

Build on it, but don't start from scratch

Your platform team could build an IDP. The real question is who maintains it in year three, while delivery still has to happen.

Cycloid gives you the internal developer portal and platform, with the guardrails and Day-2 plumbing built in, so you build what's yours on top.

WHO MAINTAINS WHAT

Build in-house

Your golden paths	YOU
Day-2 runbooks	YOU
Audit trail	YOU
Policy engine + RBAC	YOU
Catalog	YOU
Portal UI, and its fork	YOU
Hosting and upgrades	YOU

Build on Cycloid

Your golden paths	YOU
Day-2 Actions	US
Audit log	US
Four-layer authorisation	US
Catalog	US
Customisable portal	US
Runs where you choose	US

Exit: open formats (Terraform, GraphQL, JSON Schema, OpenFGA). Your IaC keeps running.

THE BUILD IS THE CHEAP PART

Two engineers, before a single user



Cumulative salary at the European average of \$118,028 (State of Platform Engineering Vol 3, 2024). Illustrative. No independent study prices an in-house IDP, so run your own numbers.

DORA 2024, IDP USERS VS NON-USERS

Platforms pay off. Badly built ones cost you.



90%

of organisations have adopted at least one platform.

DORA, 2025

<4 weeks

from cloud migration to full production at cloudXcelerate

<1 hour

for a new environment at Alchemy, down from more than a day

1. Price year three

Not sprint one. Use your own salaries.

2. List what's yours

Your golden paths are. The portal isn't.

3. Decide where it runs

Sovereign and air-gapped narrow the field.

4. Test the exit

What happens to your IaC if you leave?



Bring your build plan

In twenty minutes we'll map what's already done and what's left for your team.

Book a 20-minute build review
cycloid.io/demo