

# Cisco ACI App Center takes shape



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Openness and programmability have always been hallmarks of Cisco® Application Centric Infrastructure (Cisco ACI™). And never before have they been more evident.

The Cisco ACI App Center was recently announced, providing a new marketplace for developers and customers utilizing the industry's leading software-defined networking (SDN) solution.

"The [Cisco] ACI community is active and growing," says Salman Asadullah, CTO of the Americas Partner Organization (APO) and distinguished engineer at Cisco. "We wanted to make it easier for everyone to develop, share, consume, and monetize new [Cisco] ACI tools and functionality."

Five technology leaders have already developed new tools and contributed to the Cisco ACI App Center, which will be available in early 2017:

1. [Dimension Data](#)—GIT integration for Cisco ACI
2. [GDT](#)—Application profile browser
3. [Kovarus](#)—Security reporter
4. [Netnuvem](#)—Cisco ACI app testing and validation
5. [World Wide Technology](#)—Automated security management

Cisco ACI software development kits (SDKs) and APIs are available free of charge, streamlining the development of new features and functionality. Network administrators will be able to install the apps on the Cisco Application Policy Infrastructure Controller (Cisco APIC), which ensures reliable, secure app performance as part of the Cisco ACI Fabric.



"Custom apps can help simplify, enhance, and better visualize the [Cisco] ACI experience," says Shelly Blackburn, director of systems engineering for APO. "We're excited to see more contributions and thought leadership from our partners and the development community."

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