



# VMA Partner Pre Sales Workshop

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# Welcome

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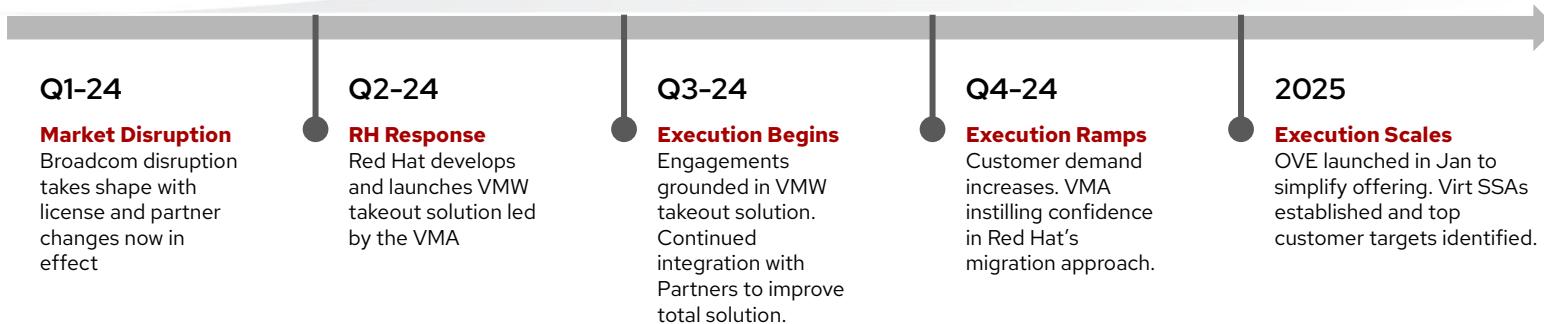


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# State of the Union / 2025 Strategy

# We had a great 2024



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**192%**

*YoY growth of  
running VMs*

**123%**

*YoY growth of  
clusters with VMs*

**216%**

*YoY growth of  
accounts with VMs*



# Rapid product advancement in 2024

## Simplified Virtualization Management Experience

- A 3-click public cloud experience for VM creation using Instance Types (4.15)
- Keep critical workloads segregated through live migration affinity (4.16)
- Virtualization admin focused view (4.17)
- Multicluster Virtual Machine Observability with RHACM (4.17)
- Expanded OS catalog - SUSE, Ubuntu, CentOS, Fedora along with RHEL and Windows (4.17)

## Hosted Control Planes

- OpenShift on OpenShift VMs through Hosted Control Planes (4.15)
- Hosted Control Planes in ROSA support for OpenShift Virtualization (4.16)

## Improved Density, Performance and Scale

- Microsegmentation through OVN-Kubernetes and ipBlock filtering policies on secondary networks (4.15)
- Realtime VM workloads (4.16)
- Bridged and SRIOV NIC hotplug (4.15), CPU hotplug (4.16), memory hotplug (4.17)
- Memory overcommit (4.17)
- Automatic VM workload balancing with descheduler (4.17)
- Live migration optimizations for busy workloads (4.17)

## MTV improvements

- Maintain drive letters for Windows migrations
- Preserve IP setting for Windows and Linux migrations
- Warm migration hardening and performance improvements
- Verify migration of Ubuntu 18, U22, CentOS 7, and Rocky 8 to OpenShift Virtualization

## Infrastructure enhancements and partner build out Enhancements

- VM storage live migration between storage classes (Tech Preview) (4.17)
- Disaster Recovery with OpenShift Data Foundation - Metro-DR for all VM configurations (4.16), Regional-DR support recovery of declarative GitOps VMs (Tech Preview) (4.17)
- Delivered integration with Veritas, Infinidat, F5, Cisco UCS and Flexpod Validated Design. Partner team launched a [separate external catalog](#) for OpenShift Virtualization
- Several vendors on track for 1H 2025 delivery - Citrix, GCP, Cohesity, Rubrik, Commvault and strategic discussions on supporting Azure



# CY24 Retrospective (from Feb BU/Sales) Interlock

## Highlights:

- **192% YoY growth** of VMs, **123% YoY growth** of clusters, and **216% YoY growth** of active accounts
- OVE SKU well received by field and customers (selling the roadmap)
- Services partnership in Virt space especially around POVs and POCs healthy and fruitful
- Large references out of North America, solidified sales closure in other geos
- VMA a great vehicle to qualify customers that are really serious

## Lowlights:

- Storage compatibility is not clear even with the Eco Catalog of certified storage partners
- Deals can be complex with long sales cycle. More than contracts, technical components of swap outs are complex
- Lack of hard bundle still creates friction to the sale
- VMware offers a 7 year support lifecycle, OVE/RH offers 3 years. Mismatch creating apprehension and doubt in customers minds affecting progression of deals. Customers asking for 7 years to progress



# Going into 2025

# CY24 Sales Plays and Sales Tactics

## Sales Plays

OpenShift Sales Play		RHEL Sales Play	Ansible Sales Play
BV Framework		BV Framework	BV Framework
Application Platform		Server Operating System	
OCP to OPP Upsell	OpenShift Virt	CentOS to RHEL	Free to Enterprise
Cloud Services	Dell APEX Appliance	RHEL in the Cloud	Event Driven Ansible
EAP & App Services	Container Mgmt	RHEL 7 EOM	Accelerate AAP w/Lightspeed
Developer Services	Edge	RHEL Renewals	Infrastructure
OpenShift AI		SAP on RHEL	Network & Edge
		SQL on RHEL	Cloud
			Security
			Disti-led Sales Plays
			RHEL cross-sell; OpenShift for Automation Developers



# CY25 Sales Plays and Sales Tactics

## Customer Pain

"Complexity in our infrastructure makes it difficult to manage and costly to maintain. It becomes difficult to automate existing processes and deployments across multiple operating systems, platforms and footprints. This impacts our agility, and makes it difficult for us to maintain systems in critical areas, such as security vulnerabilities and performance."

"My VMware costs are going through the roof and I want to reduce my dependency on VMware."

"I need consistent, portable and scalable infrastructure for my containerized workloads and applications across any environment."

My developers spend too much time being distracted by infrastructure and security issues, and not focused on building applications. I need a platform that provides on-demand services, abstracts away operational considerations, speeds time to production, and makes my developers more productive.

"Managing my IT environment is more complex than ever and I don't have enough skills or budget to bring on more resources. I need automated, resilient infrastructure that frees time to innovate by maximizing existing investments and integrating AI tools into operations."

"It's difficult to get started with and scale up AI to meet the needs of my business. There are too many models to choose from and it is very expensive to train and build them into applications. There are also a number of data and security considerations that we are not equipped to handle."

## Marketing Campaigns

RHEL

Virtualization

Container Management\*

App Platform

Automation

Adopt & Scale AI

## Sales Play/ TDP

Server/Cloud Operating System

Virtualization

Container Management

Application Platform

Mission Critical Automation

AI Platform

## Edge & Cloud Offerings

## Sales Tactics-

1. Adopt a standardized operating environment
2. Optimize and secure my operating system
3. Innovate across the hybrid cloud with RHEL
4. Maximize portability in the Cloud

1. VM Migration
2. VM Modernization

1. Kubernetes for general containerized application workloads (non-AI)
2. Kubernetes for third party AI workloads
3. Multicloud management and security at scale for Kubernetes.

1. Modernize legacy apps & develop net-new cloud-native apps
2. Increase developer productivity for Kubernetes and hybrid cloud
3. Secure the software supply chain and platform operation

1. Enterprise-wide automation (expanding AAP in the enterprise)
2. Standardize on AAP (converting free to enterprise)
3. Maximize technology investments (AAP + AI/RHEL/Virt/ISV)
4. Network automation

1. Private AI
2. Operationalize AI
3. Multi-architecture AI Deployment

## Products

RHEL, Satellite

OpenShift Virtualization

OpenShift Virtualization Engine, OpenShift Kubernetes Engine, Ansible, ACM, Partner Products

OpenShift Kubernetes Engine, OpenShift Container Platform, ACM, ACS

OpenShift Cloud Services, OpenShift Platform Plus  
Developer Productivity, Runtimes & Integration

Ansible

RHEL AI,  
OpenShift AI

# Choosing the right tactic is becoming more nuanced

We are hearing from two types of customers

## "I want to modernize"

- Wants to **modernize** to containers, but also run VMs in a more modern way
- Stand up a secondary virtualization platform, select LOBs will deploy new workloads to or migrate to OpenShift Virt
- VMWare and OpenShift Virt will co-exist, with potential to exit VMWare long term

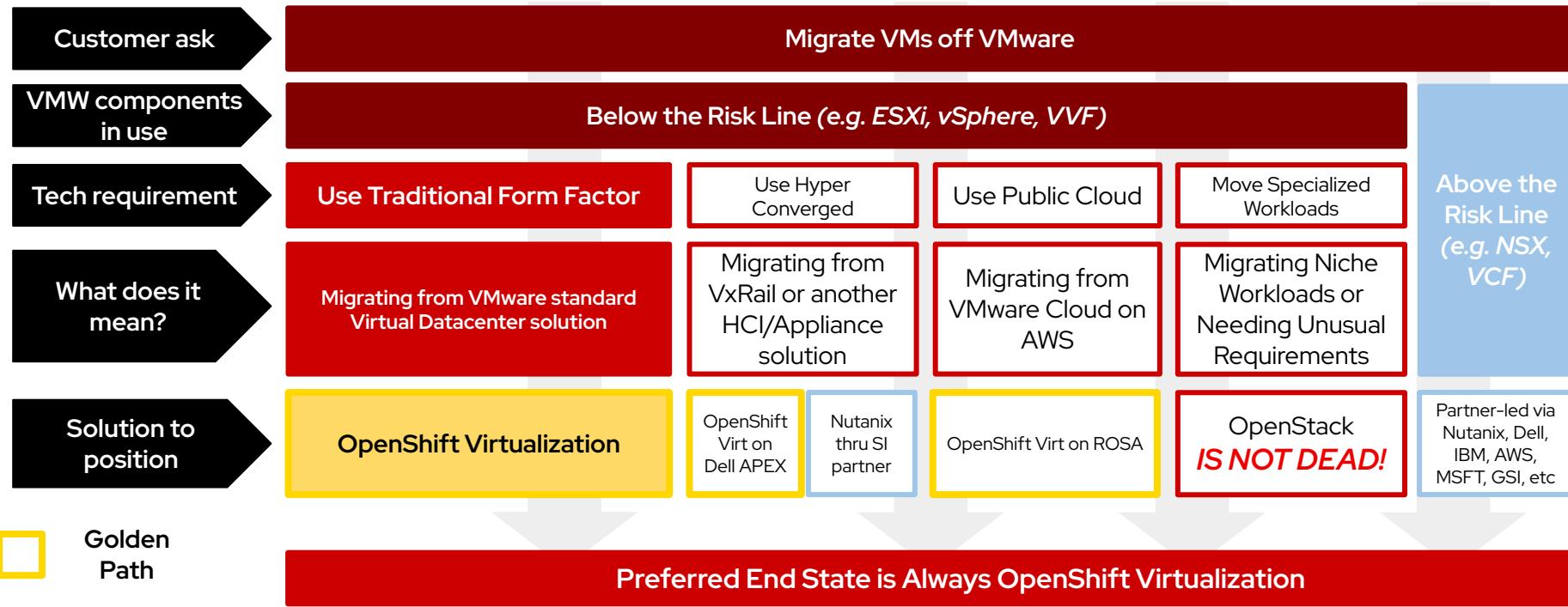
## "I need to migrate ASAP"

- Turn off the tap or Migrate off VMWare completely
- Modernization is subordinate to migration; containers, Kubernetes, and even OpenShift are implementation details
- Willing to take some calculated risk with their production workloads

Both are turning into Container Management and Application Platforming  
Modernization Discussions



# Paths of Red Hat's Open Virtualization Infrastructure

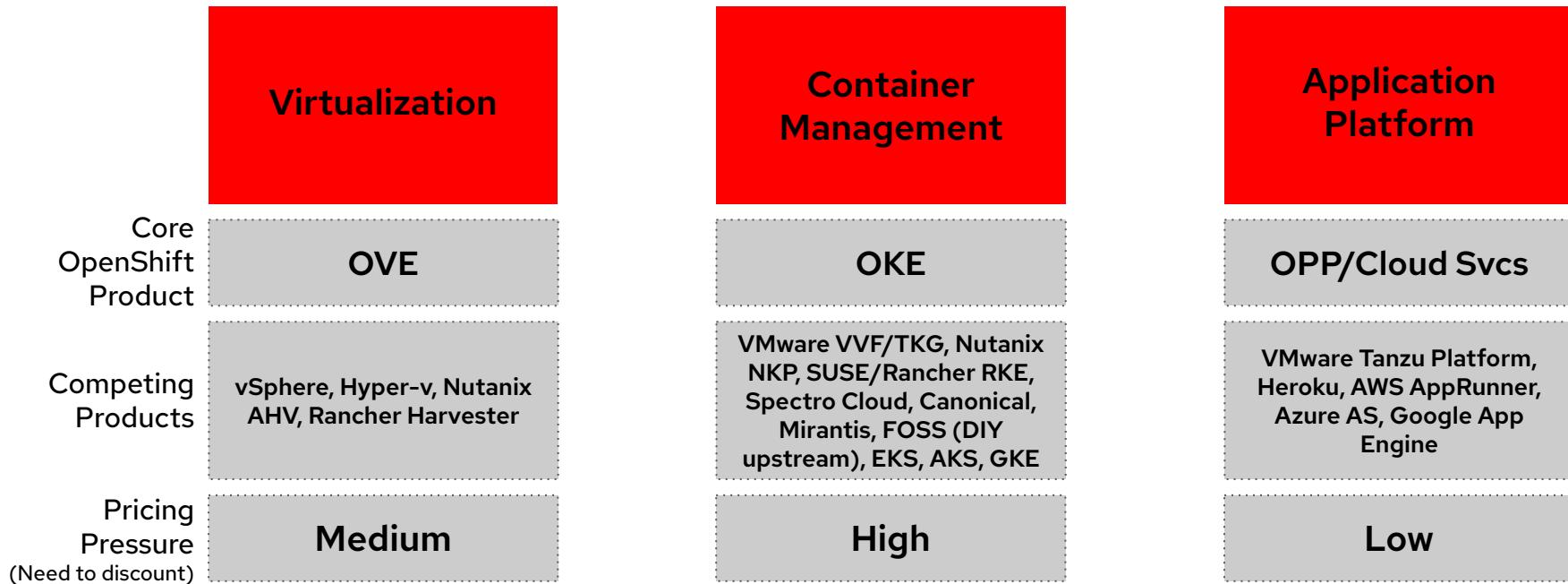


[Full Decision Tree](#)



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# Know what OpenShift to Position



# 2025 strategic roadmap

- **Simplify the user experience for VM admins**
  - Dedicated views
  - Integrate with OpenShift Lightspeed
- **Multi-cluster VM management for large scale implementations**
  - Observability
  - Lifecycle operations
- **Workload mobility across infrastructure**
  - Enhanced metrics for VM resource balancing across nodes
  - VMs and storage moved across clusters without disruption to workload availability

- **Broaden Platform and Cloud support**
  - Support for additional public clouds with bare metal installation
  - Support for ARM and s390 platforms
- **Multi-tenant networks for VMs**
  - Overlay tenant networks, with overlapping subnets, LB ingress, microsegmentation, IPAM, and static IPs and additional improvements, e.g localnet and self-service overlay networks
- **Migration Tooling**
  - Expand 3rd party guest OS migration list



# Virtualization Networking, Mobility and Storage Enhancements

4.18

4.19

4.20+

## Multi-tenant Networks

- [Primary UDN with layer 2 overlay](#)
- BGP and EVPN - [OCP feature](#)
- [Secondary UDN with localnet](#)
- [IPv6 \[Tech Preview\]](#)
- [Improved UI for host network configuration](#)
- [PVLAN](#)
- [vNIC state configuration \[TP\]](#)

## Mobility and Storage Enhancements

- [Storage migration additional enhancements \(TP\)](#)
- [Load aware balancing \(TP\)](#)
- [Live \(hot\) cross cluster migration \(Demo/POC\)](#)
- [Legacy SAN CSI \(TP\)](#)
- Storage migration (GA)
- [Live \(hot\) cross cluster migration \(TP\)](#)
- [Assisted migration](#)



# Hybrid Cloud and Simplified Experience for Virtualization

4.18 time frame

4.19

4.20+

## Simplified Virtualization Management Experience

- [VM grouping](#) and [VM Navigation](#) in a tree view (TP)
- [Enhanced per VM utilization dashboard covering CPU, Memory, Storage and Network](#)
- [Enhanced NNS Topology view covering NICs, bridges, bonds, connectivity and search functionality](#)
- [HCP - kubevirt-csi ephemeral volume support](#)
- [HCP - kubevirt-csi volume expansion support](#)
- [Cloud Native Containerized Workload Management](#)

## Cloud, Platforms and Operating System Support

- [VM-friendly networks on AWS and ROSA \(bare metal\)](#)
- [OpenShift Virtualization on Oracle cloud \(OCI\) Bare-Metal nodes](#) (TP)
- [OpenShift Virtualization on GCP bare metal](#) (TP)
- [Windows vTPM Block device support](#)
- [IBM Z and s390x support](#) (TP)

- [VM navigation using a Tree View](#) (GA)
- [Advanced search for VMs](#)
- [Reduce alert noise using alert aggregation](#)

- [Support and default to OpenShift SWAP](#)
- [Openshift Lightspeed integration for VMs](#)





# Ecosystem Overview and Discussion





## The platform for all your workloads

### Trusted

to reduce risk

### Comprehensive

to improve productivity

### Consistent

to increase flexibility

#### Virtualization Platform



#### Container Platform



#### Application Platform



#### AI Platform



Physical



Virtual



Private cloud



Public cloud

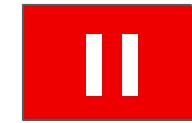


Edge



# The 2025 Ecosystem Focus

## Principles that simplify customer transition to Red Hat



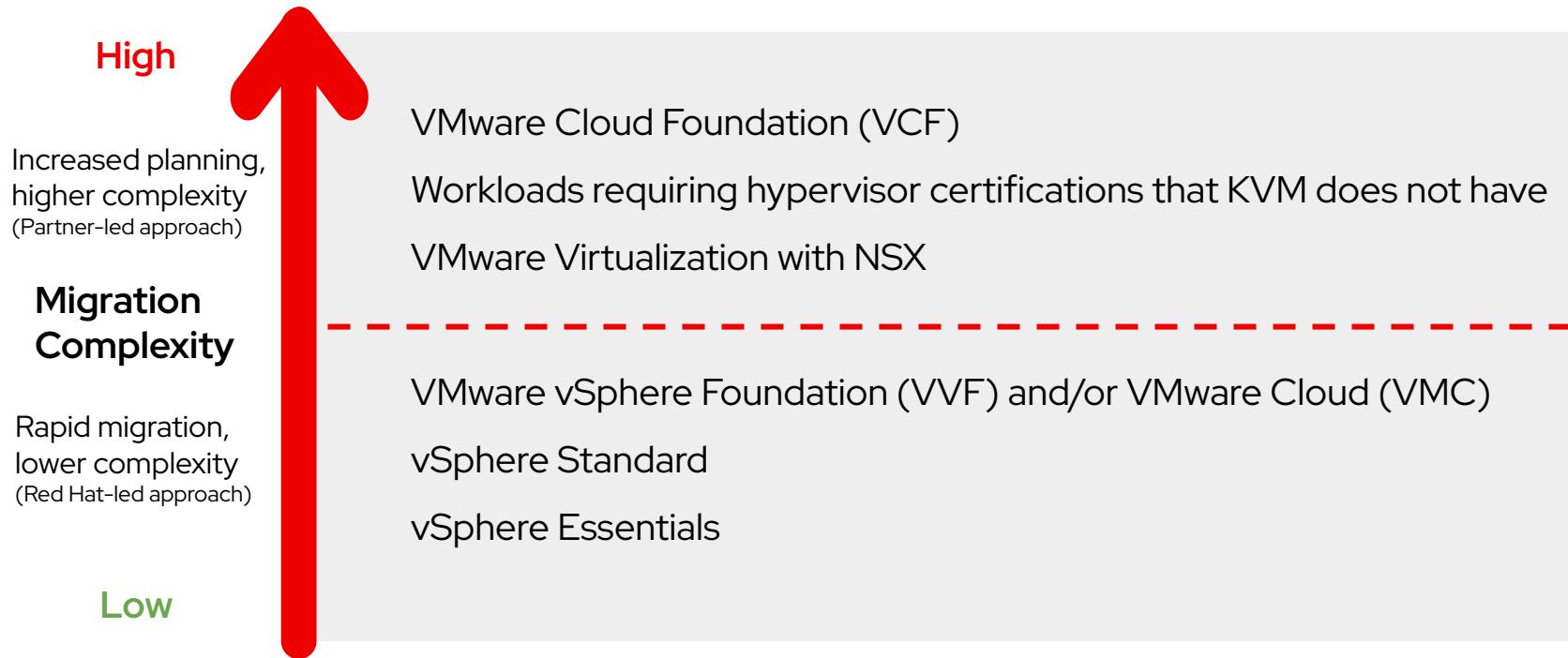
Minimize the disruption to existing customer investments in Hardware, Software and Professional Services that surround VMware data centers, cloud and edge and use of vmware.

Offer a flexible set of upgrade options HW, SW, and Pro Services provided by 3rd parties

Leverage the massive number of 3rd party ISV applications that are certified to run on RHEL

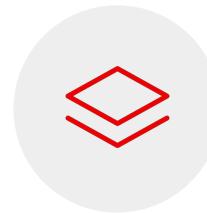
Unlock Future potential with Red Hat AI

# Customers have varying levels of investment in VMware

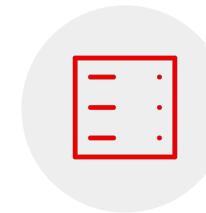


# Partners of all types are critical to migration success

Technology



Independent software  
vendors (ISVs)



Hardware



Cloud  
providers

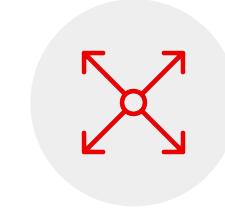
People process



Advisory/SI



Managed service  
providers



Channel

# Complete the platform with your existing technology partners

## Storage

Products for OpenShift Virt using CSI (container storage interface)



## Backup / DR

Products for OpenShift



## Networking

Products for OpenShift Virt using CNI (container networking interface)



## Cloud Services

Current public cloud providers offering OpenShift virtualization



## Compute

Products for OpenShift



\* This is not an exhaustive list of [ISV partners](#), with [new partners being added all the time](#).

# Recent Virtualization Partnership Expansion

Deeper collaborations with storage, data protection, network, and security partners



## COHESITY

Security Cloud now GA with OpenShift Virtualization and published to [RH Catalog](#). For more information see Rubrik's Landing Page - [Secure your OpenShift journey](#)

[Blog](#) on how Data Cloud now protects OpenShift Virtualization workloads coming in Q1

Agent-based solution available today



HPE Container Storage Interface (CSI) Operator for Kubernetes added to [catalog](#) with support for OpenShift Virtualization

## INFINIDAT

Infinidat released a [Solution Brief](#) with White Paper in progress reporting on results of Storage Benchmarking



Dell updated their [Container Storage Module \(CSM\)](#) with OpenShift Virtualization [support](#).

Dell also released a [demo](#) of PowerStore support of VMs in OpenShift Virtualization

## Workload Validations

Outreach initiative to drive vendor validation on OpenShift Virtualization in support of customer demand.

## Storage Validation

Deepening our partnership and engineering collaboration with storage partners

## Technical Validation Lab for Partners

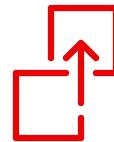
[OpenShift Partner Lab](#)





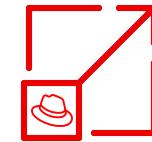
# NA PPA Partners GTM for OpenShift Virtualization Migrations

## Current State



### Independent Approach

PPA Partner builds their own offering for customers and independently position the offering and deliver associated services.



### Accelerate with Red Hat

PPA Partner positions a Red Hat Virtualization Migration Assessment and embeds an architect to help drive the assessment and shape the migration proposal. PPA Partner leads the migration.



# Interested in learning more...

Red Hat Content Center: <https://www.redhat.com/en/resources/openshift-virtualization-partner-ecosystem-ebook>



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# Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization vs VMware TCO Estimator

This [TCO estimator](#) is an easy-to-use tool to give account teams high-level guidance about positioning OpenShift Virt. with their customers.

- Available to all Red Hatters and [select partners](#) at launch
  - Contact Ben Cohen and Josh Monks to request additional partners to be added
- Partner view does not include ability to see/change discounts
- Outputs are delivered via email
  - Red Hatters receive PDF, editable slides, spreadsheet
  - Partners receive PDF

**OpenShift Virtualization**

OpenShift, Advanced Cluster Management, and Ansible Automation Platform continue to work with ISV solutions to meet your virtualization requirements

ISV Partners  
(Storage, backup/DR, networking, etc.)

VM Host Management at Scale  
Advanced Cluster Management for Virtualization, Advanced Cluster Management for Kubernetes

Migration and Network Automation, Day 2 Operations  
Ansible Automation Platform

Virtualization Platform  
OpenShift (OVS, OKE, OCP, OPP)

Red Hat's broad ecosystem of ISV partners integrates with OpenShift to meet your requirements.

OpenShift Virtualization  
OpenShift Virtualization, Advanced Cluster Management, and Ansible Automation Platform work in concert to meet existing virtualization requirements.

**Virtualizing on OpenShift can yield substantial cost savings**

Customer X can lower its virtualization costs and benefit from a modern application platform

Three-Year Cost Comparison

Year	VMware	OpenShift Virtualization
Year 1	\$10,649,119	\$1,940,982
Year 2	\$10,649,119	\$1,940,982
Year 3	\$10,649,119	\$1,940,982

In addition to virtualization cost savings, customers who use OpenShift as an application platform realize powerful operational benefits, which deliver financial returns to the business:

- Less unplanned downtime, protecting revenue and reputation
- Faster application development, accelerating time-to-market
- Increased IT productivity, boosting cost efficiency

**NOTE:** Prices are estimated based on preliminary analysis. Red Hat account team must be consulted for actual customer pricing and a more detailed analysis.



