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Excellence Awards 6 Winners, Finalists Show Innovation Up and Down IT Stack

CATEGORY: NETWORKING & MANAGEMENT TOOLS

WINNER

Opsware

Network Automation System 4.5

Opsware's [Network](#) Automation System 4.5 exemplifies the kind of smart tools that allow large enterprises to manage complex network infrastructure.

Whether organizations are demonstrating compliance with the myriad regulations facing IT or tracking asset information in a multivendor environment, Network Automation System 4.5 can neatly present the needed data.

The Excellence Awards judges in this category liked the way the product combines many management functions into a single package that will help IT managers stay on top of network changes. The solution includes such fundamental capabilities as role-based administration, allowing IT management tasks to be portioned out in a least-privilege fashion, as well as the equally important and more rigorous networkwide device discovery capability. The Opsware system takes chores that are susceptible to error when done manually and turns them into jobs that are completed automatically. The judges especially liked the configuration and rollback capabilities that allow network managers to deploy approved configurations to devices across the network. The product also can help with ACL ([access control](#) list) management, to respond to network threats quickly.

FINALISTS

BladeLogic

BladeLogic Operations Manager 6.3

BladeLogic Operations Manager 6.3 helps IT managers with the increasingly complex task of managing large numbers of servers—from operating system provisioning through ongoing patch and remediation jobs. BladeLogic Operations Manager 6.3 integrates basic IT [server management](#) functions and enables IT staff to meet compliance rules with a minimum of operational cost.

Levanta

Intrepid M 1.0



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Intrepid M 1.0 is a management appliance for Linux-based servers. The Levanta product manages change control for Linux systems likely to be found in data centers and provides for new server provisioning, migration and reactivation. Intrepid M 1.0 effectively takes on common enterprise management tasks—including version control, disaster recovery, and patch management and deployment—across various Linux distros.

—*Cameron Sturdevant*