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# Accelerating AI

Navigating the Future and Avoiding Pitfalls

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# Hitachi *Global multi-industry conglomerate*

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*“Contribute to society through the development of superior, original technology and products”*

**Namihei Odaira**  
Hitachi Founder, 1910

## Heritage of *Innovation*

- **\$2.4B** annual R&D
- **\$3.7B** 3-year investment in AI and digital
- **\$18B** revenue from IT sector
- **182,000** global patents

**Fortune  
500**

Top 11 global  
tech company  
by revenue

**19**

Customer  
co-creation  
centers

**\$300M**

Corporate  
venture fund  
for digital  
and AI

**Top  
100**

Clarivate  
Global  
Innovators

**268k**

Employees

**\$67B**

Consolidated  
revenue

**IT**

**60+ years**

of digital enablers and  
disruptive technologies

**OT**

**110+ years**

of operational excellence  
and industry knowledge



# Our Vision: Where We Will Play...and LEAD

## Hybrid Cloud Infrastructure

*Solutions that seamlessly combine the power of on-premises infrastructure with cloud experience and scale*

**Platforms for Growth**

## Data Management

*Solutions that secure, optimize, analyze and derive additional value from an organization's data*

**Value Maximization**

*“The Data Foundation for Innovation”*



## Artificial Intelligence

*Solutions that harness AI to power both infrastructure as well as end-user outcomes via data intelligence*

**Turbo-charged Outcomes**

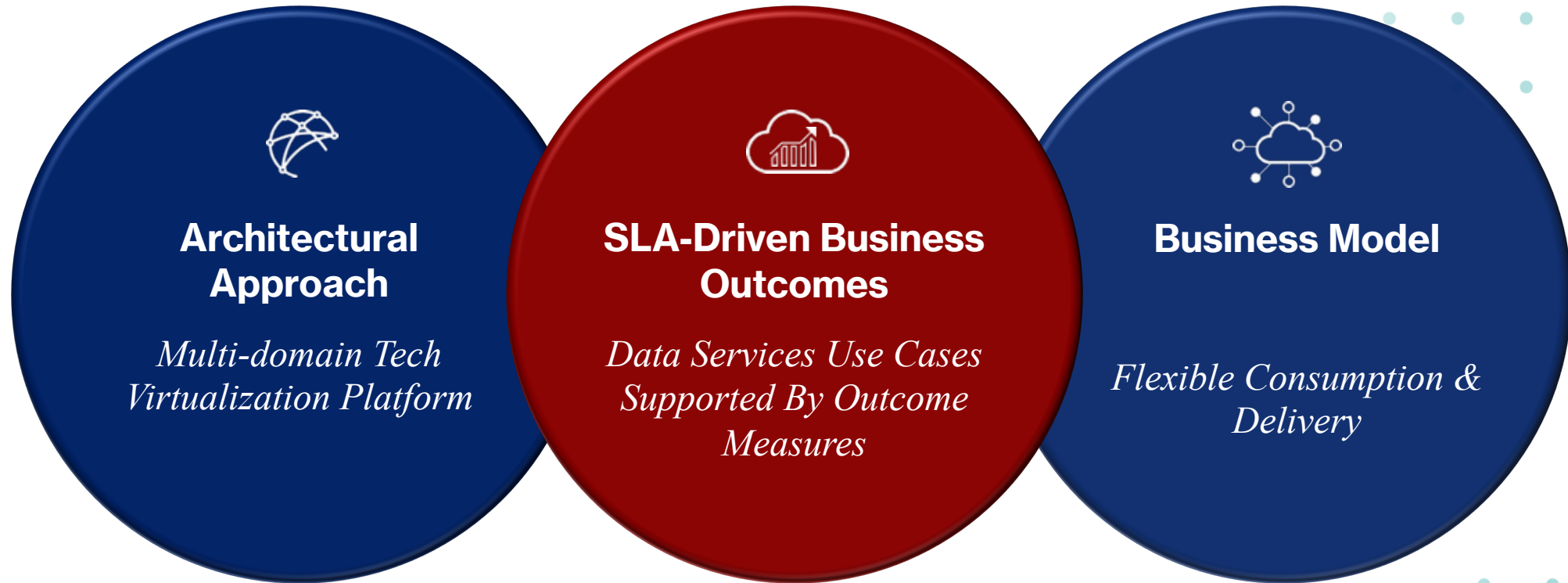
## Green IT

*Solutions and practices that minimize environmental impacts & maximize business sustainability*

