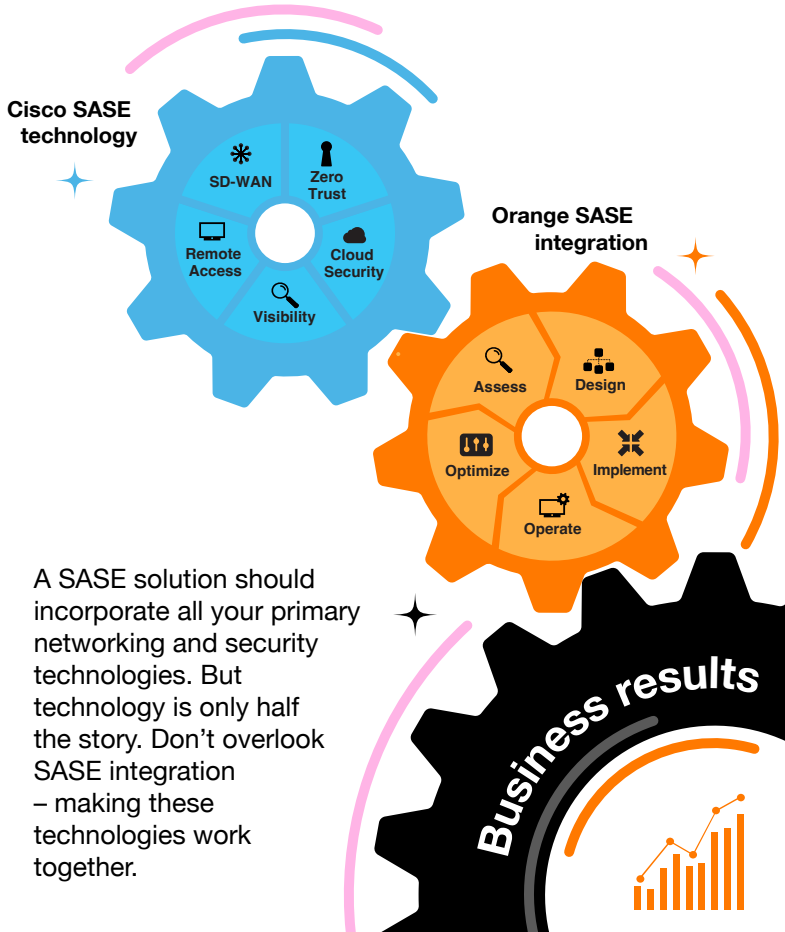


Checklist

Six indicators of SASE success

Two drivers of any SASE solution




Are you exploring how to adopt a Secure Access Service Edge (SASE) architecture in your organization? Look for these six attributes of a SASE solution that will meet your needs today and in the future:

- 1** Effective security and threat prevention
- 2** Flexible connectivity architecture
- 3** Integrated and centralized managed services
- 4** Ability to transition gradually
- 5** Enhanced visibility with optimized user experience
- 6** Global presence and partnerships

1 Effective security and threat protection

In a SASE framework, you can integrate key security functions – secure web gateway (SWG), cloud access security broker (CASB), firewall-as-a-service (FWaaS), and zero-trust network access (ZTNA) – in the cloud, giving you greater capability with less complexity. You can also protect against threats by deploying cloud security across your SD-WAN fabric. In today's hybrid work environment, a SASE solution should account for all these security functions, giving enterprises the agility to provide security no matter where users, applications and data reside. Find a cloud security leader whose services integrate seamlessly with your network.

 **Learn more:**
The path to intelligence-led SASE

2 Flexible connectivity architecture

SD-WAN is a critical building block of any SASE solution, allowing you to manage application flows and assign security for each. But keep in mind that there are measurable performance and visibility benefits to having a single vendor manage both your SD-WAN and your underlay connectivity. Look for a single partner with both broad-based SD-WAN experience as well as operational expertise with global connectivity solutions across MPLS, Internet, remote access, 5G, private LTE, SD-LAN and Wi-Fi options. Choose a cloud-first SD-WAN architecture that also provides an option for cloud-based cybersecurity services.

 **Learn more:**
Flexible SD-WAN and SD-LAN from Orange and Cisco


3 Integrated and centralized managed services

For long-term SASE success, Gartner recommends reducing vendors as you integrate and consolidate networking and security services in the cloud. In doing so, you'll reduce complexity and streamline virtually every aspect of your networking and security processes. The first key is to find a SASE architecture solution that delivers all of the core SASE components in an integrated fashion and provides transversal visibility. The second key is to work with an integration partner that has extensive experience in designing, implementing and operating this vendor's SASE solution.

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Integration & management services


4 Ability to transition gradually

A transition to the SASE paradigm takes time and careful planning, and there is no one-size-fits-all approach. The good news is that you don't have to start from scratch. Develop a SASE adoption plan that builds on what you have now to ease your transition and protect your existing IT investments. Find a vendor and implementation partner that can help you chart a path to SASE from wherever you are today. Build SASE your way, on your terms.

 **Learn more:**
You're already on a SASE journey (even if you don't know it yet)


5 Enhanced visibility with optimized user experience

You should expect a SASE solution to dramatically improve security performance, but it can also enhance end-user experience. To ensure a great user experience, your SASE deployment should include a deeper level of end-to-end monitoring, measurement and visibility into the Internet, the cloud and the networks that underpin your business. This enhanced visibility will help you eliminate network blind spots and quickly identify and resolve issues to maintain high levels of user experience.

 Learn more:
Actionable visibility for SASE

6 Global presence and partnerships

Multinational enterprises require high-performance and seamless global connectivity to securely connect all facilities and remote users, anywhere. This requirement depends on connectivity options that span reliable Internet services, many points of presence and extensive direct peering with ISPs, CSPs, CDNs and XaaS platforms to maintain superior speed and reliability. The best integrators will have a well-established, strategic partnership ecosystem with leading vendors around the world.

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For SASE success, look to Cisco and Orange



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