

AlmaLinux OS Foundation Honored with Non-Profit Organization of the Year Award

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The [AlmaLinux OS Foundation](#), the nonprofit that stewards the free, community-governed open source enterprise Linux distribution, today announced it was named a silver Stevie Award winner in the 2026 [International Business Awards](#) in the Non-Profit Organization of the Year category.



The 2026 International Business Awards received nominations from organizations across 82 nations and territories. Winners, who were determined by the average scores of more than 200 professionals during a three-month judging process, will be celebrated at a gala banquet at the Pullman Paris Montparnasse in Paris, France.

“AlmaLinux is built to serve the people and organizations that depend on open source, and this recognition reflects the strength of that community,” said benny Vasquez, chair of the AlmaLinux OS Foundation. “From our global infrastructure to the engineers and contributors who keep every release moving, AlmaLinux continues to prove that a community-powered nonprofit can deliver enterprise-grade technology at global scale. We’re incredibly proud of what this community has transparently built together.”

The foundation’s ability to attract global mirrors, prestigious partnerships, and sponsorships, along with its growing influence and credibility in the open-source community were the most important factors in the judge's decisions.

“The 2026 International Business Awards winners represent the very best in business achievement from organizations of all sizes and across virtually every industry,” said Maggie Miller, President of the Stevie Awards. “This year's winners have demonstrated exceptional innovation, leadership, resilience, and results in a highly competitive global field. We congratulate every Stevie Award winner and look forward to celebrating their achievements together in Paris on October 28.”

About the Stevie Awards

Stevie Awards are conferred in nine programs: the Asia-Pacific Stevie Awards, the German Stevie Awards, the Middle East & North Africa Stevie Awards, The American Business Awards®, The International Business Awards®, the Stevie Awards for Women in Business, the Stevie Awards for Great Employers, the Stevie Awards for Sales & Customer Service, and the Stevie Awards for Technology Excellence. Stevie Awards competitions receive more than 12,000 entries each year from organizations in more than 70 nations. Honoring organizations of all types and sizes and the people behind them, the Stevies recognize outstanding performances in the workplace worldwide. Learn more about the Stevie Awards at <http://www.StevieAwards.com>.

About AlmaLinux OS

AlmaLinux OS is an open source, community-governed, and forever-free enterprise Linux distribution focused on long-term stability and delivering a robust production-grade platform. Distributed from a network of over 400 mirrors across six continents, AlmaLinux is compatible with RHEL(r) and pre-Stream CentOS, and powers projects for governments, the defense sector, and scientific research institutions as well as numerous global business sectors and the web hosting industry. Adopted by some of today's foremost open source ecosystem projects such as VMware, GitLab and Tenable, it's available on all major public cloud platforms including AWS, Azure, Google Cloud, and Oracle OCI. The AlmaLinux OS Foundation is a 501(c)(6) non-profit entity created as the central collaboration point for everything to do with AlmaLinux and for the benefit of the AlmaLinux OS community. Visit www.almalinux.org.

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