

IBM Joins Equinix Cloud Exchange

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IBM's Softlayer joins the Equinix Cloud Exchange, providing customers in 9 markets across Europe, the Americas and Asia Pacific with access to the IBM portfolio of cloud-based enterprise service via the platform.



SoftLayer in the Cloud Exchange allows customers to build hybrid clouds with IBM infrastructure as a public component.

Meanwhile the Equinix Cloud Exchange also gets further enhancements, including API functionality allowing for scalable, private and secure connections to cloud services with "near real-time" provisioning.

"Equinix Cloud Exchange continues to build momentum with secure, low-latency connections to multiple cloud providers, and adding IBM SoftLayer to our growing portfolio will continue to help our enterprise customer realize the benefits of the cloud," the company says. "SoftLayer, with its broad reach into the enterprise market and proven success in networking will be a great asset to Cloud Exchange, enabling customers to seamlessly replicate data between markets. Our direct access capabilities to cloud services such as SoftLayer, provide enterprise customer with a choice of multiple clouds to better enable their hybrid cloud strategies."

Cloud Exchange is available in 17 markets, with European options including Amsterdam, London and Paris. On the other hand the SoftLayer network will count 40 cloud centres.

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