# Virtualization Customer Journey

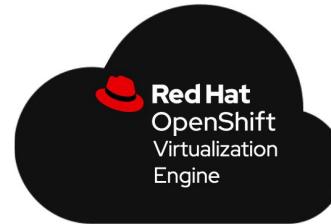
Virtualization Migration Assessment,  
Virtualization Migration Factory, and beyond

# A Complete Solution for Virtualization

OpenShift Virtualization + ACM Virt + AAP + Red Hat Services



**Red Hat**  
Advanced Cluster  
Management  
for Virtualization



**Red Hat**  
Ansible Automation  
Platform

*Multicloud management  
for virtualization*

*Virtual machines in your  
datacenter on purpose-build  
virtualization platform*

*Automated migration at scale  
including infrastructure, Day 2  
operational management*

Soft Bundle VMP-BNDL



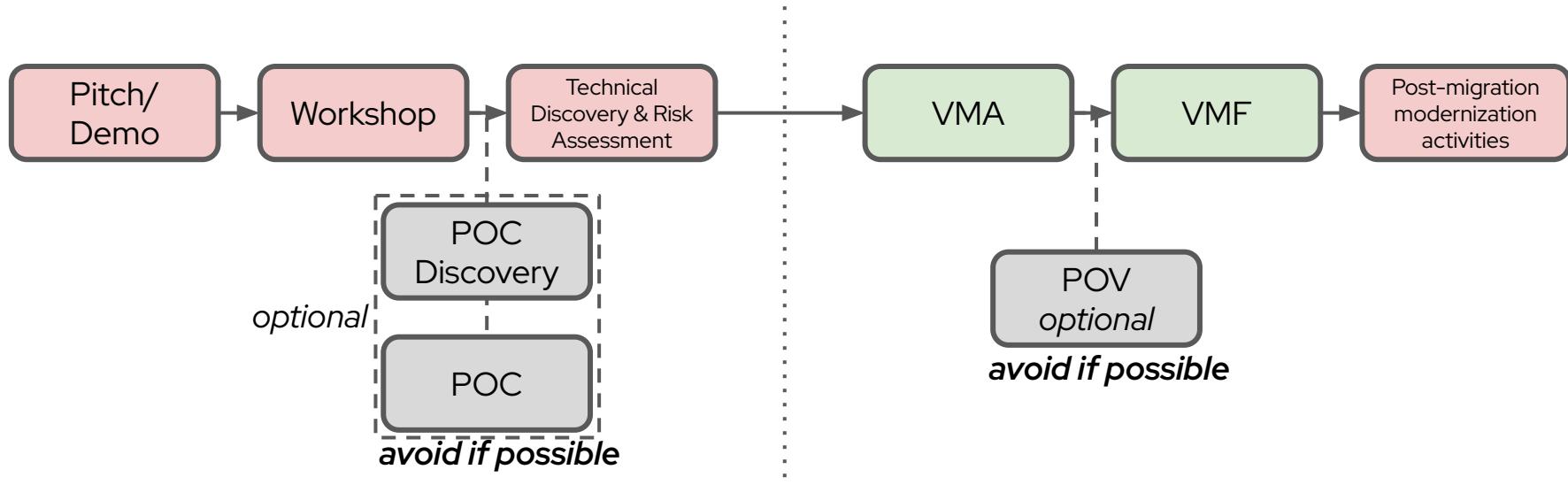
**Red Hat**  
Services

*VMA & Migration Consulting  
Training for VMware Admins  
TAMs for Migration Support*



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# Optimal Virt sales and delivery path



**Sales**

Technical Close

**Delivery**



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# Migration Services Journey

## Virtualization Migration Assessment (VMA)

**Plan to quickly and safely migrate from legacy virtualization platform**

- Capture current VM architecture, analyze workload complexity, propose a high-level design and roadmap

## Virtualization Migration Factory (VMF)

**Deploy virtualization migration technology. Prepare to operate at scale**

- Deploy OpenShift cluster, enable virtualization features, validate integrations, migrate first workloads and prepare for production

**Achieve steady state migration – Reduce legacy footprint**

- Migrate workloads, validate and automate migration pattern, scale and complete migration



# Virtualization Migration Assessment

Strategize and plan for migration

## Strategy

## Foundation

## Expand

## Evolve



**Analyze current VM architecture**, existing investments and gather requirements for your future state



**Identify VM workloads** and define integrations such as storage, networking and clustering requirements



**Understand day-2 operations** including automation, configuration management, monitoring, backups, etc



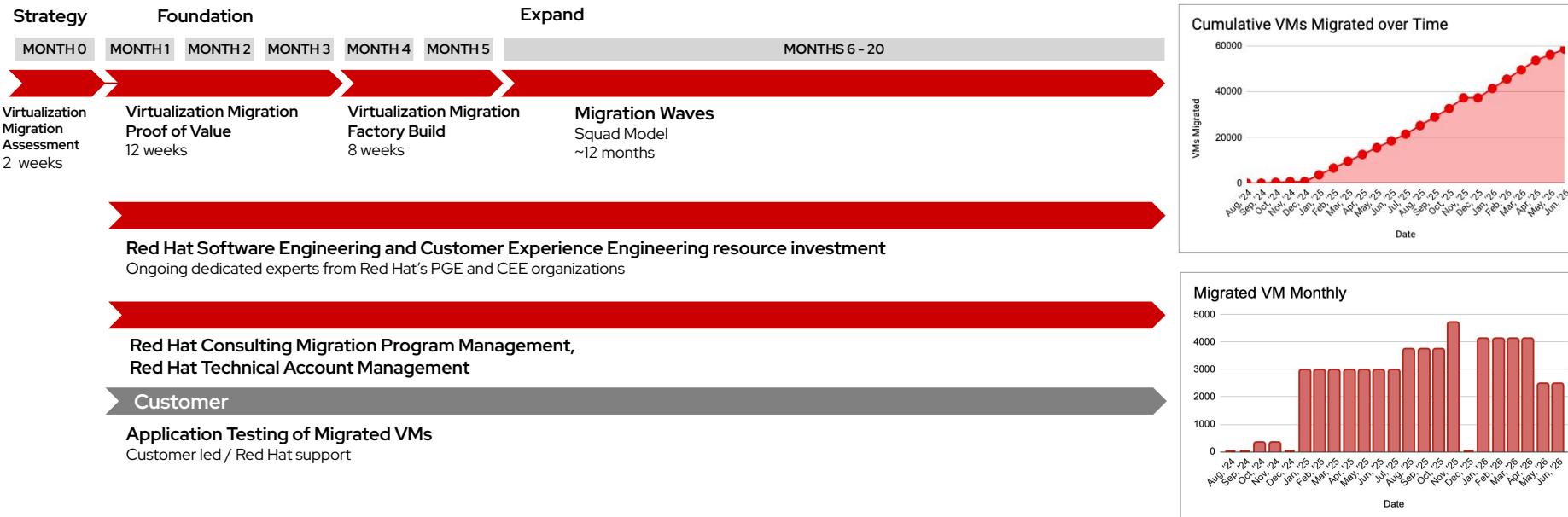
**Propose a high-level solution design** for your custom OpenShift Virtualization based on your business needs



**Generate a roadmap** for adoption of OpenShift Virtualization and determine next steps

# Sample Migration Schedule

Size: 50,000 VMs



# Virtualization Migration Assessment



## What We Cover

- OpenShift Virtualization features
- Virtual environment deep dive: networking, storage, security, backup, and disaster recovery
- High level solution design
- Workload migration analysis and recommended migration approach
- Cost and duration estimates for full migration with Red Hat Services

## Customer Outcomes

- Understand the **solution, the path to adoption, the timeline, and the cost**
- Understand **workload and migration complexity**
- Leverage **OpenShift, Ansible, and ACM product capabilities** to meet requirements
- Achieve faster time-to-value with **Red Hat Consulting, Training, and TAM**



VMA Report with proposed solution design and approach



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# Virtualization Migration Proof of Value

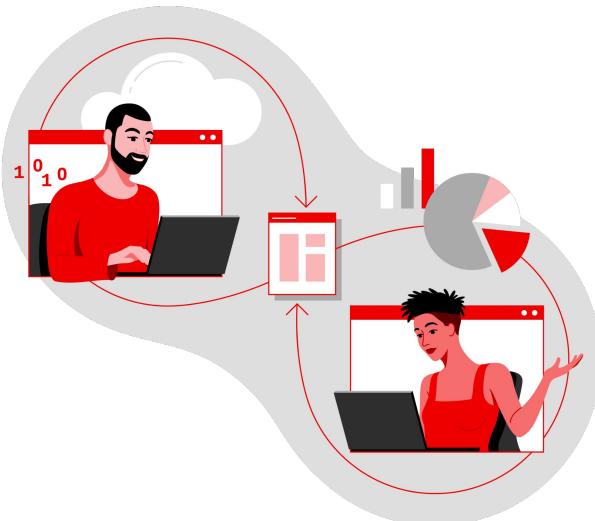
Establish your virtualization platform foundation

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## Proof of Value



**Deploy your OpenShift cluster** within your **non-production** environment



**Operationalize** platform virtualization features



**Validate** real virtualized workloads on OpenShift in your environment

## Production Readiness



**Operationalize** platform storage and networking integrations



**Complete production readiness**, performance testing / tuning, and migrate your first VMs



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# PoC vs PoV

Proof of Concept (PoC)	Proof of Value (PoV)
 <b>Free, Pre-Sales activity performed by tiger teams, at no cost to the customer</b>	 <b>Billable Services</b> running the project with a scope, objectives, and production-level PS support
 <b>Disposable lab environment</b> that's likely destroyed after the PoC	 <b>Persistent environment</b> that expands and evolves with the customer's needs
 <b>Shorter duration, typically 2 Weeks</b>	 <b>Longer duration, typically 6 - 12 Weeks</b>
 <b>Hands on experience</b> during demos and workshops	 <b>Hands on experience</b> during platform deployment and production readiness
 <b>Standard, pre-canned environment</b> with few integrations	 <b>Customized environment</b> to meet customer needs
 <b>Use case validation</b> demonstrates OpenShift Virtualization is a feasible customer solution that meets scoped requirements	 <b>Infrastructure and software validation</b> proves that OpenShift Virtualization can meet the requirements and provides the business value



# Virtualization Migration Factory

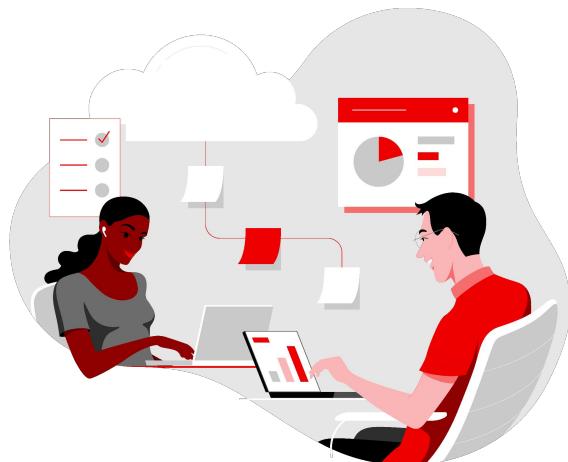
Migrate virtual machines at scale

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**Evaluate** your workload portfolio, **plan and prioritize** to **migrate and modernize at scale**



**Create** iterative migration of batches of workloads



**Reduce** IT management effort to increase productivity



**Prepare teams** for scaled app operations and production readiness



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# Accelerating Migrations at Scale with AAP

## A Migration factory from Day-0 to Day-2 with Ansible automation

### 0 Evaluate and scope

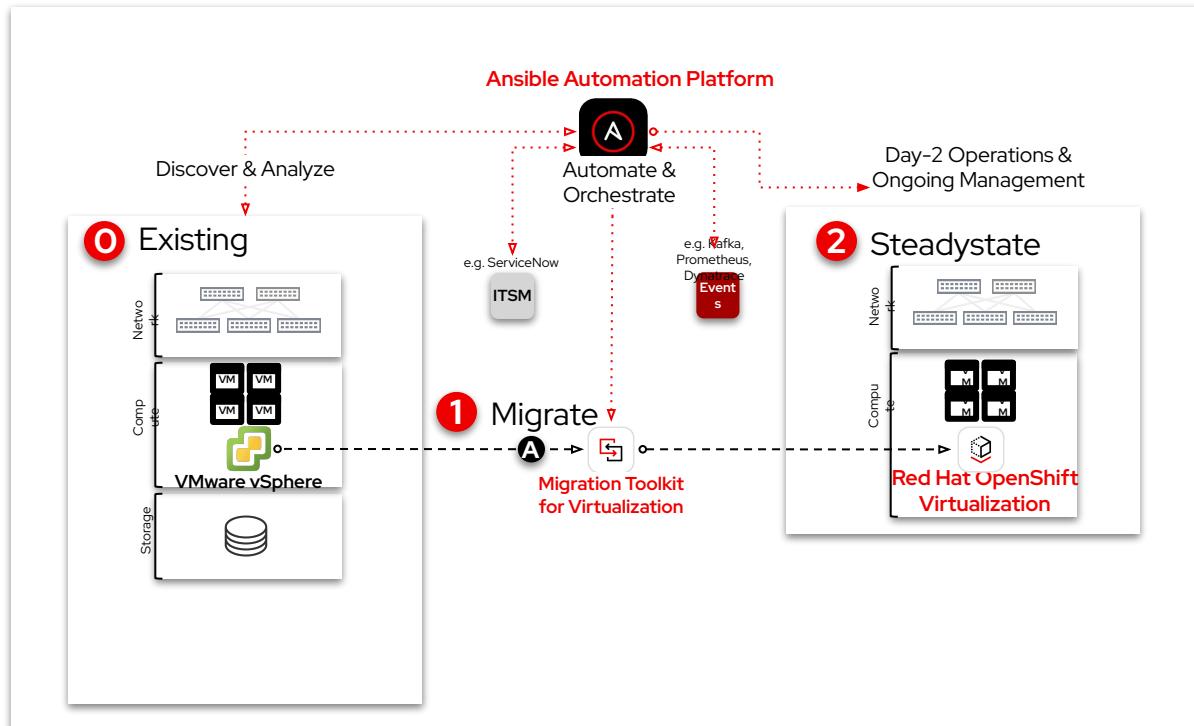
Evaluate the existing data center setup

### 1 Migrate

Use MTV to migrate virtual machines to OpenShift Virtualization. Ansible helps automate orchestrate as needed.

### Red Hat Steadystate

2 VMs are now hosted on OpenShift Virtualization alongside container workloads. Ansible Automation Platform handle day two operations.



# Squad Model

## Red Hat Consulting, Training, and TAM

Advise on patterns, architecture,  
and enablement

Design reference  
architectures



Enable teams with OpenShift  
Virtualization



Deploy automation

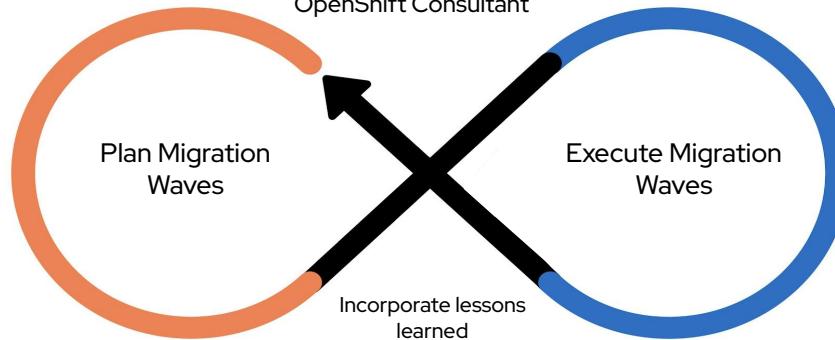


Evolve process



## Migration Squad

VM Batch Customer Stakeholders +  
OpenShift Consultant



Build the knowledge base  
Minimize downtime and failover



Evolve a repeatable approach  
to migration waves



Accelerate migration rate  
Complete migration

Core Migration Team  
Customer Infrastructure Lead +  
TAM, Architect, and Automation Consultant



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## Customer Infrastructure teams and VM owners

Advise on requirements,  
processes, and challenges



Define requirements



Support migration wave



Navigate internal  
processes



Validate migration

# A tailored learning path for your VM migration

Build the skills, processes and culture needed to optimize and modernize your IT infrastructure with Red Hat Training and Certification.

## Essentials

 <a href="#">Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization Technical Overview   DO016</a>
 <a href="#">Containers, Kubernetes and Red Hat OpenShift Technical Overview   DO080</a>
 <a href="#">Ansible Basics: Automation Technical Overview   DO080</a>

## Prerequisites for Day 1

 <a href="#">Red Hat OpenShift Administration I: Operating a Production Cluster   DO180</a>
 <a href="#">Red Hat OpenShift Administration II: Configuring a Production Cluster   DO280</a>
 <a href="#">Red Hat Certified OpenShift Administrator exam   EX280</a>

## Day 1

 <a href="#">Migrating Virtual Machines to Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization with Ansible Automation Platform   DO346</a>
 <a href="#">Managing Virtual Machines with Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization   DO316</a>
 <a href="#">Red Hat Certified Specialist in OpenShift Virtualization   EX316</a>

## Day 2

 <a href="#">Automate and Manage Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization with Ansible   DO336 (coming Q2 2025)</a>
 <a href="#">Red Hat Certified Specialist in Automating OpenShift Virtual Machine Migration Exam   EX336 (coming Q2 2025)</a>
 <a href="#">Red Hat Advanced Cluster Management for Kubernetes   DO432 (coming Q3 2025)</a>
 <a href="#">Red Hat Certified Specialist in OpenShift Advanced Cluster Management Exam   EX432 (coming Q3 2025)</a>

# Virt Migration with TAMs

Expert support for customer teams navigating complex migrations



## Who are Technical Account Managers?

- TAMs provide **expertise and guidance** to operate a **highly resilient and secure** virtualization environment
- TAMs support **PoV deployments** and the ramp up to steady state migration during the **Migration Factory**

## TAM Expertise

- Define and plan for **long-term customer success**
- Navigate complex infrastructures, **avoiding potential issues, and minimize downtime**
- **Build in-house skills** via guidance, tutorials & workshops

## How do TAMs support migrations?

- **Implement best practices** and known solutions
- Rapidly **engage support and engineering teams**
- Advocate for customer and **drive support escalations**



# Continue your journey with Red Hat Services

Evolve with optional App Modernization & Automation Accelerators

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**App Modernization Accelerator:** Create OpenShift champions with patterns and practices for teams to quickly modernize



**Achieve Faster Time to Market** with Developer Experience, modernized software delivery etc.



**Automate the Enterprise:** Meet the scaling demands of your business to bolster reliability and security, and drive efficiencies across teams and departments.



**Accelerate building & modernizing intelligent apps:** Leverage AI/ML to solve business problems from data science experimentation to production ready models



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# Ask Me Anything Part 1



# Establishing Credibility and Positioning a Workshop



## The negative things we hear

No one is doing virt with Red Hat; I don't want to be first

Red Hat is not a virtualization company

OpenShift is too expensive

Containers and Kubernetes is too complex

Red Hat Virtualization cannot replace VMware

Only RHEL VMs are supported      Red Hat has no experience doing VMs

VMware admins cannot learn Red Hat's platform

Red Hat's Virtualization is proprietary



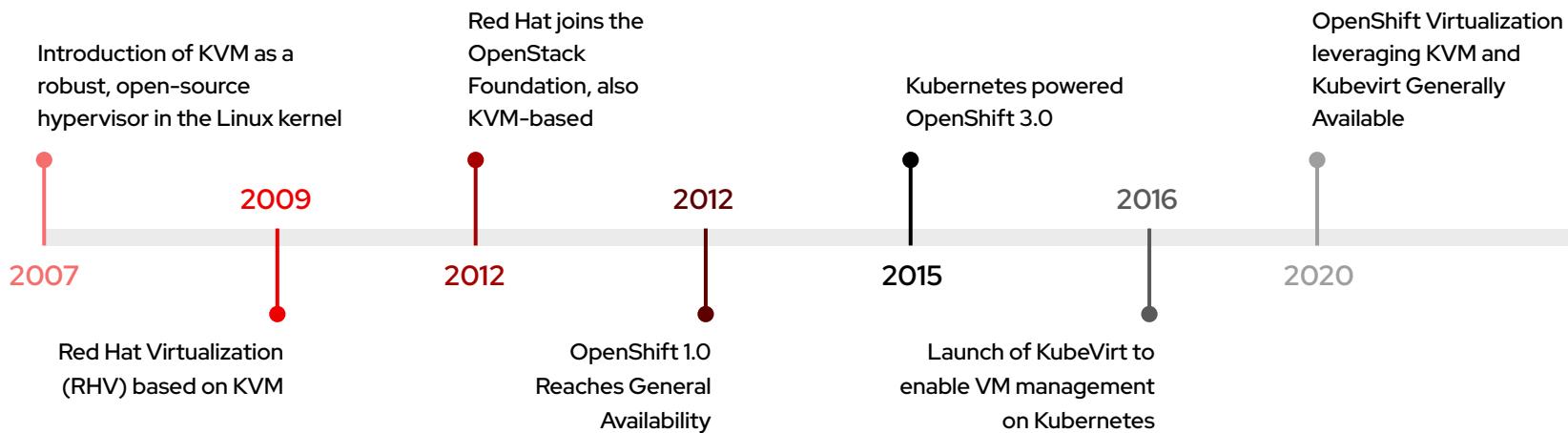
Summing up what we've got to fix

## 1 Fear, Uncertainty, and Doubt (FUD)

## 2 Lack of Customer References



# Red Hat has a long history with Virtualization



# We've come a long way since RHV

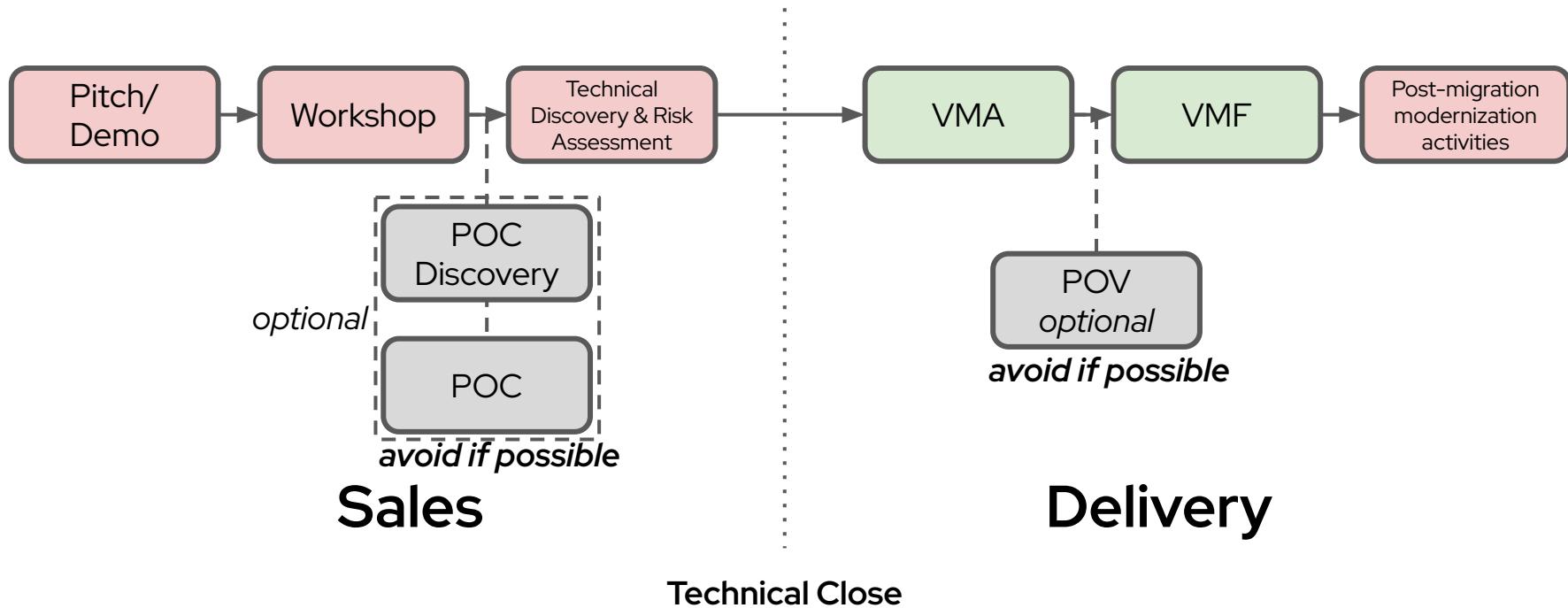
Category/Feature (versus best-in-class)	RHV	OpenShift Virtualization	
		EOY 2024	Target 2025
vAdmin friendly user interface	90	50	70-80**
VM density	90	90	90
Single cluster virtualization infrastructure management	80	95	95
Mixed VM and container environment	60	100	100
Infrastructure HA	50	95	95
Hotplug (storage, memory, compute)	10	90	90
ISV backup integrations	20	70	80
Disaster recovery integrations	90	55	80
Storage integrations / acceleration	90	85	90
Software defined networking	50	80	90

\*Feature comparison [summary sheet](#)   \*\*For single cluster management this will be higher



Proving our credibility  
through getting hands on

# Optimal Virt sales and delivery path



# Options for proving our solution

Demo	Workshop	Proof of Concept (POC)	Proof of Value (POV)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Demonstrates features</li><li>• Takes place on Red Hat hardware, including <u>Red Hat Interactive Experiences (RHIE)</u></li><li>• Pre-canned workflow determined by what the customer wants to see</li><li>• Duration is less than an hour</li><li>• Executed by SSAs <b>pre-VMA</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Gets customer hands on with features</li><li>• Takes place on Red Hat hardware</li><li>• Pre-canned workflow determined by workshop modules</li><li>• Duration is hours in length</li><li>• Executed by SSAs <b>pre-VMA</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proves the feasibility of our solution</li><li>• Takes place on customer hardware in lab environment</li><li>• Scope set by well-defined entrance, success, and evaluation criteria</li><li>• Duration is days in length</li><li>• Executed by SSAs <b>pre-VMA</b></li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Proves the value of our solution through a production-ready migration</li><li>• Takes place on customer hardware</li><li>• Scope set by number of production-ready VMs to be migrated</li><li>• Duration is weeks in length</li><li>• Executed by RH Consulting or partners <b>post-VMA</b></li></ul>

LOW

Time &amp; Cost

HIGH

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# Sometimes we have to go bit for bit

