

The VMware vCloud Hybrid Service is now available in Europe, following the company's opening of a data centre in Slough, UK to service the needs of customers in the region.



The data centre is compliant with UK and EU privacy and data sovereignty demands. It is fully-redundant and offers flash-accelerated disk storage, 10G networking and congestion control, as well as load balancers, firewalls and VPNs using virtual networks, switches and routers.

"VMware vCloud Hybrid Service solves key business issues allowing organizations to seamlessly extend their data centers to the cloud-- linking both private and public cloud together to create a truly hybrid cloud," the company claims.

According to a UK VMware enterprise customer survey 86% of respondents believe the storage of business critical data in the UK is important. In addition 52% are required to follow industry data residency regulations and/or compliance standards, while 20% are unaware of where all their data currently resides.

Meanwhile 85% of respondents admit to having public clouds either not integrated or partly integrated to own data centres, and 81% agree to needing a solution making public cloud management as easy as own infrastructure.

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