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Metallurgical Systems wins the 2022 One Percenters award

Process digital twin solution helps with sustainable transformation of mining and metals sector.

Sydney, Australia, 14 November 2022 –Tech Data is delighted to announce that Metallurgical Systems has won the 2022 One Percenters award for its process digital twin software for the mining and metals sector.

Currently in its second year, One Percenters is a joint initiative of Tech Data and IBM. With support from vendor alliance partners Red Hat and Thales, the program recognises technology teams who are solving complex problems and driving incredible change using products from the IBM software portfolio.

The announcement was made at an awards ceremony on 10 November at the IBM offices in Sydney, following a three-month selection, where 4 finalists had 5 minutes to pitch their solution, and showcase customer outcomes, and respond to questions from the judges. The prize was $30k in marketing funds, as well as facilitated networking and exposure opportunities across the Tech Data, IBM, Red Hat and Thales ecosystems. This year's program was open to both existing and new IBM business partners who are building with IBM software, or re-selling IBM technology and platforms.

"The goal of the One Percenters program is to uncover the people and businesses who think outside the square and ask those important 'what if' questions. This year's winner,

Metallurgical Systems, demonstrated outstanding technology integration in its digital twin solution focused on accelerating mining digital transformation

and enabling sustainability," said Ivan Hecimovic, Director, Tech Data Australia & New Zealand.

Metallurgical Systems' process digital twin solution pioneers a new era of accountability, sustainability and efficiency for mining, minerals and metals companies around the world.

As John Vagenas, Managing Director of Metallurgical Systems, said, "We're very proud to be helping organisations address critical challenges such as the demand for critical minerals, the energy crisis, climate targets and the ongoing skills shortage in mining. This award is a fantastic recognition of our innovation in this area."

The other finalists in the 2022 One Percenters program, who each demonstrated remarkable innovation in their pitches to the judges, included:

- Advent One – automation and performance optimisation
- Kompozition – Modelled Based Systems Engineering Platform
- Silverfern IT – Managed Detection & Response platform

"Given the high calibre of entries this year leveraging IBM, RedHat and Thales technologies, there is no doubt that the future of tech innovation in Australia is extremely bright. Congratulations to all of the finalists," Hecimovic said.

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