

# DataNovata: The Enterprise Application Data Bridge



## Working Solution: Decommissioning 11 iSeries/AS400s

### THE CHALLENGE

Seton Scholl London International\* (SSL) made a strategic decision to align all the systems it had acquired through M&A activity with SAP ERP on an SQL server platform. Transferring so many data variants to SAP was daunting.

The challenge was to give SSL immediate access to all the transaction and audit history, eliminate the cost of existing hardware, and ease the way forward to the SAP implementation, quickly and efficiently.

### THE SOLUTION

- Implement DataNovata: The Enterprise Application Data Bridge, to format all the different data structures into a uniform SQL Server database.
- Generate an XML, Java-based, DataNovata application that provides a consistent user view of all the data variants.

### THE PROJECT

Define a common data structure for all the database variants that was meaningful to the business user.

Segment the DataNovata application into relevant models e.g. Customer Care, Finance, Manufacturing.

Plan for worldwide implementation in multiple languages using VMware on an SQL platform.

- 11 iSeries/AS400's
- Infor - BPICS
- System 21 (JBA)
- Data 3 (KBM)
- Various ERP systems from acquired companies
- 1500 database tables
- All data records past 2 yrs history

### THE RESULT

- The entire DataNovata project took less than 12 months from start to completion
- It took 1 week to train business users on the DataNovata application
- SSL can successfully decommission its iSeries/AS400 platform with no loss of data integrity and accessibility

*"DataNovata exceeded our expectations. The team quickly understood what we were trying to achieve and we have found DataNovata to be robust and easy to use. I would certainly recommend DataNovata to anyone wishing to decommission applications."*

Stewart Sawinski, Technical Architect Controller, SSL



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