Provided Comments/Assessment - June, 2024				Red Hat Response - Current Updates	
Required Features	Broadcom VCF	IBM OpenShift	Additional Details	Red Hat Current State (All features GA in OpenShift Virtualization 4.17 and ACM 2.12 unless noted)	Red Hat Roadmap (OpenShift Virtualization 4.18+)
Virtual Machine Management	Yes	Limited (CLI w/ basic UI)	Critical to private cloud management at scale	<p>OpenShift Virtualization provides a robust suite of tools for virtual machine management, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VM Lifecycle Management via Web Console, API, and CLI tools (virtctl, SSH, VNC, Desktop Viewer for Windows)</li> <li>GitOps workflows for VMs using OpenShift GitOps for automated VM deployment and updates</li> <li>Red Hat Advanced Cluster Management (ACM) for multi-cluster VM management</li> <li>Migration Toolkit for Virtualization (MTV) to streamline migrating VMs from VMware and other platforms to OpenShift</li> <li>Backup &amp; DR with OpenShift OADP Velero, Red Hat ACM, and <a href="#">third party integrations</a> (e.g. Rubrik, Veritas, and others)</li> </ul> <p>Note: Additional IBM offerings available separately - Instana (Observability &amp; APM), Appio (FinOps), Turbonomic (AI-driven Resource Optimization)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Adding in tree-view navigation, logical grouping of VMs (Technical Preview), and ability to perform bulk VM actions (GA 4.18)</li> <li>Open discussion on integration</li> </ul>
Distributed Resource Scheduler (DRS)	Yes	No	Most critical VCF feature that, without a comparable offering, would require ~700K additional physical CPU cores to offset oversubscription 2	<p>OpenShift Virtualization delivers dynamic resource balancing like results through a combination of advanced scheduling, workload distribution, and automated scaling features, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scheduler profiles to control how VMs are placed on nodes</li> <li><a href="#">Descheduler</a> to trigger Live Migration for workload redistribution</li> <li><a href="#">Affinity/Anti-Affinity</a> rules to enforce placement constraints</li> <li>Resource limits to prevent individual VMs from consuming excessive resources</li> <li><a href="#">Kernel Same-Page Merging (KSM)</a> to optimize memory usage through deduplication</li> <li>CPU and Memory Overcommit to increase workload density</li> <li><a href="#">Cluster Autoscaler</a> to dynamically adjust node capacity</li> <li>Currently Load aware balancing <a href="#">manual steps available</a>, automating these in the upcoming release</li> <li>Red Hat ACM for workload distribution and load balancing across clusters</li> </ul> <p>Together, these features help optimize VM placement, prevent resource contention, and rebalance workloads dynamically across nodes and clusters</p> <p>Note: Additional offering available separately for vROps like functionality via IBM Turbonomic (AI-driven Resource Optimization)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Automated Load-aware balancing <a href="#">steps</a> (GA 4.19)</li> </ul>
Storage DRS	Yes	No	Highly critical for seamless operation during storage outages and management	<p>Storage DRS capabilities in OpenShift Virtualization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>StorageClasses combined Storage Live Migration (Tech Preview 4.17) provides a mechanism for optimal storage placement</li> </ul> <p>Note: <a href="#">Deprecation of VMware Storage DRS Load Balancer and Storage I/O Control (SIOC)</a></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Storage Live Migration to enable VM disk movement between storage classes, improving flexibility and resource utilization (moves to Early adopter program in 4.18)</li> </ul>
Guest OS Support	Yes	Limited (Only RHEL and Windows per published docs)	Need support for our full catalog of various Linux distributions & Windows versions	<p>OpenShift Virtualization <a href="#">supports</a> a variety of guest operating systems with different levels of certification and support:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tested &amp; Certified by Red Hat: Red Hat Enterprise Linux (RHEL), Microsoft Windows (fully validated and supported)</li> <li>Commercial Vendor Supported: Ubuntu, SUSE (supported by respective vendors, tested for compatibility)</li> <li>Community Supported: Fedora, CentOS (best-effort support, no formal certification)</li> </ul> <p>If an operating system is not listed, then support for that guest operating system will be provided in accordance with Red Hat's Third-Party Software Support Policy.</p>	<p>Red Hat PM will work directly with Adobe for guest OSes requiring commercial vendor and community support not listed today</p>
High Availability (HA)	Yes	No	Crucial service quality feature that migrates VMs in < 60 sec if underlying	<p>High Availability in OpenShift Virtualization</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Live Migration (vMotion equivalent) enables non-disruptive movement of running VMs between nodes to prevent downtime during maintenance or load balancing (requires shared storage)</li> <li>Automated Node Health Checks &amp; Remediation detect failures and ensure workload continuity</li> <li>Red Hat ACM facilitates VM failureover across clusters for disaster recovery and multi-cluster HA</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VM &amp; Storage cluster-to-cluster Live Migration (Tech Preview 4.20)</li> </ul>



# OpenShift Virtualization Roadshow

## aka *THE workshop*

- ▶ The premier hands-on experience for VMW admins and Infrastructure architects to learn about OpenShift Virtualization.
- ▶ Start the day with an overview of OpenShift Virtualization and then dive into a 4-hour lab with modules that cover: environment review, VM creation and use, customization, management, live migration, networking, storage, migration tool kit, external load balancer, and backup and restore.
- ▶ End the day with a closing presentation that includes OpenShift capabilities and our partner ecosystem.



# Experience OpenShift Virtualization Hands-on

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## Current OpenShift Virtualization Roadshow

- ▶ An introduction to OpenShift Virtualization. Aimed at VM admins early in the sales cycle, dive into a hands-on lab with modules that cover: **environment review, VM creation and use, customization, management, live migration, storage, deploying MTV, networking and backup and restore.**
- ▶ **Updates are being made for networking module and updates to 4.18 by mid-April.**
- ▶ Watch for Train the Trainer update invite.
- ▶ [Content Kit](#)

## NEW: Day 2 Operations and Automation with OpenShift Virtualization Workshop

- ▶ This workshop covers essential practices required for ongoing administration and optimization with OpenShift Virtualization and Ansible Automation Platform. Modules covered will include: **automation of VM management, capacity management, performance monitoring, workload scaling, security and compliance and cost management.**
- ▶ This workshop is aimed at VM admins later in the sales cycle who already have experience with OpenShift/OpenShift Virtualization through the current OpenShift Virtualization Roadshow.
- ▶ New workshop should be available for pilots at customer locations in mid-late April. Fill out form if interested. Lab will be available after Summit.
- ▶ Watch for Train the Trainer update.



# OpenShift Virtualization Roadshow

## Goals

- ▶ Showcases the overall ease of use and capabilities of OpenShift Virtualization
- ▶ Offers a technical workshop for VM admins and Infrastructure architects who are interested in OpenShift Virtualization

## Who are we targeting?

- ▶ vSphere/Virtualization Admins, Infrastructure architects who are looking for an alternative to their current virt. Platform.
- ▶ Other considerations: VMware customers that may dislike Broadcom or are in competitive industries to Broadcom

## Topics/Content

- ▶ How can customers use OpenShift Virtualization, how do they migrate their current VMs and what does everyday management look like
- ▶ Who does our partner ecosystem consist of?
- ▶ What does onboarding look like and what resources are there?
- ▶ Primary CTAs/next steps: Depends if these are sales led or multi-customer marketing events.



# OpenShift Virtualization Roadshow Topics

Topic	Description
<b>Virtual Machine Management</b>	Basics of creating and managing VMs in OpenShift Virtualization. Basic customizations and live migration
<b>Migrating Existing Virtual Machines</b>	Migration Toolkit for Virtualization (MTV) to import virtual machines from VMware vSphere to OpenShift
<b>Storage Management</b>	Persistent Volume Claims (PVCs), which are used to request storage from the provider and store a VM disk
<b>Backup and Recovery for Virtual Machines</b>	Data protection for backup and recovery for VMs. OADP Operator, backup and restore
<b>Template and Instance Type Management</b>	Review preconfigured templates for creating VMs, VM cloning and customization
<b>Working with Virtual Machines and Applications</b>	Common day 2 operations, exposing applications



# Success from the Customer Perspective



Understanding that **THERE IS** a viable alternative to VMW



Become familiar with Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization



Understand that your journey to infrastructure modernization starts here



How Red Hat OpenShift provides an effective destination for VMs today, but also provides an application platform for the future

"I didn't realize how mature the OpenShift Virtualization product was."  
- Customer

"I really liked the UI and how easy it was to use." - Customer

"It was invaluable for them to hear your perspective/roadmap on this technology, as well as getting hands-on with the product." - Account team

"These sorts of high-touch, product management/development engagements are essential to building trust and comfort with our products and between our companies." - Account team



# Success from Red Hat Perspective



Show the capabilities of OpenShift Virt are a viable alternative to VMware



Create and help close sales opportunities,  
*getting them to the VMA!*

*"The workshop solidified our decision to remove VMware and replace with OpenShift Virt." - Attendee at Customer Event*



# Discussion

- ▶ What are the most common credibility challenges you expect to see in your opportunities?
- ▶ What proof points could you use? What proof points are missing?
- ▶ Are there specific techniques that have worked in the past for resolving credibility challenges?

10 Minutes



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# Positioning the Virtual Migration Assessment (VMA)

# Migration Services Journey

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# Explaining what the VMA is (and isn't)

## The VMA is:

- A paid in depth assessment of the customer's current VM estate
- Answers 1) where the customer is going 2) how they're going to get there 3) how long it will take and 4) how much it will cost
- Requires about a week of customer pre-work followed by a week of onsite time with the customer

## The VMA unlocks:

- The Virtualization Migration Promotion (VMP) and firm fixed-price (FFP) consulting from Red Hat

## The VMA is not:

- A discovery session and must never be positioned as so; discovery takes place prior to the VMA



# Virtualization Migration Assessment

## Our Approach



### Planning Activities

- Identify stakeholders
- Send pre-work including RVTools export needed

### Onsite Activities

- Whiteboarding
- Requirements gathering
- Decision making
- Removing blockers

### Post Work Activities

- Crunch the RVTools data to build migration estimate
- Complete HLD
- Present Exec Summary and Next Steps

# VMA Customer and Red Hat Roles

Customer Attendee	Role	Red Hat Attendees
Project Sponsor(s)	Responsible for setting goals and determining the measures of success for open-source adoption.	Sr. Architect
Business and IT decision-makers	Key Decision-makers from Business and IT Operations.	Engagement Lead
Enterprise Architect	The architect is responsible for data and systems interactions across the organization.	Strategic Account Executive
Virtualization Product Owner	The product owner for the current virtualization platform.	Sales Specialists
Infrastructure Teams representatives	Representatives for the infrastructure team: computing, storage, and network.	Senior Account Solution Architect
Director and/or Manager of Application Development	Oversees Software Development Technologies and Processes	Customer Success Executive
Director and/or Manager of IT Operations	Oversees Infrastructure Platform and Operations	
Relevant leads and members of Developer teams	Architects, Leaders, and Managers for internal projects and initiatives	
Relevant leads and members of the IT Operations team	Infrastructure, Platform, or Software Owner(s)	
Various	Other interested parties within the organization	



# Walkthrough of Sample VMA

**Virtualization Migration Assessment Report for CUSTOMER**

Proposed Migration Approach and High Level Design

Version 1.0 - [Jun 26, 2024]

**Assessment Sessions Delivered**

Session Name	Description Summary
Stakeholder Mapping and Goals	Understand motivation, migration requirements
CUSTOMER Infrastructure Deep Dive	Review of current VM environments
Virtualization Solution Overview	Review OpenShift Virtualization cases and understand Virtualization.
Architecture Review	Review the initial solution design and objectives, and stakeholders involved.
Security Requirements	Define security requirements and inclusion in RHEL.
Recommended Approach	Present migration and additional recommendations.
Pilot Proposal and Document Delivery	Review the document established a code Red Hat Account.

**Current Environment**

**Overview**

CUSTOMER's global infrastructure consists of [REDACTED] VMs. These VMs can be categorized into four main types:

- Production
- Non-Production
- Management
- Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI)

**Workload Migration Complexity Analysis**

**Approach**

Categorizing workload complexity will help us prioritize the migration plans and give us an estimate of the effort. We base our evaluation on the following:

- Workload Environment
- Operating System and Version
- Workload Type
- Resource Capacity and Requirement
- Disk Size

**Workload Environment**

Provisioning lab and nonproduction workloads for migration will help ensure that we perform production migration as efficiently and smoothly as possible.

**RHEL and other Linux Distributions**

Out of the [REDACTED] eligible workloads from VMware, we first categorize the VMs into supported operating systems and version or net.

<http://www.redhat.com/rhel/rhel723x>

RHEL and RHEL-derivatives such as CentOS, Rocky and Oracle Linux that are newer than RHEL 5 will be placed into the easy bucket. These versions are heavily tested and officially supported by Red Hat. The older versions will require upgrades before migration so they will be placed in the medium bucket.

SUSE is also a supported distribution starting with version 12+. SUSE 12 is also supported starting with version 12+. SUSE 12 is also supported starting with version 12+. Various Linux VMs with unlabelled distribution will need to be determined by other means. The effort level will be determined on a case-by-case basis.

Operating Systems	Easy	Medium	Hard
RHEL 5	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]	[REDACTED]
RHEL 6, 7, 8, 9			
CentOS 4, 5			
CentOS 6, 7, 8			

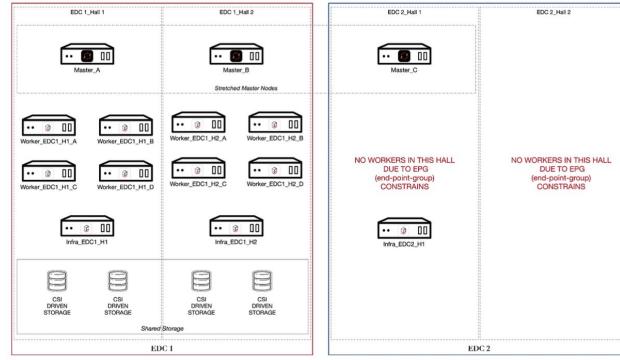
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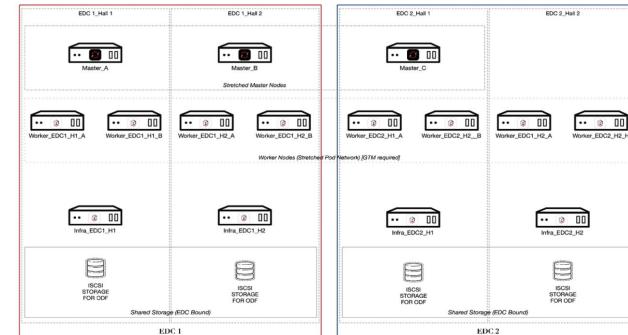
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# Target Architecture and Infrastructure Considerations

- ▶ [Redacted] Company's existing physical server, networking, and storage architecture is an ideal model and landing zone for OpenShift Virtualization, and has been used as the starting point for the infrastructure design. No red flags have been identified with the existing infrastructure
- ▶ The architectural layout will consist of four (4) deployment architectures each dedicated to a specific use case:
  - 1) EDC, 2) "Stretched" EDC, 3) Plant/Distributed, and 4) Standalone. The topology will be laid out to take advantage of multiple failure domains where available.
- ▶ The "Stretched" EDC is architecture that is designed specifically for VM workloads that currently use the VMWare NSX feature today. This would be an OpenShift Virtualization cluster where storage (using ODF) is stretched across both data centers.



EDC Architecture

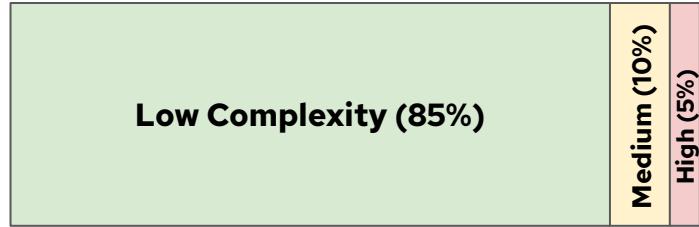


"Stretched" EDC Architecture

# VM Workload Breakdown and Planning

## Complexity Analysis

- ▶ The workload analysis shows a 85/10/5 easy/medium/hard distribution of workloads
  - 97% of VMs are sized as easy to migrate
  - A small number of VMs (1%) are very large and may need to be V2P migrations
  - 2% of VMs are running Ubuntu and non-RHEL distros and will need to be further evaluated during Phase 1
  - During Phase 1, we will build patterns for the appliances and COTS migrations, determining what can be moved to a native container.



Factor	Easy	Medium	Hard
Storage Size	64087	2167	153
Workload Type	53128	11497	0
Operating System	51336	6736	1237

# [Redacted] VM Migration Velocity Projection

1. [Redacted] global infrastructure consists of more than 71,000 virtual machines (VMs) distributed across data centers in six countries.
2. These VMs can be categorized into four main types:
  - Production: 26,000 VMs
  - Non-production: 33,000 VMs
  - Management: 7,000 VMs
  - Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI): 5,000 VMs
3. The VDI VMs are based on Citrix/Hyper-V technology, while the other three categories (production, non-production, and management) are VMware-based. This means that out of 71,000 VMs, 66,000 are potentially migratable to a new platform.
4. Approximately 17,000 VMs are under the responsibility of the Operations and Infrastructure (O&I) team while the remaining VMs are owned by various product teams within the Visa organization.

\* Velocity is based on optimal rate, without resource or process constraints.

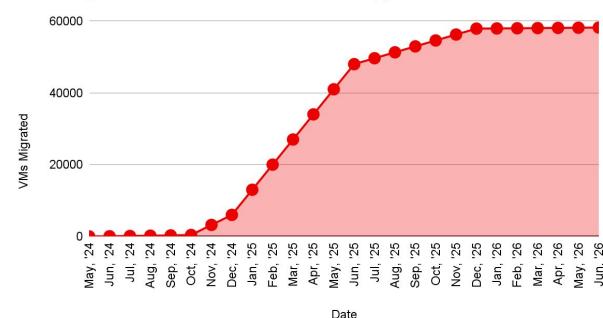
\*\* Assumes production workloads can be migrated on weekdays

\*\*\* Assumes migration windows of 4 hours per day, 5 days per week

\*\*\*\* Full assumptions in [Appendix](#)

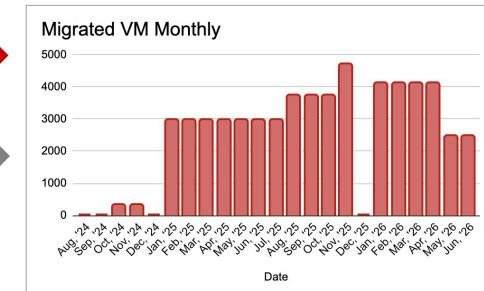
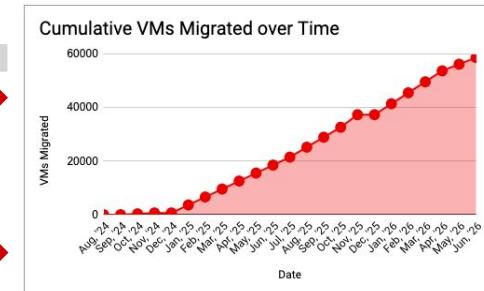
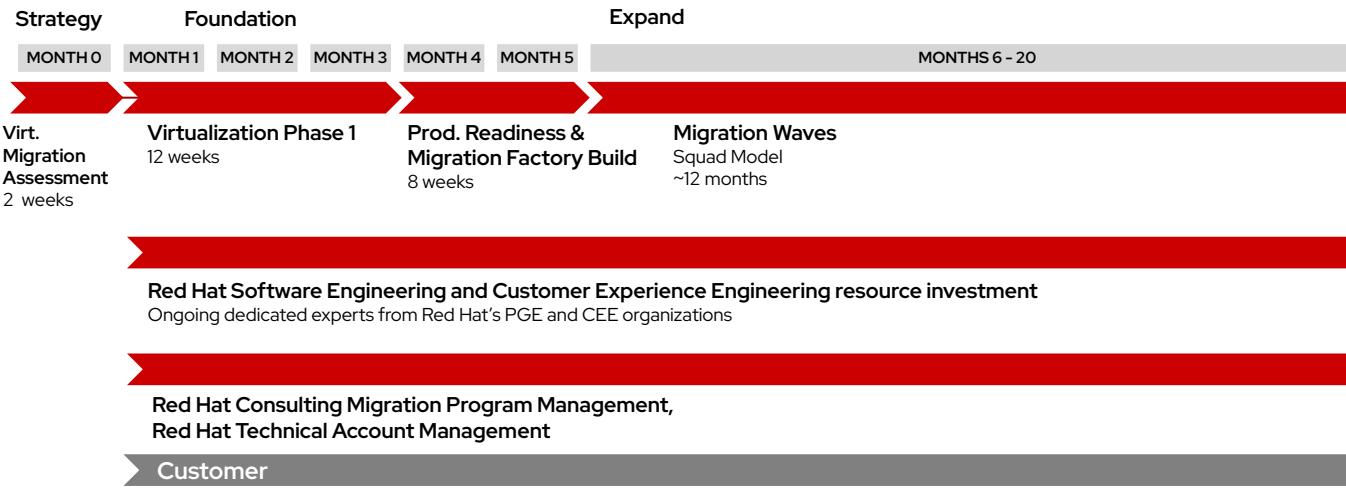
Date	VMs Migrated (V2V)	VMs Retired (V2C, V2P, Decomm)	vSphere VMs Remaining
PHASE 1 BEGINS			
June 2024	0	0	66,000
October 2024	400	100	65,500
PHASE 1 ENDS / MIGRATION FACTORY BEGINS			
December 2024	6,000	500	59,500
June 2025	48,000	2,500	18,500
December 2025	57,900	6,600	1,500
MIGRATION FACTORY ENDS / ONGOING SUPPORT BEGINS			
June 2026	58,200	7,800	0

VMs Migrated vs. Date - Lift and Shift Approach



# Virtualization Migration Assessment

Example Migration Schedule: 50,000 VMs



[Redacted]

# Mapping the Solution with Ecosystem Partners

## VMware Portfolio

VMware Subscription Level	Select	Subscription / Core Count
VMware Cloud Foundation (VCF)		
VMware vSphere Foundation (VVF)	X	
VMware vSphere Standard (VVS)		
VMware vSphere Essentials Plus Kit (VVEP)		

VMware Product	Feature	Used (Y/N)
vSphere		
vSAN	Supported Storage Protocol	
	Dynamic Volume Provisioning	
	RWX for Live Migration	
	Snapshot Support	
	Clone Support	
NSX (small set of clusters)	Microsegmentation	
	Multi-Cloud Networking	
	Tunnels (IPSec, VPN)	
	Dynamic Routing (Distributed / Logical)	
	Central Network Management	
	MPLS	
	QoS	
Aria Operations (vROP)	Performance Analytics (vSphere VMs)	
	Health Score	
	Alerting	

[Redacted]

VMware Product	Feature	Used (Y/N)
BMC (today)	ITOM/ITSM integration (ServiceNow)	
	Recommendation Engine (e.g. rightsizing)	
	Automated Optimization	
	True Visibility Suite	
Aria Automation (vRA)/vRo	Infrastructure provisioning (LCM)	
	Application Blueprints/workflows	
(Chef/Habitat)	Configuration Management	
	Service Catalog	
	Cloud Assembly	
Aria Log Insights		
HCX (Hybrid Cloud Extensions)		
DSM (Data Services Manager)		
DRS (Distributed Resource Scheduler)		
Storage DRS	use when needed	
VDS (vSphere Distributed Switch)		
VMware Site Recovery Manager		
VMware Tanzu Kubernetes Service		
VMware Tanzu Application Service (TAS, PCF)		

[Redacted]

## 3rd Party ISV Portfolio

Component	Existing Vendor
Backup & Recovery	[Redacted]
DR	[Redacted]
Monitoring	[Redacted]
Logging	[Redacted]
Metrics Collection & Alerts	[Redacted]
Secrets Management	[Redacted]
Certificate Management	[Redacted]
Security in VM/Container	[Redacted]
Day 1 Operations	[Redacted]
Automation and Configuration Management	[Redacted]

[Redacted]

# Accelerated Migration Approach: Key Considerations

## STRENGTHS

The unique capabilities the [Redacted]+ Red Hat partnership creates

## WEAKNESSES

The internal obstacles that may be present, but can be mitigated with planning & commitment of time & resources

## OPPORTUNITIES

The external opportunities we can capitalize on that create long-term benefits

## THREATS

Factors external to the joint migration team that will shape the ability to fully execute

### Considerations

- Red Hat's Solid Foundation of Knowledge** of [Redacted] environment & organization
- Leverage Foundation that define the lifecycle of the migration effort for **early identification of opportunities for efficiencies & scale**
- Deliberate Planning Efforts**: vis-à-vis infrastructure requirements, risk factors, & critical assumptions defined in the **Preliminary High-Level Design**
- Strategically **repurpose current investments** for cost avoidance (i.e., Dell hardware)

- Dedicated time & resources** (i.e., FTEs, access to systems) for the additional upfront discovery & detailed planning the Accelerated migration approach requires
- Higher number of dependencies, complexity & risks** associated with the accelerated & parallel migration approach
- Anticipating GA **release of critical technical features** (Memory Overcommit & Storage vMotion) by EOY 2024

- Migration from a singularly focused virtualization platform (VMware) to a standardized container platform that offers an **effective path to modernize** (OpenShift Virtualization)
- OpenShift Virtualization capabilities & Red Hat's support model **meets [Redacted]'s strategic goals**
- Operationalize [Redacted]'s **multi-hybrid cloud strategy** & accelerate [Redacted]'s AI strategy

- Operational & Resource Dependencies:** 1) Maintenance/ planned downtime , 2) Timelines of security approvals, 3) [Redacted] resource availability
- Demands on Manufacturing:** 1) Adjustments to high availability requirements of plants, 2) Limitations of physical space & assets for side-by-side migration
- Landscape Complexities:** 1) Unsupported Operating Systems (ie. Ubuntu, etc.), 2) 2TB+ and 10TB+ disks, 3) Configuration Management Database (CMDB) accuracy
- Contingency:** Post-[Redacted] with aggressive timelines & approach

### Impacts

- + **Clarity** on critical assumptions & risks
- + **Defined** roadmaps & identified **synergies**
- + Familiarity of teams & environment will **accelerate collaboration**
- + Prior **investments get reutilized/ optimized**

- Lack of resources will impede ability to complete **thorough planning**
- Dependencies during parallel phases could create '**domino effect'**
- **Technical features** for GA release are needed to make progress on approach

- + Modern platform enables [Redacted] to unlock **accretive value over time**
- + Alignment with [redacted] goals that **shape long-term success**

- **Delays in execution**, compounded by the '**domino effect'**
- **Negative OpEx** impact in [redacted] & beyond



