



– India 2025 –

# TRANSPARENCY REPORT

**INDIA 2025** 



# KubeCon + CloudNativeCon India 2025

# Thank you for making the 2nd annual KubeCon + CloudNativeCon India another sold-out success!

Registration AND sponsorships SOLD OUT once again, underscoring the incredible growth and momentum of cloud native and open source technologies in India. It was great to meet attendees from all over India, and beyond, to connect, collaborate, and celebrate innovation together. I had so many incredible conversations with so many people.

From the deep-dive technical sessions and maintainer meetups to inspiring keynotes the event was a vibrant showcase of the community's passion and commitment. Developers, maintainers, end users, and technologists came together to share knowledge, explore new ideas, and shape the future of cloud native. I was pleased to see how everyone was willing to meet new people and share ideas. It made for a super fun and lively atmosphere.

Your energy and collaboration continue to propel the ecosystem forward, and we are honored to be building this future with you. We can't wait to welcome you back next year in Mumbai for another unforgettable gathering of the cloud native community in India.



Chris Aniszczyk
CTO, Cloud and Infrastructure,
Linux Foundation



**74%** 

First-time attendees



950

**CFP Submissions** 



224

Attendees thanks to Dan Kohn Scholarship Fund



49

Pieces of media coverage







# **ATTENDEE OVERVIEW**

It was fantastic to bring our community together, with more than 4,000 people joining us in India.

4,017
REGISTRATIONS

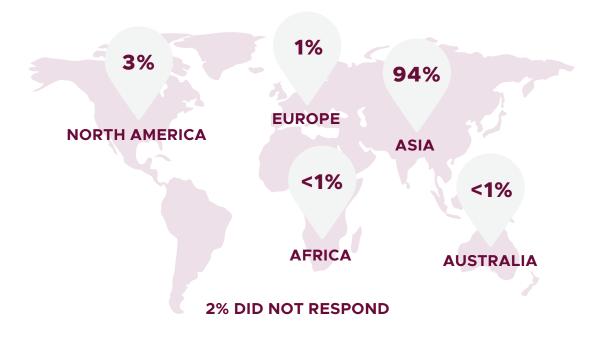
96%
ATTENDANCE RATE

1,256
COMPANIES
REPRESENTED





#### ATTENDEE GEOGRAPHY



# **TOP 5 COUNTRIES IN ATTENDANCE**



3,710



112



SINGAPORE 26





# **TOP 3 JOB FUNCTIONS**

**DEVOPS/SRE/SYSADMIN** 

**DEVELOPER** 

**ARCHITECT** 

# **REGISTRATION TYPE THROUGH THE YEARS**

	2024	2025	
TOTAL	3,022	4,017	
REGISTRATION TYPE			
Attendee	54%	44%	
Individual	29%	43%	
Academic	2%	2%	
Speaker	4%	3%	
Sponsor	10%	7%	
Media	1%	1%	

# CONTENT

The KubeCon + CloudNativeCon India 2025 content was shaped under the leadership of conference co-chairs Bhavani Indukuri, Staff Platform Engineer, Zscaler and Atulpriya Sharma, Senior Developer Advocate, InfraCloud Technologies. Together, they led a dedicated program committee of 32 members who reviewed 950 submissions to thoughtfully curate a diverse, relevant, and high-quality schedule. The final lineup offered compelling content for attendees of all technical backgrounds.

All talks were selected through a rigorous, non-biased review process. Program committee members were randomly assigned submissions aligned with their area of expertise, following our established CFP scoring guidelines and transparent selection criteria.

### **KEY STATS**

With 95 sessions, KubeCon + CloudNativeCon India featured a diverse line-up of topics ranging from introductory sessions through technical deep-dives. Talks are available now on our <u>YouTube playlist</u>.

