



B & M ensures compliance today and tomorrow for major finance company

B & M was asked to ensure that the mainframe software in a global securities trading organisation met current IBM compliance obligations.

The upgrade programme was also designed to ensure optimum productivity from the system and to develop a process that enabled all relevant software to be kept up to date and remain compliant in the future.

Project Objectives

- To ensure current compliance with IBM obligations
- To deliver the tasks necessary to achieve compliance
- To report on current and potential future use of CICSVR that would meet the needs of the business
- To recommend enhancements and developments of mainframe activities.

Project Tasks

- To upgrade CICS TS version 2.2 to CICS TS version 3.2
- To convert exit programs for upgrade
- To upgrade Expediter in CICS
- To upgrade Expediter in TSO
- To install CICSVR version 4.2
- To document software upgrades
- To produce procedures for CICSVR use
- To report on current and recommended use of CICSVR
- To recommend steps for future mainframe activities and enhancements
- To monitor CICS performance and resource usage.

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Duration

The project took six months to complete.

Results

- B & M successfully upgraded relevant CICS elements and programs
- The project ensured that IBM compliance was maintained
- The specialist delivered a future upgrade path to ensure compliance in the future
- The client received full reports and supporting documentation to enable them to run the environment themselves.

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