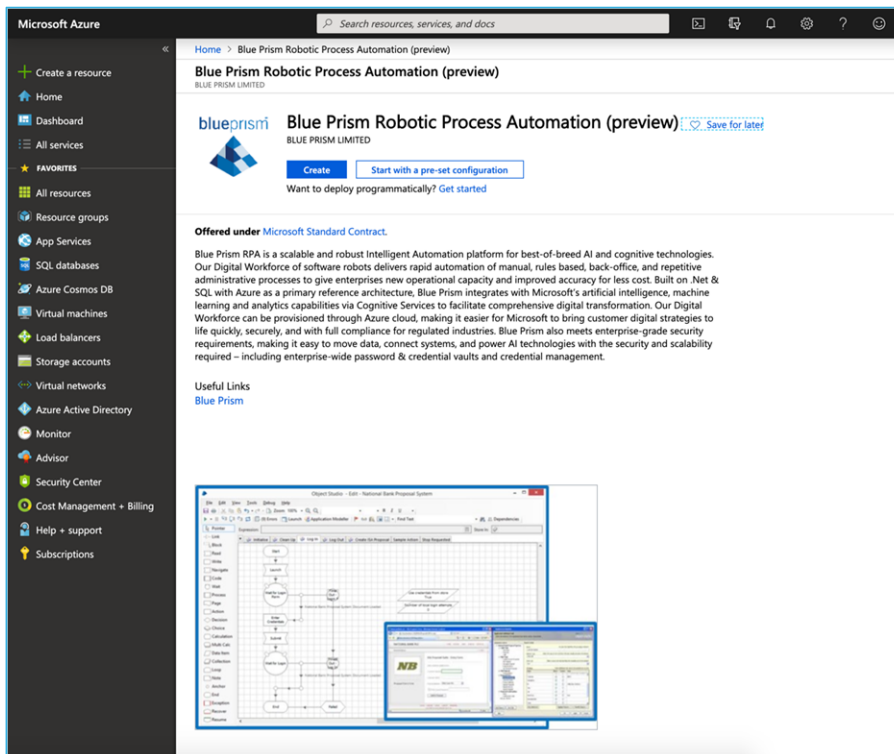

Figure 3 Azure portal VM creation page.

4. Choose a provisioning path. *Create* will drive directly to the Virtual Machine (VM) creation page while *Start with a pre-set configuration* will present some options for configuration with usage context. Ultimately in both options will arrive to the *Create a Virtual Machine* Page.
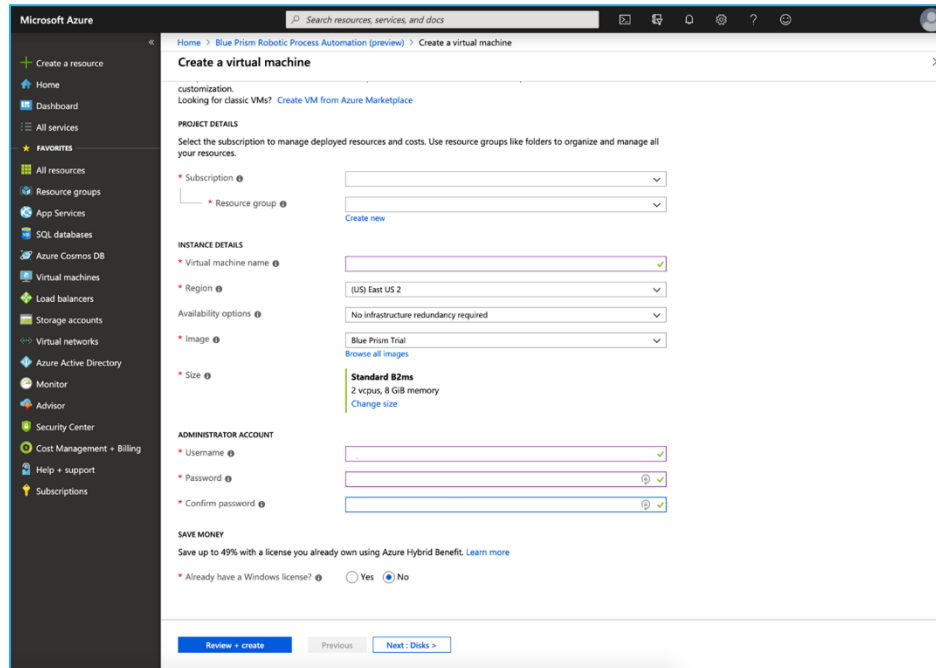

Figure 4 Azure Specifics.