950

**SUBMISSIONS** 

6%

CFP ACCEPTANCE RATE

0

12

**KEYNOTES** 

(INCLUDING SPONSORED KEYNOTES)

**56** 

CFP BREAKOUT SESSIONS

13

MAINTAINER SESSIONS **Q** 

32

PROGRAM COMMITEE MEMBERS

142

**SPEAKERS** 

24%

GENDER MINORITY SPEAKERS

8.3/10 SESSION RATINGS

# THANK YOU TO OUR KUBECON + CLOUDNATIVECON INDIA 2025 CO-CHAIRS



**Bhavani Indukuri** Staff Platform Engineer Zscaler



**Atulpriya Sharmwa**Senior Developer Advocate
InfraCloud Technologies





# PROJECT ENGAGEMENT









































KubeCon + CloudNativeCon India 2025 offered a range of meaningful opportunities for attendees to engage with CNCF projects and maintainers.

The **Maintainer Meetup** brought together CNCF Maintainers to exchange best practices, refine contribution workflows, and collaborate on shared challenges. The event also featured a series of 5-minute **Project Lightning Talks**, where projects highlighted recent updates, new features, and key milestones in quick, insightful presentations.

Attendees also had the chance to dive deeper during the **Maintainer Track** sessions, which provided behind-the-scenes insights into CNCF projects. These sessions offered valuable perspectives from project leaders and fostered collaboration among community members and industry experts.

In the **Project Pavilion**, participants connected directly with project maintainers. This space encouraged open conversation, technical discussions, and idea sharing, making it a vibrant hub for learning more about the technologies shaping the cloud native ecosystem.

16
PROJECT TABLES

PROJECT LIGHTNING TALKS

13

MAINTAINER TRACK
SESSIONS





# INCLUSION + ACCESSIBILITY

CNCF strives to ensure that everyone who participates in KubeCon + CloudNativeCon feels welcome, regardless of gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, disability, race, ethnicity, age, religion, or economic status.

Our commitment to cultivating a friendly, welcoming, and inclusive environment extends to the facilities and resources we provide at events.

In Hyderabad, these included:

- Quiet + Prayer Room
- Nursing Room
- All-Gender Restroom
- Pronoun + Communication Stickers
- · Complimentary Onsite Child Care
- Captioning Available for Keynote and Breakout Sessions

#### **CHAOSS D&I EVENT BADGE**

CNCF was awarded a Gold Badge from the CHAOSS Badging Initiative, <u>chaoss.community/diversity-and-inclusion-badging/</u>, for fostering healthy inclusion and accessibility practices.



#### INCLUSION + ACCESSIBILITY EVENTS

As part of our deep commitment to inclusion and accessibility, we hosted two Women's Community Gatherings for attendees who identify as women, non-binary individuals, or allies, to have open discussions with fellow attendees about challenges, leadership innovation, and empowerment in our fast-growing ecosystem. Additionally, we offered Peer Group Mentoring, where participants met in small groups with mentors from CNCF and projects.

# OF PARTICIPANTS AT WOMEN'S COMMUNITY GATHERINGS	100+
# OF PEER GROUP MENTORING + CAREER NETWORKING MENTORS	7
# OF PEER GROUP MENTORING + CAREER NETWORKING MENTEES	53

# **SCHOLARSHIPS**

The Dan Kohn Scholarship Fund provided opportunities to 224 applicants to attend the event.

TRAVEL FUNDING SCHOLARSHIPS	26
REGISTRATION SCHOLARSHIPS	177
SPEAKER SCHOLARSHIPS	21

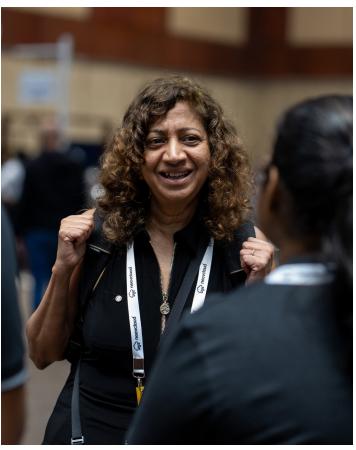
# **CAPTIONING**

# **TOP 3 LANGUAGES**

ENGLISH HINDI KANNADA

76 TOTAL HOURS USING IN-ROOM CAPTIONING FROM WORDLY ON ATTENDEE MOBILE DEVICES





# SUSTAINABILITY

We're committed to sustainability at our events and KubeCon + CloudNativeCon India was no exception.

