



Here we present our favorite “tool menu” based on the Microsoft Cloud. It is a combination of tools which worked well together during the past few years including some most recent Agile BI projects. Of course, there are many more tool vendors on the market and consequently there are many other combinations possible. Nevertheless, the following list gives you a starting point for your own evaluation process.

Tool Category	Vendor / Product	URL
Database	Microsoft Azure Synapse	https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/synapse-analytics
	Microsoft Azure SQL	https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/products/azure-sql
Data Warehouse Automation	WhereScape RED & 3D	https://www.wherescape.com/
	IT-Logix Automation Packages (based on WhereScape)	https://www.it-logix.ch/en/agilitaet-durch-dwh-automation
Middleware	Theobald (for extracting SAP Data)	https://theobald-software.com/
	CData (if no native driver available to connect to source system)	https://www.cdata.com/
Data Test Automation	BiG EVAL	https://bigeval.com/
Version Control	Azure DevOps (Git)	https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/devops/
Continuous Integration & Deployment	Azure DevOps	https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/devops/
Semantic Layer / Data Mart Technology	Power BI Datasets	https://powerbi.microsoft.com/
Visualization / BI Platform	Power BI	https://powerbi.microsoft.com/
Additional BI Tools	Microsoft Office (especially Excel & PowerPoint)	https://www.office.com/
Visualization Automation	Zebra BI	https://zebrabi.com/
	Graphomate	https://www.graphomate.com/
Identity and Access Management (IAM)	Azure Active Directory	https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/active-directory/
Backlog Management	Azure DevOps	https://azure.microsoft.com/en-us/services/devops/
Time Recording	Timelog Extension (for Azure DevOps)	http://www.timelogextension.com/