**Global & Social Impact**



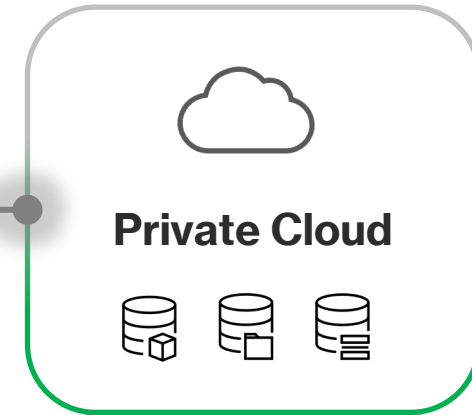
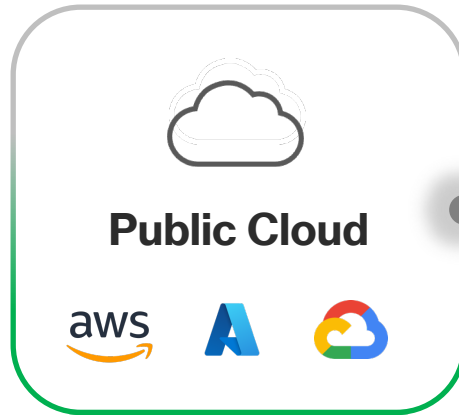
# Defining 'Hybrid Cloud'



*An architecture + A business / delivery model = SLA-driven business outcomes*

# One Hybrid Cloud Data Platform

## VSP 360



*Hybrid Cloud*

**AI/Analytic  
Workloads**

**Disaster  
Recovery**

**Tiering**

**Cloud  
Burst**

**Dev/Test**

**Migration**



# VSP One Solutions and Integrated Systems

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## *Private and Hybrid Cloud Solutions*

## *Application-Optimized Solutions*



**100% Data Availability  
DR Multi-site Resilience**

**Unified Management  
Ecosystem Integration**

**Flexible Design  
Enterprise Scale**

**Compliance &  
Regulatory Alignment**

**Sustainability  
Commitment**

# Thank You

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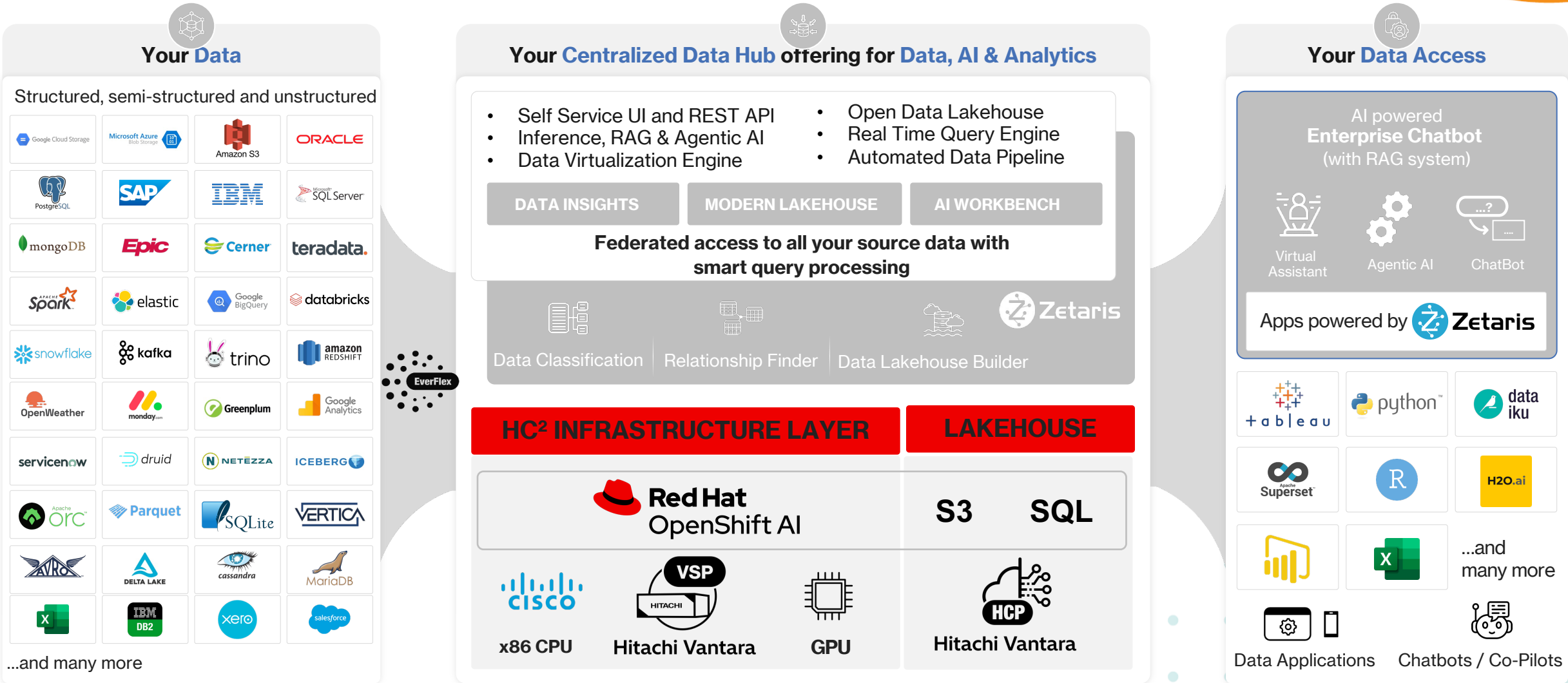
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# AI Data Hub as a Service Architecture