# Positioning the Virtualization Migration Factory (VMF)

45 Minutes



# Migration Services Journey

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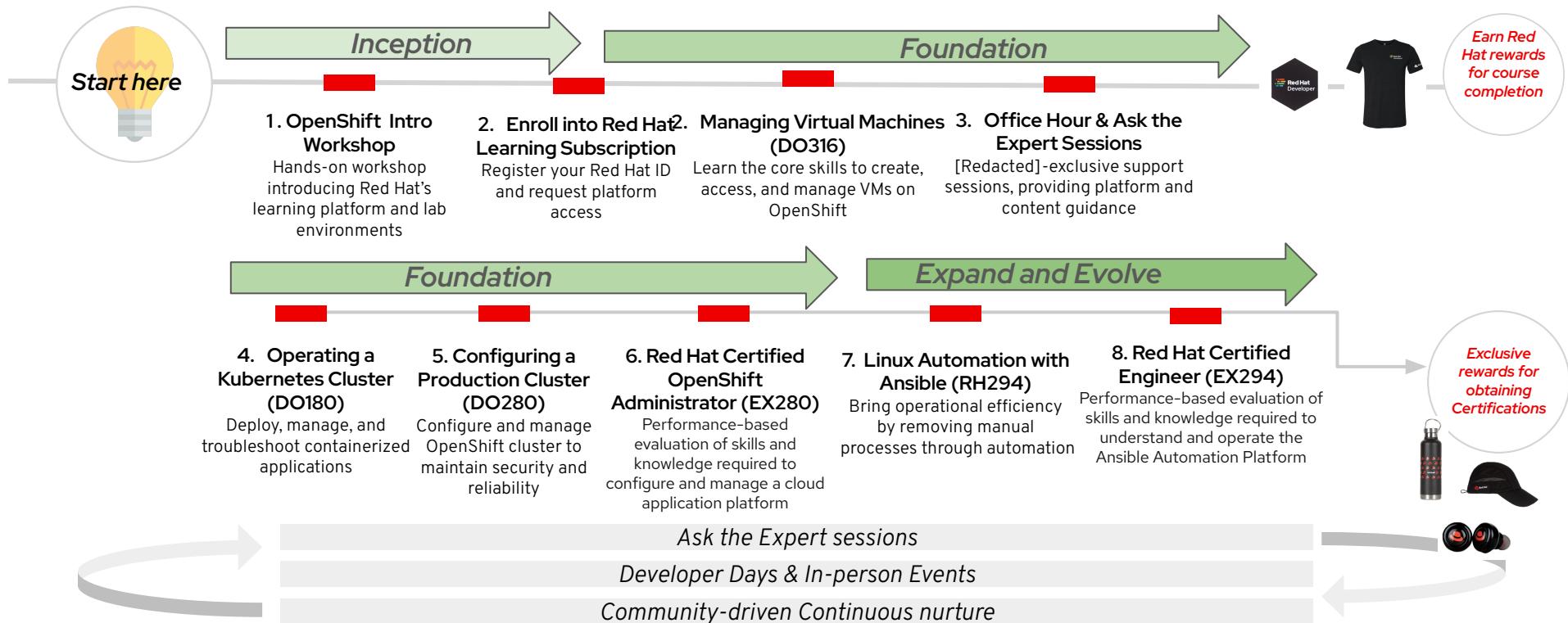
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# Training Journey: Virtualization Ops/Engineer



# Technical Account Management Solutions

Recommendations for successful migrations

- **Dedicated OpenShift TAM ~\$463K/yr (Recommended for migrations >500 VMs)**  
Dedicated to one account only. Covers OpenShift only. Delivered remotely.
- **Enterprise TAM ~\$512K/yr (Recommended for migrations of >5000 VMs)**  
Dedicated to one account only. Covers multiple products (e.g. RHEL, OpenShift and Ansible). Delivered remotely.
- **Shared Openshift TAM ~\$129K/yr (Recommended for migrations <500 VMs)**  
Covers 4 accounts or more and only OpenShift. Delivered remotely.
- **Technical Relationship Manager ~\$60K/yr (not recommended for migrations)**



# Customer Example 1: [Redacted]

# Red Hat Alignment with [Redacted]

## "[Redacted]"

Migrating 10,000 VM's, leveraging technology to scale, at the Speed of Light

### Consider the Fastest Means to an Outcome

- Realize licensing cost savings sooner, with less risk to timelines
- Red Hat expertise, tooling, and manpower to drive fastest migration
- Continue to have a direct line of communication with Red Hat engineering to iterate as quickly as possible
- Leverage industry proven frameworks and methodologies
- Alleviate your teams to focus on other critical business initiatives

### Think In Innovative Ways

- Scale with technology, not people
- Think big, achieve big
- Combine [Redacted] team expertise, with world class technical guidance
- Leverage knowledge from previous successful engagements to contemplate the unknown

# Red Hat VM Migration Challenges at Scale

Red Hat Services is the partner of choice to perform mass migrations from VMware to OpenShift Virtualization platform.

## Anatomy of a Migration Stall

- Resource constraints while supporting multiple platforms
- Migration planning often underestimated
- Process and practices are not aligned with new platform
- Unforeseen, undocumented technical details

## Solution

- Implement Red Hat Ansible for automating VM migration waves
- Red Hat Migration Factory encompassing automating processes and practices
- Day 2 platform automation

## Common Migration Challenges

- Automation for pre and post-migration tasks
- Gaps in Day 2 platform operations
- Downtime coordination and scheduling with application owners
- Resource constraints

## Benefits

- Accelerated path to migration and modernization
- Automated migration plan execution
- Reduced time and resources spent on manual testing and validation
- Reduce platform operations

# [Redacted] VM Migration Journey

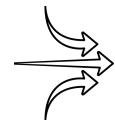
What, how, and why



## Challenge

### Operational Excellence

Reliability and scalability is a priority. The platform should support migrations as well as future growth.



## Approach

### Enhance Platform Capabilities

- Invest in Day 2 automation
- Build capacity management practices
- Consistency in cluster deployments



## Benefits

### Platform Reliability

- ↓ Operational Cost
- ↓ Downtime

### Balancing Speed and Reliability

Gaps in platform automation will slow down migration activities and come at the cost of stability



### Integrate Platform Capabilities with Migration Tooling

- Demand and capacity based scaling
- Benchmarking migration activities



## Predictably Scale with Demand

- ↓ Deployment Time
- ↑ Customer Experience

### Resource Constraints

Supporting two platforms with a lean team is costly and time consuming



### Scale with Process and Technology

- Automation-first approach
- Upskill teams with embedded resources



## Upskilling Teams

- ↑ Platform Reliability
- ↓ Time to Migrate

### Visibility and Metrics

Define and collecting metrics for dashboards, insights, and migration tooling



### Effectively Utilize Metrics and Insights

- Metrics to inform downstream tooling
- Continuous improvement
- Executive visibility

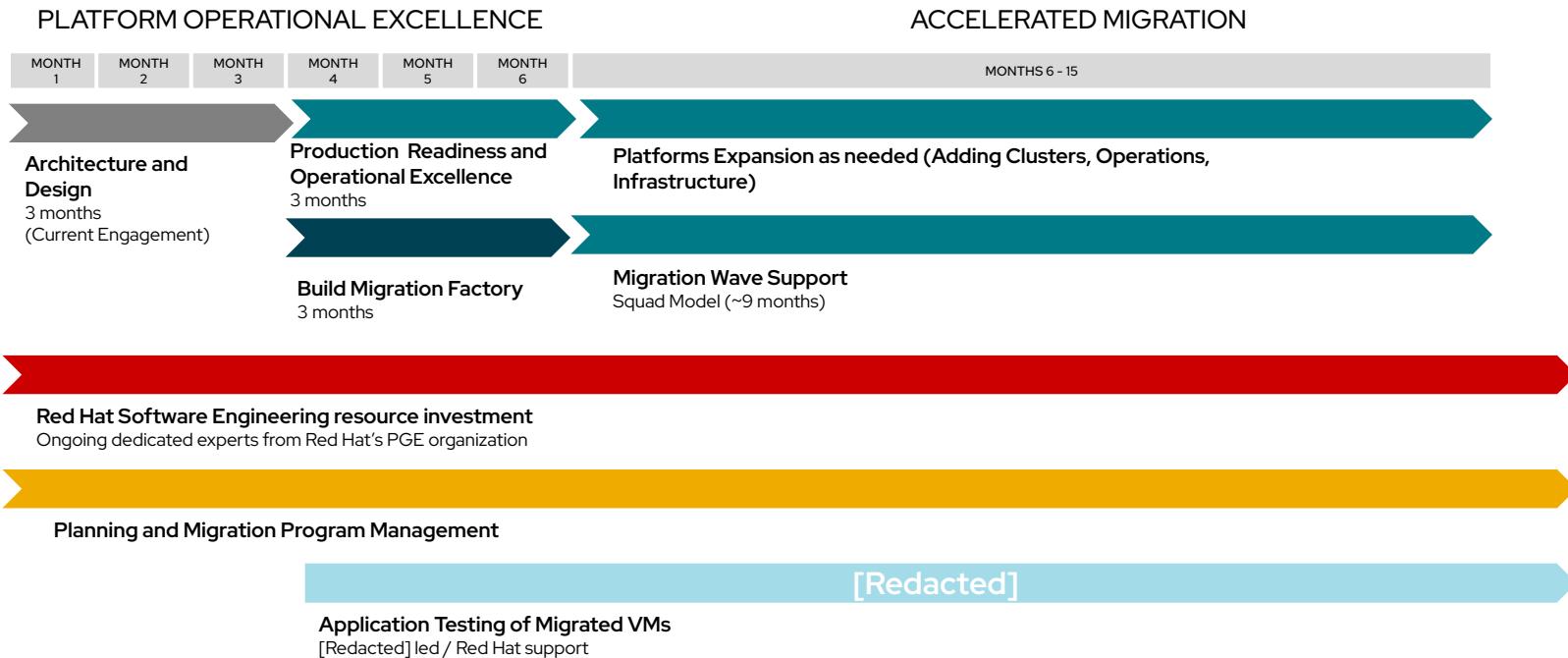


## Enterprise Agility

- ↑ Actionable Insights
- ↑ Operational efficiency

# [Redacted] “[Redacted]” Migration

## Phase 2: Platform Operational Excellence + Migration Factory



# [Redacted] VM Migration Acceleration

## Scope Overview

### Operational Excellence

- Expand GitOps capabilities and single source of truth for cluster configs
- ACM policy generation and management for consistent governance and security
- ACM High Availability and DR
- Day 2 Operations:
  - Certificate management
  - Capacity management
  - Patch and upgrade management
  - Backup and restore
- Workload management and deployment strategies
- Additional operator configuration and optimizations
  - Node Tuning
  - Compliance
  - NMstate
  - Proactive Node Scaling
- Operational health, capacity, actionable insights, and dashboards

### Migration Factory

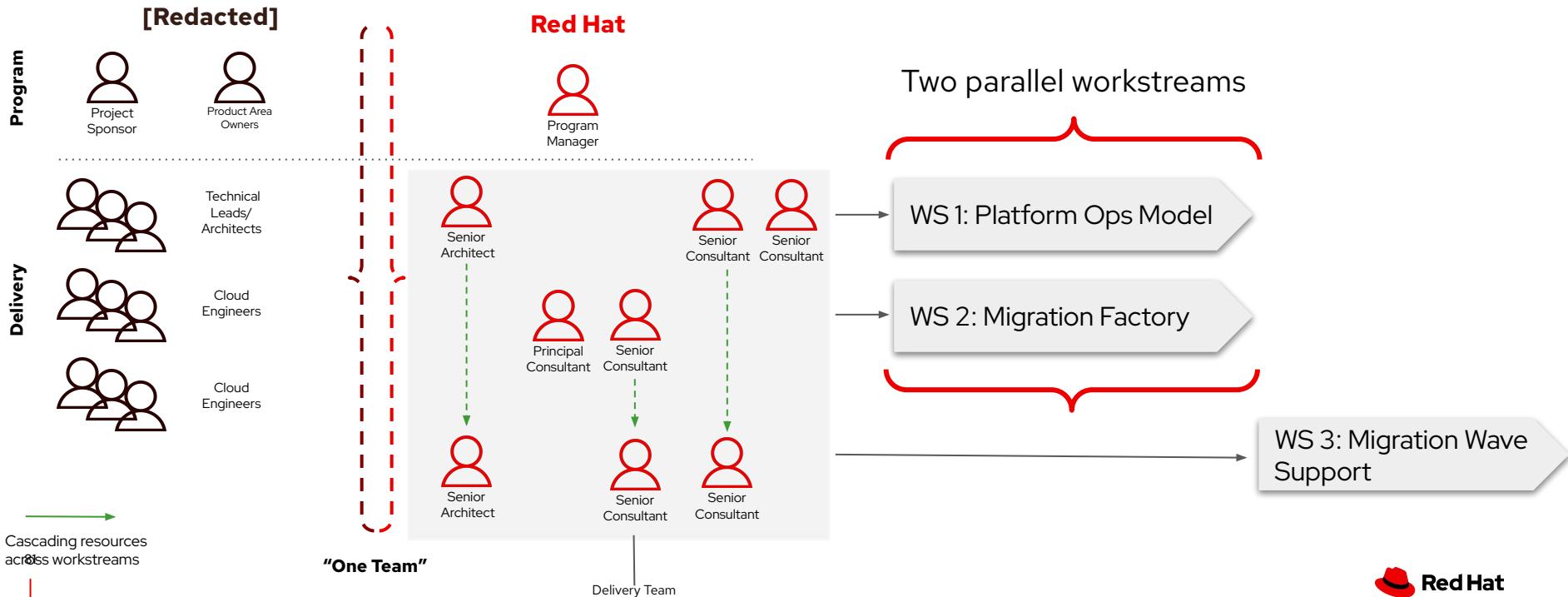
- Define and codify VM governance rules and migration policies
- Ansible Automation Platform
  - Private automation hub
  - GitOps platform configuration
  - Platform integration with existing tooling
  - Identify, authentication, authorization
  - Identify and create migration workflows
  - Initial wave automation
  - Secrets and key management
  - Execution environments
- Phase 1 initial migration wave
- Event-driven alerts and automation
- Capacity awareness in migration tooling
- Day 2 Operations
  - Testing and validation strategy and automation
  - Dynamic cluster scaling

### Migration Wave Support

- Iterative augmentation of tooling development
- Migration wave planning and use case mapping
- Migration wave queuing and batching
- Pre-migration VM state inventory
  - Virtual hardware (disk, network, GPU, etc)
  - Critical services/agents
  - Access (service account, admin)
- Pre-migration validation
  - Target capacity
  - Storage Availability
  - Tier/Use Case features
  - Decision/risk engine
- Post-migration test and validation
  - Test and validate against defined attributes from pre-migration
  - User/key injection
  - Tagging
  - Agent/virtual hardware config
  - Resource reservation

# Teaming Model

[Redacted]— Red Hat Collaboration for Success



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[Redacted]— Red Hat Collaboration for Success

## WS 1: Platform Operating Model



Senior Architect

### Platform Architecture

- Technical guidance and leadership of consultant deliverables across work streams
- Provides architectural for managing Openshift clusters
- Design and configure GitOps for source controlled configurations
- Cluster testing and validation strategy
- Design and document ACM availability and operational procedures
- Develop capacity and scaling plans
- Develop observability and exposing to downstream tools



Senior Consultant

### Platform Operations

- Assess gaps in out-of-box policy vs requirements
- ACM policy configuration and management
  - Governance policy for ingress and certificates
  - Compliance operator
  - Custom policy development
- ACM multi-cluster observability and health
- Cluster Health - monitoring, alerting, remediation
- Assist with benchmarking migrations



Senior Consultant

### Platform Operations

- Cluster provisioning and deprovisioning
- GitOps process engineering
  - Branching strategy
  - Repo design
  - Applying initial cluster configurations
  - Testing and validating
- Workload management and deployment strategies
- Automate operational procedures
  - Cluster back and restore procedures
  - Patch and upgrade management
  - Certificate management
  - Cluster testing and validation

# Teaming Model

[Redacted]— Red Hat Collaboration for Success

## WS 2: Migration Factory

Principal  
Consultant

### Automation Platform

- Design and implementation of Ansible Automation Platform
  - GitOps approach to platform configuration
  - Integration with existing migration tooling
  - Execution environments
- Identify initial automation workflows

- Identify, design, and document API interfaces with custom written and existing tooling
- Pre and post migration workflow design
- VM migration governance and migration policies
- Pre and post VM migration automation

Senior  
Consultant

### Migration Automation

- Ansible platform configuration
  - Baseline automation collections and job templates
  - Credentials
  - Organizations, users, teams
  - Inventory management
- Create initial automation playbooks for VM migration

- Document migration wave automation and design
- Day 2 platform automation
  - Testing and validation strategy
  - Dynamic cluster scaling

# Teaming Model

[Redacted]— Red Hat Collaboration for Success

## WS 3: Migration Wave Support



### Migration Support

Senior Consultant

- Ongoing migration wave planning
- Ongoing migration wave execution and tooling support
- Migration wave batching
- Technical liaison for product and feature support

- Ongoing knowledge transfer and upskilling teams
- Post-migration VM automation
  - Test and validation of migrated VMs
  - Post migration configuration
  - User/key injection
- Day 2 platform support and automation



### Migration Automation

Senior Consultant

- Ongoing migration wave execution and tooling support
- Pre-migration automation
  - Target cluster capacity
  - Storage availability and capacity
  - Tiering/Use case specific automation

- Develop decision and risk evaluation workflow automation
- Develop event-drive automation workflow from platform triggers
- Iterative automation development

# Customer Example 2: Redacted

# Certification Environment for Phase 1

## Phase 1 Outcome:

Prove the functionality, performance and reliability of the proposed cluster architecture as it would be implemented inside of [Redacted] Company's network and data center constraints.

## Objectives:

Evaluate the functionality, performance, and reliability of the proposed cluster architecture within [Redacted] Company's network and data center constraints.

Lays the foundation for migration by preparing OpenShift infrastructure and related automation, defining and validating a strategy for migration, and developing procedures and providing training.

Work Streams	Purpose
EDC Virtualization	Focus on the use-cases identified for the EDC deployment and VMs
Plant / Distributed Virtualization	Focus on the use cases and unique scenarios specific to the plant/distributed scenarios
Platform Automation	Enable the OpenShift Virtualization infrastructure deployment and the related automation (including reuse of existing assets at [Redacted])

# EDC and Plant /Distributed Virtualization

 **GOAL:** Focus on the use-cases identified for the EDC deployment and VMs

 <b>OVERVIEW:</b>	 <b>OUTCOMES:</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Deploy and validate Openshift virtualization environments</li><li>• Migrate representative test VM workloads to the Openshift virtualization certification environments</li><li>• Complete a suite of functional, performance and resilience tests to certify the environments</li><li>• Initial VM Migrations (with MTV)</li><li>• Platform Operationalization (observability)</li><li>• Testing and Validation</li><li>• Develop a process for migrations of upper environments</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Validation of the proposed OpenShift Virtualization architectures' functionality, performance, and reliability within [Redacted]'s network and data center constraints</li><li>• Successful testing of initial VM migrations and use-cases with initial workloads</li><li>• Have a tested process for migrations for upper environments</li></ul>
<b>DEFINITION OF SUCCESS:</b>	Validated the agreed upon use cases for the four architectural migration models

# Platform Automation

 **GOAL:** Enable the OpenShift Virtualization infrastructure deployment and the related automation

 **OVERVIEW:**

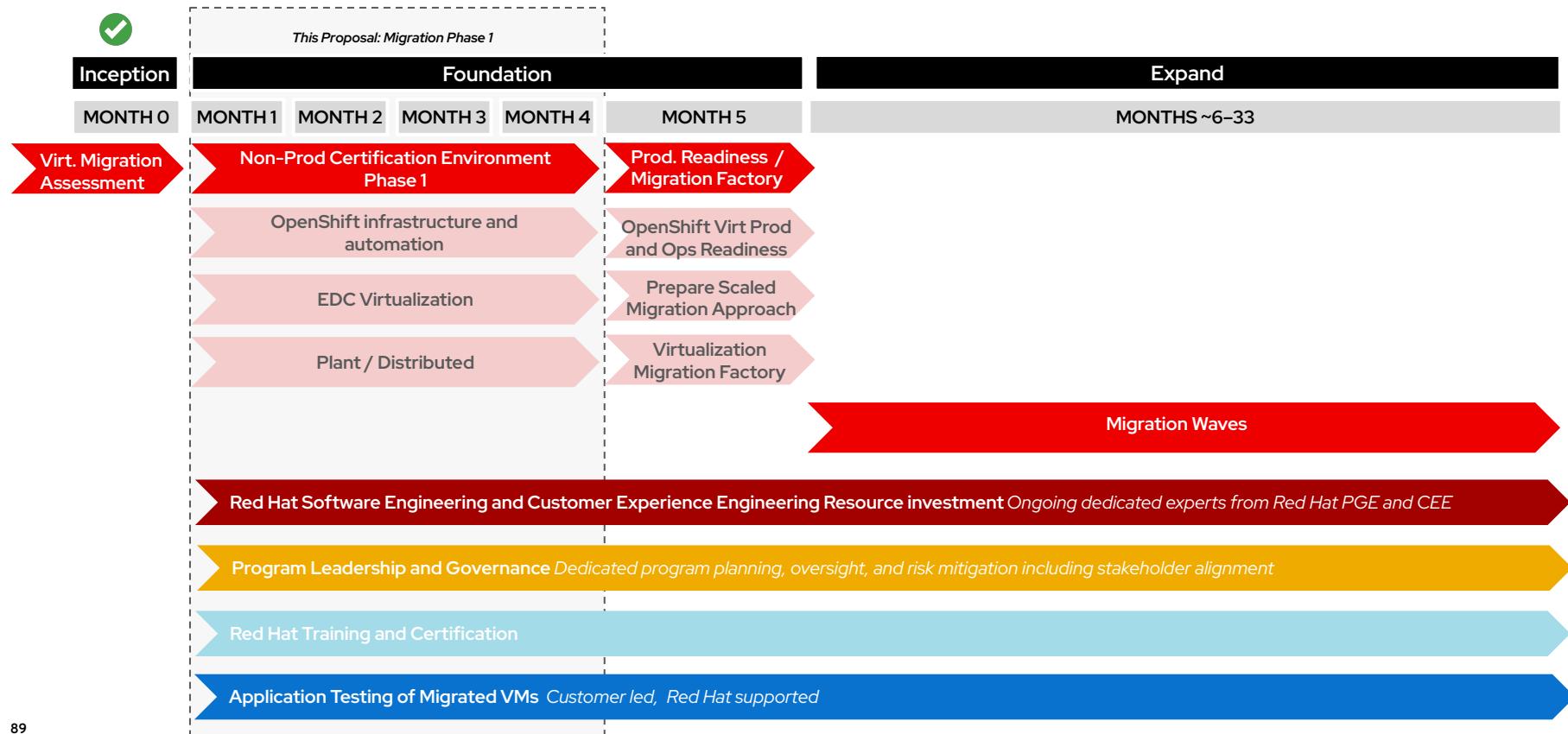
- Identify capabilities to assist with [Redacted]'s goal of establishing consistent Deployment and Day-2 operational automation practices for EDCs and plants
- Reuse existing automation and other platform artifacts (e.g., the GitOps based IaC) developed for the current OpenShift CaaS implementation
- Infrastructure low-level design
- IaC / GitOps and AAP automation for infrastructure
- OpenShift deployments
- Process and automation for host recommissioning

 **OUTCOMES:**

- Automation-first approach with consistency of implementation
- Successful implementation of platform best practices and automation ensuring adherence to best practices and "doing it right the first time"

 **DEFINITION OF SUCCESS:** Validate scaled migration and the critical Day-2 operations (3-5 use cases) using AAP automation; Review existing automation at [Redacted] for reuse assessment and integration

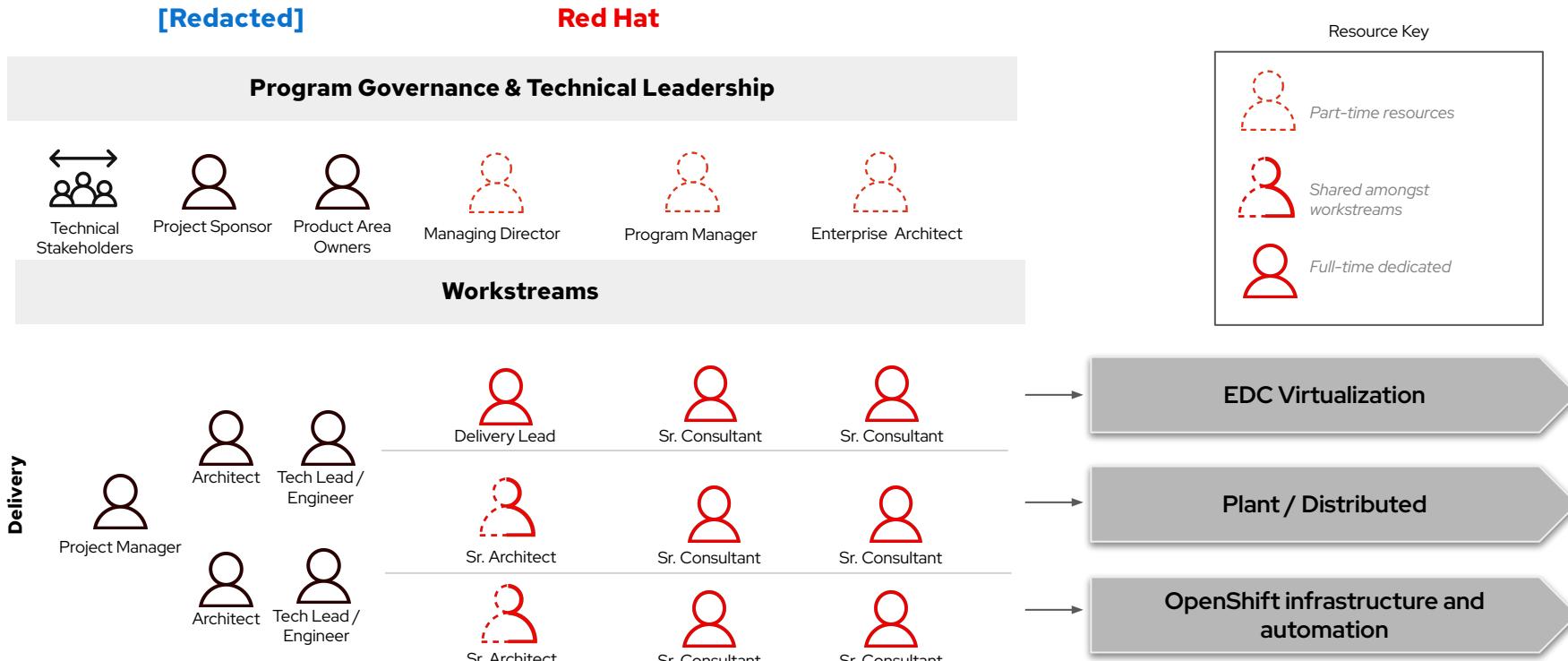
# [Redacted] Migration Program Timeline



\*[Redacted]s outage and release schedules have not been provided to Red Hat for this estimate. This timeline is based on standard industry holiday and quarter schedules.

