Cognizant Receives Databricks 2021 Consultant and Systems Integrator Customer Impact Award

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Cognizant has won the Databricks 2021 Consulting and Systems Integrator (C&SI) Customer Impact Award, announced at this year's Databricks Partner Executive Summit.

The Databricks Lakehouse Platform helps organizations accelerate innovation by unifying data teams with an open, scalable platform for all of their datadriven use cases. From streaming analytics and AI to business intelligence, Databricks provides a modern lakehouse architecture that unifies data engineering, data science, machine learning and analytics within a single collaborative platform.

The Databricks C&SI Customer Impact Award recognizes Databricks partners who exemplify cloud, AI and analytics implementations on the Databricks Lakehouse Platform, which leads to faster time to value, reduces project risk and increases revenue for key enterprise clients.

The Cognizant team was instrumental in leveraging its partnership with Databricks to transform enterprise customers' businesses through the power of data. Here are some examples:

- Cognizant and Databricks helped a global automotive manufacturer lower costs and reach faster time to
 market by developing their reference architecture and cloud data transformation. Originally, the
 customer's on-premise Hadoop environment required high-cost support. The customer also had limited
 capacity, which led to slow and poor data science model implementations. Cognizant and Databricks' data
 transformation resulted in 50% faster data acquisition, integration and propagation for the customer, while
 tripling productivity for their data scientists.
- Cognizant and Databricks enabled a global pharmaceutical company to modernize its data estate on the cloud and implement a data science strategy that reduced its data processing from 128 days to 12 hours. By accelerating its data-driven decisions through the Databricks Lakehouse Platform, the pharma company improved profitability and savings by \$20 million.

In addition to the Databricks C&SI Customer Impact award, Databricks recognized Cognizant's **Vishal Vibhandik,** Senior Architect, as a Technical Partner Champion. This award is given to individuals who promote the use of the Databricks platform within their organization through joint customer implementations, technical innovation and community support.

"It's an honor to be recognized by Databricks for Consulting and SI Customer Impact," said Bret Greenstein, Cognizant's Senior Vice President and Global Head of AI & Analytics. "This award is a testament to how closely we work with Databricks and leverage our capabilities in AI and Data to help our clients increase productivity, accelerate time to value for data science and data engineering, and increase profitability."

"Our partnership with Cognizant has helped global customers across key industries move their data to the cloud and implement data science strategies that drive impactful business value," said Kori O'Brien, Senior Vice President, Global Consulting and SI Partners, Databricks. "Customers are able to complete cloud data transformations quickly and seamlessly through repeatable reference architectures and services that improve profitability and savings."

Learn more about the Databricks awards <u>here</u>.

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