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BREAKFAST ROUNDTABLE

**A Regulated and Sovereign Cloud
Foundation for Financial Services ISVs.**

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As financial institutions continue to accelerate their digital transformation journeys, cloud adoption has become a critical enabler of innovation, operational agility, and business resilience. However, the increasing focus on data sovereignty, regulatory compliance, cybersecurity, and governance has reshaped how organizations approach cloud infrastructure. Financial Services Independent Software Vendors (ISVs) are now required to balance innovation with stringent regulatory obligations while ensuring secure, compliant, and scalable cloud environments.

To address these evolving priorities, ObserveNow Media, in collaboration with NxtGen and Red Hat, hosted an exclusive Breakfast CXO Roundtable titled "A Regulated and Sovereign Cloud Foundation for Financial Services ISVs."

Held at Sofitel BKC, Mumbai, the closed-door leadership gathering brought together senior technology leaders, cloud decision-makers, and financial services experts to discuss how sovereign cloud strategies can enable innovation while meeting the growing demands of compliance, security, and operational resilience. The session fostered meaningful conversations around cloud governance, hybrid cloud adoption, data sovereignty, and the future of regulated cloud ecosystems.

Event Overview

Venue: Sofitel BKC, Mumbai

Format: Breakfast Roundtable | CXO Leadership Discussion | Networking

The morning commenced with registration and networking breakfast, followed by a welcome note introducing the objectives of the roundtable. NxtGen and Red Hat delivered an executive briefing that highlighted the changing regulatory landscape, the importance of sovereign cloud infrastructure, and strategies for building secure, compliant cloud environments for financial services organizations. The interactive CXO roundtable encouraged leaders to exchange perspectives on addressing industry challenges while accelerating cloud-led innovation.

Key Leadership Conversations

The Growing Importance of Sovereign Cloud in Financial Services

Participants explored how sovereign cloud has emerged as a strategic requirement for financial institutions seeking to meet evolving regulatory mandates while maintaining control over sensitive data. The discussion emphasized the role of sovereign cloud in enabling compliance, strengthening data protection, and supporting national regulatory requirements without compromising operational agility.

Balancing Innovation with Regulatory Compliance

Industry leaders discussed the challenge of driving digital innovation while operating within highly regulated environments. The conversation focused on developing cloud strategies that enable organizations to introduce new digital services, improve customer experiences, and accelerate business growth while maintaining compliance with financial regulations and industry standards.

Building Secure and Resilient Cloud Foundations

Security and resilience formed a key part of the discussion, with participants highlighting the need for cloud architectures designed to withstand evolving cyber threats and operational disruptions. Leaders shared perspectives on adopting secure-by-design principles, strengthening infrastructure resilience, and ensuring business continuity across critical financial workloads.

Data Sovereignty, Governance, and Customer Trust

The roundtable examined how effective governance frameworks and data sovereignty practices contribute to customer confidence and regulatory readiness. Participants discussed approaches for maintaining data residency, enforcing governance policies, improving transparency, and ensuring responsible management of sensitive financial information across cloud environments.

Leveraging Hybrid and Multi-Cloud Strategies for Growth

As organizations increasingly adopt hybrid and multi-cloud environments, participants exchanged insights on creating flexible cloud operating models that support innovation while reducing operational complexity. Discussions focused on workload portability, interoperability, scalability, and optimizing cloud investments without compromising governance or security.

The Future of AI, Automation, and Cloud Governance

Leaders explored the growing role of artificial intelligence and automation in modern cloud management. The discussion highlighted how intelligent automation can enhance infrastructure monitoring, improve operational efficiency, strengthen compliance processes, and enable better governance across increasingly distributed cloud environments.

Conclusion

The roundtable reinforced the industry’s growing recognition that successful cloud transformation within the financial services sector requires more than technology adoption alone. Organizations must establish secure, compliant, and resilient cloud foundations that balance innovation with governance, regulatory accountability, and customer trust.

By bringing together technology leaders, cloud experts, and business decision-makers, ObserveNow Media, in association with NxtGen and Red Hat, continues to facilitate meaningful industry conversations that help organizations navigate the evolving cloud landscape and accelerate secure digital transformation across regulated industries.

Attendees

Name	Company
Harish Jhulka	Green point global
Raghuveer Singh Marwaha	MF Profit
Apoorv Jain	Pulse
Dinesh Mendon	Worldline Global
Satish Kashyap	Drona Pay
Vijayaraghavan Krishnamurthy	INDB Financial Services
Naveen Singh	Finnovate Financial Services

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