# Where Is AI Going? Our Strategic Bets

## The Rise of Agentic AI

By 2026, 82% of organizations plan to deploy **autonomous AI agents**

These systems move beyond chatbots to handle complex workflows—delivering **25-40% efficiency gains** across industries.



## Enterprise-Wide Integration

*Leading companies are transitioning from isolated pilots to integrated AI ecosystems, driving 35% productivity gains through platforms like Salesforce Agentforce 2.0, Microsoft Copilot and, more recently, **a shift to opensource and repatriation** to the data center on opensource platforms like **Hitachi X Zetaris AI Data Hub***





# Accelerating Beyond Chatbots to Agentic AI



## Multi-Agent Architectures

Deploy specialized agents that collaborate — research agents gather data, analysis agents interpret it, and execution agents implement decisions. This approach resolves problems 45% faster than single-agent systems.



## Enhanced Reasoning Engines

Modern models like Claude 3.5 and GPT-4 enable complex decision-making. Combined with retrieval-augmented generation (RAG), they reduce hallucinations and improve accuracy.



## API-Driven Actions

Enable agents to trigger real-world processes—updating CRMs, scheduling meetings, or processing transactions—via secure integrations.





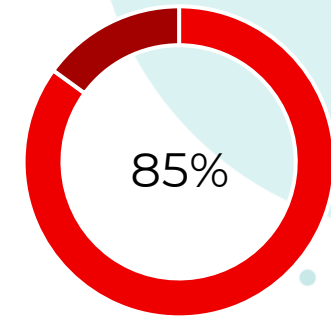
While 78% of  
companies now  
use AI, up to **85%**  
**of AI projects fail**

- Gartner, Forrester,  
McKinsey 2025



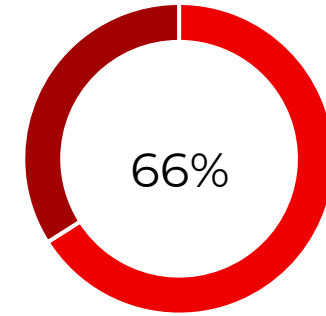


# Why 85% of AI Projects Fail



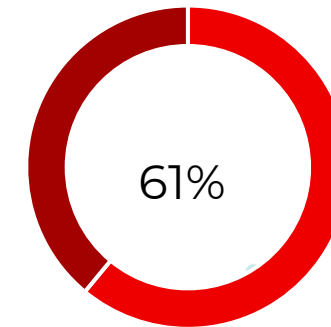
## Data Readiness

Migration bound, low data quality, governance, or poor integration



## Strategic Alignment

Of successful AI initiatives align with core business strategy, versus 24% for failed projects.



