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Linux Foundation Announces 20+ New Plenary Speakers and 17 Demos in the SDN & NFV Solutions Showcase for Open Networking Summit

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Additional keynote speakers announced from AT&T, Comcast, Equinix, Microsoft, PayPal, Telefonica and more

SAN FRANCISCO, March 2, 2016 – The Linux Foundation, the nonprofit organization enabling mass innovation through open source, today announced the latest schedule of keynote speakers, plenary sessions and conference sessions for Open Networking Summit and SDN & NFV Solutions Showcase (S3), taking place March 14-17, 2016 in Santa Clara, Calif.

Open Networking Summit 2016 will feature 100+ sessions across eight tracks and four days covering every aspect of open networking, including:

- More than 40 technical talks for developers across numerous areas, including testing & security, containers, SDN application development, intent & policy, DPDK and NFV.
- More than 40 talks for technologists, operators, service providers and executives covering the business and technology of open networking with dedicated tracks on network virtualization and analytics, solutions for home and enterprise networking, NFV service chains and performance, mobility and security, and open source & networks standard.
- Keynotes and plenary sessions announcing new projects and providing industry-wide updates from service providers, vendors and open source SDN/NFV projects.

Keynote and Plenary Session speakers not previously announced include:



Tom Anschutz, Distinguished Member of Technical Staff, AT&T

- Jonathan Bryce, Executive Director, The OpenStack Foundation
- Michael Bushong, Vice President Product Management, Software Networking, Brocade
- Jigar Desai, Vice President, Cloud and Platforms, PayPal
- Antonio Jose Elizondo Armengol, Head of Virtualisation Strategy, Telefonica
- Travis Evert, SVP Global Network Software Development, Level 3 Communications
- Changhoon Kim, Director of System Architecture, Barefoot Networks
- Albert Greenberg, Director Azure Networking and Distinguished Engineer, Microsoft
- Zsolt Haraszti, Senior Director, Software Engineering, Ciena
- Yukio Ito, Advisor, NEC
- Neela Jacques, Executive Director, OpenDaylight
- Heather Kirksey, Executive Director, OPNFV
- Nagesh Nandiraju, Director of Network Architecture, Office of the CTO, Comcast
- Guru Parulkar, Executive Director, ON.Lab
- Larry Peterson, Chief Architect, ON.Lab
- Chris Price, Open Source Strategist for SDN, Cloud & NFV, Ericsson
- Chris Rice, Vice President of Advanced Technologies and Architecture, AT&T Labs
- Prodip Sen, Director / Chief Technology Officer Network Functions Virtualization Business, Hewlett Packard Enterprise
- Ihab Tarazi, CTO, Equinix
- Thomas Vachuska, Chief Architect, ON.Lab
- Jim Zemlin, Executive Director, The Linux Foundation

The schedule of 100+ conference sessions is available online at <http://events.linuxfoundation.org/events/open-networking-summit/program/agenda>.

The SDN & NFV Solutions Showcase includes 17 demos covering Carrier/WAN, Cloud/Data Center, NFV and Testing/Validation with participants including Adara Networks, Akamai, AT&T, BluePlanet, Brocade, Calient Technologies, Cavium, China Unicom, Ciena, Cisco, CORD, Corsa, Criterion, Ericsson, ES, Fujitsu, Huawei, Infinite, Intel KulCloud, NEC, Noviflow, NTT Communications, ONF, ONOS, OpenDaylight, OPNFV, Pica8, Radisys, RedHat, SK Telecom, Spirent, UC Berkeley, Verizon and Yonsei. View the solutions here: <http://events.linuxfoundation.org/events/open-networking-summit/extend-the-experience/solutionsshowcase>.

The focus of Open Networking Summit in 2016 is on enabling the understanding of the open networking landscape and how it advances SDN and NFV through pragmatic use-cases, making this the ideal forum for companies to share their expertise and innovations in the area of open source networking.

Open Networking Summit also provides a variety of onsite activities and educational opportunities, encouraging collaboration and helping attendees to network. These include:

- SDN Idol, a live competition for SDN and NFV products and applications in alpha level or further in their release cycle;
- The Symposium on SDN Research (SOSR), co-located with Open Networking Summit, enabling more opportunities to network and collaborate with leaders in this field;
- Two evening events, ensuring attendees can meet one another and sponsors in a casual, social setting;
- The Hot Startups & VC Panel showcasing the hottest SDN & NFV startups by 2016 as chosen by leading Valley VCs

Registration includes full access to all Open Networking Summit sessions and activities. Register at <http://events.linuxfoundation.org/events/open-networking-summit/attend/register> by March 10 and save \$405 over onsite pricing.

This event is made possible by sponsors including Luminary Sponsor Huawei; Visionary Sponsor Cisco; Trailblazer Sponsors, Ciena, Hewlett Packard Enterprise, Microsoft, NEC, OpenSwitch, and ZTE; and Pathfinder Sponsors 6Wind, ADARA Networks, ADVA, Aricent, Cavium, Inc, Centec Networks, Fujitsu, Kul Cloud, NAGASE, Netronome, Pluribus Networks, Radisys, and Spirent.

Additional Resources

YouTube: The Linux Foundation Event Experience
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-WUeellCQ2U>)

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