

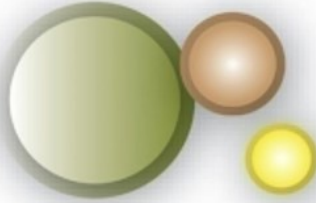
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Mind the gap: crossing the Canadian cloud divide

August 17, 2017 by Mary Allen

The Canadian cloud market is poised for rapid catchup with other, more advanced jurisdictions. While major global public cloud service providers have vied with each other over the past two years to establish long awaited local resources, Canadian enterprises have stepped up their game, building the IT infrastructure – networking and storage, in particular – needed to support cloud operations. So what's missing?

According to VMware's Peter Near, the key to accelerating cloud adoption here will be the ability to seamlessly and securely migrate between public cloud resources and on-site infrastructure. More on VMware's vision to enable "frictionless" cloud migration and multi-cloud operations is available [here](#).

Cyber security lessons from the energy community

August 21, 2017 by Don Sheppard

Cyber threat crosses all borders, but so far, we have not been particularly good at learning from the experience of others. With a new initiative from the Ontario Energy Board, this may begin to change. The OEB's [Cyber Security Framework](#) has been created to provide a structured approach to security in the energy sector, an area that is becoming increasingly digitized and which cannot conscience failure. As article author Don Sheppard noted, "Critical infrastructure must be failsafe,



John Menezes, CEO, Stratejm Inc.

protected and resilient – failure is not to be an option!”

To assess how OEB-CSF components may apply in other areas, learn more about the OEB’s five step approach to ensuring security and privacy for Local Distribution Companies by clicking [here](#).

OpenText in the machine era

July 24, 2017 by Mary Allen



The crown jewel in OpenText’s Enterprise World 2017 event held in Toronto last month was the company’s new AI platform, Magellan. Based on the combination of open source machine learning via the integration of [Apache Spark’s distributed ML library](#), OpenText Analytics and [semantic navigation](#), the new platform boasts management of massive amounts of structured and unstructured data, and can be deployed across any EIM architecture.

According to CEO Mark Barrenechea, Magellan will act as a direct competitor to IBM’s Watson cognitive platform, a bold claim that he supported by pointing to comparative financials (for both technology and professional services), and to OpenText differentiation through “Applied Analytics.” To learn more about the advantages of “AA”, [click here](#).



CenturyLink takes Managed Security Services 2.0 to APAC

August 4, 2017 by Denise Deveau

In the wake of its exit from the colocation business, CenturyLink is placing renewed focus on services that leverage the company’s communications assets. A good example of this is high value managed services, which CenturyLink is looking to extend on a global basis.

Nathan Shanks, director, Security Services, CenturyLink

Responding to high market demand for security expertise, the company recently announced the extension of Managed Security Services 2.0 to Asia Pacific. But is the extension of a services offerings on a global basis smooth sailing? Read more [here](#) for a glimpse into the unique characteristics of the Asian market, and a view of how CenturyLink is working to meet specific its needs.



Microsoft speaks to the ethics of AI

July 26, 2017 by Denise Deveau

“We are big believers in the benefits AI will bring. At the same time, it is like any other new profound technology. It raises societal issues, and that is something we think of carefully,” noted Microsoft’s VP and deputy general counsel David Heiner on a recent “underground tour” of AI innovation.

Heiner’s list of concerns includes security and reliability, privacy, the need for fairness and respect, and job automation, a hot button issue that is garnering attention in many circles today. To learn more about how the IT industry is responding, and how businesses should also address societal impact, [read more here](#).

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