## Trust Issues

Of employee's distrust AI, while 56% struggle to use it effectively.



# AI Projects Fail due to legacy data

## Fragmented Data – No Real-time Access

Data exists in disparate locations and formats, making integration and unified access extremely challenging.

## Manual Data Engineering

Manual transformation errors lead to inconsistent data, undermining model accuracy and reliability.

## Cost, Speed, Performance & Platform Risk

Inefficient cloud processing causes bill-shock and struggles to deliver real-time insights required for AI.

## IP Loss Risk

Reliance on third-party solutions exposes proprietary data, threatening crucial intellectual property.

# AI is not BI!





## Data Fabric Foundation

Federated querying across all data sources without moving data, reducing integration complexity by 85% whilst maintaining governance.



## Unified Intelligence Layer

Connects traditional analytics with advanced AI models through a common semantic layer, enabling seamless model deployment.



## Distributed Processing

Edge-to-cloud computing fabric optimised for real-time inference, reducing latency by 73% compared to centralised architectures.

Our architecture eliminates data silos whilst maintaining security—the critical barrier that prevents most enterprises from scaling AI beyond isolated use cases.

# The Open-Source Advantage in Enterprise AI

As AI becomes mission-critical, enterprises are increasingly turning to open-source technologies over proprietary solutions. An over-arching governance and processing framework is needed.

## 76%

### Growth trajectory

Organizations planning to increase their use of open-source AI in coming years

## 60%

### Cost efficiency

Report lower implementation costs with open-source AI compared to proprietary options

## 81%

### Career impact

Developers who believe open-source AI experience is highly valued in their field



### Performance Parity

Open-source models like Meta's Llama, Google's Gemma and Nvidia's NeMo are rapidly closing the gap with proprietary solutions



### Adaptability

Provides developers the freedom to customize solutions specifically tailored to organisational needs



### Risk-Aware Adoption

Leading organisations implement safeguards addressing cybersecurity (62%), regulatory compliance (54%) and IP concerns (50%)

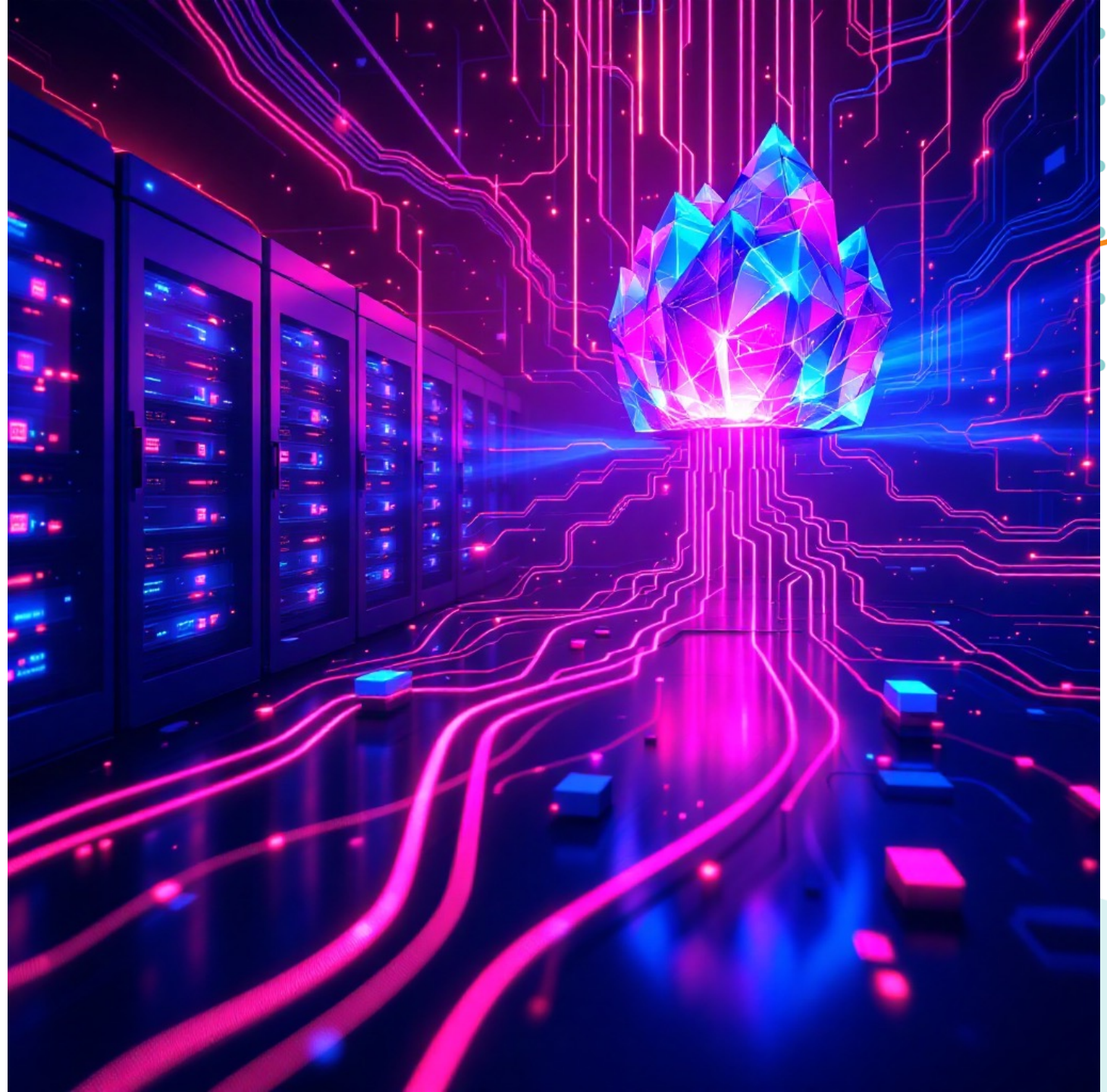
AI-forward organisations are 40% more likely to leverage open-source models—particularly in technology sectors where adoption reaches 72%