For a more accurate timeline, [Redacted] will need to provide actual release and outage planning details.

# Phase 1 Teaming Model



# Phase 2: Migration

## Deploy production infrastructure and migrate at scale

### Migration Outcome:

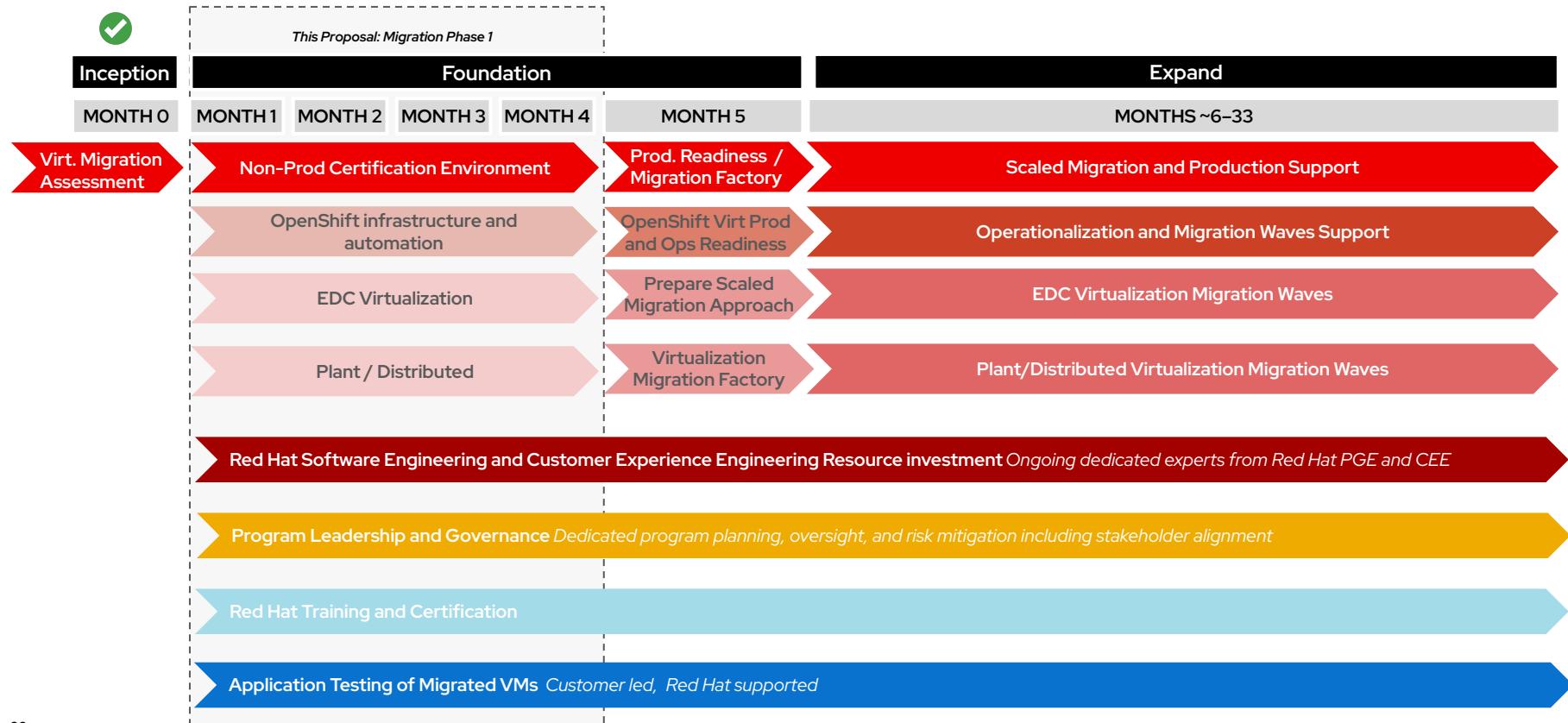
Successfully transitioning thousands of virtual machines to OpenShift Virtualization clusters while ensuring the new platform meets [Redacted]'s production system requirements. The goal is to achieve an efficient, automated, and scalable virtualization platform that integrates seamlessly with the company's existing infrastructure and operational practices.

### Objectives:

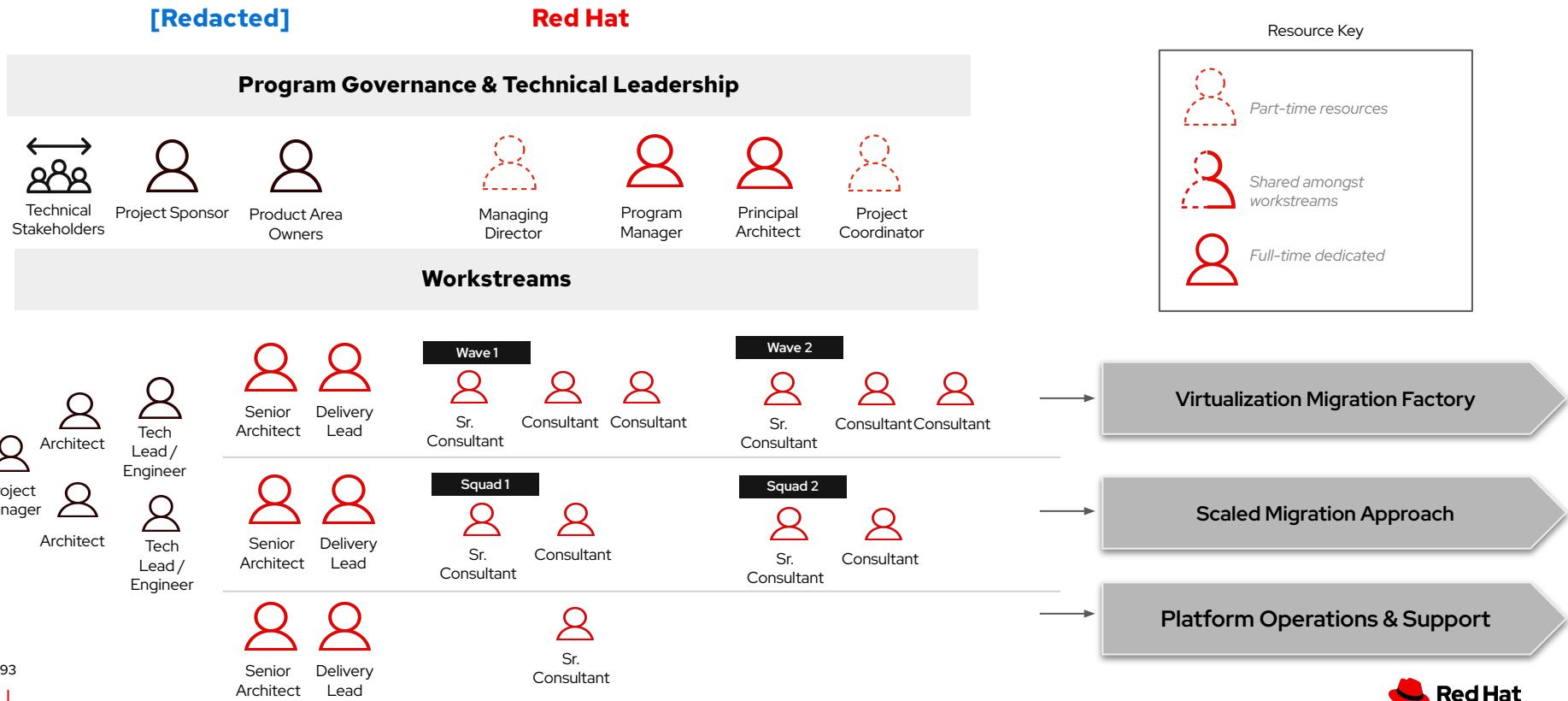
- Deploy, manage, and monitor OpenShift Virtualization clusters
- Develop automation solutions for VM migration
- Leverage existing automation and GitOps practices
- Prepare a scaled migration approach
- Ensure operational readiness

Work Streams	Purpose
Virtualization Migration Factory	Design and deploy Ansible Automation Platform and validate Ansible playbooks for batch VM migration, configurations, rollback and recovery, and VM validation
Scaled Migration Approach	Develop a seamless VM migration process with infrastructure-led and self-service options, workload planning, outage windows, preflight checks and exception handling
Platform Operations & Support	Ensure seamless deployment, management, and integration of OpenShift Virtualization clusters with company systems and support day-2 operations through ACM

# [Redacted] Migration Program Timeline



# Migration Factory Teaming Model



# Proposal for the Complete Migration

# Bill of Materials

## Recommended Red Hat Environment

### Red Hat Portfolio

Product	Quantity
OpenShift Kubernetes Engine (Bare Metal Node) (1-2 sockets) For VM Migration	1,700 Nodes
Advanced Cluster Management (1-2 sockets)	TBD
Ansible Automation Platform (100 Managed Nodes)	5,000 Nodes
OpenShift Platform Plus (Bare Metal Node) (1-2 sockets) For App Platform	TBD

### Host Count per Category

Product	Quantity
# of hosts for Virtualization use case	
# of hosts for Container Management use case	
# of hosts for Application Platform use case	

### 3rd Party ISV Portfolio

Component	Red Hat Recommended Vendor	Recommended Subscription
Backup & Recovery	Cohesity	TBD
DR	Cohesity	TBD
Monitoring	Current Solution: WhatsUP Gold,Cisco Workload monitoring, Dynatrace Add: ACM Observability, Alertmanager for Virt clusters	As-is + TBD
Logging	Current Solution: Splunk/Google Bucket/shell script/vRealize Log Insight Future: Logging 6.0 for OTEL	As-is + TBD
Metrics Collection & Alerts	Current Solution: WhatsUP Gold,Cisco Workload monitoring, Add: ACM Observability, Alertmanager for Virt clusters	As-is + TBD
Secrets Management	Current Solution: HashiCorp Vault	As-is
Certificate Management	Current Solution: Globalsign	As-is
Security in VM/Container	Current Solution: AV - ACS (Container Scanning),Cisco Traffic Watch and ACLs, vTPM, data encrypted at rest (SAN/NAS), compliance operator	As-is
Day 1 Operations	Habitat,chef,custom scripts	Ansible Automation Platform (AAP)
Automation and Configuration Management	Habitat,chef,custom scripts	Ansible Automation Platform (AAP)

# Customer Example Pricing #1

Red Hat and [Redacted] have successfully completed the assessment of [Redacted] VMware environment and have built a proposal to migrate the entirety of [Redacted] [Redacted]k VMs running on VMware, using a scaled migration factory over a period of two years. This deck highlights the key findings, recommendations, and migration approach.

Phase	Deliverables / Outcomes	Duration	Estimated Pricing
<b>Lift and Shift Migration</b>			
Foundation	OpenShift Virtualization and Migration Factory Build and Operationalization	7 Months	[\$Redacted]M
Accelerated Migration	Successful Migration of the existing 66k VMware Virtual Machines	18 Months	\$[\$Redacted]M
Red Hat Subscriptions after migration	Subscription growth for: OpenShift Virtualization Engine (OVE) Advanced Cluster Management (ACM)	Annual Contract Value	\$[\$Redacted]M
<b>Recommended Modernization</b>			
Containerization and Testing Squads	Teams focused on containerizing, testing and skills transfer to product teams <small>*Best effort, replatform viable applications</small>	24 Months	\$[\$Redacted]M Testing \$[\$Redacted]M Containerization

# Customer Example Pricing #2

Phase	Deliverables / Outcomes	Duration	MSRP	[Redacted]Price
Platform Operationalization	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GitOps Cluster Configuration</li> <li>• Day 2 Ops Automation</li> <li>• Hardware Commissioning</li> <li>• Automated wave cluster builds</li> <li>• Capacity Management</li> <li>• Observability</li> </ul>	~3 Months		
Migration Factory	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• VM Migration Wave Planning</li> <li>• Automation Platform Deployment</li> <li>• VM Testing and Validation Automation</li> <li>• Migration Plan Automation</li> </ul>	~3 Months		
Migration Wave Support	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Execute Migration Waves</li> <li>• Iterative Workload Automation</li> <li>• Workload Validation and Testing</li> <li>• Workload Optimization</li> </ul>	~9 Months	\$[Redacted]	\$[Redacted]
Software Licensing (assumes 10,000 VM's running on 330 physical servers)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• OpenShift Virtualization Licensing</li> <li>• Ansible Automation Platform Licensing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ For migration purposes</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		\$[Redacted] \$[Redacted]	\$[Redacted] \$[Redacted]
		Total Project Cost:	\$[Redacted]	[Redacted]

\*final pricing will be delivered by reseller of choice



# Discussion

- ▶ What did you learn?
- ▶ What do you plan to do differently with your customer?

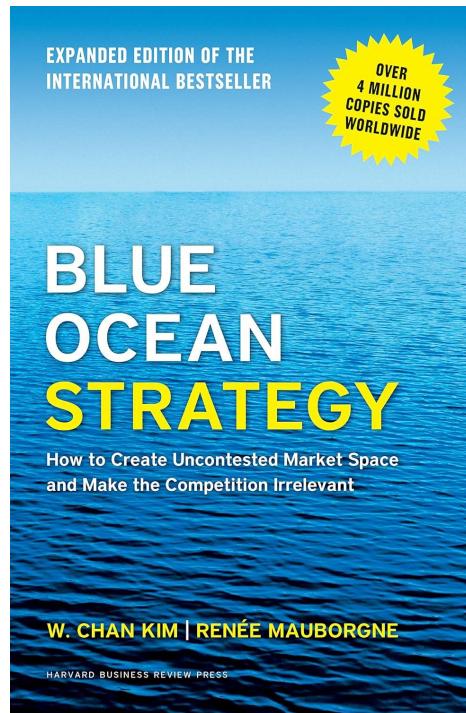
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# The Road to Customer Value through Virtualization

Enhance your approach by evolving your selling skills



# VM migration or VM modernization

Option 0



Stay on VMware

Option 1



Move to OpenShift  
Virtualization Engine  
(OVE)

Option 2



Move to OpenShift  
Kubernetes Engine  
(OKE)

Option 3



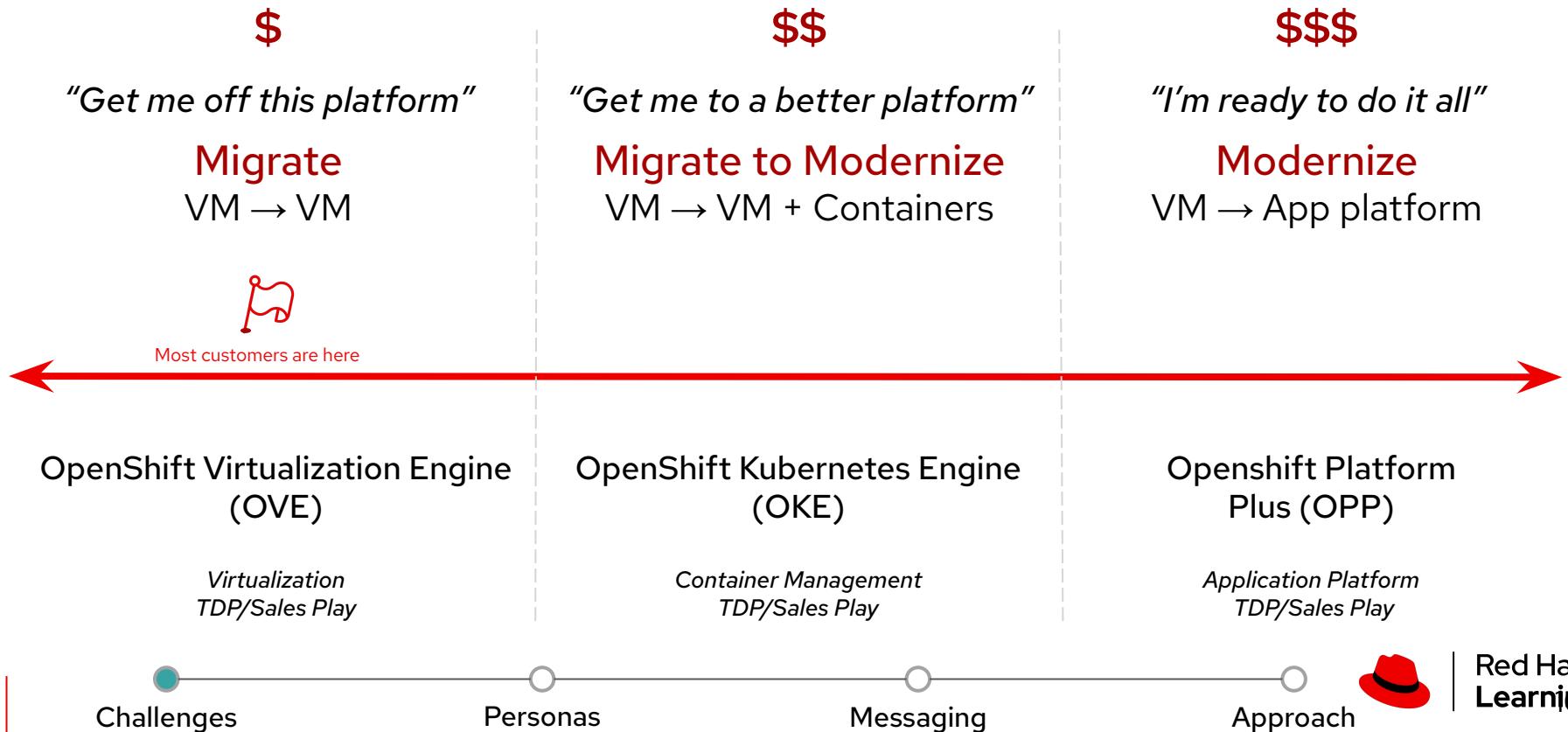
Move to Openshift  
Platform Plus (OPP)

Challenges



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# Customer virtualization paths





# Catch the cues: migrate

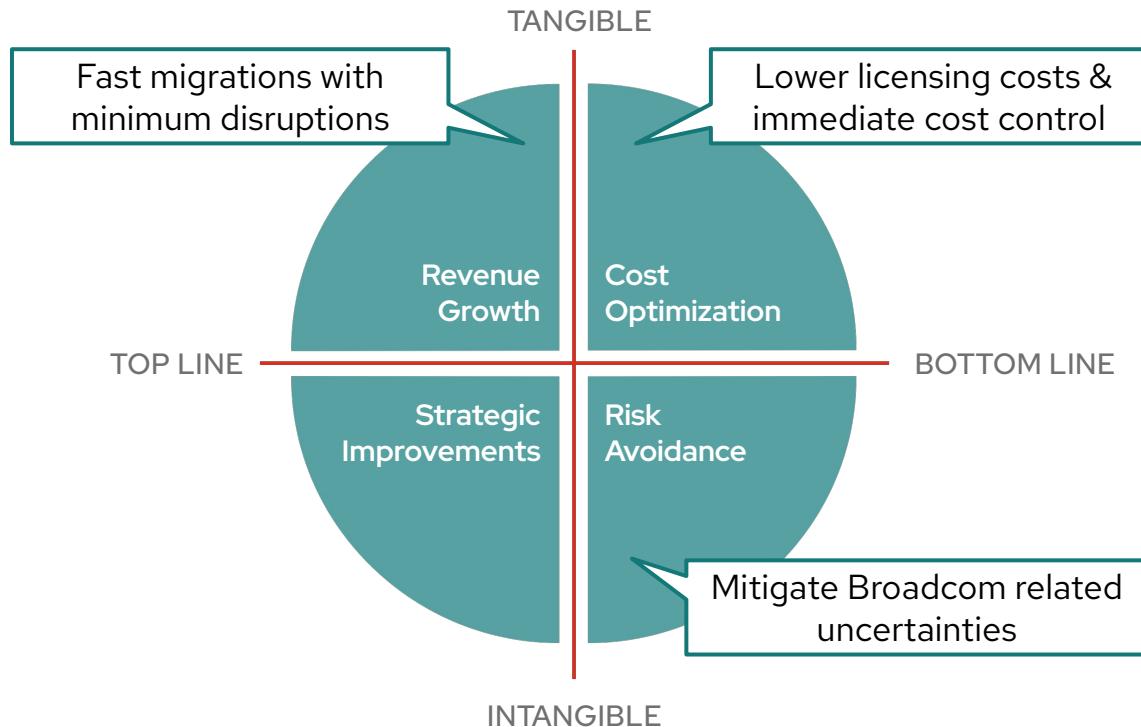
## Openshift Virtualization Engine

*"I have all my VMs in VMWare.  
Should I have multiple  
virtualization platforms ...?"*

*"I'm worried about what they'll  
do in the future ..."*

*"There's nothing technically  
wrong with VMWare ..."*

*"I need something that won't  
hold me ransom on cost ..."*



Challenges

Personas

Messaging

Approach

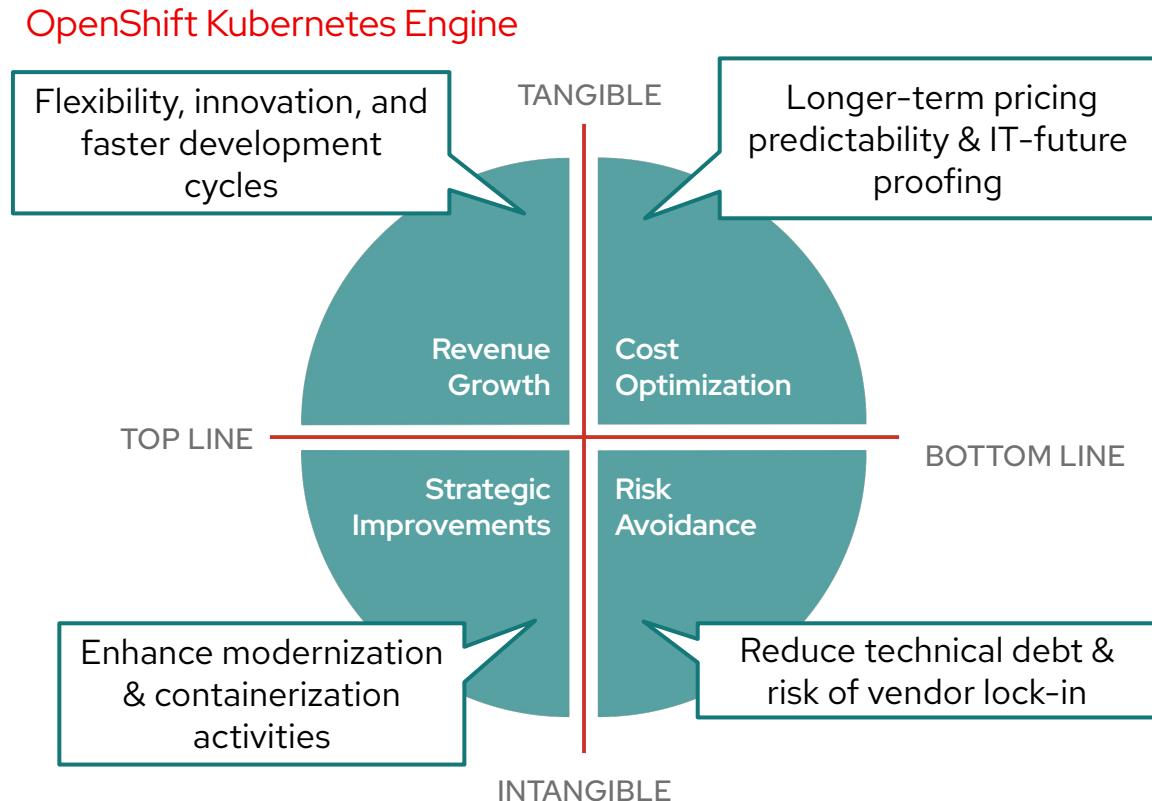


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# Catch the cues: migrate to modernize

*"The Broadcom disruption is making me think about accelerating my modernization via containers ..."*

*"I would need something that provides more efficiency to make a significant change ..."*



Challenges

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Approach

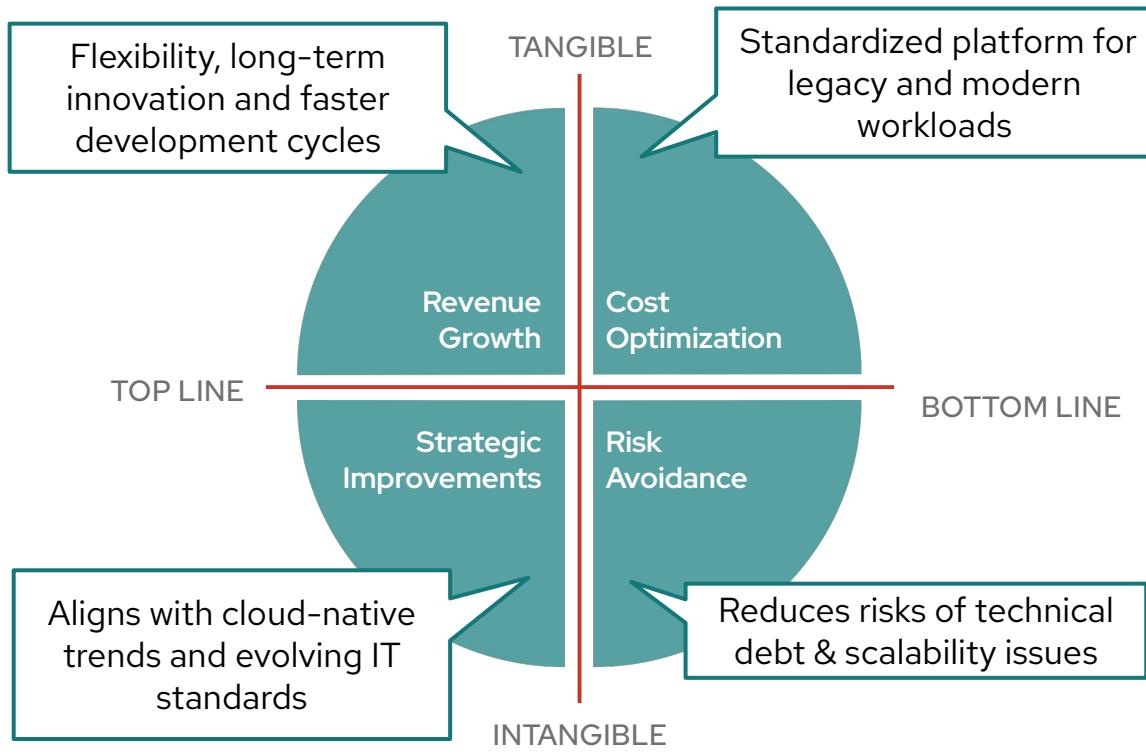
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# Catch the cues: modernize

## OpenShift Platform Plus

*"My VMware stuff has forced me to accelerate my app mod strategy to move towards modern architectures via cloud native apps..."*

*"I want to make sure my Infra Platform is set up to improve our customer / employee experience ..."*



Challenges

Personas

Messaging

Approach



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# Positioning the correct OpenShift edition



## The platform for all your workloads

### Trusted

to reduce risk

### Comprehensive

to improve productivity

### Consistent

to increase flexibility

#### Virtualization Platform



#### Container Platform



#### Application Platform



#### AI Platform



Physical



Virtual



Private cloud



Public cloud



Edge



# Super-sizing deals from virt to modernization

## Customer Pain

"Complexity in our infrastructure makes it difficult to manage and costly to maintain. It becomes difficult to automate existing processes and deployments across multiple operating systems, platforms and footprints. This impacts our agility, and makes it difficult for us to maintain systems in critical areas, such as security vulnerabilities and performance."

