

Virtual Stream

Managing the migration of 1000+ users to a new common infrastructure

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Virtual Stream were responsible for managing the migration of 1000+ users to a new common infrastructure based on Windows Server 2008 Active Directory and Exchange 2007 for messaging.

Situation

This particular company had several disparate sites running a variety of operating systems and email systems. The decision was made to run a common system for the business. Each location would manage the migration of users from the old system to the new one, with the minimum of downtime.

Solution

Time spent planning was key to the success of the migration. Using market leading tools, Virtual Stream seamlessly migrated users' computer accounts and email with the minimum of fuss and disruption to the business. New email addresses were introduced early in the project and shared so that users could inform colleagues and contacts that email addresses were changing but had months to allow the switch over.

All 150 servers, 1000 workstations, desktops and laptops were migrated, ensuring that permissions and profiles remained exactly as they had been previously, creating a seamless switch over for the end user, yet opening up the ability for travellers to login into any desktop PC in the company and fetch files and retrieve email.

Virtual Stream was the key project manager for the UK business and formed part of the team migrating a total of around 6000 users to the new network globally. Virtual Stream offered a number of solutions for a global solution which were fed into the global team and accepted as best practise for the business moving forward.

Benefits

The ability for users to login anywhere is the biggest single requirement and the new domain facilitates this goal. Sharing information between locations is much easier and these aid the business desire for increased mobility, agility and collaboration.

Solution Overview

Customer Profile

This company is a global oil & gas operator, They explore for and produce oil in Europe, the US and the Middle East

Business Situation

Each location ran their own Active Directory domain which made business mobility and agility very difficult

Solution

Virtual Stream managed the migration of the UK business into the new global domain and messaging system based on Windows Server 2008 and Exchange Server 2007.

Virtual Stream solves business problems using up to the minute technology. If your business is expanding into new locations and you require staff to have access to email and resources or figuring out how to upgrade those old legacy servers with the minimum of downtime, that's what Virtual Stream do. Whether you are looking for IT strategy or operational assistance, Virtual Stream can advise on any aspect.

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