

Red Hat Introduces Cloud Management Certification for Red Hat Enterprise Linux OpenStack Platform

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Red Hat expands commitment to open platform development and customer choice; Industry-leading management vendors align with Red Hat Enterprise Linux OpenStack Platform

RALEIGH, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Red Hat, Inc. (NYSE: RHT), the world's leading provider of open source solutions, today announced a new cloud management certification for Red Hat Enterprise Linux OpenStack Platform as part of the Red Hat OpenStack Cloud Infrastructure Partner Network, the world's largest commercial ecosystem for OpenStack. Red Hat will enable cloud management solutions from partners to interoperate with and manage Red Hat Enterprise Linux OpenStack Platform. The certification offers customers confidence that their OpenStack-based clouds and management solutions have been fully tested together and are supported jointly by Red Hat and the participating companies.

As datacenter infrastructures advance in their journey to the cloud, today's enterprise reality is heterogeneity of virtualized infrastructure and the need for integrated management solutions. With Red Hat Enterprise Linux OpenStack Platform, Red Hat is maintaining its deep commitment to several key benefits, including a long and stable product lifecycle; tested and secure enterprise-grade solutions; and robust integration through standard interfaces and APIs. The expansion of Red Hat's certification program to include cloud management solutions enables customers who want to deploy Red Hat Enterprise Linux OpenStack Platform at scale in a private cloud to also use their management solution of choice.

Red Hat is working closely with many management solution providers, including industry leaders BMC and HP. As members of the Red Hat OpenStack Cloud Infrastructure Partner Network, these vendors have provided key insight, feedback and support for the management certification and are all in various stages of the certification process.

Since its inception in April 2013, Red Hat's OpenStack partner ecosystem has grown from a select group of early adopters to a vast and diverse set of companies, from infrastructure vendors - including independent hardware vendors (IHVs) and original equipment manufacturers (OEMs), systems integrators, and independent software vendors (ISVs). Today, the Red Hat OpenStack Cloud Infrastructure Partner Network includes hundreds of technology companies from all global regions that are collaborating with Red Hat to deliver a robust portfolio of enterprise-grade OpenStack solutions to joint customers. Red Hat's OpenStack ecosystem represents a wide range of vertical industries, including telecommunications, where industry shifts including software-defined networking (SDN) and network functions virtualization (NFV) are driving interest in OpenStack.

Supporting Quotes

Radhesh Balakrishnan, general manager, virtualization and OpenStack, Red Hat

"As OpenStack is becoming a core element of the enterprise cloud strategy for many customers, Red Hat Enterprise Linux OpenStack Platform is architected and backed by the broadest partner ecosystem to be the preferred platform. The growth and maturity of the ecosystem reflects the evolution of the product moving from addressing infrastructure-centric alignment to help with early deployments to now be well-managed, to be part of enterprise hybrid cloud implementations."

Chris Keene, president, BMC Cloud

"It has always been a priority for BMC to ensure that our customers have both choice of underlying cloud infrastructure and the security of IT process governance and compliance in the cloud. As enterprises expand their production use of cloud computing, they are increasingly challenged by managing hybrid cloud complexity and ensuring operational and regulatory compliance. We are happy to collaborate with Red Hat on their Red Hat Enterprise Linux OpenStack Platform to ensure that BMC Cloud Lifecycle Management continues to deliver the platform neutrality and cloud compliance needed for successful enterprise hybrid cloud management."

Atul Garg, vice president and general manager, Cloud and Automation, HP

"We are excited to work with Red Hat to certify HP Cloud Service Automation and its solutions with Red Hat Enterprise Linux OpenStack Platform, to help our mutual customers build and manage private and hybrid cloud services. Our joint efforts are aimed at enabling customers to have choice and flexibility as they deploy cloud environments which can easily flex and adapt to business needs while supporting heterogeneity and leveraging existing investments in the datacenter."

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