

Reducing IT Costs With IBM WebSphere

Overview

Description

- ✓ Migration of POS Systems from BEA WebLogic to IBM WebSphere

Software

- ✓ IBM WebSphere Application Server
- ✓ IBM WebSphere Portal Server
- ✓ IBM WebSphere MQ
- ✓ IBM Tivoli Monitoring

Benefits

- ✓ Consolidates infrastructure to a single-vendor solution
- ✓ Reduces total cost of ownership
- ✓ Eliminates costly obsolete products

Client Background

One of the world's largest specialty retailers offering clothing, accessories and personal care products for men, women, children and supporting three of the most recognized and respected brands in the apparel industry with more than 3,000 stores and 150,000 employees.

Business Problem

With key Point-of-Sale systems heavily vested into BEA WebLogic and Tuxedo technology, the retailer sought a solution that would reduce total cost of ownership and consolidate their infrastructure into a single-vendor solution and eliminate redundant and obsolete products.

Solution

Prolifics was brought in for their migration, portal and application integration expertise to migrate the corporation's vital POS applications—which ranged from store information to merchandise production to payroll processing—into a Portal infrastructure. The corporation selected IBM WebSphere as their single vendor solution using WebSphere Application Server, WebSphere Portal Server, WebSphere MQ, and Tivoli Monitoring.

Prolifics used a three phase approach by first assessing the applications, developing a timeline and specifying the milestones needed for a successful, customer-tested migration effort.

This winning technical strategy was used to successfully migrate 6 legacy run-the-business-applications and business assets from BEA WebLogic to IBM WebSphere in only 3 months with minimal investment. This replaced and eliminated costly obsolete products while gaining greater visibility into and control over total life-cycle spending for IT systems.

This project was a global effort with teams in two US locations, the UK and Hong Kong. The Prolifics team included a migration specialist, a client liaison, an engagement manager, and application developers.



About Prolifics, a SemanticSpace Company

Prolifics is the largest systems integrator specializing in IBM technologies. Having garnered awards for its solutions and technical excellence across IBM's entire software portfolio, Prolifics provides expert services including architectural advisement, design, development and deployment of end-to-end SOA, Portal and Security solutions. SemanticSpace, Prolifics' parent company, is a global IT services firm providing application development, testing, application maintenance and outsourcing services. Bringing over 30 years of experience and a strong global presence across the US, Europe and Asia, the SemanticSpace companies offer clients end-to-end services combined with the market's most seasoned and skilled consultants and the dedicated care and attention that comes from a highly-specialized, boutique company. By combining application frameworks, prebuilt components, custom development expertise, a governance framework and a blended shore model, we help organizations decrease risk in complex software development and deployment investments, improve time to market and increase success of business strategy execution.



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