# AI Data Hub

*Connect and Query*

*Any data, Anywhere*





# How AI Data Hub Overcome Pitfalls



## Real-Time Data Access

Zetaris' Modern Lakehouse for AI enables federated querying across sources without data movement, accelerating analytics by 6x.



## Instant Deployment

AI agents deploy in hours, not months, leveraging Hitachi's 99.999% resilient infrastructure.



## Governed, Secure Pipeline

End-to-end lineage, compliance, and quality control prevent shadow AI risks.

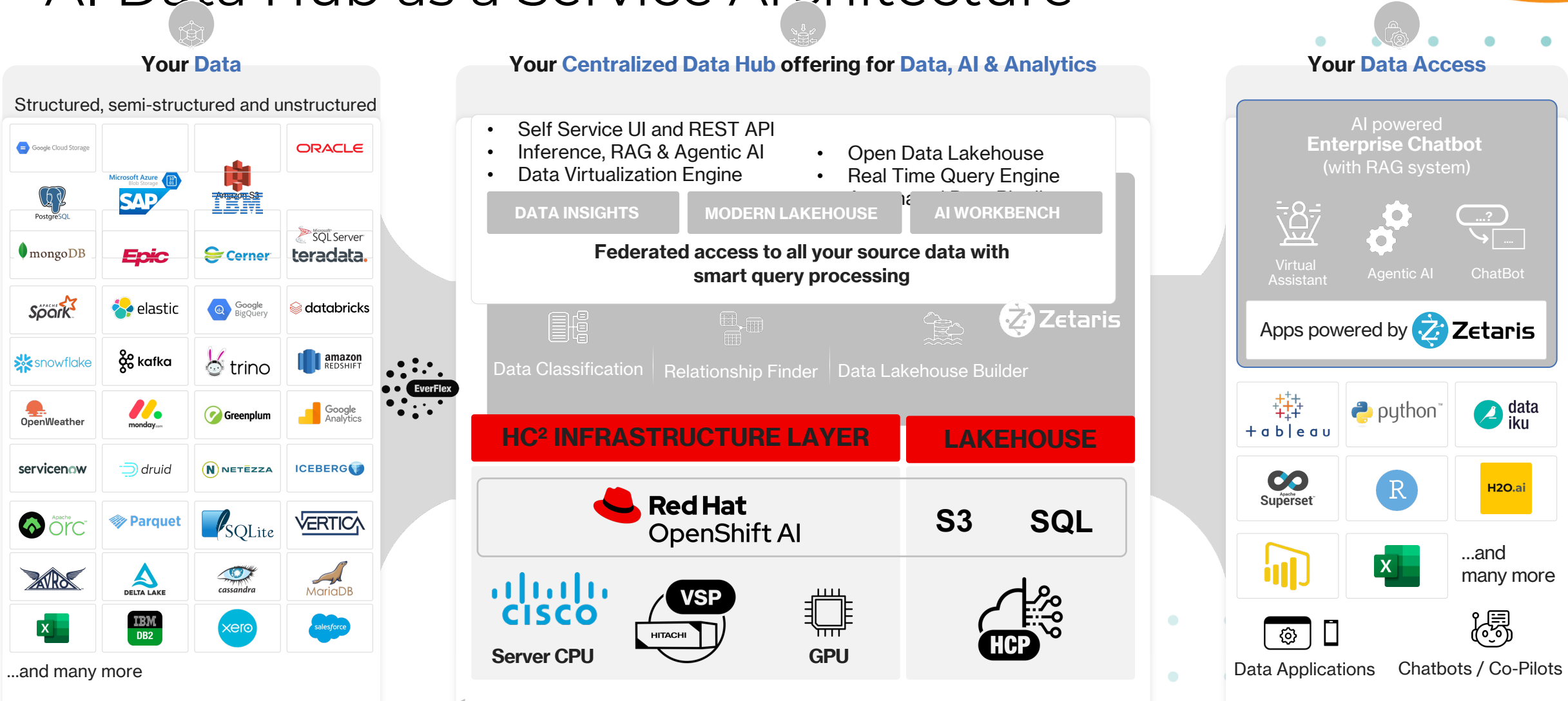


## Cost Efficiency





With extreme automation achieve 70% lower TCO for complex projects by optimizing existing infrastructure.



# AI Data Hub as a Service Architecture



# Integrated Industry Data Models and Applications

Industry Apps	 Healthcare	 Financial Services	 Telecom	 Retail
Data Science pre-built apps	Early Disease Detection	Credit Scoring	Predictive Maintenance	Market Basket Analysis
