

Seamlessly Converting to IBM® RACF®

Modernizing Security with an Open and Connected Security Platform



Company Overview:

This global insurance company serves over 40,000 clients and has over 25,000 employees spanning five countries.

Business Challenge:

The company needed to convert from CA ACF2® to IBM® RACF® within 16 months to reach its goal of ROI savings of \$12M over 5 years with a technically complex environment.

Transforming Mainframe Security in 16 Months

An insurance firm needed to decrease security investigations and response time to security events. To do this, the company's goal was to automate tasks through integration with third-party products and to consolidate security administration and audit reporting into a central security operations center to facilitate incident management, all with the added challenge of having the new platform in place within 16 months.

After consolidating data centers, this client decided they needed to power their security operations by modernizing their security with an open and connected security platform, but they also knew they needed to move to an integrated security model on the mainframe to take advantage of IBM's software integration and consolidation offerings.

Solution

Key Resources Inc. (KRI), now part of Rocket Software, brought in the security conversion team to provide a mainframe security assessment that gave the customer the confidence the conversion could be done in 16 months with the appropriate resources. A conversion specialist was supplied by KRI to lead the project, in addition to a Rocket Db2® security conversion specialist, sophisticated tools to automate the conversion, and a dedicated Project Manager to keep everyone on track. Training was provided on RACF and zSecure.

As each security database was converted from CA ACF2 to RACF, compliance assessment software was deployed to determine where compliance gaps were occurring based on their security policy. These gaps were then mitigated quickly and efficiently by the organization's security team.



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