RHEL

"My VMware costs are going through the roof and I want to reduce my dependency on VMware."

Virtualization

"I need consistent, portable and scalable infrastructure for my containerized workloads and applications across any environment."

Container Management\*

My developers spend too much time being distracted by infrastructure and security issues, and not focused on building applications. I need a platform that provides on-demand services, abstracts away operational considerations, speeds time to production, and makes my developers more productive.

App Platform

"Managing my IT environment is more complex than ever and I don't have enough skills or budget to bring on more resources. I need automated, resilient infrastructure that frees time to innovate by maximizing existing investments and integrating AI tools into operations."

Automation

"It's difficult to get started with and scale up AI to meet the needs of my business. There are too many models to choose from and it is very expensive to train and build them into applications. There are also a number of data and security considerations that we are not equipped to handle."

Adopt &amp; Scale AI

## Marketing Campaigns

## Sales Play/ TDP

Server/Cloud Operating System

Virtualization

Container Management

Application Platform

## Sales Tactics-

1. Adopt a standardized operating environment
2. Optimize and secure my operating system
3. Innovate across the hybrid cloud with RHEL
4. Maximize portability in the Cloud

1. VM Migration
2. VM Modernization

1. Kubernetes for general containerized application workloads (non-AI)
2. Kubernetes for third party AI workloads
3. Multicloud management and security at scale for Kubernetes.

1. Modernize legacy apps & develop net-new cloud-native apps
2. Increase developer productivity for Kubernetes and hybrid cloud
3. Secure the software supply chain and platform operation

1. Enterprise-wide automation (expanding AAP in the enterprise)
2. Standardize on AAP (converting free to enterprise)
3. Maximize technology investments (AAP + AI/RHEL/Virt/ISV)
4. Network automation

1. Private AI
2. Operationalize AI
3. Multi-architecture AI Deployment

## Products

RHEL, Satellite

OpenShift Virtualization

OpenShift Virtualization Engine, OpenShift Kubernetes Engine, Ansible, ACM, Partner Products

OpenShift Kubernetes Engine, OpenShift Container Platform, ACM, ACS

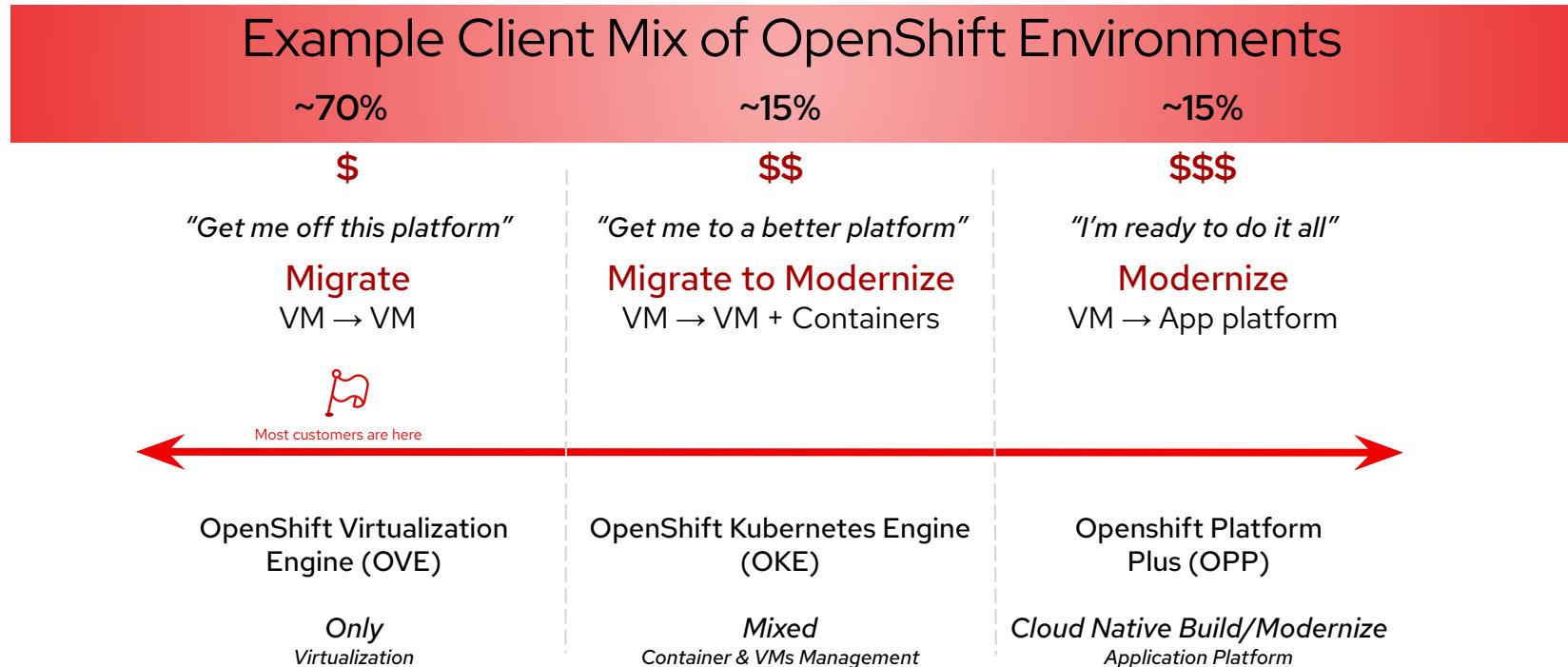
OpenShift Cloud Services, OpenShift Platform Plus  
Developer Productivity, Runtimes & Integration

Ansible

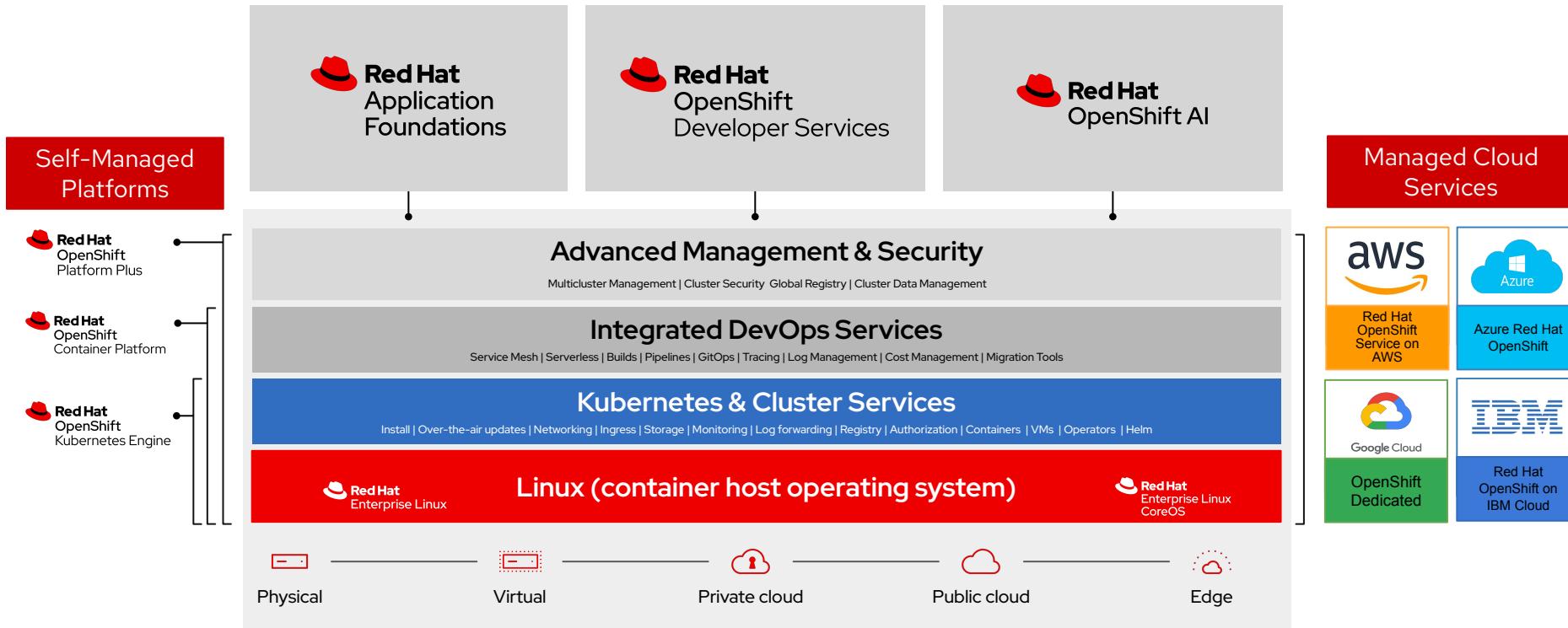
RHEL AI,  
OpenShift AI

# Red Hat Provides Customers with Options

## Paths to Virtualization, Containerization & Application Modernization



# The consistent fabric of the hybrid cloud datacenter



*“Once you’re running OpenShift,  
just light up more features”*



# Hybrid cloud application platform



**Red Hat  
OpenShift**

**DRAFT**

## Advanced Management & Security

Multicluster Management | Cluster Security | Global Registry | Cluster Data Management | Compliance & Policy Automation

## Integrated DevOps Services

Service Mesh | Serverless | Builds | Pipelines | GitOps | Tracing | Log Management | Cost Management

## Containers

Image Registry | Container Runtime | Pod Autoscaling | Resource Quotas & Limits | Namespace Isolation | Container Networking

## VMs

Live migration | Auto-scaling | Windows & Linux | Migration toolkit

## Kubernetes & Cluster Services

Install | Over-the-air updates | Networking | Ingress | Storage | Monitoring | Log forwarding | Registry | Authorization | Operators | Helm



**Linux (host operating system)**

Managed  
Cloud  
Services



Physical



Virtual



Private cloud



Public cloud



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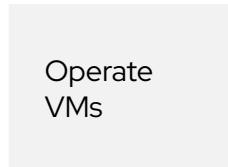


	 Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization Engine	 Red Hat OpenShift Kubernetes Engine	 Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform	 Red Hat OpenShift Platform Plus
Enterprise Secured Kubernetes	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hosted control planes	✓	✓	✓	✓
Operator Lifecycle Manager	✓	✓	✓	✓
Compliance & File Integrity Operators	✓	✓	✓	✓
Virtual machine-based workload hosting	✓	✓	✓	✓
Container-based infra workload hosting	✓	✓	✓	✓
User Workload Monitoring	✓	✓*	✓	✓
Platform Logging	✓	✓*	✓	✓
OpenShift GitOps	✓	✓*	✓	✓
Metering and Cost Management SaaS Service	✓	✓	✓	✓
Container-based user application hosting		✓	✓	✓
RHEL guest and hosted virtual OpenShift subscriptions included		✓	✓	✓
CI/CD Pipelines			✓	✓
Service Mesh			✓	✓
Serverless			✓	✓
Tracing			✓	✓
Runtimes & Webtools			✓	✓
Multi-cluster complete management with Red Hat Advanced Cluster Management				✓
Kubernetes-native security with Red Hat Advanced Cluster Security				✓
Scalable, central registry with Red Hat Quay				✓
Persistent software-defined storage & essential data services with OpenShift Data Foundation Essentials				✓

\*VMs only. [Learn more.](#)

# Virtualization Platform (OVE)

Trusted and consistent across hybrid cloud



GitOps for VMs



Observability



VM Logging



Virtual machines



Security policies



Cert & secret tooling



Auth and SSO services



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# Container Management Platform (OKE)

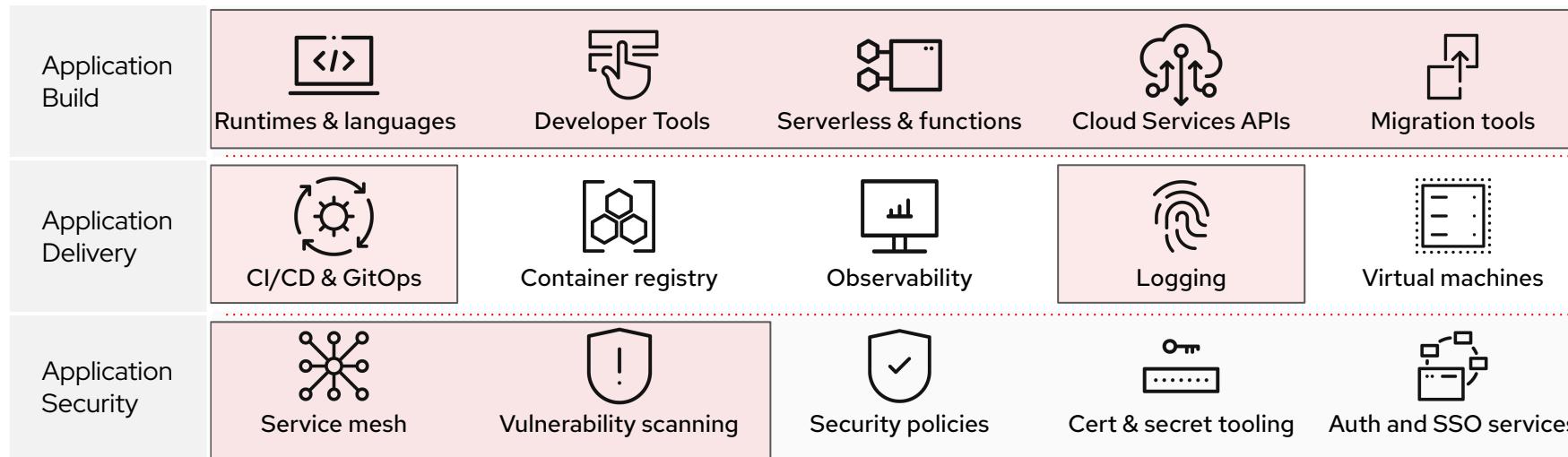
Trusted and consistent across hybrid cloud

Operate VMs and Containers	 GitOps for VMs	 Container registry	 Observability	 VM Logging	 Virtual machines
VM and Container Security			 Security policies	 Cert & secret tooling	 Auth and SSO services

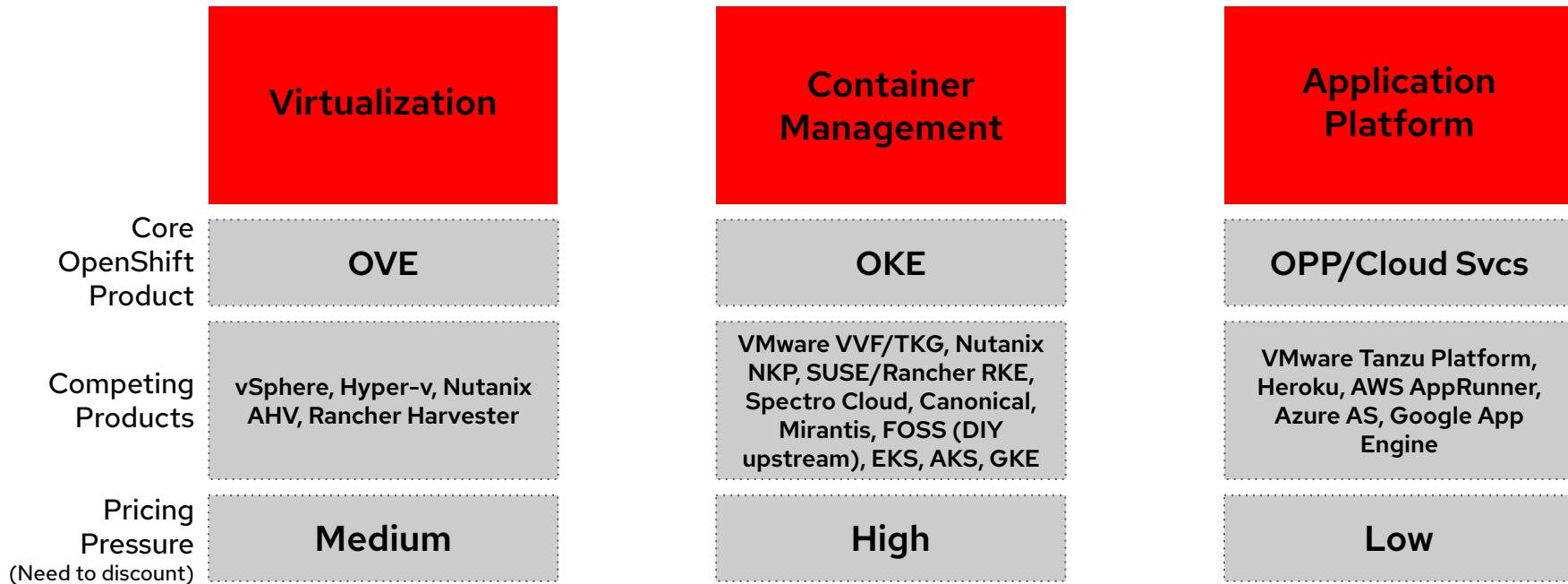


# Application Platform (OPP/Cloud Services)

Trusted, comprehensive, and consistent across hybrid cloud



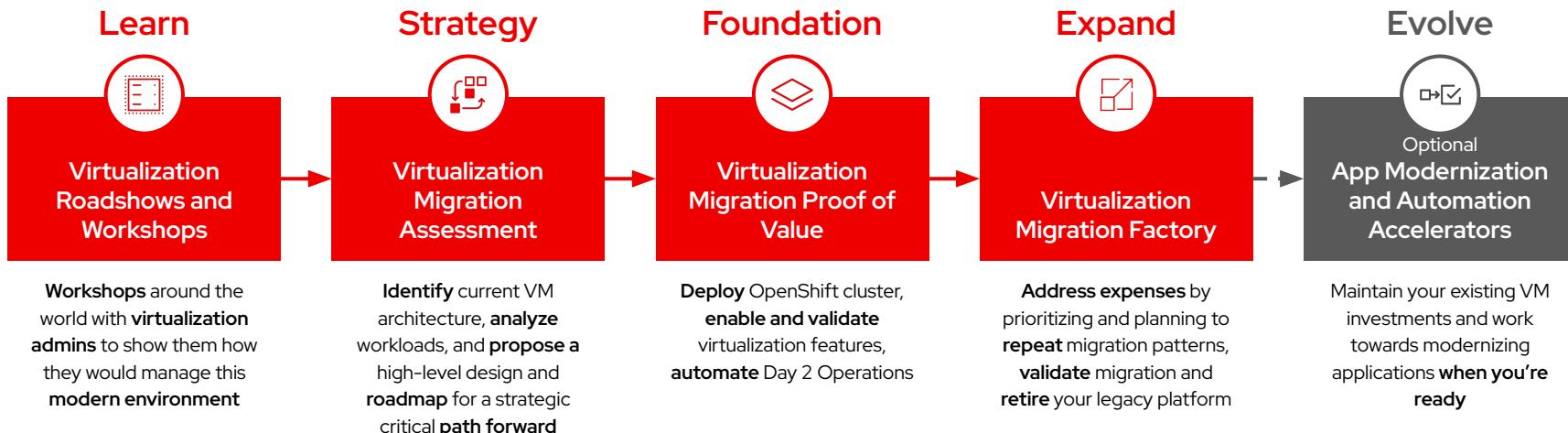
# Know what OpenShift to Position



# Virtualization with Red Hat

## Supporting your Virtualization journey

A customizable approach based on your business needs and your current readiness state



Services + Training + Technical Account Management



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# Red Hat Services for OpenShift

## Services Solutions from Virtualization Migration to App Modernization



### Virtualization Migration

- Virtualization Migration Assessment (VMA)
- Virtualization Proof of Value
- Virtualization Migration Factory

#### Key Customer Outcomes

- Plan to quickly & safely migrate from legacy virtualization platform
- Prove virtualization technology. Prepare and operate at scale
- Production ready platform for VMs
- Achieve steady state migration and reduce legacy footprint



### Application Modernization

- App Modernization Accelerator
- App Portfolio Assessment
- Scaled App Modernization

#### Key Customer Outcomes

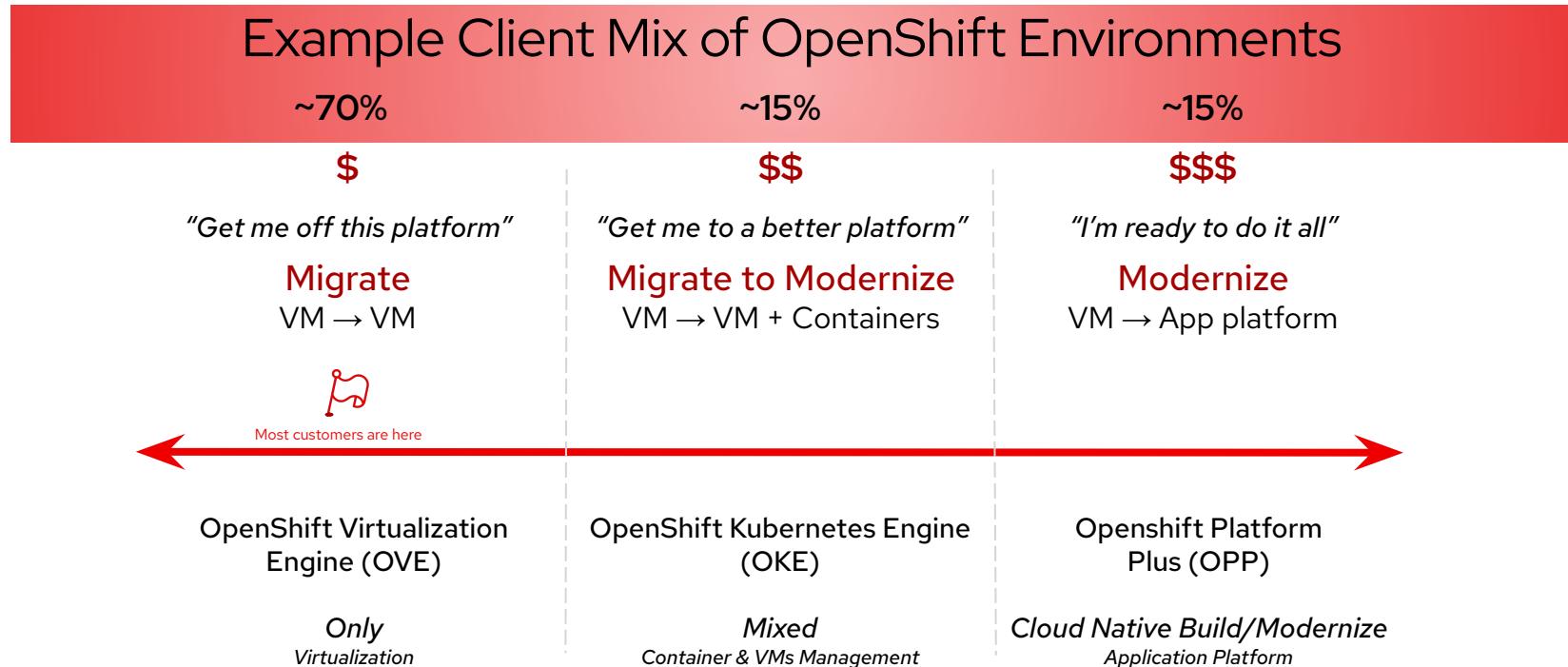
- Accelerated app onboarding
- App portfolio assessment & modernization
- Scaled app modernization patterns to reduce tech debt

Training and Certifications for Admins & Devs | Technical Account Management

Engage your Services Sellers for a Discovery Session today!

