

A background image showing three people on a boat. A man in a yellow shirt is in the foreground, looking back over his shoulder. Behind him, a person in a striped shirt is visible. To the right, a person wearing a dark cap and sunglasses is seen from the back, with a white collar that has the word "NAUTICA" printed on it. They are on a body of water with rocky cliffs in the background.

CASE STUDY

VF Corporation: Good fit for Reporting

VF Corporation uses Integra for Notes to Integrate Financial Databases and Take Mission Critical Decisions Based on Report Outputs

VF Corporation the apparel company that owns Wrangler®, Lee®, Riders®, The North Face®, Eastpak®, Nautica® and 7 For All Mankind® amongst their portfolio, has simplified its Lotus Notes groupware system using Integra for Notes to reduce the burden of producing company wide reports.

"We have over 300 custom databases, predominantly Notes based, housing many of our business processes," says Barbara White, Project Manager at VF Corporation. "We need to integrate and report on this data for various departments within multiple coalitions around the world.

Different data is required by different teams at different times. We were doing this manually using Excel. It was a mammoth, never-ending task.

"We saw Integra for Notes at a Lotus show and started small with a handful of licences. Since then, we've rolled it out to other departments and have approximately 300 users; we use the main Integra for Notes product as well as the Integra Quick Reports version which we use for ad-hoc reporting for our non-technical teams.

This has taken a massive burden off the IS department and as the users see what Integra is capable of, more and more requests are coming in. It is currently in use in our offices in the U.S., across Europe and Asia."

VF uses Integra for Notes to integrate data from multiple sources and deliver reports in Excel showing project status, product development information, statistics and critically, for customer service data (orders, returns etc.).

Barbara continues, "The beauty of Integra for Notes is that unlike the other tools on the market, it delivers data directly into Excel; and better than that, the folks at Integra have developed a one-click process to add graphs and other features to the output, so management can see information at a glance – without any further manipulation – in a format that suits them. This, in turn, can be used for the various management reports they have to deliver."

“We have discovered some welcome, unexpected benefits as well,” continues Barbara. “When migrating data, we have been able to save a great deal of time and energy by using Integra for Notes and Integra Quick Reports to manage the task for us.”

Integra for Notes improves your capabilities for data analysis, printing, graphing, mail merge and even data import and export by integrating Lotus Notes with Microsoft Excel®, Word®, XML and PDF files.

The product also supports reporting from Lotus Notes and other sources including SAP, Peoplesoft, Oracle etc.. It enables users, developers and administrators to generate reports from Lotus Notes and Non Notes databases without the need to modify the design of the Notes database and without installing files on local workstations or servers.



Features for END USERS:

- Wizard based
- Determine layout, fields, filtering and outputs
- Pivot tables, charts, mail merge, labels etc.,
- Import AND Export
- E-mail, save to Notes or file system, utilise doclinks, print

Features for NOTES DEVELOPERS:

- ‘Point & Click’ data selection and layout
- Event driven LotusScript
- No design changes to databases
- Zero footprint – No installation required
- Runs on Notes client, browser & scheduled

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