Pre-built Industry connectors	Digital Care	Loan Analysis	Industry Data Exchange	Next Best Offer
Industry Specific Data model	Cardiac Pathways	Anti-Money Laundering	Workforce Management	Customer Lifetime Value
Data Quality exception handling	Specialist Referrals	Credit Fraud	Truck Roll Reduction	Supply Chain Optimization

Featuring 14 pre-built Industry Data Models and associated applications simplifying data integration and accelerating time to value.



# 14 Industry Accelerators



## AI Nurse

Patient monitoring and care recommendation systems with real-time data analysis.



## AI Banker

Personalised financial guidance with automated risk assessment capabilities.

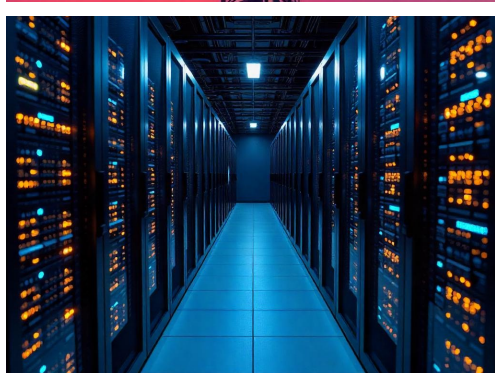
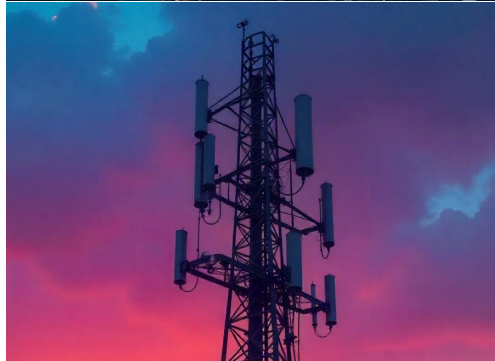


## AI Property Assessor

Market analysis and valuation tools with predictive pricing models.