# Red Hat Provides Customers with Options

## Paths to Virtualization, Containerization & Application Modernization



The consistent fabric of the hybrid cloud datacenter

Always plant the Container  
Management and App Platform  
seeds for modernization during VM  
migration sales

*“Once you’re running OpenShift,  
just light up more features”*



# Get in the head of the decision maker



**Decision Maker / Economic Buyer: CIO, CTO, CRO**

**Focus:** Corporate goals, overall health of the organization  
Strategic goals • Revenue growth • Innovation • Calculated risks

**Pref. Language:** \$, ROI, EPS, Strategic Goals

**Technical Proficiency:** Low to Medium

Challenges

Personas

Messaging

Approach



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# Get in the head of the line of business owner



**Line of Business - AKA: Application Owner, Department Head**

**Focus:** Meet targets for their department or team  
Speed to market • Cost (hard and soft) • Risks Minimization

**Pref. Language:** Business Impact, Scalability, Compliance

**Technical Proficiency:** Medium

Challenges

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# Get in the head of the VMware admin



**VMware Admin:** Administrators, Infrastructure Architects

**Focus:** Simplify Migration & Reduce Operational Risk  
Speed to Migration • Minimize Disruption • Flexibility & Scalability

**Pref. Language:** Consistency, Scalability, Efficiency, Security, VMware

**Technical Proficiency:** High

Challenges

Persons

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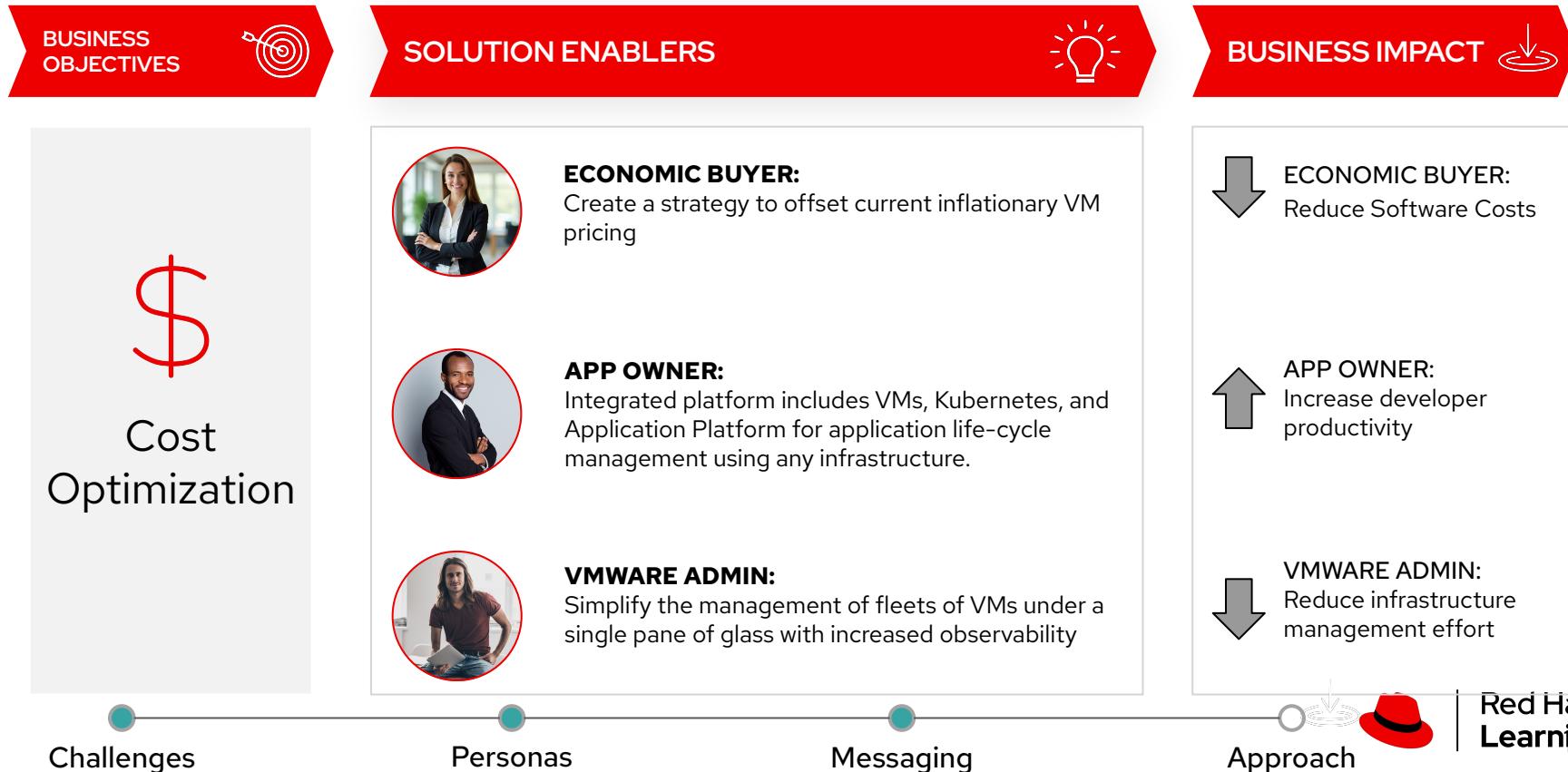
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## Present a compelling solution to the business buyer



- Group business objectives into value categories relevant to your customer.
- Identify product-solution enablers that match the customer's key objectives.
- Identify the expected impact of the business capabilities that the solution enables.

# Red Hat Virtualization enables business objective achievement

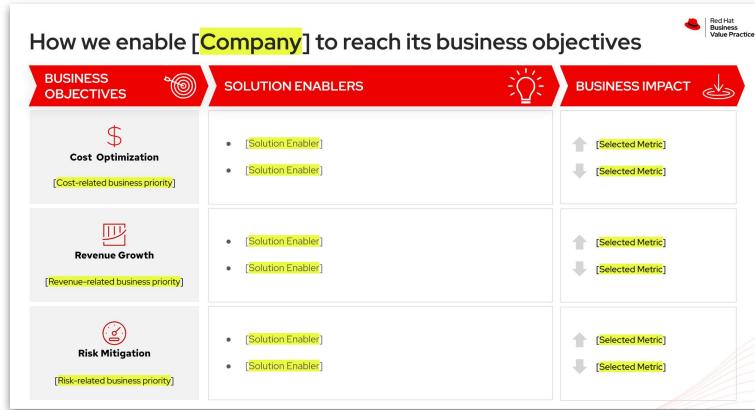


# What to use in this exercise?

*(Partners: you have hard copies)*

## Value map enablers handout

### Value map



### The road to customer value through OpenShift Virtualization



#### Value Map Elements

Business Objective	Solution Enablers	Business Impact
Revenue Growth / Mission Achievement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Support development of new, microservices-based applications in containers that interact with traditional virtualized applications</li> <li>Leverage the scale advantages of Kubernetes for VMs with the same tools, pipelines, and platform</li> <li>Streamline application delivery with a platform that enables self-service options and integrations with CI/CD pipelines.</li> <li>Integrates VMs with development pipelines via the OpenShift API</li> <li>Consistent development experience across the application life cycle.</li> <li>Pre-integrated, ready to use application development tools for immediate productivity towards business logic and customer deliverables that are consistent and independent of where applications run.</li> <li>Define and deploy applications across clusters and clouds using a Kubernetes desired state placement approach.</li> <li>Automate everything outside of Kubernetes with your application deployments. For example, automate and configure networking, databases, load balancers, and firewalls with Ansible Automation Platform integration.</li> <li>Self-service provisioning of preconfigured resources to any environment.</li> <li>Enforce security policy directly in CI/CD pipelines and give developers remediation guidance quickly.</li> <li>Propagate a single configuration across all pods in a deployment rather than configuring system-level controls on every host in a cluster.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Increase development velocity</li> <li>Increase application developer productivity</li> <li>Accelerated Model Development</li> <li>Faster Time to Market</li> <li>Increase employee satisfaction</li> <li>Reduce effort on vulnerability management</li> <li>Reduce effort on security management</li> <li>Increase customer retention</li> <li>Increase new customer acquisition</li> </ul>
Risk Avoidance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Enable Policy-as-Code across VMs and container environments.</li> <li>Multicloud observability increases platform stability and security while simplifying monitoring function across both VMs and containers.</li> <li>Improved data security by micro-segmentation via containers.</li> <li>Increase availability with the ability to quickly deploy legacy and cloud-native applications quickly.</li> <li>Application dashboards identify and correlate incidents</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduce compliance risk</li> <li>Reduce security risk</li> <li>Reduced MTTR and number of outages</li> <li>Reduce risk of compliance policy violation</li> <li>Reduce risk of</li> </ul>



# Your plan

## What good looks like

### 1 Identify gaps

- What customer information do you need to learn more about?
- What tools can you leverage to help you do this?



WHO: Contact



WHAT: Your Goals



WHEN: Timing & Preparation



RISK: Pre-empting risk

### 2 Build your plan

- How will you use your value map?
- Keep in mind the components on the right

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# Discussion

- ▶ What did you learn? Where were your customers on their virtualization path?
- ▶ What were your common gaps, and how were you approaching them?
- ▶ What will you do differently with your opportunity and future opportunities?





# Conducting Technical Risk Assessments (the risk line)

# Presales Tech Discovery

Section	Questions
Current State Environment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• VMware <b>products</b> and <b>features</b> used?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ HA, DRS, VSAN, NSX, Distributed Switching, Snapshots, Aria/vRealize, SRM...</li></ul></li><li>• Incumbent <b>storage</b> vendor?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Brand, product type, version, protocol, known storage array limitations – like number of LUNs</li></ul></li><li>• Incumbent <b>backup and disaster recovery</b> vendor?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Brand, product type, version, do they support backup and DR of VMs specifically?</li></ul></li><li>• Incumbent <b>network</b> vendor?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Routers, switches, load balancers, firewalls, DNS etc</li><li>◦ Configuration, security, monitoring, external connectivity requirements</li></ul></li><li>• Target <b>hardware</b> for installation?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Make, model</li></ul></li><li>• Current <b>workloads</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Some VM workloads dictate certain requirements, like SAP or Oracle</li></ul></li><li>• Compliance and governance</li></ul>

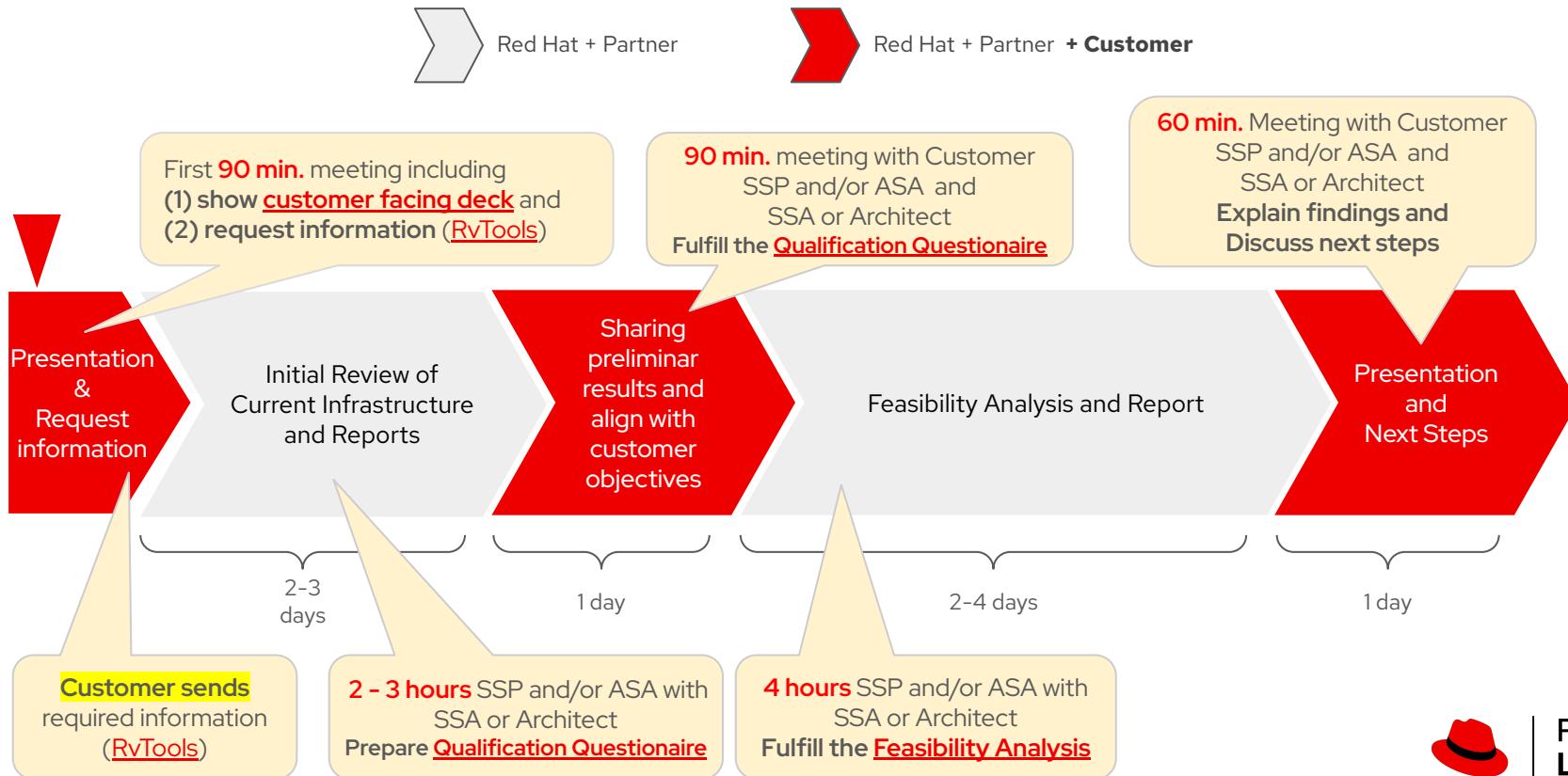


# Presales Tech Discovery

Section	Questions
<b>Customer's commitment level to migrate</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>Timeline</b> to deploy VMware alternative into production?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Timeline, including number of VMs to be migrated.</li><li>◦ Assumption: Customer will run VMware alternative and VMware side by side for at least 12-months to de-risk</li></ul></li><li>• Financial <b>budget</b>? For things like:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ VMware alternative analysis</li><li>◦ Investing in a VMA</li><li>◦ Investing in a Proof of Value</li></ul></li><li>• Willingness to allocate <b>people resources</b> to work with Red Hat to advise on evaluation and implementation?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Are those resources cross functional – networking, platform, etc</li></ul></li><li>• Openness to a solution that requires the addition of a <b>3rd party Storage</b> vendor?</li><li>• Is the customer using <b>OpenShift</b> today?</li><li>• Is the customer using <b>Ansible</b> today for datacenter automation?<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◦ Windows/Linux configuration mgmt, network automation, capacity planning, SNOW integrations etc</li></ul></li><li>• Is the customer seeking to <b>modernize</b> (refactor) applications using customer internal resources?</li></ul>



# Feasibility Analysis Process



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# Ecosystem enhancing Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization



# A growing infrastructure ecosystem

Overview Workloads Infrastructure Services Next steps

## Software Infrastructure

Storage Networking Backup & disaster recovery

Run your business-critical applications with increased scalability and resilience. ISV storage partners provide container-native solutions to migrate and scale critical data in OpenShift Virtualization, minimizing downtime while supporting business growth.

1 of 2



**Dell Container Storage Modules**  
by DELL

Easily install and manage Dell's CSI Drivers and CSM

Containerized application



**NetApp Trident**  
by NetApp

Data connectivity to persistent data stores for Kubernetes applications

Solution



**IBM Fusion**  
by IBM Japan, Ltd.

The easiest way to deploy OpenShift applications and Watsonx.

Containerized application



**INFINIDAT InfiniBox® Container Storage Interface (CSI) Driver**  
by Infinidat Ltd

CNCF-compliant Kubernetes integration for InfiniBox storage systems, offering...

Containerized application



HPE

HP Co. →

Open Pla...

...

[Browse all storage products →](#)

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## Storage automation for virtual machines and containers

- **Flexibility and Mobility**
  - VM Live Migration, VM High Availability
  - Cold migration between clusters
  - Storage policy-like experience via StorageClass
- **Day 2 Benefits**
  - Automated capacity management via Autopilot (Filesystem extension handled externally)
- **DR and Data Protection**
  - Async DR with only two OpenShift clusters required
  - Sync DR with less complexity and more flexible failover options
  - VM auto-detection and simple backup and restore





## Kubernetes Data Protection and Mobility

K10 5.5 launched in October 2022 with VM capabilities

- Discover VMs: snapshot VM configuration and VM storage
- Freeze a VM before snapshot (optional annotation) w/ timeouts and unfreeze
- Restore VM snapshots with resource transforms and automatic orchestration

K10 enterprise features apply to VM workloads for automated data protection

- Apply K10 policies to virtual machines
- Export and import virtual machines for disaster recovery and virtual machine mobility between clusters





## Disaster and recovery

“Significantly accelerate time to market, while ensuring reliability and quality of the overall solution.”

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Rolled out a greenfield large scale application at the core where some components had to be in virtual machines. Architect, develop, test, and scale production-like deployments many months before a containerized version of applications being available.

- 100s of sites consolidated to run on minimum amount of hardware
- Accelerate solution by several years using non-containerized workloads





## Storage Automation for virtual machines and containers

Discover enterprise-grade data protection for the Red Hat ecosystem- now with Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization support

- Automated and scheduled backups
- Policy-Driven backup and recovery
- Incremental backups and deduplication
- Backup catalog and metadata management
- Granular recovery options
- Recovery verification
- Encryption and data integrity
- Role-based access control
- Wide range of backup destination options including file system/object storage, tape pools and legacy backup systems (IBM/Dell/Micro Focus and others)





## Pair IBM data services with Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization

### Manage virtual machines with operators and CRDs

- Windows and Linux virtual machines
- Common GitOps management tools
- Common fusion container-native storage layer

### Define application-aware backups with “recipes”

- A fusion recipe defines workflow to backup and restore application state
- Enforce consistency to ensure recoverability (e.g., database dump and restore)
- Orchestrate fusion backup policies from a central hub

### Flexible deployment options

- Deploy fusion data services in any OpenShift cluster
- IBM Storage Fusion HCI System – an integrated system purpose built for Red Hat OpenShift applications
- Single point of contact for support





## Orchestrating NVIDIA GPU accelerated virtual machines with Red Hat OpenShift

- GPU-accelerated applications running in virtual machines can be orchestrated by Red Hat OpenShift, just like ordinary enterprise applications, enabling unified management.
- In addition to AI, enabling Red Hat OpenShift graphics GPU use cases.
- The NVIDIA vGPU manager allows multiple virtual machines to share access to a single physical GPU, enabling simultaneous utilization with time-sliced vGPUs (no MIG support for now).
- The NVIDIA GPU Operator automates deployment, configuration, and lifecycle management of GPU-accelerated workloads.





## Industry leading storage and data management functionality for modern workload deployments

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- **Support** both virtualized and containerized apps in a single infrastructure
- **Virtual machines live migration**, CSI topology awareness and storage offload
- **Fast and efficient**, best-in-class snapshots and clones
- **NetApp Astra provides functionality** to protect, move, and store apps

*Data protection for virtual machines is coming in Q4 2023*



# New exciting partnership with Dell



You are logged in as a temporary administrative user. Update the cluster OAuth configuration to allow others to log in.

Dell APEX Cloud Platform

Overview Inventory Updates Security Settings Support

DELL Technologies

Physical View

Actions Front View Back View

GPU

BOSS information

Overview Alerts

Boss Controller

Device model	Status	Firmware version
BOSS-NI Monolithic	HEALTHY	2.113.2021

Active Boot Device

Slot	Device model	Protocol	Capacity
0	Dell NVMe PE8010 RI M.2 960GB	PCIe	894.25GB

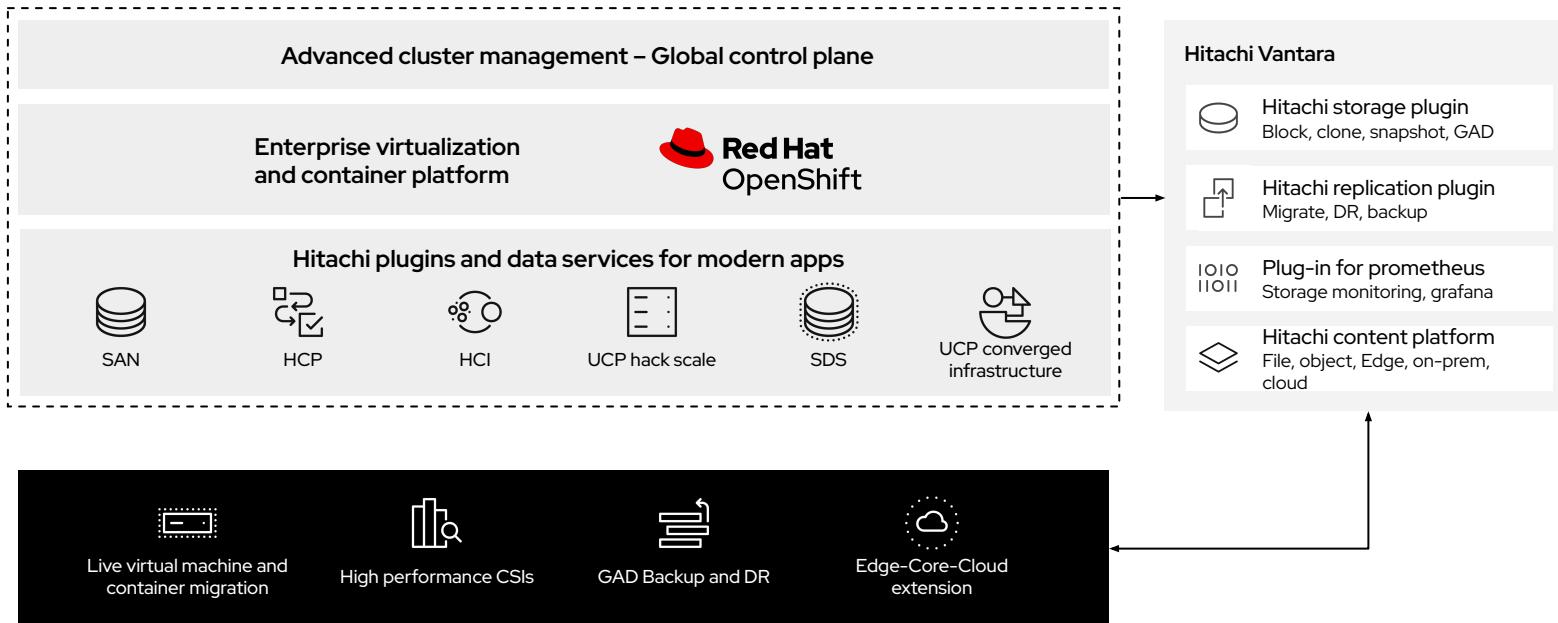
Overview Boot Devices Alerts

Server health	⚠ Warning
System LED	Healthy
Power state	On
Service tag	35RLCX3
Role node	Control plane, Master, Worker
Manufacturer	Dell Inc.
Server slot	1
Server model	APEX MC-760
Management IP address	172.18.30.52
IDRAC IP address	192.168.101.19
Location	
Rack name	U23
Activate Windows	
Rack position	2
Go to settings to activate Windows.	
Firmware versions	



# Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization

Hitachi Plugins and data services for modern apps, and containers





# Ask Me Anything Part 2 and Discussion - Day 1



# Wrap up: Day 1

# That's a wrap for day 1!

- Real-time retro review
- Starting at **09:00** tomorrow - please be on time.
- Tonight's dinner (check cal invite):
  - **6:30pm**
  - ...





# ETX-Virtualization Presales

Emerging Tech Experience

*Welcome back to Day 2*

# ETX-Virt-Presales Agenda (Day 2)

Time	Agenda Day 2
8:30 am - 8:45 am	Welcome Back - Day 1 review, Day 2 overview
8:45 am - 9:45 am	<u><a href="#">Competitive Landscape / Objections Discussion</a></u> Primary competitors, key messaging, typical objections - what are you seeing in your accounts
9:45 am - 10:45 am	<u><a href="#">Competitive/Objection Handling Activity</a></u>
10:45 - 11:00 am	<b>Break</b>
11:00am - 11:45am	<u><a href="#">Objection Showdown - Team Learner vs Team SME</a></u>
11:45 am - 12:00 pm	<u><a href="#">Ask Me Anything and Discussion - Day 2</a></u>
12:00pm - 1:00pm	<b>Lunch</b>

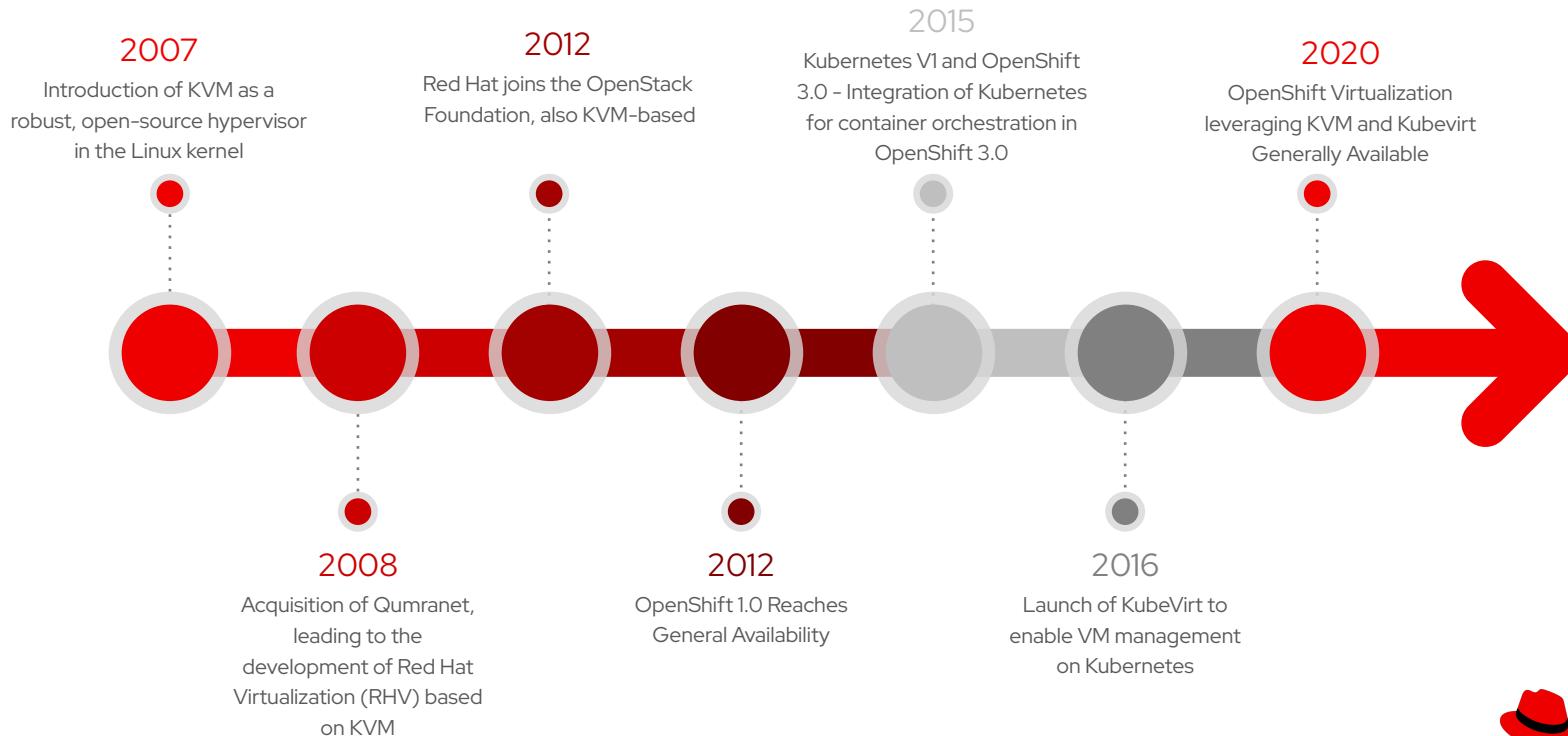




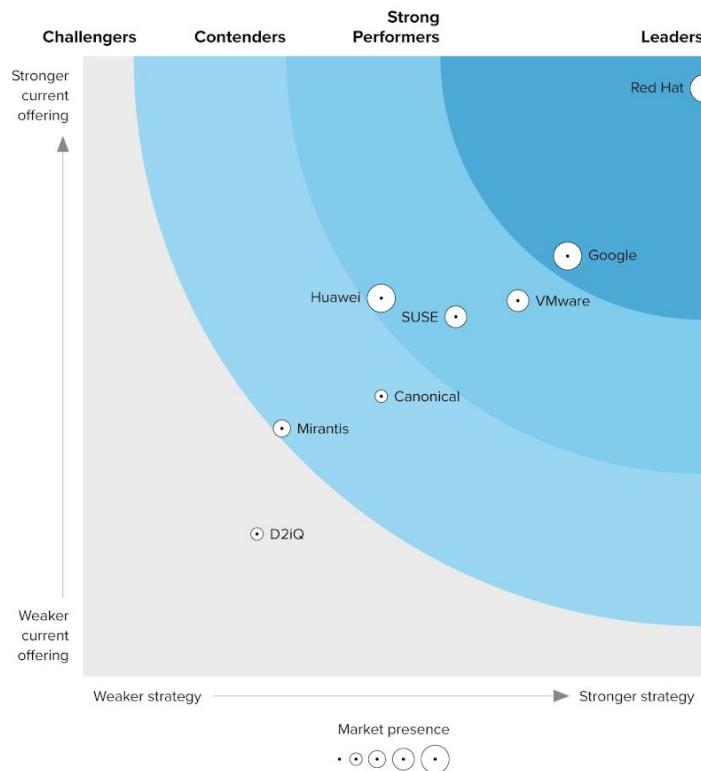
# Competitive Landscape / Objections Discussion



# Red Hat has a long history with Virtualization



# The Forrester Wave™: Multicloud Container Platforms, Q4 2023



"Red Hat sets the pace with enterprise IT capabilities and massive market presence. With OpenShift's systematic innovation and development on multiple fronts, Red Hat has helped transform the MCP market segment."

