



Five Providers of Tools Supporting Open (Unopinionated) Developer Platforms Named IDC Innovators

FRAMINGHAM, Mass., May 21, 2019 – International Data Corporation ([IDC](#)) today published an IDC Innovators report profiling five companies that provide tools supporting the open (unopinionated) developer platforms market. The five companies named IDC Innovators are Atomist, Codefresh, Datical, Galactic Fog, and GitLab.

Emerging technologies are significantly changing the way computing resources are delivered as well as the application development approaches taken to deliver solutions. Infrastructure use is being optimized to leverage containers and microservices while delivering better user experiences. Purpose-built applications require complete flexibility in the ability to pick tools that match solution needs. And open developer platforms provide flexibility while accelerating productivity. Rather than choosing a bundled application platform, IDC's research shows that enterprises prefer a choice of tools in delivering applications. Assembling an open developer platform is complicated and start-ups, including the companies named IDC Innovators, have been filling the need with tools that assist in taking advantage of modern application development approaches with a DevOps toolchain.

"Organizations should keep an open mind to developer needs, watch open standards, and empower teams to choose the right set of tools to accelerate application packaging and delivery," said [Larry Carvalho](#), research director, [Platforms as a Service](#) at IDC. "The next two years will see additional consolidation as larger vendors acquire products to bring end-to-end solutions for developer productivity."

Atomist offers an open architecture integrating a wide range of third-party tools and a programmable platform designed to accelerate modern application deployment by shortening lead times while reducing failures during the passage through the pipeline.

Codefresh delivers an open source plug-in marketplace that allows customers a wide range of flexibility in building pipelines. It also lets customers create their pipelines description in a version-controlled YAML file that can be fully deployed on the public cloud, in a hybrid implementation, or completely on premise.

Datical, based on the Liquibase open source project, delivers the capability to automate the review, validation, and deployment of database changes in an application development pipeline.

Datical reduces errors in the database deployment process and speeds up the application release process.

Galactic Fog's platform accelerates application development and deployment by giving teams an interface to manage functions and containers across a multicloud environment while providing the required audit and security features necessary for enterprises operating in a highly regulated environment.

GitLab manages the entire software development life cycle, helping developers take source code and run it through all the processes, from project planning and source code management to CI/CD, monitoring, and security, that are required to accelerate the journey from development to deployment.

The report, *IDC Innovators: Tools Supporting Open (Unopinionated) Developer Platforms, 2019* (IDC #US45074219), profiles five companies offering tools in the open (unopinionated) developer platforms market. The profiles include key differentiators and challenges facing each company.

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