

Hitachi Digital Services Ranked Market Leader in HFS Research's 2025 Legacy Application Modernization Services Report

Dallas, December 2, 2025 – Hitachi Digital Services, the global systems integrator powering mission-critical platforms, today announced that it has been named a Market Leader in HFS Research's globally-focused HFS Horizons: Legacy Application Modernization Services, 2025 report. The report assesses service providers' abilities to modernize and, in some cases, re-architect enterprise IT systems into modular, scalable, and adaptive systems.

HFS Research focuses on enterprise transformation, arming Fortune 500 companies with meaningful insights and actionable strategies. For its annual Legacy Application Modernization Services report, the company evaluated 32 service providers across the value chain including global system integrators, domain-specific app modernization providers, and start-ups. Analysis centered on service providers' transformative digital capabilities and innovation when correcting issues impacting fragmented legacy IT systems such as:

- Architectural sprawl and hidden dependencies
- Inability to scale AI and other emerging technology
- Cost, monetization, and time-to-market constraints
- Disrupted customer journeys and talent stress

Service providers were categorized into three major groupings or "Horizons" with Hitachi Digital Services achieving the highest recognition of Market Leader or "Horizon 3". Horizon 3 acknowledges suppliers delivering AI-native, event-driven products with total ecosystem co-creation. These honorees are credited with driving new revenue, CX/PX gains, and continuous modernization for business agility and scalability. Tactics may include the cohesive deployment of advanced cloud-native technologies, APIs, automation, microservices, and DevOps practices.

HFS Research recognized Hitachi Digital Services for its differentiated capabilities and methodologies; highlights being:

- **E3 (Envision, Evaluate, Execute) methodology:** an engineering-led approach to cloud, AI, ERP, and IOT integration with a focus on sustainability.
- **Successful program delivery:** thousands of programs satisfying customer objectives; many leveraging Hitachi Cloud Acceleration Platform (HCAP) and Hitachi Application Reliability Center (HARC) Agents accelerators to replace fallible, time-consuming manual coding with efficient AI-assisted code conversion.
- **Proven, measurable outcomes:** case studies validating program success in various sectors such as energy, financial services, healthcare, manufacturing, and mobility for various customers worldwide.
- **Client and customer satisfaction:** third party feedback confirming Hitachi Digital Service's pioneering spirit and comprehensive lifecycle vision backed by collaborative delivery, engaged leadership, and deep technical/domain expertise; yielding positive returns on AI investments.

"Being recognized by HFS Research as a market leader in legacy application modernization affirms our commitment to purposeful innovation and partnership with our clients," said Roger Lvin, CEO, Hitachi Digital Services. "We believe modernization is not just a technical upgrade but an opportunity to reimagine how enterprises operate, compete, and grow. Through responsible co-creation, advanced AI, and the unified One Hitachi ecosystem, we help our clients and partners achieve measurable business impact while building sustainable, future-ready enterprises."

"Hitachi Digital Services brings precision, scale, and vision to modernization, translating complex legacy challenges into accelerated business outcomes," said Hansa Iyengar, IT Practice Leader, HFS Research. "Its E3 methodology, combined with proprietary automation platforms such as HCAP and HARC, enables clients to achieve productivity gains and agility while maintaining operational resilience. The company's One Hitachi approach connects technology and business transformation to deliver tangible results across industries."

The HFS Horizons: Legacy Application Modernization Services, 2025 report can be found here: <https://www.hitachids.com/pdf/hitachi-digital-services-ranked-market-leader-in-hfs-researchs-2025-legacy-application-modernization-services-horizon-report/>

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About Hitachi Digital Services

Hitachi Digital Services, a wholly owned subsidiary of Hitachi, Ltd., is a global systems integrator powering mission-critical platforms with people and technology. We help enterprises build, integrate, and run physical and digital systems with tailored solutions in cloud, data, IoT, and ERP modernization, underpinned by advanced AI. By combining Information Technology and Operational Technology (ITxOT), we drive efficiency, innovation, and growth across industries. With over 110 years of Hitachi Group's engineering and technology leadership, Hitachi Digital Services is powering smarter platforms for a safer, more sustainable future. For more information on Hitachi Digital Services, please visit the company's website at www.hitachids.com.

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