"The demand for OpenShift prompted AWS and Microsoft Azure to sell OpenShift as a managed service, despite having their own Kubernetes-based container services. Red Hat's differentiated strategic vision is to up the ante on enterprise-grade open source computing."

The Forrester Wave™: Multicloud Container Platforms, Q4 2023: The Eight Providers That Matter Most and How They Stack Up  
Oct 2023

# Red Hat is a recognized industry leader

## 2024 Gartner® Magic Quadrant™: Container Management



Source: Gartner, "Magic Quadrant for Container Management," Dennis Smith, Tony Iams, Wataru Katsurashima, Michael Warrilow, Richard Watson, 10 September 2024

## 2024 Gartner® Magic Quadrant™: Cloud Application Platforms



Source: Gartner, "Magic Quadrant for Cloud Application Platforms," By Tigran Egiazarov, Mukul Saha, Anne Thomas, Steve Schwent, 4 November 2024

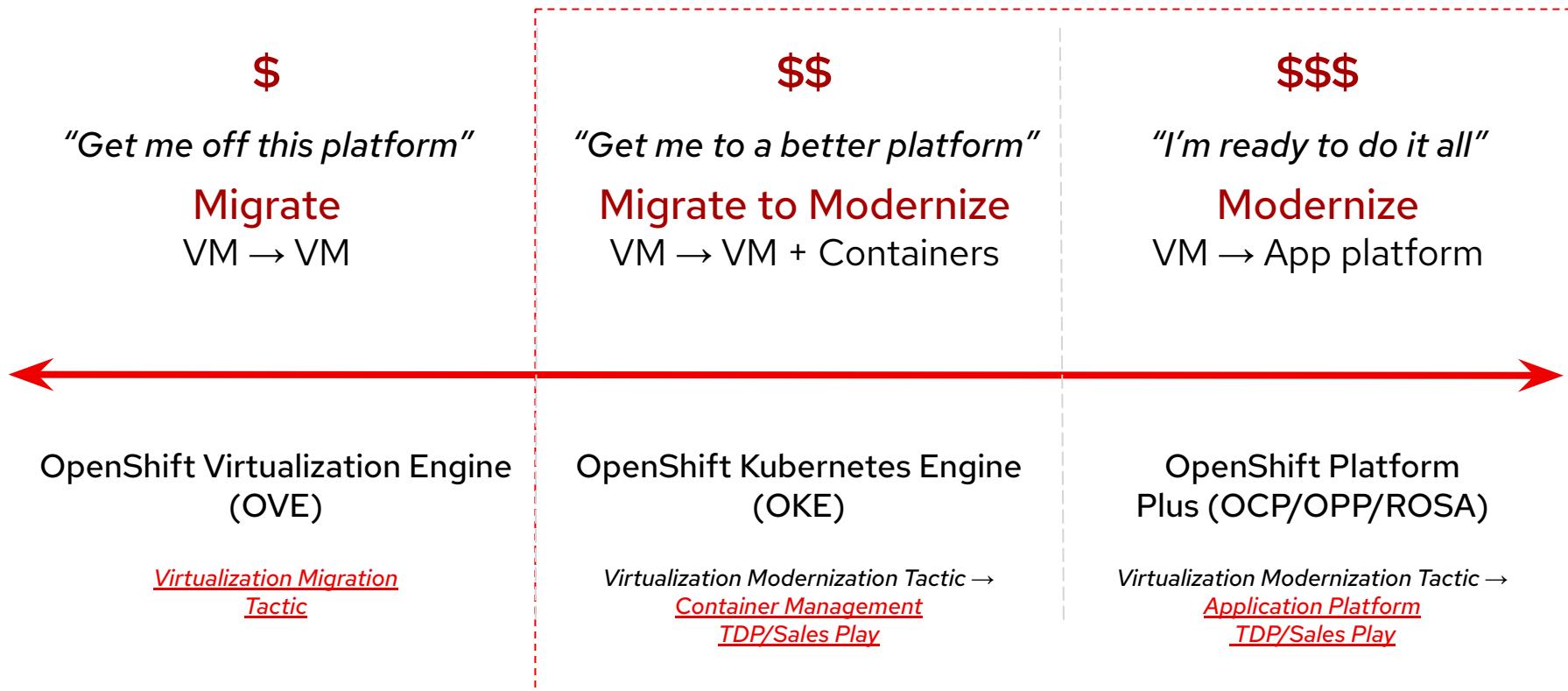
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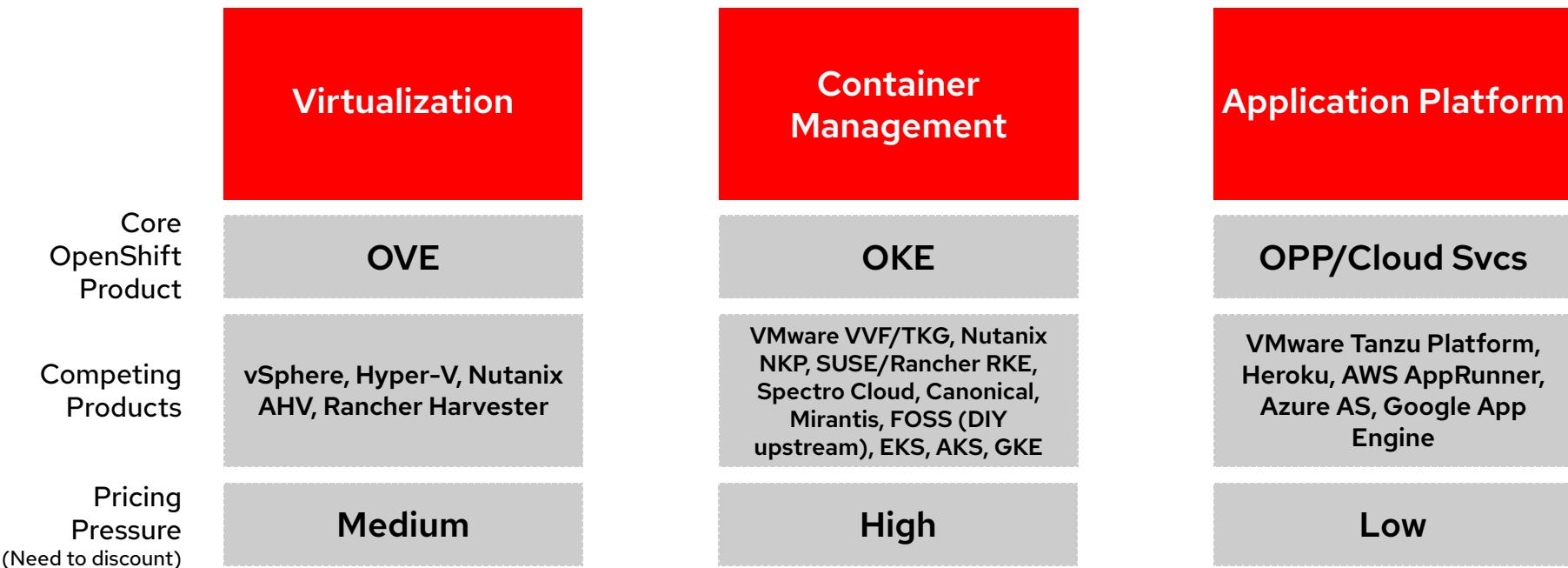
	 Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization Engine	 Red Hat OpenShift Kubernetes Engine	 Red Hat OpenShift Container Platform	 Red Hat OpenShift Platform Plus
Enterprise Secured Kubernetes	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hosted control planes	✓	✓	✓	✓
Operator Lifecycle Manager	✓	✓	✓	✓
Compliance & File Integrity Operators	✓	✓	✓	✓
Virtual machine-based workload hosting	✓	✓	✓	✓
Container-based infra workload hosting	✓	✓	✓	✓
User Workload Monitoring	✓	✓*	✓	✓
Platform Logging	✓	✓*	✓	✓
OpenShift GitOps	✓	✓*	✓	✓
Metering and Cost Management SaaS Service	✓	✓	✓	✓
Container-based user application hosting		✓	✓	✓
RHEL guest and hosted virtual OpenShift subscriptions included		✓	✓	✓
CI/CD Pipelines			✓	✓
Service Mesh			✓	✓
Serverless			✓	✓
Tracing			✓	✓
Runtimes & Webtools			✓	✓
Multi-cluster complete management with Red Hat Advanced Cluster Management				✓
Kubernetes-native security with Red Hat Advanced Cluster Security				✓
Scalable, central registry with Red Hat Quay				✓
Persistent software-defined storage & essential data services with OpenShift Data Foundation Essentials				✓

\*VMs only. [Learn more.](#)

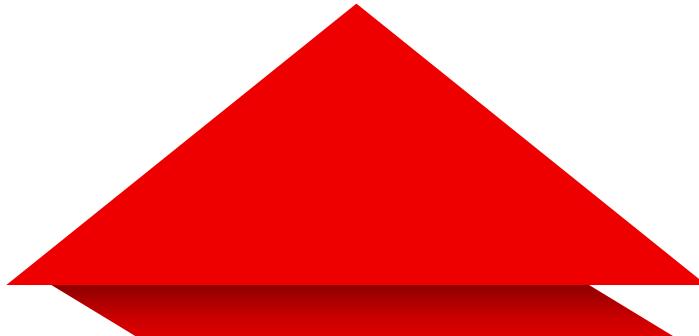
# Customer virtualization paths



# Know what OpenShift to position



# Competing in VMware Migration Conversations



**STEP 1:**  
Get Me Off VMware

**STEP 2:**  
Compete against enterprise  
virtualization alternatives



## STEP 1: Get Me Off Of VMware

**vSphere** - "we can provide a comparable experience/feature set."

**VVF** - "Here's why you don't want to modernize with Tanzu and if you are going to upgrade, why not use one platform for everything?"



## STEP 2: Enterprise virtualization alternatives

Defend against;

### Microsoft

- Hyper-V
- Azure Stack

### Nutanix

- AHV
- NKP

### SUSE/Rancher

- SUSE Virtualization (formerly Harvester - HCI)
- Rancher Virt (Prime)

### Hyperscalers

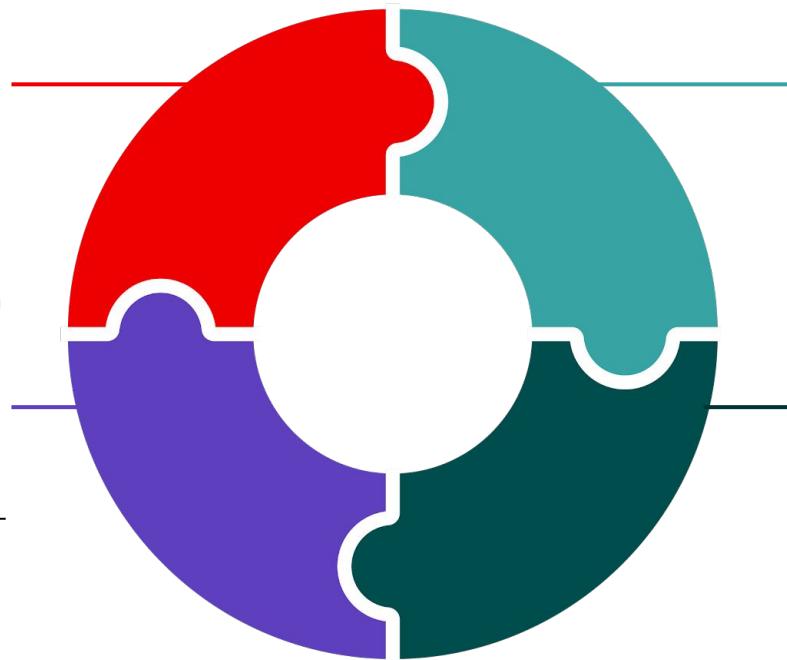
# Virtualization Competitive Landscape

## Others

**SUSE/Rancher**, Oracle, Proxmox, HPE, SpectroCloud - Assorted Lock-in, Maturity, enterprise readiness, modernization and ecosystem concerns.

## Hypervisors

**Nutanix/MSFT Hyper-V**: Trade one lock-in for another - what happens in a few years if you want to modernize?



## Status Quo: VMware

Stick with **VMW**: Comfortable but expensive and risky. Do you want to use Tanzu to modernize? Will Broadcom invest to keep up with tech innovations?

## Hyperscalers

How about on-prem options?  
Lock-in concerns.





## Features, features, features!

- Virtualization admins don't know OpenShift, they're going to ask about features
- They'll hit you with a long list of vSphere features and capabilities for OpenShift to match, including ones they *never* use.
- Don't fall into the trap!
- An opportunity to focus on customer workloads and operational workflows

# We've come a long way since RHV

Category/Feature (versus best-in-class)	RHV	OpenShift Virtualization	
		EOY 2024	Target 2025
vAdmin friendly user interface	90	50	70-80**
VM density	90	90	90
Single cluster virtualization infrastructure management	80	95	95
Mixed VM and container environment	60	100	100
Infrastructure HA	50	95	95
Hotplug (storage, memory, compute)	10	90	90
ISV backup integrations	20	70	80
Disaster recovery integrations	90	55	80
Storage integrations / acceleration	90	85	90
Software defined networking	50	80	90

\*Feature comparison [summary sheet](#)   \*\*For single cluster management this will be higher



## Common Question: Is it fast enough?

- Many business critical application require serious performance, like databases and application servers.
- For similar configure workload on similar hardware, you can expect **performance parity, proven during customer PoCs**
- We have several proof points on RHCC
  - [Scale to 6,000 VMs learning path](#)
  - [OpenShift Virtualization - Tuning & Scaling Guide](#)
  - Storage partner CSI benchmarking

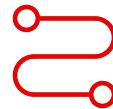




## Common Question: Is my workload, O/S, appliance supported?

- VMware certification matrix has thousands of apps
- We've extended supported Operating Systems to other Linux
- Red Hat Catalog Infra feature = "OpenShift Virtualization"
- [red.ht/workswithvirt](http://red.ht/workswithvirt)
- Getting your workload certified
  - Validate your Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization workload
  - The OpenShift Partner Lab





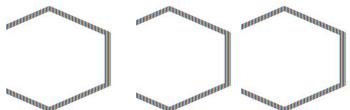
## Common Question: Kubernetes is new / hard / scary !

- New web console UI and ACM dashboard make VMs more accessible.
- Inclusion of OpenShift Lightspeed assists in traditional vAdmin onboarding
- OpenShift Virtualization is OpenShift, we (Red Hat) have a massive catalog of learning courses to flatten the learning curve
  - So do our partners
- Dedicated/specific courses for OpenShift Virtualization
  - **D0316** - Managing VMs with OpenShift
- [Virtualization Migration Assessment](#) has prescriptive “Enablement and Training”

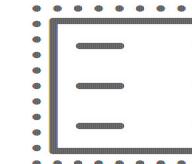
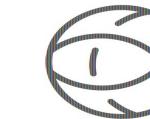
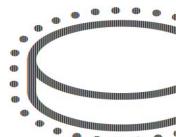
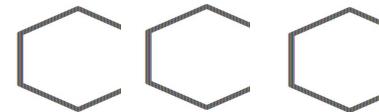
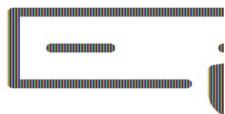


# VMware

# Red Hat vs VMware for containerized applications on-prem or multi-cloud



Containerized  
applications



**Red Hat** enables containerized applications  
anywhere where Linux runs: Cloud, DataCenter, Edge

**VMware** VCF/VVF requires organizations to pay for vSAN,  
NSX (VVF only) before containers can be enabled.



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# Red Hat vs VMware

## Market Leader vs. Market Follower

2011 to 2023  
More than 3000 customers



Years of Cloud Native Leadership



Disjointed Kubernetes offerings without migration path.  
Multiple unintegrated products.

## OpenShift

Kubernetes, Developer Services, Operators, Serverless, ServiceMesh,  
Virtualization, Container optimized Linux Operating System

Tanzu Kubernetes Grid	Tanzu Kubernetes Basic	Tanzu Kubernetes Standard	Tanzu Kubernetes Advanced	Tanzu Kubernetes Enterprise	Tanzu Labs	Tanzu Kubernetes Operations
Tanzu Mission Control	Tanzu Service Mesh	Tanzu Application Service (was Pivotal)	Tanzu Observability (was WaveFront)	Tanzu Build Service (was Pivotal)	Tanzu Data Service (was Pivotal)	Tanzu Application Platform



Please join us tomorrow for what may be one of our last community meetings until further notice 🤍 😊 The only topic of discussion will be yesterday's Broadcom layoffs and the impact it has had on the project.

[hackmd.io/G8dN30WvQI-8Si...](https://hackmd.io/G8dN30WvQI-8Si...)

<https://blogs.vmware.com/partnernews/2022/10/tanzu-basic-advanced-end-availability.html>  
<https://github.com/cncf/toc/issues/1314>

# Objection Handling - VMware

"I've got 90K+ VMs across multiple continents, you certainly can't handle every workload"

Respond to customer's concern about handling a large-scale, geographically distributed VM infrastructure by emphasizing the scalability, flexibility and adaptability of Red Hat's Open Virtualization Infrastructure:

- Scalable Architecture: OpenShift is built on a scalable and cloud-native architecture, designed to manage large numbers of containers and VMs efficiently. We have helped many other customers do so. It is designed to handle extensive workloads and can be scaled to meet the demands of even the most diverse VM environments.
- Single platform consistency: OpenShift gives teams a single, consistent user experience and the freedom to quickly build and deploy apps anywhere using a comprehensive suite of tools and services.
- Multi-Cloud Compatibility: With inherent support for hybrid/multi-cloud environments, OpenShift can manage VMs across different regions and cloud providers. This ensures flexibility in deploying and managing workloads globally catering to your distribution of VMs

"How do I do day 2 operations? For OpenShift? For VMs?"

Addressing the concern about Day 2 operations for both OpenShift and VMs within OpenShift Virtualization environment can be approached by highlighting the rich UI experience with CLI and APIs for common VM operations

- OpenShift also has built-in capabilities for networking, storage, observability, and other IT operations.
- RHEL and Windows guests are compatible with customer's in-guest automation
- OpenShift also includes monitoring tools that provide real-time insights into both container and VM performance. This will aid in proactive management, ensuring issues are addressed quickly with minimal downtime.
- Ansible Automation Platform to automate ongoing day 2 ops including related network storage and other infrastructure for accuracy and consistency of management- from provisioning to patching and compliance to sunsetting of unused VMs
- Additionally Red Hat's extensive support structure offers guidance and assistance for Day 2 operations, ensuring you have the expertise needed at every step.

"Is the performance of VMs on OpenShift as good as what I'm using today? Is the platform capable of meeting my needs?"

Addressing the customer's concerns about VM performance on OpenShift involves focusing on the platforms capabilities and benefits that it offers in maintaining or enhancing the customer's current performance levels:

- By using KVM to run in OpenShift, workload performance is equivalent across all Red Hat infrastructure platforms including RHEL, Red Hat Virtualization, Red Hat OpenStack and now OpenShift Virt.
- Admins can import their business critical workloads into OpenShift, confident that they'll be able to serve users at the same SLAs as their existing virtualization implementation.



# Microsoft

# Nutanix

# At a glance, Red Hat & Nutanix

	<b>Red Hat OpenShift</b>	<b>Nutanix AHV</b>
<b>What is it?</b>	Flexible open platform: cloud, on-prem Edge	Turnkey appliance: compute and storage tightly integrated
<b>Offering</b>	Application platform available as a managed service in the cloud, on-prem or at the Edge. AI offering and Automation with Ansible.	Hyperconverged appliance storage and compute with a Kubernetes add-on. Not a fully fledged application platform.
<b>Scaling</b>	Highly scalable across cloud or bare metal	Limited to capacity of each additional appliance.
<b>Initial experience</b>	More complex .	Quicker turnkey.
<b>Market penetration</b>	SMB, Commercial, Enterprise, Public Sector	Mostly SMB & commercial

For customers that strongly prefer an appliance:  
OpenShift is available in appliance form factor from DELL APEX, IBM Fusion and HPE Greenlake

# Objection Handling - Hypervisors

"We are a big MSFT shop - it just makes sense to jump to Hyper-V."

Red Hat offers flexible architectures based on modern open processes to solve customer problems. Hyper-V architectures are Microsoft centric with less flexibility and more lock-in.

- Hyper-V is older technology compared to the newer cloud native KubeVirt that is included with Red Hat OpenShift.
- Hyper-V requires Microsoft System Center which may be a larger add-on cost.
- OpenShift offers customers choice of hardware, storage, networking and more from a partner ecosystem.

Why wouldn't I just move to Microsoft's Hyper-V or Nutanix?

- Microsoft's Hyper-V is a virtualization only platform on Windows Server on premise or as Azure VMs. OpenShift is a complete cloud-native application platform available on-prem, on ROSA (AWS) and at the Edge.
- Nutanix does have a hypervisor and architecturally similar approach to VMware. Having said that, do you really want to exchange one proprietary, legacy technology for another? Red Hat's Open Virtualization infrastructure migrates you to a "future proof" platform with comparable virtualization functionality today AND the ability to modernize at your own pace going forward.

"Nutanix looks and feels like what I use now PLUS they have kubernetes as well!"

- Red Hat secures and makes Kubernetes Enterprise ready, whereas Nutanix offers 'pure' upstream Kubernetes with no backports, lifecycle or support.
- OpenShift is built on Red Hat Enterprise Linux which has a 25+ year history as the most widely deployed commercial Linux offering, while Nutanix offers unsupported Rocky Linux or bring your own.
- Let's compare solutions by looking at analyst report ratings and customer references.



# SUSE/Rancher

# Objection Handling - Others

"Oracle offered me a sweet deal."

Oracle Virtualization lacks the modernization options available with the OpenShift Platform. Moving to Oracle for virt would amount to a lift and shift with no other benefits.

- Oracle Virt is KVM virtualization only
- Low contributions to KubeVirt project – innovation?
- Kubernetes/containers available as a separate add-on.

"SUSE told me that along with Rancher they basically offer the same thing as you do?"

The SUSE Rancher solution provides more basic kubernetes functionality, in contrast with the complete application platform that is OpenShift. The SUSE Rancher solution has:

- A limited ecosystem compared with OpenShift
- No managed service options for virt in the cloud
- Limited support options and documentation

"Red Hat is becoming just like IBM - I am thinking about a small company solution like Proxmox."

Proxmox lacks the modernization options that OpenShift Virtualization offers. Customers adopting Proxmox would be doing a lift and shift with little gain other than a different Virtualization platform.

- Proxmox is a tiny company, per LinkedIn about 30 employees
- Product offering is KVM virtualization only, missing: AI, cloud service, developer platform, Linux, security, management
- No ratings by analyst firms (Gartner, Forrester, IDC etc)
- Small partner ecosystem, low if any CNCF contributions.
- Support limited to 8 hours a day EMEA timezone



# OpenShift Virtualization Differentiators

Differentiator	Description
<b>Simplifies the migration of VMs</b>	Customers are able to easily migrate their existing virtual machine workloads with migration tooling that is already included with Red Hat OpenShift. For large-scale migrations, the Red Hat Ansible Automation Platform (AAP) adds further efficiency, ensuring a smooth and automated transition.
<b>Offers a path to infrastructure and application modernization</b>	Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization is part of a unified hybrid cloud platform that allows customers to build, modernize, and deploy applications at scale. Red Hat OpenShift Virtualization brings modern application development processes and tools to VMs that help expedite the modernization of VM-based applications including the integration of AI capabilities.
<b>Provides a single modern cloud-native virtualization infrastructure for existing VMs</b>	Red Hat OpenShift supports VMs, containers, and serverless, allowing customers to standardize infrastructure deployment and maintenance on a single platform. Teams can also use the same development pipelines for applications in VMs or containers, regardless of where they run – on-premises, or in hybrid, public, or private clouds, providing consistency and flexibility.
<b>Supported by a healthy open source community and diverse partner ecosystem</b>	Red Hat has been involved in the virtualization space since the inclusion of the <a href="#">Kernel-based Virtual Machine (KVM)</a> hypervisor to the Linux Kernel in 2007. Paired with <a href="#">KubeVirt</a> for VM management, a project that Red Hat engineers have been involved with since its inception, both KVM and KubeVirt are at the heart of OpenShift Virtualization, and leverage the strength of open source development and an extensive community of corporate and individual contributors. In addition, Red Hat works with our partner ecosystem to integrate storage and networking, backup and disaster recovery, and hardware infrastructure.



## Additional Resources

- BU OpenShift Competitive Pages: [Source](#), [RHCC](#)
- [Summary of Competitive Features - Virt](#)
- [OCP Virt - VMware Alternatives deck](#)
- [RH1 Preso - How to handle objections and master virtualization conversation](#)
- [MS Azure or Red Hat](#)
- [Nutanix or Red Hat](#)
- [Rancher/SUSE or Red Hat](#)
- [Oracle Virt or OpenShift Virt](#)
- [ProxMox or OpenShift Virt](#)
- [Customer References Page](#)
  - [Virt References Deck](#)
- [Analyst Relations Page](#)
- [Virt Sales Play Page](#)



# Discussion

- ▶ What were your most common objections and competitive situations?
- ▶ What unique objections or competitive situations have you seen previously with your customers?

15 Minutes



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# Ask Me Anything and Discussion - Day 2



# Wrap up and close Day 2

Presenter: Field & Partner Learning

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# Thank you for attending!