Fastweb builds its first Cloud offering for the Italian enterprise market on Red Hat OpenStack Platform

The carrier reaffirms its strategy for the deployment of enterprise-level, open standardsbased cloud solutions

Milan, 5 July, 2016 – Red Hat, Inc. (NYSE: RHT), the world's leading provider of open source solutions, today announced that FastWeb has renewed its first cloud offering for the Italian enterprise market on Red Hat OpenStack Platform. FastWeb is the largest alternative fixed-line telecommunications provider in Italy, and a leading provider of integrated ICT solutions for the enterprise market.

Fastweb helps Italian businesses meet evolving market requests while focusing on their core business by offering cloud-based ICT services that increase the flexibility and scalability of their clients' IT systems. With the growth of its business, Fastweb needed to raise its operational efficiency, increasing automation and giving customers the opportunity to define their computing, networking and storage resources. In order to help reach this goal, and to help meet market challenges in an innovative, agile and flexible way, Fastweb renewed its cloud platform by migrating to Red Hat OpenStack Platform, a highly scalable, production-ready, Infrastructure-as-a-Service (IaaS) solution.

Fastweb's cloud offering, FASTCloud, is designed to deliver computing resources and application solutions to support enterprises in digital transformation. It is based on the most popular and innovative technologies, ensuring the highest standards of data security and protection FastCloud services are offered through Fastweb's ultra-broadband optical fiber network and are delivered from datacenters located throughout Italy, including Italy's first datacenter to achieve Tier IV certification from the New York Uptime Institute.

The Red Hat OpenStack Platform solution deployed by Fastweb helps to increase service flexibility and interoperability with customers' IT environments. In addition, it helped reduced FastWeb's time to market, enabling the release of new and meaningful cloud features. With its use of this platform, Fastweb has extended its client base and recorded a 60% growth in the adoption of cloud platforms by its business partners.

Supporting Quotes

Gianni Anguilletti, Country Manager, Red Hat Italy

"Red Hat OpenStack Platform has become a platform of choice in the telecommunications market as it can give operators the robustness and flexibility that is needed to develop innovative services, both for customers and for mission-critical internal operations. In the current landscape, operators need to be able to differentiate by offering advanced and customized services; here, Red Hat can play an important role thanks to its ongoing ability to innovate."

Federico Ciccone, Marketing & Customer Experience Director, Fastweb

"Fastweb has selected Red Hat OpenStack Platform as a cornerstone for the development of its cloud services, supporting our strategy aimed at building an open, scalable system, based on interoperable solutions that assist our customers in their digital transformation process. The Red Hat solution has enabled us to strengthen our leadership role within the enterprise market offering innovative services."

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