

Turkcell's Orhan Biyıklioğlu Named Red Hat's 2017 Certified Professional of the Year

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Biyıklioğlu honored for thought leadership and innovation using Red Hat technologies, including Red Hat OpenStack Platform and Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform

BOSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- Red Hat, Inc. (NYSE: RHT), the world's leading provider of open source solutions, today announced that Orhan Biyıklioğlu, a system administrator at Turkcell in Istanbul, has been named the 2017 Red Hat Certified Professional of the Year. The annual award honors a Red Hat Certified Professional (RHCP) who demonstrates ingenuity, hard work, and expertise, and will be presented to Biyıklioğlu at Red Hat Summit 2017, currently taking place in Boston.

Biyıklioğlu is both a Red Hat Certified Systems Administrator (RHCSA) and a Red Hat Certified Engineer (RHCE), and also has a Red Hat Certificate of Expertise in Server Hardening. At Turkcell, he helped introduce Red Hat technologies into Turkcell's converged technologies solutions.

He used his training to help Turkcell design, implement, and maintain a robust and flexible IT infrastructure, while also achieving cost savings. When Biyıklioğlu joined Turkcell more than a decade ago, he successfully led the migration of Turkcell to Red Hat Enterprise Linux by designing and implementing server architecture to consolidate more than 20 critical database workloads running on more than 40 servers from different vendors. Through his efforts, Turkcell is also now seeing success [using a range of Red Hat technologies](#) including [Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform](#), [Red Hat OpenStack Platform](#) and [Ansible by Red Hat](#).

For the last 18 years, the Red Hat Certification program has had a single goal of building and validating skills through a program with rigorous, hands-on, and performance based testing. Red Hat's certifications can help system administrators, application developers, and IT architects advance their careers. RHCE, and all the programs that followed, establish benchmarks for what an IT professional should know when using Red Hat technology.

Supporting quotes

Randy Russell, director, Certification, Red Hat

"We select the Red Hat Certified Professional of the Year not only on the basis of their technical accomplishments and in-depth knowledge of Red Hat technologies, but also for their eagerness to share their knowledge with others. Orhan, both a Red Hat Certified Engineer and Red Hat Certified Systems Administrator, has introduced and helped run Red Hat technology at Turkcell. On behalf of all Red Hatters – congratulations, Orhan."

Orhan Biyıklioğlu, senior system administrator, Turkcell

"Red Hat certifications have a strong reputation and respect in the industry because they are performance based. The examinees must actually demonstrate their working knowledge and skills by accomplishing hands-on tasks during the exam, as they do in the workplace. I am very proud to be selected as the 2017 Red Hat Certified Professional of the Year and am grateful to my company, Turkcell, for supporting me to become Red Hat certified."

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