

Red Hat Extends Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA® to the Open Hybrid Cloud

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New hardware, cloud partners offer solutions for Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA with the flexibility of on-premise, private cloud and public cloud deployments

RALEIGH, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Red Hat, Inc. (NYSE: RHT), the world's leading provider of open source solutions, today announced that Red Hat Enterprise Linux for the SAP HANA® platform is now available for customers to deploy across the open hybrid cloud, including via public cloud providers certified by Red Hat. The additions of new cloud provider partners through the Red Hat Certified Cloud Provider program, as well as new SAP-certified hardware available from provider Hitachi Data Systems, provides customers of Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA with an extensive choice of deployment options for big data applications, from new hardware configurations to the ability to leverage public, private and hybrid cloud services.

Announced in June 2014 as the foundation of an enhanced collaboration between Red Hat and SAP, Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA offers an open, scalable, integrated and highly available platform featuring the industry-leading reliability, quality and stability of Red Hat Enterprise Linux. Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA helps organizations make smarter, faster decisions; accelerate business processes; and enable consistency of operations across the business through standardization on the Red Hat platform, which powers mission-critical systems in more than 90 percent of the global Fortune 500.

Public Cloud Availability

With today's announcement, customers of Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA now have the ability to harness the power of the public cloud through Red Hat certified cloud partners, including Virtustream and Secure-24. Enterprises will be able to leverage the stability, security and reliability of the world's leading enterprise Linux platform upon which to run their public cloud-based big data workloads. These newly-available public cloud choices deliver on-demand analytical processing power while helping to reduce the overall cost of extreme data workloads, all backed by the support of Red Hat Enterprise Linux.

New Hardware Configurations

Building on the solution's launch momentum, Hitachi Data Systems (HDS) has now joined a growing list of industry giants offering Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA on SAP-certified hardware appliances. Hitachi Data Systems offers customers enterprise-class resiliency and scalability through Hitachi Unified Compute Platform (UCP) for the SAP HANA platform, delivering flexibility and investment protection with compute and storage that scales along with customer needs. Hitachi Data Systems supports customers' mission-critical applications with one platform that enables future data growth, minimizes risk, and achieves a return on investment quickly.

Demonstrating the continued collaboration around SAP's in-memory platform using Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA and highlighting the dedication of Red Hat's partners to Red Hat Enterprise Linux as a foundation for big data applications, launch partners Dell, Fujitsu, and IBM now offer both scale-out as well as scale-up solutions. Dell, Fujitsu, IBM, and NEC also provide solutions for SAP Business Suite powered by SAP HANA.

Supporting Quotes

Jim Totton, vice president and general manager, Platforms Business Unit, Red Hat

"By extending Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA to the public cloud, we are providing a stable, secure and reliable platform for deployments of SAP HANA across the breadth of the open hybrid cloud. These cloud-based offerings, combined with additional certified providers and configurations of hardware for SAP HANA as well as the scale-up and scale-out certifications of our launch partners, deliver a set of solutions to help meet the growing enterprise demand for big data applications, all standardized on the world's leading enterprise Linux platform."

Greg McStravick, general manager and global head, Database & Technology, SAP

"SAP HANA enables enterprises to focus on innovation while providing IT simplicity and customer choice. With the expanded support from new hardware providers and cloud partners for Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA, customers have even greater choice upon which to deploy their SAP solutions - whether on premises or in cloud environments, including public, private or hybrid services."

Kevin Reid, CEO & CTO, Virtustream

"Our customer base is heavily invested in SAP solutions, and we are pleased to now be able to offer Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA to our customers as a safe and secure platform for big data deployments. This will allow our customers to standardize their implementations of SAP solutions on a single operating system, extending additional choice to enterprises seeking to leverage public cloud computing resources to run their big data workloads in one of the most effective manners possible."

Sean Donaldson, CTO, Secure-24

"Our ability to offer Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA to customers, provides extended choice of deployment platforms for mission critical applications and the ability to have their implementations of SAP solutions backed by the world's leading enterprise Linux

platform. Combining our cloud resources with the stability and security of Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA gives our customers an excellent option for their mission critical applications, especially those that require a high level of security."

Jim Beckman, vice president, global alliances, Hitachi Data Systems

"The powerful combination of the robust Hitachi Unified Compute Platform with Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA addresses enterprise requirements and delivers desired business outcomes for even the most demanding, mission-critical data management use cases. It provides the predictable results; enterprise-class scalability; persistent, high-performance data storage; and high availability that partners and customers have come to expect."

Wolfgang Hopfes, Director SAP Go to Market, Fujitsu

"As a trusted SAP global partner for over 40 years, Fujitsu has successfully helped thousands of customers worldwide to simplify, innovate and grow. We are very pleased to now add Red Hat Enterprise Linux for SAP HANA as a supported choice to our scale-out solutions for SAP HANA based on Fujitsu Server PRIMEQUEST systems. These servers combine the power of Intel® Xeon® E7 family processors with innovative, fault-immune system architecture for high availability and business continuity. The leading enterprise Linux platform from Red Hat will help us to realize tailored SAP HANA-based solutions for on-site and cloud deployments, enabling our customers to become true real-time enterprises."

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