Cognizant Achieves seven Global SAP Certifications in 2023

Achievement represents largest number of certifications in one year since Cognizant became an SAP Outsourcing Operations Partner in 2011

Companies rely on SAP's software to keep their business operations running smoothly, facilitating real-time decision making to optimize supply chain management, enhance customer service, and maintain compliance with regulatory standards, among other critical functions.

Cognizant is a leading SAP platform partner, helping clients navigate their business transformation challenges by leveraging technical fluency with SAP in combination with unique domain and vertical industry expertise.

Certifications are a key metric against which a partner is measured, and in July 2023, Cognizant achieved seven SAP certifications in the areas of:

- Cloud and Infrastructure Operations,
- DevOps,
- SAP S/4HANA Solutions Operations,
- SAP HANA Operations
- SAP Business Suite
- SAP SuccessFactors Solutions Operations, and, for the first time,
- SAP Business Technology Platform (SAP BTP) Operations

"Cognizant's SAP certifications are a commitment we take seriously, and demonstrate our ability to deliver the highest quality SAP services," said Bart Thielbar, global head of Cognizant's SAP practice. "Thanks to the work of our dedicated SAP specialists, we have now added SAP's Business Technology Platform certification "SAP BTP Operations" to our list of certifications, which will further strengthen our position as a key SAP partner to our clients."

SAP BTP brings together data and analytics, artificial intelligence, application development, automation, and integration in one, unified environment, serving as a business-centric and open platform for the entire SAP ecosystem, where customers and partners can create value to meet evolving business needs.

"For more than 20 years, the SAP Certification for Outsourcing Partners program has helped partners benchmark their processes to the highest standards and deliver the best SAP-related services to our customers," said Nandagopal Prasad B, SVP & Head of Partner Innovation Lifecycle Services for SAP. "Cognizant has been an active partner in this program since 2011, and has remained committed to the latest technologies and innovations from SAP, recently adding the SAP BTP Operations certification to their portfolio. We wish Cognizant the best in continuing to deliver top-quality SAP-related services while innovating and improving their client services."

Cognizant's expertise has proven effective for clients on their digital transformation journeys. For Orkla, a leading Norwegian industrial investment company, Cognizant's work spans six of the seven certification categories, including SAP BTP, Cloud and Infrastructure, DevOps, SAP S/4HANA, SAP HANA and SAP Business Suite operations.

Cognizant is a long-standing and trusted advisor to Orkla, and the two companies have worked together on several digital transformation projects since 2013. In June, Orkla signed an agreement extending its relationship with Cognizant.

"As the digitalization continues to evolve, it is evident that a modern, secure, and agile way of IT deliveries serves our companies and customers. Cognizant has proven yet again that they are the right technology partner for us," said Geir Olav Nistad, CEO, Orkla IT AS. "Together, we have built a solution construct that provides Orkla IT with the flexibility and agility required to address Orkla's business needs built on best practices, efficiency and operational excellence, and committed year-on-year cost savings."

Cognizant also supported BlueTriton, formerly Nestle's water business in North America, with SAP services around the spin-off of the business as an independent company. "Cognizant was a key support partner in the BlueTriton transition from a carve-out to a standalone company," said Tim Howells, Head of IT, Blue Triton Brands. "They supported us in a very large, complex and fast-moving project to migrate and build new systems."

SAP's Certification for Outsourcing Partners program helps clients identify the best SAP managed service providers to meet their requirements in terms of quality, scope and geography. The certification process involves a formal application, and a rigorous set of audits – including of delivery processes, infrastructure and people, as well as an analysis of client satisfaction – every two years to maintain certified status.

To learn more about Cognizant's SAP capabilities, visit Cognizant's SAP Solutions & Services page.

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