# Customer Story : Overview



## Outcomes

- **6 x faster project delivery** across data driven projects
- **70% reduction** in TCO for data and AI projects
- Seamless integration across systems, cloud and on-prem

## Company Bio

- Over 30,000 employees
- Over 19 million mobile services and over 3 million fixed-line services subscriptions
- Services includes, mobile, fixed-line, television & streaming, and business solutions

## The Challenge

They wanted to create a “DataHub” that would address:

- Supplier and partner network dependent on producers giving them access to the data
- Disparate systems and siloed views of data



# Customer Story : Cost Saving and ROI in Year One

**Compute Cost**  
**50%**

Traditional Single-Engine Compute  
vs  
Multi-Engine Query Director with Optimization

**Platform Licensing Cost**  
**67%**

Datatricks Usage-based pricing (DBU) + Cloud/Feature markups  
vs  
Zetaris Single Pane Bundled Pricing

**Operational Cost**  
**33%**

Manual Orchestration & Pipeline Management  
vs  
Automated Data & AI as One

**Storage Cost**  
**45%**

Cloud Storage Proliferation and Data Duplication  
vs  
Federated Access and In-Place Processing

**Labor Cost**  
**61%**

A Team of System integration, ETL & Data Engineers Required  
vs  
Automated Data Engineering with Less Integration Efforts

**Support and Maintenance Costs**  
**40%**

Multi-Vendor Escalation & Cloud Troubleshooting Fees  
vs  
Support within Managed Services







## Customer Story : Executive Feedback

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*"There is already one team waiting for the multi access eg. Teradata and a couple others. So that connectivity was a big win."*

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*"The ability to choose from multiple compute/query engines eg. Presto and Spark, via Zetaris Query Director is a powerful feature"*

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*"All of this has a big positive impact on TCO"*

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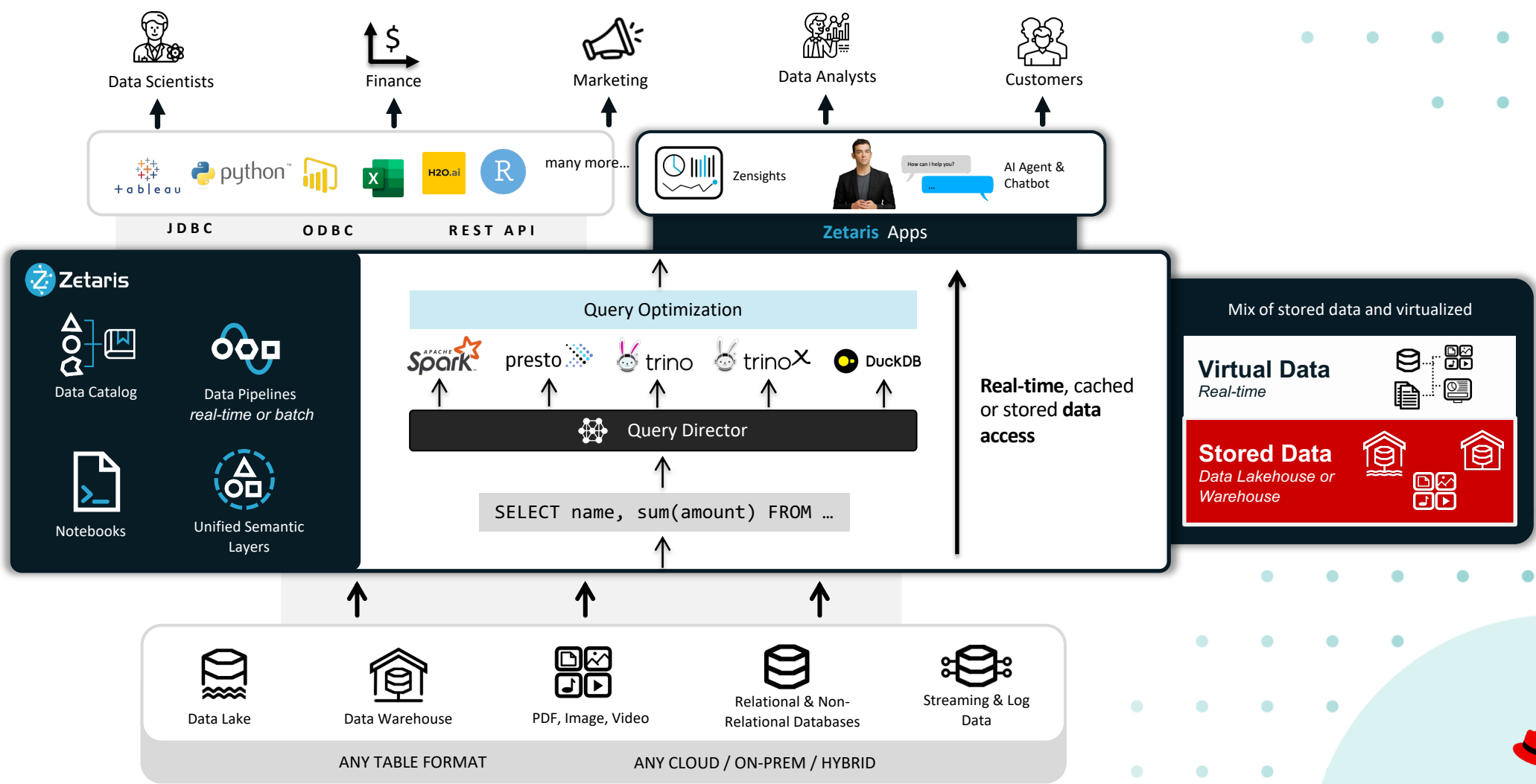
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*"One thing we appreciate, is when a problem is identified, Zetaris comes back the next day with a solution"*

