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How many turtles can you fit on a rock?

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NEW VMWARE CERTIFICATIONS, WHO ARE THEY FOR AND HOW DO YOU GET THEM

CERTIFICATION PATHS

- ✘ New paths announced during VMworld US
 - + <http://vinfrastructure.it/en/2012/09/report-from-vmworld-us-2012-new-certifications/>
- ✘ Different silos
- ✘ Developers oriented
 - + Cloud Application Platform
- ✘ System Administrator oriented
 - + Datacenter Virtualization (DV)
 - + End User Computing (DT)
 - + Cloud



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CERTIFICATION LEVELS

- × VCP (Professional)
- × VCAP (Advanced)
- × VCDX (Expert)
- × Where is VCA (Associated)?

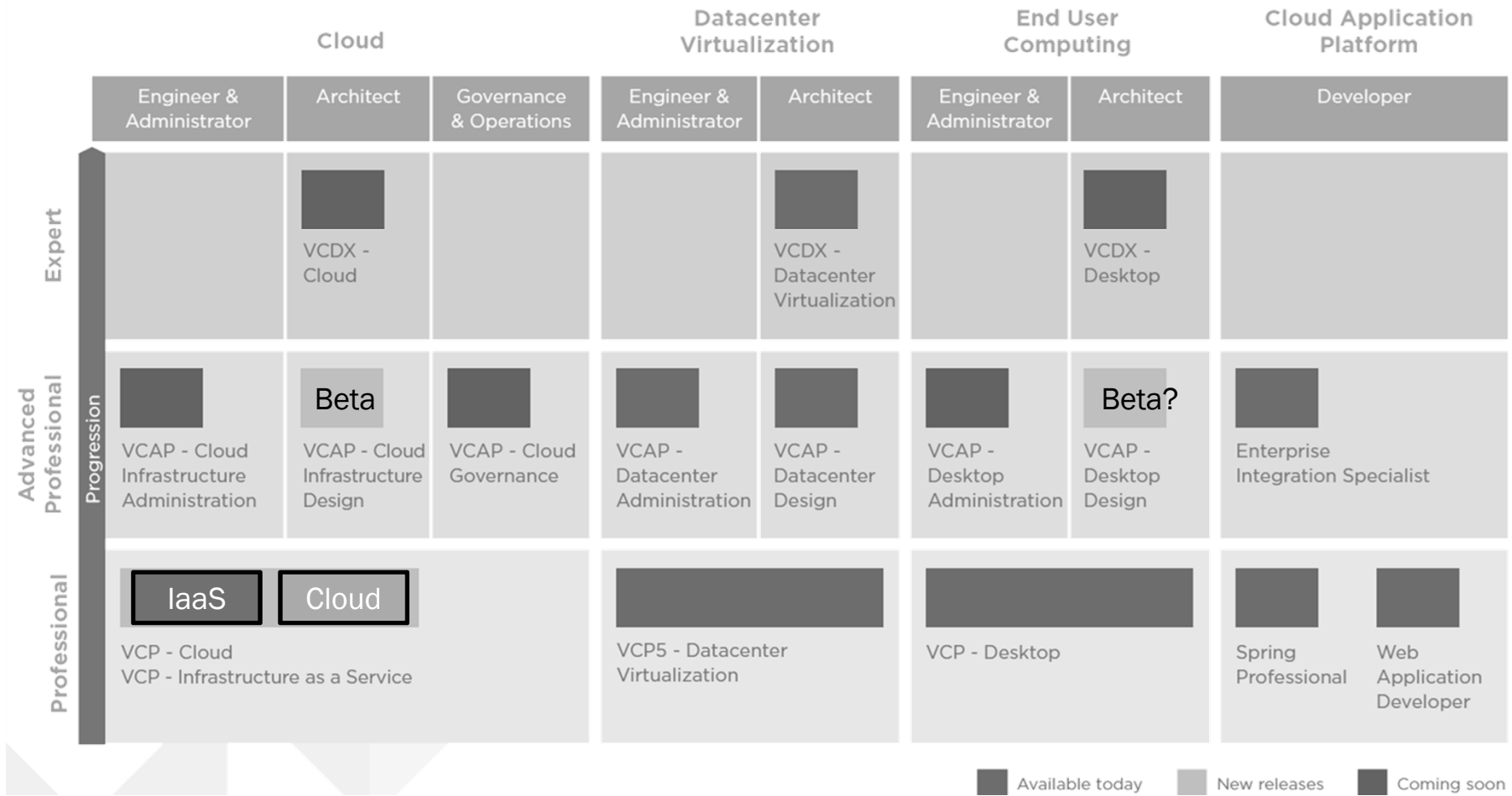


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CERTIFICATION ROADMAP

Certification tracks



BETA EXAMS

- × Sign-up for exams
- × And then?
- × Selection criteria?
- × Available seats?



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MISSING PATHS?

- ✘ VMware Solution Partner Competencies
 - + Infrastructure Virtualization Competency
 - + Infrastructure as a Service (IaaS) Competency
 - + Desktop Virtualization Competency
 - + *Virtualization of Business Critical Applications (VBCA) Competency*
 - + *Business Continuity Competency*
 - + *Management Competency*



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SHORT(EST) PATH

- × Inclusion/Alternative paths
- × Upgrade paths
- × Vertical inheritance
- × Horizontal bridging



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ALTERNATIVE PATHS

× VCP-Cloud

+ VCP5-DV + IaaS exam = VCP-Cloud (VCP-IaaS)

+ VMware vCloud: Deploy and Manage the VMware Cloud [V1.5] course + Cloud exam = VCP-Cloud

× More info

+ <http://communities.vmware.com/thread/416015>



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UPGRADE PATHS?

- × Lot effort
 - + Class effort?
 - + Time effort?
 - + Cost effort?
- × Simplified way?



VERTICAL INHERITANCE

- ✘ Example: Datacenter Virtualization path
 - + VCAP5 upgrade path imply the VCP5 upgrade
 - ✘ Limited time
- ✘ Possible also for non upgrade scenarios?!



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BRIDGING SCENARIOS

× VCDX paths?

+ <http://communities.vmware.com/thread/419027>



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MORE INFORMATION

- × This slide

 - + <http://vinfrastructure.it/en/>

- × Blog post

 - + VMware new certifications

 - × <http://vinfrastructure.it/en/2012/09/report-from-vmworld-us-2012-new-certifications/>

 - + My thoughts on VMware beta exams

 - × <http://vinfrastructure.it/en/2011/12/my-thoughts-on-vmware-beta-exams/>



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