

# VMware Training: Optimize and Troubleshoot (VMOPTR, 5 jours)

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## Description

The course Optimize and Troubleshoot (VMware Training) teaches your how to deploy and troubleshoot a production vSphere environment. The course includes optimization strategies for virtual machines, ESXi hosts, the vCenter Server Appliance, networking and shared SAN storage with the aim of achieving performance and scalability. The training course also explores the details of performing an upgrade and includes coverage of common troubleshooting techniques that allow you to diagnose, isolate and fix common problems. You learn to use the entire VMware toolset to identify and resolve common performance bottlenecks and to support a top-tier virtualization infrastructure.

## Tarifs

- Tarification: \$3,500/person
- Rabais de 10% lorsque vous inscrivez 3 personnes.

## Plan de cours

### Install, Configure and Secure ESXi 6.5

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Install and configure ESXi 6.5 using Best Practices

Enable and secure command line access including the console and Secure Shell

Using Lockdown mode to restrict management access

Lockdown modes introduced in vSphere 6.5

### Virtual and Physical Networking

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Create / update standard Virtual Switches

vSwitch security policies

Network failure detection and beaconing

Enabling Discovery Protocol settings

### Advanced Networking

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Configuring vSwitch Security policies, Promiscuous Mode, Forged Transmits and MAC address changes

Understanding and using Traffic Shaping

The Five physical NIC teaming policies including their pros / cons and use cases

Enabling and using Jumbo Frames for improved performance and reduced protocol overhead

Troubleshoot networking configuration and performance issues

### Connecting to and Using NAS Shared Storage

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Connecting to NFS v3 storage

Network design for high service availability

Best practices for performance and reliability

### Virtual Hardware and Virtual Machines

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VM virtual hardware, options and limits

Creating and right-sizing Virtual Machines for CPU, memory

Installing VMware Tools

Virtual Machine best practices

Import and export VMs in Open Virtual Machine Format

### vCenter Server Appliance and Web Client

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Deploy vCenter Server Appliance 6.0 via the command line and configuration files

Upgrade vCenter Appliance 6.0 to vCenter Appliance 6.5

vCenter deployment and redundancy options

Connecting Single Sign On (SSO) to Active Directory and other identity sources

### ESXi Command Line Access

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Import and configure vSphere Management Assistant (vMA)

Using command line access tools including esxcli, vicfg, vmware-cmd

Introduction to ESXtop

Working with ESXi log files

Using command line tools to review and update configurations

Using command line tools to backup and restore an ESXi host's configuration

#### VM Rapid Deployment using Templates, Clones

How to create a Template VM

Using Guest OS Customization for Windows and non-Windows OS

Enabling, using Hotplug Virtual CPU and memory

Enabling, using Hotplug disks, networking, USB devices and more

Predictive and adaptive sizing strategies for VMs

Troubleshooting Virtual Machine issues

#### Use VMware Update Manager to Upgrade ESXi hosts

Configure VMware Update Managers

Create ESXi host Patch Baselines

Importing a new ESXi install media image

Attaching a Host Upgrade patch baseline

Performing host compliance scans

Upgrading an ESXi host from ESXi 6.0 to ESXi 6.5

#### Connecting to Fibre and iSCSI Shared Storage

General SAN features and capabilities

Overview of Fibre Storage Networks

VMware APIs for Array Integration (VAAI)

Storage network design for performance and redundancy

Connecting to Fibre and iSCSI shared storage

iSCSI Hardware and Software Initiators

iSCSI Static and Send Targets LUN discovery

Troubleshooting storage issues

#### Direct VM to SAN Access with Raw Device Maps

Explain Physical and Virtual Raw Device Maps (RDMs)

Use cases for Raw Device Maps

How Raw Device Maps work with VM cold, VMotion and Storage VMotion migrations

Using RDMs to implement Virtual and Virtual/Physical Microsoft Fail Over Clusters

#### VMware File System (VMFS)

Unique file system properties of VMFS

Creating and managing shared Volumes

Managing VMFS capacity with LUN spanning and LUN expansion

Understand VMware multipath options

Benefits of using vendor multipath solutions

Understanding multipathing policies

VMFS performance, scalability and reliability considerations

Review storage queuing, I/O aborts and other storage issues

Diagnose and troubleshoot storage performance

VMware vSphere Flash Read Cache description and use cases

Troubleshooting VMFS issues

#### Storage Profiles

SAN and user defined storage profiles

Using storage speed, replication to define storage capabilities

VMware APIs for Storage Awareness (VASA)

- Creating VM storage profiles
- VM/Storage compliance checks
- Remediating incorrectly placed VM
- Understanding Storage I/O Control

Storage Load Balancing with SDRS Clusters

- Creating and using Storage Distributed Resource Scheduling clusters (SDRS)
- Cluster properties for capacity and I/O load balancing
- Best practices for building storage clusters

VMotion Migration, Cold Migration, Storage VMotion

- Cold Migrations to new ESXi hosts, datastores
- Hot Migrations with VMotion
- VMotion requirements and dependencies
- How VMotion works – detailed explanation
- Troubleshooting VMotion
- Storage VMotion for hot VM disk migrations

DRS Load Balancing Clusters

- Resource assignments including reservations, shares and limits
- Resource balanced clusters with VMware Distributed Resource Scheduling (DRS) clusters
- Per-VM cluster policy overrides
- Features and benefits of DRS Power Management
- Troubleshooting DRS cluster issues
- Predictive DRS

VMware High Availability Clusters

- Minimize unplanned VM down time VMware High Availability clusters
- VM requirements for HA Clusters
- Storage fault recovery in High Availability clusters (All Paths Down, Permanent Device Loss)
- Monitoring VM health in HA clusters
- Admission Control policy settings for predictable pCPU/pRAM resource availability
- Identifying and troubleshooting issues in VMware HA clusters

VMware Fault Tolerance

- Eliminate VM unplanned down time with VMware Fault Tolerance
- Role of the Primary and Secondary VM in a Fault Tolerance configuration
- Explain how Fast Checkpointing keeps the Secondary VM vCPU, vRAM, vDisk up to date
- Enabling VM Fault Tolerance
- Initial VM synchronization
- Testing Fault Tolerance

Distributed vSwitch Features and Scalability

- Features and benefits of Distributed vSwitches
- Role of the DVUplink port group
- Adding ESXi hosts to dvSwitches
- Creating dvSwitch port groups
- Migrating physical NICs and VMkernel ports to dvSwitches
- dvSwitch configuration backup and restore
- Configuring custom VM MAC address generation policies
- Testing dvSwitch network health

Managing Scalability and Performance

- VMkernel CPU and memory resource management mechanisms
- Tuning VM storage I/O performance
- Identifying and resolving resource contention
- Monitoring VM and ESXi host performance

