Canadian financial institution uses Application Analyser to improve development and maintenance

A leading Canadian financial institution identified the need to provide its IT staff with a powerful, platform-independent systems documentation, analysis and search tool that could operate across its entire systems portfolio.

The Challenge

This major financial institution realised they were spending too much time searching for and assessing existing application functionality, and evaluating the scope and impact of contemplated development. Testing and ongoing maintenance operations were also taking too long.

The Solution

The highly integrated and heterogeneous nature of their systems portfolio means analysis work often spans many applications, technologies and platforms. A central application understanding tool would drive significant productivity improvements for the staff of over 200 IT professionals.

Application Analyser was selected through a formal request for proposal process, competing against other leading Application Portfolio Management and Application Understanding solutions. The selection process also included a full proof of concept using all of the organisation's 30 million lines of code.

Application Analyser is now an integral part of this IT shop's development and maintenance practices. Various internal productivity benchmarks have confirmed complete payback of the institution's investment within 6 months.

Since its initial implementation, Application Analyser has been extended to include several new applications, including an additional instance of Application Analyser being deployed to cover multiple credit card applications. The institution now has over 50 million lines of code implemented in Application Analyser.

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