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Murli Thirumale is General Manager of the Cloud Native Business Unit - Portworx, where he is responsible for strategy, operations, and solutions that deliver multi-cloud data services for Kubernetes. Murli joined Pure Storage following the company's acquisition of Portworx, Inc. in September 2020.



Prior to Pure, he was the co-founder and CEO of Portworx Inc, the leader in Kubernetes Storage and Data Management. Previously, he held the role of General Manager of the Data Protection business unit at Dell. Murli joined Dell following the acquisition of Ocarina Networks, where he was the co-founder and CEO.

As the Group Vice President and General Manager of the Advanced Solutions Group at Citrix, he helped launch the company's first appliance business. Murli was also the co-founder and CEO of Net6. Prior to venturing into entrepreneurship, Murli spent 15 years at Hewlett-Packard, where he served as General Manager of the Timing Solutions for Communications Operation.

Murli has a Bachelor of Technology from IIT-BHU in India and a Master of Business Administration from Northwestern's Kellogg School of Management.