

# Presentation Speakers

**Will Cohen**  
*Performance Tools Engineer*  
Red Hat, Inc.

## **Open Source and the Development Life Cycle: Tools for Developers**

Will Cohen is a Performance Tools Engineer at Red Hat, working on performance tools such as OProfile, Perfmon, and SystemTap. He joined Red Hat in 2000 to work on the GNU Compiler Collection and later moved to work on performance tools to provide developers with better means of determining the underlying causes of performance problems. Cohen earned his BSEE from University of Kansas and his PhD in Electrical Engineering from Purdue University.

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**Pierre Fricke**  
*Director, Product Management*  
JBoss, a division of  
Red Hat, Inc.

## **Open Source Service-Oriented Architecture (SOA) for E-Government**

As Director of Product Management for Red Hat's JBoss SOA products, Fricke is responsible for managing the roadmap and enterprise messaging for these Red Hat products. Starting with JBoss Portal and jBPM in 2005, Fricke led the product strategy and management expansion into the integration market space with JBoss Rules, Messaging, and Enterprise Service Bus. Today, these products are the unit volume market leader or strong challengers to long time incumbents.

Fricke started working on UNIX at IBM in 1983 as one of the first AIX developers, building experience in data management, operating systems, communication programs, development processes, and customer support. After holding several software development management positions and completing his M.B.A. at the University of Texas in Austin, Fricke became one of the leading strategists and marketing leaders in IBM focusing on interoperability, integration, WebSphere, Windows NT, UNIX, as well as Linux and open source. He led the creation of IBM's "Compete, Leverage, and Interoperate" Windows NT strategy after OS/2 was discontinued. He also was one of the eight original leaders on the team that lead IBM into Linux and open source in 1998 and 1999.

In 2000, Fricke joined D. H. Brown Associates, a research analyst firm, as Vice President of Application and Integration Infrastructure. He drove significant growth in their middleware business specializing in J2EE, Microsoft .NET, integration, Web services and open source.

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**Chad Hanson**  
*Manager, Trusted Operating  
Systems Development Lab*  
Trusted Computer Solutions

## **Open Source and the Development Life Cycle: Tools for Developers**

As the Manager of the Trusted Operating Systems Development Lab for Trusted Computer Solutions (TCS), Chad Hanson is responsible for leading the development and engineering innovation that goes into creating some of the world's most secure operating systems and solutions. Mr. Hanson is the principal architect of TCS' Trusted Linux development, encompassing enhancements to SELinux, that resulted in the company's SecureOffice suite for Linux.

Hanson's vast knowledge of secure operating system design, implementation, and integration is underscored by his participation in the development of a trusted compartmentalized computer operating system, which was awarded a U.S. Patent in September 2001.

Prior to joining TCS, Hanson spent eight years at Argus Systems Group, rising from Trusted Systems Engineer to Director of Research and Advanced Development. During this time, he was a co-creator of PitBull, a trusted operating system, and he worked with other trusted technologies as well.

Throughout his tenure in the trusted systems engineering industry, Hanson has performed on-site services for government agencies, international banks, and businesses, as well as participating in ITSEC and Common Criteria Evaluation Processes.

The University of Illinois awarded Hanson a Bachelor of Science degree in the study of Computer Science.

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**Joshua Hoffman**  
*Instructor II*  
*Red Hat Global Learning  
Services*  
Red Hat, Inc.

## **Linux Cookbook**

A security focused system administrator and technical instructor, Hoffman has trained IT staff from the West Coast to the Far East. In the 10+ years he has been working with Red Hat operating systems, Hoffman has written and conducted courses on topics including Red Hat fundamentals, system and network security, and virtualization. He is the current maintainer of the RH401 course which includes Red Hat Satellite Server and Xen Virtualization. Hoffman is also responsible for the EX401 RHCA certification exam. Born and raised in Southern California, Hoffman and his wife make their home in Washington, D.C.

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**Rob Kenna**  
*Senior Product Manager*  
*Red Hat's Storage and  
Clustering Products*  
Red Hat, Inc.

## **Linux High Availability Clustering and Storage**

Rob Kenna is the Senior Product Manager for Red Hat's Storage and Clustering Products, including GFS and RHCS. Kenna brings a rich background as developer and manager for the creation of storage software. Prior to joining Red Hat in 2004, Kenna worked at Epoch Systems, EMC, HighGround Systems, and Sun.

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**Chris Runge**  
*Technical Director*  
Red Hat, Inc.

## **New Choices in Secure Computing with Linux**

Chris Runge is the Technical Director of Red Hat Government. Since joining Red Hat in 2000, he has worked with Fortune 500 companies and federal agencies to understand the benefits of Linux and open source, and how to best migrate to, deploy, and manage systems running Red Hat® Enterprise Linux®. Runge is the author of several whitepapers, including "SELinux: A New Approach to Secure Systems" and "The Path to Multi-Level Security in Red Hat Enterprise Linux." Before joining Red Hat, Runge earned a Masters in Theology as well as a Law degree from the University of Notre Dame.

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**Doc Shankar**  
*Certified Executive IT  
Architect, Linux Technology  
Center*  
IBM

## **New Choices in Secure Computing with Linux**

Doc Shankar is a certified executive IT architect with IBM and the technical lead for Linux Security at the IBM Linux Technology Center with extensive experience in computer security. Since joining the Linux Technology Center, Shankar has focused on improving security in Linux-based systems and ensuring customers are comfortable with it. He has a Ph.D in Computer Sciences from the University of California, Berkeley.

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**Brian Stein**  
*Engineering Manager*  
*Emerging Technologies*  
Red Hat, Inc.

## **Xen and Open Source Virtualization**

Brian Stein is the Engineering Manager of Emerging Technologies at Red Hat. Emerging Technologies is the group that investigates and integrates cutting-edge research and development for possible release as part of Red Hat Enterprise Linux. It is this group that has paved the way to Xen and virtualization for Enterprise Linux users—two hot topics in the industry today.

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**Kevin Unthank**  
*Product Manager*  
Red Hat, Inc.

## **Integrated Identity Management**

Kevin Unthank is the Product Manager for Red Hat's Identity Management Products, including Certificate System and Directory Server. Unthank has a rich background across many aspects of information technology including customer support, IT operations, and product development. Prior to joining Red Hat, Unthank worked at Sun Microsystems for 12 years where he was responsible for the deployment of their employee Smart card based digital identity card and card management system.

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