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Results

- Simplified and secure processes and cross-platform file transfers
- Improved quality of service
- Enhanced efficiency
- Faster deployment of new servers
- Improvement of operational quality

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Director Operations, Core Infrastructure Management, Bankia S.A.

Bankia Improves Workload Automation Environment by replacing IBM Tivoli agent technology with Universal Agent

Leading Spanish bank simplifies automation processing and cross-platform managed file transfer, and improves operational quality immediately.

Background

Bankia, is a Spanish financial institution created in January 2011 from the integration of seven savings banks (Cajas). Bankia has a leading position in the Spanish financial market and was the most profitable bank in Spain and the most solvent of all the large Spanish banks in

2015. With a team of more than 13,000 professionals Bankia provides efficient, high quality services to individuals and businesses, especially SMEs and self-employed. Bankia is headquartered in Madrid, Spain.

Challenge

The IT operations team of Bankia was facing cross-platform difficulties and challenges in handling and managing processes with the IBM Tivoli agent technology as well as growing diverse environments including z/OS, AIX,

Linux, Windows and Solaris platforms. Therefore the IT team decided to evaluate alternatives that enable cross-platform business processing and perform managed file transfer between all platforms.

Solution

Simplification, enhanced quality of service and efficiency were core elements of the evaluation process of Bankia. Therefore, the decision for Stonebranch's Universal Agent and Managed File Transfer Solution (Universal Data Mover) was made quickly by the responsible operations team.

"Stonebranch's universal technology approach, its ease of use and the support of cross-platform business processing matched our requirements perfectly," says Eugenio Gallego Martínez, Director Operations of Bankia. "With the Stonebranch Solution the deployment of new servers is very plain and simple.

As a result we have introduced a policy that all new servers are pre-configured with Universal Agents and Universal Data Mover," adds Gallego Martínez.

Universal Agent takes process automation to the next level by providing a truly universal technology that can be used with any of the marketed scheduling products, as well as third-party or even homegrown scheduling solutions.

Universal Agent is very easy to deploy and does not require APIs. Implementing Universal Agent enables organizations to maximize scheduling investments and control costs without adding risk.

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Results: Return on Automation*

Bankia today uses Stonebranch Universal Agent to run tasks in multiple environments including z/OS, AIX, Linux, Windows and Solaris platforms. The same applies to cross-platform managed file transfer jobs now handled by Universal Data Mover.

"Stonebranch's solution is very intuitive, and we did not need training as we are able to use our existing Tivoli Workload Scheduler. With the very fast deployment, the seamless integration of Universal

Agent and Universal Data Mover and no additional training, we avoided significant costs, time and resources. Finally, Universal Data Mover delivers a unified strategy for all our file transfers. Stonebranch's Solution enables a centralized management and orchestration of all our processes and data movements and helped us to improve the operational quality immediately," says Eugenio Gallego Martínez.

*Return on Automation (RoA): the investment in automation and the right automation tool pays off in a short time and returns many benefits. These include higher efficiency, faster processes, greater process reliability, higher data throughput, seamless integration, and higher production. The overall result is an increase in profits.

ABOUT STONEBRANCH

Stonebranch provides modern automation solutions that simplify mission-critical IT business processes reliably and securely across complex and diverse IT environments.

Stonebranch clients include some of the world's largest financial, healthcare and technology institutions. Founded in 1999 and headquartered in Atlanta, Georgia, Stonebranch has offices throughout the world, including the US, Germany, Canada, United Kingdom, Netherlands, Greece, Spain and Sweden, and the European headquarters in Bad Homburg, Germany.