

# Red Hat Appoints Former McAfee Executive to Lead Red Hat's Canadian Operations

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*Luc Villeneuve Joins Red Hat as Red Hat Canada Country Leader*

RALEIGH, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Red Hat, Inc. (NYSE: RHT), the world's leading provider of open source solutions, today announced the appointment of Luc Villeneuve as country leader of Red Hat Canada. Based in Toronto, Villeneuve will be responsible for sales, client services, marketing, and the management of all aspects of Red Hat's Canadian operation.

Villeneuve brings more than 25 years of information technology sales and management experience to Red Hat, where he aims to capitalize on momentum for open source and open hybrid cloud solutions among Canadian organizations. According to a September 2013 report issued by Canada's Information and Communications Technology Council on the Canadian cloud computing market, "the Canadian cloud economy contributes \$4.6 billion annually to Canadian GDP, and by 2018, this contribution will grow to become \$8.2 billion."<sup>1</sup>

Prior to Red Hat, Villeneuve served as president of McAfee Canada, NCR Europe, and NCR Canada. Additionally he spent five years as vice president of sales at Sun Microsystems Canada. Earlier in his career, Villeneuve held progressive executive sales and marketing positions at Pharmatrust, BCE, GE Capital ITS, and CNC Global Limited.

"We live in a world that is evolving faster than ever, driven by consumer trends and behaviors, technology innovation and adoption, business productivity, and channel reach," said Rick Akie, vice president and general manager, North America sales, Red Hat. "I expect Luc's leadership will be a significant asset to Red Hat as we continue our leadership in providing open source software solutions and expand both our global presence and open hybrid cloud vision."

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<sup>1</sup> Information and Communications and Technology Council, "Canada's Cloud Imperative: Improving Business Opportunities Through Enabling Services," September 2013, available at [http://www.ictc-ctic.ca/?page\\_id=9395](http://www.ictc-ctic.ca/?page_id=9395).

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