HOW TO PREPARE YOUR ORGANISATION FOR THE ERA OF CLOUD-ENABLED EDUCATION

Martin Brown, UKI, Middle East and Africa director at Rubrik, discusses how universities can solve their data issues.

As tech has quickly become teaching's backbone, so too has an expectation that many education IT departments will provide always-on services for students and staff. While in the past, tech outages were a bit of a nuisance, now they can have far-reaching consequences, costing money, turning off potential students and sometimes leading to staff being dismissed.

With so much riding on IT in this climate, innovative systems are critical in order to stay competitive, reduce the likelihood of outages and provide IT teams with more control over their valuable data.

SO, WHAT'S THE ANSWER?

With an organisation's environment becoming ever more dispersed — either in using public and private cloud (hybrid), or multiple public cloud vendors such as Microsoft Azure, AWS and Google Cloud (multi-cloud) — managing it can sometimes feel like an uphill struggle. You no longer have automatic visibility into all of your organisation's apps, workloads and data.

Added to this, as ransomware continues to plague universities, the UK's educational organisations know that backups are often the last line of defence.

To help manage this tough task, cloud data management platforms can help with the accessibility, visibility and backing up of data across multiple data centres and cloud environments.