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The ICC provides a comprehensive support system that clients, IBM Business Partners, and IBM and Oracle employees can turn to for the information, education, insight, and tools they need to help implement an IBM and Oracle solution. Clients can be assured these joint solutions are test driven, optimized with documented and published results — all to simplify and lower the risk for implementation and upgrade projects.

ICC locations are staffed with full-time IBM employees including hardware and middleware experts, systems integration specialists, and project leaders. ICC specialists collaborate closely with their Oracle colleagues to help optimize product quality, performance, scalability, and value. These teams provide feedback as needed to IBM and Oracle product development helping to ensure continuous product improvement. Together, Oracle solutions and IBM hardware platforms are tested and scaled to ensure these offerings perform as required within the context of open, real-world business environments.

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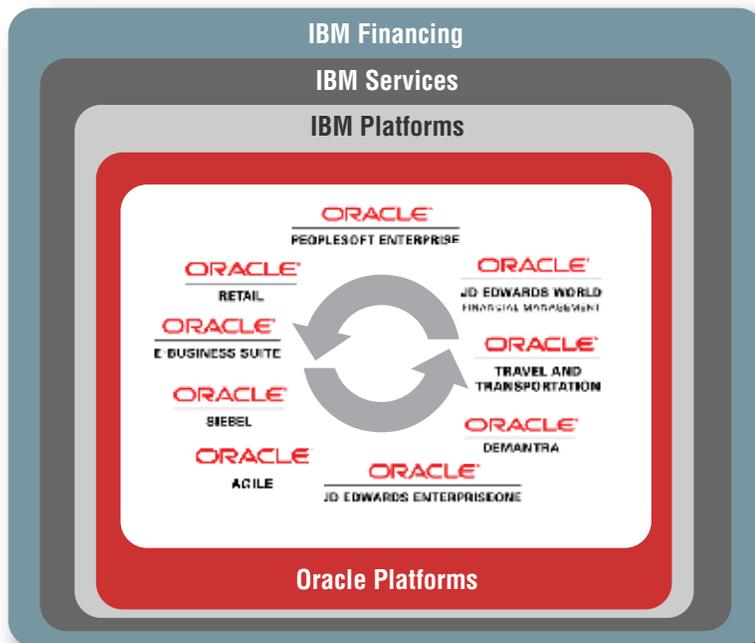
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- Sizing guides, performance and proof of concept tests, and tools to help clients appropriately plan their IBM and Oracle environment

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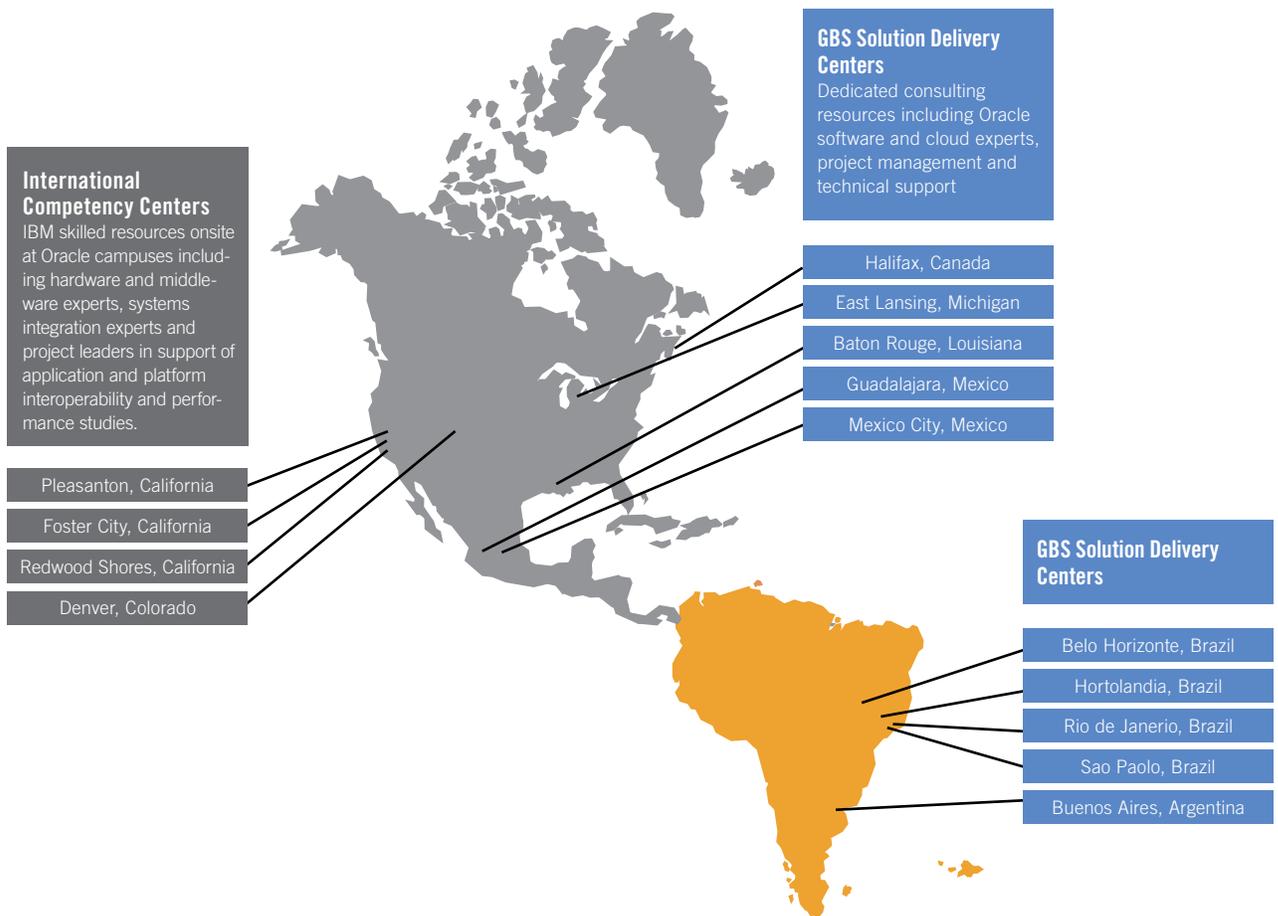
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— Lorna den Daas, Vice-President, Oracle Global Alliance