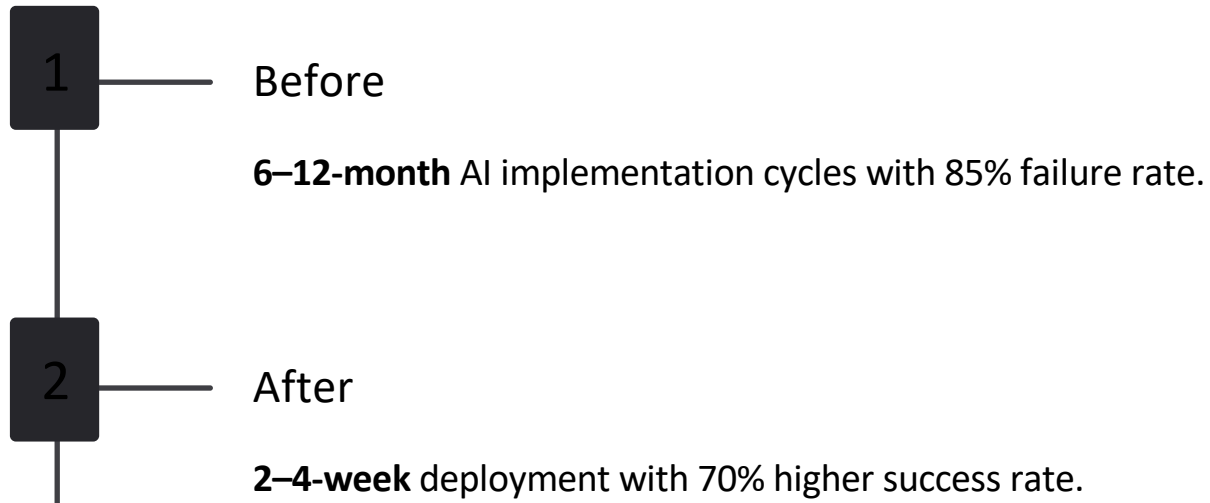
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# Customer Story : Query Director



## The AI Data Hub Advantage



Our "data anywhere" approach eliminates the need for costly migrations and complex integrations.





# 6 Key Success Factors for AI Excellence



## Query-First Architecture

Automate data engineering by taking queries to the data rather than centralising it. Perform data quality checks at source to eliminate the primary cause of AI failures.



## Unified Governance

Implement a single pane of glass for visibility across all AI and data assets, ensuring comprehensive oversight and control.



## Platform Framework

Leverage platforms like ThunderLake (Zetaris-Nvidia collaboration) to effectively harness open source innovations while maintaining IP ownership and governance.



## Build to Own IP

Secure your business's intellectual property by building your AI capabilities rather than solely relying on external vendors.



## Semantic Layer Integration

Establish a unified semantic layer providing AI with consistent, accurate data views across all sources.



## AI-Specific Infrastructure

Recognise that AI requires specialised infrastructure—not repurposed BI systems—with 100% data quality and real-time processing capabilities.

Success in AI deployment requires fundamentally rethinking your data architecture, not merely adapting existing systems.



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