5. Enter the Azure specifics. The **Username** and **Password** are critical pieces of information that should be recorded as they are needed to start the VM at the end of the process and when logging in at another time.

6. If Disks configuration is not needed, in most cases it is not, then pressing *Review + Create* will bring the user to the validation and creation page.

7. After a validation is completed press *Create* at the bottom of the page. This will start deploying the VM. The page will show *Deployment Underway* for some time (less than 10 minutes). Once deployed press *Go to Resource* to view the newly created VM dashboard.

8. To connect to the VM and start using Blue Prism Press *Connect.* RDP will be the method to access the VM. Download the RDP File.

9. Run the downloaded RDP file and Sign in using the credentials from Step 5.

10. The VM will start and configure the setup. This is shown in the screen below.

a. The *Server Manager* may start, no action is necessary, and it can be closed.
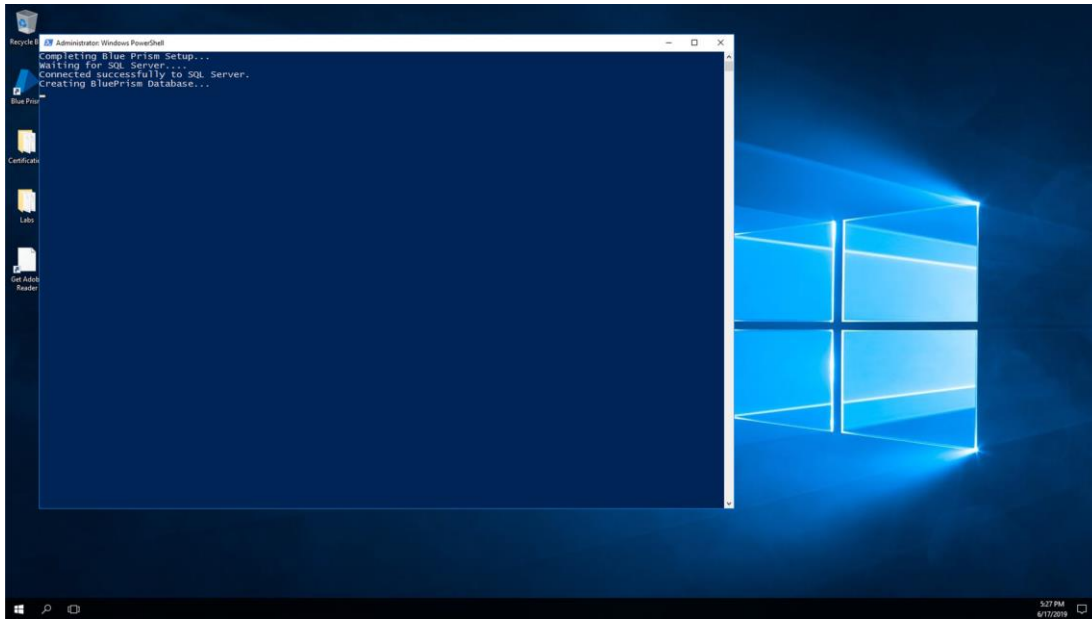
Figure 5 PowerShell finishing setup

11. After PowerShell setup is complete find *Get Adobe Reader* on the Desktop and follow the prompt to install Adobe Reader. The application is needed to follow the labs and log into Blue Prism.

12. Open *Labs* folder and open **Lab 00 - Getting Started Guide**. Follow the Sign- on instructions.

13. Open and log into Blue Prism. Discover the platform through the Labs and the resources in the *Certification* folder.

Thank you for your interest in Blue Prism! If there are any questions or concerns with this Blue Prism Azure trial please reach out to Support@blueprism.com.