



INDUSTRY

Health Insurance

PROJECT

Convert an existing Oracle Forms 6i application to Oracle ADF v11g. Provide initial project startup and design services and enable Client to conduct conversion.

CLIENT PROFILE

The client is a provider of software supporting health insurance companies and providers throughout the Middle East and Europe. It is a subdivision of the world's largest insurer based in Germany.

CHALLENGE

The client needed to extend the functionality of its existing core product as well as position it to be more flexible to changing demands being driven by the industry, regulators in different countries and position it for competitive advantage. The legacy application, written originally in Oracle Forms 4.5 and migrated to 6i, contained a majority of the business logic of the application. It was imperative to retain that business logic and re-use it in any new application. Additionally, the client required that the new application retain as much look and feel, navigation and functionality as the existing application in order to minimize training impact to its existing customers.

SOLUTION

Vgo Software was initially asked to participate in a proof-of-concept to demonstrate that its software products, Evo and ART, could provide some efficiency in the conversion of its existing application. After proving that both products could in fact work well, the engagement expanded to include services. In our services engagement, Vgo was asked to make a recommendation of the best strategic architectural end-state for the client, which was ADF 11g. ADF 11g was in its first technical preview and therefore did expose some risk. Vgo worked closely with the client and stayed tuned to Oracle's ADF revisions to accommodate changes through ADF 11g's public release. Vgo was also asked to plan out and design the conversion, working with the client team. The intent was to position the client to complete the project by training and supporting their team.

RESULT

The Vgo team delivered the strategy, analysis and design of the new application. Vgo was able to successfully generate the ADF BC layer and re-use the majority of the existing business logic. And the client was able to continue on with the project as part of a successful transition.