

International References

IFS – International Financial Systems

IFS is one of the world's leading provider of component-based business software. IFS Applications are used by over 600,000 users in more than 40 countries. When IFS needed to complete the migration of a huge application stack based on Gupta Team Developer to Microsoft .NET, as part of a much larger modernization project, they selected Ice Porter as the base of their migration process.

Using several custom-developed translation filters and a highly refined migration and integration process, IFS is modernizing over 2.4 million SAL items separated in several dynamic .NET modules and integrated into a cutting edge, event-driven architecture



"Seeing those old Centura forms running inside our brand new and very modern chrome is a true joy."

Dan Matthews
Chief Technology Officer
IFS World

Implico

Implico, based in Hamburg - Germany, provides OpenTAS®, a modular and highly parameterized system for dispatch automation at oil and gas companies. Originally written using Team Developer it couldn't cope with the demand of modern markets and hiring developers had become increasingly difficult.

Because Implico needed a smooth and incremental migration, in order to

replace their many applications one at a time, they licensed Ice Porter™ to process the translation to .NET in house achieving an almost seamless migration process between Gupta Team Developer and Microsoft .NET.

"In 2005 Implico decided in favor of Ice Porter/PPJ Framework because the analysis of various tools revealed that the effort of manual afterwork on the ported code would be significantly lower by using the ITG tools. Compared to the concepts of the competitors the amount of testing is considerably less due to the comprehensive support for Gupta features."

Ulrich Kauz
Head of Software Development
Implico GmbH

Merck Sharp & Dhome

Merck, a large pharmaceutical company since the early 1900s, needed to convert their complex and highly customized Sales Force Management application and database to support Unicode in less than a year. Automated migration was the only feasible solution.

The project was completed in time and within budget. The new .NET application and Sql Server database is fully Unicode compliant and is deployed to over 10,000 users world wide.

Los Angeles Sanitation Districts

LACSD urgently needed a quick and cost effective way to accurately convert their Ocean Monitoring System to current supported technological standards while preserving the complex business logic LACSD had refined and tested





over the years and developed into the system. The program was developed in 1997 for the Ocean Monitoring Research Group (OMRG monitors the ecological effects of treated wastewater jettisoned into the ocean) using Gupta SQLWindows and Oracle 7.3.3.

The application was converted to VB.NET and Visual Studio in few weeks using Ice Porter, while the old Oracle database has been recovered and migrated to Sql Server using Microsoft's Sql Server Migration Assistant (SSMA). The new system is deployed and will be used to publish the next annual survey.

"You surpassed our wildest expectations with your level of support and responsiveness and this deserves recognition."

Shelly Walther
Environmental Scientist, Ocean Monitoring, Research
Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County

Mainfreight

Mainfreight Logistics is the fastest growing division within the Mainfreight Group, a market leading Supply Chain provider and manager. As part of a larger IT modernization project focus on Microsoft technologies, Mainfreight Logistics selected Ice Tea Group's technology and Holocentric services (now X-en Connect) to convert their logis-

tics application from Gupta Team Developer to Microsoft .NET.

The new .NET system is now deployed to over 100 users in several warehouses in various geographic locations, all running on Terminal Server machines.

"First of all my congratulations for what has been regarded as a resounding success. MIMS.NET is running live with almost 100 users in both Australia and New Zealand. Feedback from the users has been very positive and it is fair to say they like their new version of MIMS a lot more than the old. The improved reporting functionality through Crystal, the ability to sort all table windows and the increases in performance has all been big positives. Can you also pass on my thanks to Ice Tea. Those boys (and girls) are something special. I was always a fan of their products and forums but their ability to pull this off has been quite extraordinary."

Mark Connell
IT Project Manager
Mainfreight Ltd

PatraWin

PatraWin Data AB develops the PatraWin® Software which is an application that provides rational handling of a company's Intellectual Property portfolio. It competes in a global market and is perhaps the market's most comprehensive computer system for the filing, registration, legal processing and documentation of Intellectual Property assets. It manages all crucial data concerning patents, trademarks and designs, including client's data and billing. Know IT has helped PatraWin Data convert PatraWin® from Centura to .NET. As a first step Know IT performed a thorough pre-analysis in order to verify that porting was the right way to proceed. As a second step the actual porting was executed according to Ice Tea Group's methodology.

The project has been critical for PatraWin Data AB since the PatraWin® Software is a market leader and their flagship product. The project has been a success for both PatraWin Data AB and Know IT.

Tietoenator (iMedOne)

ITB (now merged into Tietoenator; one of Europe's largest IT service provider) needed to safely migrate iMedOne, a leading hospital solution deployed to more than 180 hospitals and developed over the last 12 years, from Gupta Team Developer to Microsoft .NET safely and reducing the "freeze time" to a minimum. Not an easy task with 1.7 million SAL items and close to 500 reports. Ice Tea Group, in collaboration with ITB's developers, prepared the migration strategy using an adaptive and repetitive approach. Basically the system was ported several times refining the process using custom translation filters and adapting the source code. Finally the entire system was ported and modularized into separate assemblies in just few days, allowing ITB's developers to work on fully compilable C# modules very quickly. The new .NET application suite is now successfully deployed and it is integrated in a larger .NET framework.

About The Porting Project

The Porting Project is a collaborative effort of Ice Tea Group and a worldwide network of experienced Partners. To find out more about the Porting Project visit www.iceteagroup.com