



Application Migration

Tools-based approach and proven expertise

Our comprehensive tools-based approach and proven expertise means we can rapidly and successfully move your business-critical applications from legacy hardware to an open systems platform.

This is done with minimal risk, and at a fraction of the cost of redeveloping or buying a package, which means you can maximise the return on investment for your legacy applications.

Andy Foster, Chief Operating Officer, Christie's says, *"With there being no possible package replacement for the system, migration offered the quickest, cheapest and minimum risk option."*

Our Approach

We have been a leading expert in Application Migration for 30 years. We use an automated approach to transform your applications and redeploy onto a choice of Linux, UNIX or Windows server platform. This means you can continue to meet ongoing business challenges, and maintain competitive advantage, with your critical core applications.

There are a number of reasons organisations choose to migrate legacy applications to an open systems environment. These include:

- > The need to secure the future of business critical applications

- > Wanting to reduce running costs
- > The need for better application integration
- > Standardisation on the corporate hardware platform
- > Minimising the dependence on scarce skill sets

Our Application Migration solution combines three key components to help ensure success:

- > Automated, proven, market-leading products
- > Established methodology ensuring your project meets the expectations of the business
- > Professional services delivered by the top consultants in the industry

Features

We will select appropriate tools to redeploy and transform your legacy applications onto your choice of UNIX, Linux or Windows platform.

- > You can choose to keep a character-based user interface, or you can put a graphical forms browser interface on your application

"We chose Advanced for this complex and demanding migration as it had both the technical expertise and also its well-established methodology."

Rainer Waldbauer >
CIO >
MIBRAG

Application Migration

- > Your data can be converted to your choice of relational database, for example Oracle, MySQL, PostgreSQL, or Microsoft SQL Server
- > Automated code conversion retaining existing business logic whether COBOL, Fortran or RPG

Benefits

- > Minimal risk: Tools-based approach, proven methodology and 30 years of experience in successfully delivering these projects
- > On time and budget: Our methodology defines each stage of the project, and our PathFinder analysis provides timeframes and costs upfront
- > Minimal business disruption: Automated tools ensure that business logic and user interface remain consistent
- > Velocity: Fastest way to achieve migration objectives
- > Increased agility: The ability to react quickly to business changes and new opportunities with reliable business intelligence using critical, core – and often bespoke – applications
- > Don't just move – improve: Use the migration as a chance to then go on and improve the user interface and transform the data

Project Methodology

Our experience in successfully delivering complex projects has helped develop a proven methodology which is based on our partnership approach, strong project management and clearly defined deliverables. Adherence to these principles ensures the project is delivered on time and on budget – and meets all expectations.

Our PathFinder is the first step to ensure the success of your Application Migration. Using our migration analysis and evaluation tools we can tell you:

- > How simple or difficult your application is to migrate
- > Your budget requirements for the migration
- > Project timeframes
- > Testing implications
- > The impact on your resources

Application Modernisation

Your first priority is likely to be to move your application to open systems. However, you can also use this as a chance to extend your critical applications as well, and perhaps browser-enable, add a GUI, switch to a relational database or integrate with other enterprise applications.

"There are no possible package replacements for our unique software applications - so migration offered the quickest, cheapest and lowest-risk option."

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