Our venue, the Hyderabad International Convention Centre and Novotel, a GreenKey Certified Establishment, champions renewable energy, water conservation, and waste reduction, and extends these efforts to catering by sourcing ingredients locally and minimizing single-use plastics.

In addition to selecting an environmentally conscious venue, we:

- Sourced conference t-shirts and lanyards locally.
- Planned accordingly to minimize food waste, with actual consumption closely matching orders within 99% accuracy.
- Donated leftover materials and event merchandise.
- Reduced paper waste by replacing printed tickets with digital badge scans for food, beverage, and merchandise redemption.
- Chose a venue that was accessible via public transportation.

# **HEALTH + SAFETY ONSITE**

KubeCon + CloudNativeCon implemented the following health and safety measures:

- **(6)** FOOD ALLERGY ACCOMMODATIONS
- ACCESSIBLE SAFETY RESOURCES + TIPS
- MEDICAL, SAFETY + TRAUMA RESOURCES
- INCIDENT TRANSPARENCY REPORT:
  - 0 code of conduct violations
  - 3 medical interventions



# SPONSOR INFORMATION

KubeCon + CloudNativeCon India would not be possible without the support of our sponsors. And attendees agree - 96% visited the solutions showcase during the event.

#### **BOOTH TRAFFIC**

19,248

**TOTAL LEADS** 

494

AVERAGE LEADS PER BOOTH

## **SPONSORSHIP**

	2024	2025
Platinum	2	3
Gold	4	11
Silver	24	19
Start-up	7	7
Marketing Opportunities	2	2
TOTAL UNIQUE SPONSORS	37	42



# **GitHub**

# NUTANIX

#### **GOLD SPONSORS**























THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR SPONSORS

# **MEDIA + ANALYST COVERAGE**

#### **KEY STATS**

32

MEDIA + ANALYSTS ATTENDEES

49

PRESS + ANALYST ARTICLES

2 CNCF BYLINES 2

#### **CNCF PRESS RELEASES**

CNCF Celebrates India's Cloud Native Community Growth, Recognizing a Kubestronaut Milestone KubeCon + CloudNativeCon India Case Study

3

Winner Contest

#### LINUX FOUNDATION PRESS RELEASES

The Linux Foundation Marks 2025 Momentum of LF India with Expanding Ecosystem, Engaged Communities and AI-Fueled Innovation

AI-RAN Alliance and Linux Foundation Collaborate on Advancing AI-RAN

Linux Foundation and ATIS Partner to Advance Development and Integration of Open Source, Open RAN Technologies 17

**ANNOUNCEMENTS** 

8

SPONSOR AND MEMBER NEWS

4

PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Keycloak, kOs, Kubeflow, OpenTelemetry

#### MEDIA COVERAGE HIGHLIGHTS

- Deccan Chronicle: <u>CNCF Celebrates India's Cloud Native Community Growth</u>, Recognizing a Kubestronaut Milestone
- DATAQUEST India: <u>The architecture of AI is different from all of the computing</u> that came before it

#### TOP COVERAGE THEMES

- India's Kubestronaut Momentum and Milestones
- The Rising Importance of Cloud Native Skills
- Open Source and Cloud Native's Impact on Al

#### **ANALYST COVERAGE HIGHLIGHTS**

• CloudDon: Kubernetes in an Al-Native World: Can It Stay Relevant?

#### **BYLINES**

- TechAchieve: Cloud Native Skills 2.0: What India's Tech Talent Needs to Thrive in the New Digital Era
- TechGIG: Cloud Native Skills are the Foundation for AI workloads

# **THANK YOU**

We hope you enjoyed reflecting on a great event in India - see you in Atlanta in November!

Check out our <u>calendar</u> for all upcoming events.

Your comments and feedback are welcome at events@cncf.io.



**REGISTER NOW**