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CXO ROUNDTABLE

Datacenter Modernization



Session Overview

As the enterprise ecosystem undergoes a rapid digital transformation, legacy datacenters are struggling to meet the demands of agility, scale, and performance. **IDC estimates that by 2026, global data creation will reach over 221 zettabytes, driven by AI, IoT, and digital-first business models—putting unprecedented pressure on traditional datacenter infrastructure.**

On **22nd May 2025**, ObserveNow, in collaboration with key technology partners, convened a high-impact roundtable at Hilton Bengaluru, bringing together **13+** CIOs, CTOs, and senior IT infrastructure leaders. The closed-door discussion focused on reimagining datacenter modernization strategies and building a future-ready digital core.

The roundtable reinforced that datacenter modernization is not a one-time project, but a continuous journey. As IT leaders architect the digital core for tomorrow's enterprise, collaboration, knowledge exchange, and adoption of emerging technologies will be key. Events like these serve as catalysts for driving innovation and aligning IT strategies with evolving business goals.

Speakers and Participants

A distinguished lineup of CIOs and technology experts joined the roundtable, including:

- **RamChandra** - CIO - Systemantics India
- **Aneelkumar Savalagi** - CIO - Takeda
- **Ravi Kumar** - Sr. EVP & Head of Technology - Cloud & Platform Engineering - Kotak Mahindra Bank
- **Dr. Praveen Konda** - Vice President - IT - Girmiti Software Private Limited
- **Manohar Nagarajachar** - Senior Director - IT, Infrastructure - Robert Bosch
- **Ajith V** - Technology Director IT - Defence R&D Organisation (DRDO)
- **Abdul Rahman KB** - Director, Infrastructure(EMEA & APAC) - Collins Aerospace
- **Manoj Patel** - Founder & Director - IT - Fxmtrack Financials
- **Shobana Padmanabhan** - Director - School of Computing and Information Technology - REVA University
- **Jayraj Vyas** - Associate Director, Info-Tech - Biocon
- **Piyush Sharma** - Head - End User IT and Process Excellence - Ani Technologies Private Limited (Ola Cabs.Com)
- **Sanjeevi Kumar** - Cluster IT Head - Aster Hospital
- **Saikat Chakraborty** - GM-IT - ACT FIBERNET
- **Abhijit Dey** - Chief Product & Strategy Officer, DataCore Software

Key Takeaways

- **Modernization is not a choice but a necessity**—especially for enterprises seeking agility, scalability, and resilience.
- **Hybrid and multicloud strategies** are integral to future datacenter architectures.
- **Security and compliance** remain paramount, especially with growing edge deployments.
- There is a growing need to **reskill teams** and shift mindsets from legacy to innovation-led thinking.

About the organizers

ObserveNow Media: A B2B Media Marketing & Data Intelligence company that curates high-impact, thought leadership sessions. We specialise in organising closed-door Bespoke & Large Industry Events for our clients, connecting them to their relevant TGs and showcasing their products and services in the most efficient manner

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- **Organized By:** ObserveNow Media in collaboration with Datacore
- **Theme:** The Future of Datacenter Modernization: Building the Digital Core for Tomorrow's Enterprise
- **Format:** Closed-door Roundtable Discussion + Networking
- **Dinner Date:** Thursday, 22nd May 2025
- **Time:** 6:00 PM – 8:30 PM
- **Location:** Bengaluru, Karnataka

Conclusion

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Event Glimpses

