

Avianca Holdings Named 2015 Red Hat Innovator of the Year

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Leading Latin American airline recognized for innovative use of Red Hat middleware

RALEIGH, N.C.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Red Hat, Inc. (NYSE: RHT), the world's leading provider of open source solutions, announced at Red Hat Summit 2015 that Avianca Holdings, the oldest and one of the largest airlines in Latin America, has won the prestigious 2015 Red Hat Innovator of the Year award. The company was recognized at [Red Hat Summit 2015](#).

Avianca Holdings was recognized for the company's innovative use of Red Hat's middleware solutions. The organization implemented Red Hat's middleware stack as its main integration layer across three data centers, supporting the airline's core communication systems. For Avianca Holdings, Red Hat's open source solutions are delivering ten times better performance than technology offered by other "traditional" software vendors they have tried. Red Hat's middleware solutions, including Red Hat JBoss Fuse, also provide Avianca Holdings with a scalable option that works well with the company's other IT solutions - well-positioning the airline for future technology growth and innovation.

Named one of six finalists for Innovator of the Year by a panel of industry expert judges, Avianca Holdings was ultimately selected as the award winner by Red Hat Summit attendees and an online community of voters. In addition to Avianca Holdings, the finalists included American Product Distributors; CA Technologies; CBTS; Cisco IT; and FICO. The finalists represent a wide array of industries, including travel, ecommerce, technology, and analytics.

Supporting Quotes

Juliana Ceballos, architecture and development director, Avianca Holdings

"In our business, we must be willing to implement and use innovative solutions to continually provide better service to our customers. Red Hat's solutions directly impact these customers because they allow Avianca to offer more efficient sales, operations, and reservations processes. We're thrilled that our efforts are being recognized, and proud to be named the 2015 Red Hat Innovator of the Year."

Lee Congdon, CIO, Red Hat

"Avianca understands that to stay ahead in the highly competitive airline industry you need to embrace flexible and innovative solutions. They showcased this understanding by using solutions from Red Hat's middleware portfolio to accelerate their business. We salute Avianca - and all of the other finalists - for their innovative and effective use of open source solutions."

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