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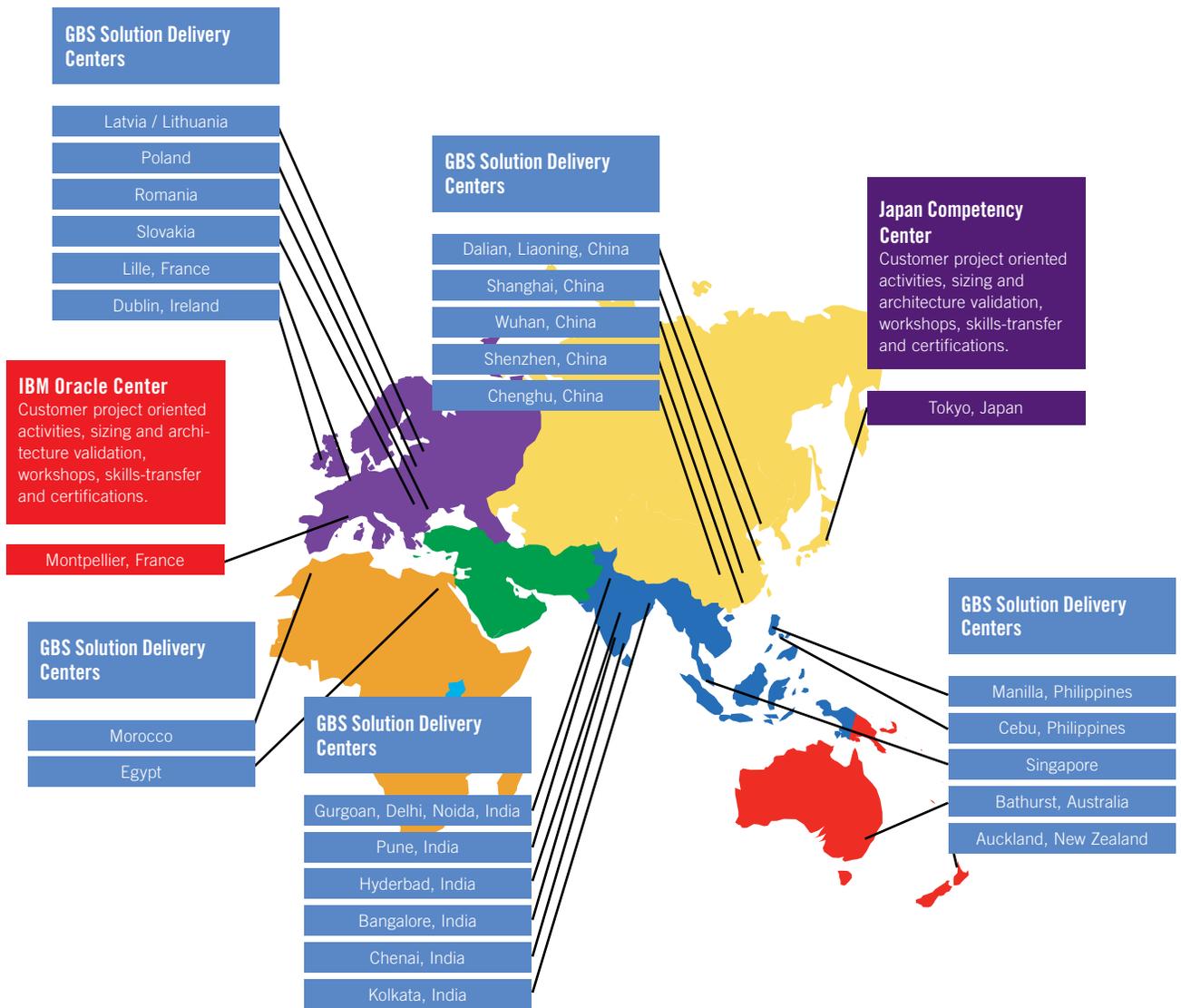


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