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Outdated technology

IT is fundamental for policy and claims management. It is of crucial importance that the management system functions well, for the internal Unigarant employees as well as the numerous brokers and consumers. They need an easily accessible online platform. In the past years Unigarant's outdated system showed many gaps. "For example, the legacy system's functionality was no longer adequate for the continuous development of new insurance products," says Marin Roos, Manager Change & Innovation at Unigarant. Management also became complex, because the business logic was not integrally managed. Unigarant used two systems. The employees used the internal administration system, for the Unigarant product distribution brokers used the external system. This often led to double data entry and double data changes. Marin Roos: "In other words, a lot of data entry was done twice, or worse, data were wrongly entered. That is not efficient at all."

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Replacing front, mid and back offices

Unigarant decided to replace both systems by one new management system. The insurer set high preconditions for this new system. "Quotations, policy underwritings, change requests and claim reports had to be processed fully automatic," says Marin Roos. "We wanted straight through processing and easy access for the diverse group of users. In addition, the new system had to be based on modern technology, because we wanted a future proof system."

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SOLUTION



APPROACH



RESULT





One integrated system

After an intensive selection process Unigarant chose the Keylane's Non-life solution QIS: a fully integrated web based policy and claims management system. QIS supports the front, mid and back office processes during the lifetime of policies and claim reports. This all takes place in one system, supporting all channels for the different end users: internet, extranet, intranet and web services. Chain integration makes working with the new management system easy for all parties: from employee to end consumer. "Non-recurring data-entry at the source increases operational excellence," says Marin Roos.

"THE CONVERSION OF 2,500,000 POLICIES TO THE NEW SYSTEM WAS THE BIGGEST CHALLENGE"



Conversion in one weekend

The implementation faced the biggest challenge in the last phase. Keylane had to convert Unigarant's complete portfolio to the new QIS system. This meant 2,500,000 policies, 150,000 claims, 5,600,000 relations, 15,000 brokers, 54 customer products and 80 proxy products. Moreover, the conversion to the new platform that runs on modern IBM hardware, had to be done in one weekend. "Considering the extent of the project, this was a tremendous performance by all parties. And end users didn't encounter any interferences," says Marin Roos.



Satisfied users

Today, 10.000 end users use the new management system at Unigarant.

The insurer is satisfied with the new solution: "The system's user friendliness is the biggest asset for the end user. It enables real-time data processing and modern techniques are used. A major improved extranet makes that we can provide an even better service to our customers, brokers and business partners, while the operational costs are decreasing.

Unigarant

Unigarant Verzekeringen, a Dutch general insurance company (100% daughter ANWB, Dutch motoring and touring organization), provides general insurances for individuals in the field of mobility, travel, recreation, leisure and home insurances.

These insurances are offered under different labels by brokers and agents. Unigarant also cooperates with bicycle shops, tour operators and several buyers' cooperatives. The insurer is market leader in bicycle and moped insurances and short-term travel insurances. In addition, the company plays an important role in the auto, motorcycle, boat, caravan and recreation insurance market. Over the last few years, the company has grown strongly. Unigarant has turnover of approximately 350 million Euros.

Motive

- Long lead time to product innovation
- Outdated technology
- Complex IT landscape with high costs
- Business innovation restricted by IT

Results

One integrated online platform for both internal and external users

Automatic processing of policy underwritings, policy changes and claim reports

Support for multi-labeling and new distribution concepts

Simplified IT landscape, with lower costs

Complete chain integration

A short time-to-market of new products

Improved customer service

More ease of use and efficiency

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Marin Roos (left), Manager Change & Innovation at Unigarant and Ralf Timmer, Keylane Executive Board member.



The new system is solid for the future and allows us to further expand our market position." Ralf Timmer, Keylane Executive Board member, is also enthusiastic about the successful project: "Unigarant fully modernized its core administration processes. Processing new products and product changes, automatically processing policy underwritings and claim reports and connecting new business partners, this now can be done in a very short time." That was precisely Unigarant's goal.



Shoulder to shoulder

Unigarant is still very excited about the cooperation with Keylane. "Considering the projects extent and complexity, we are greatly satisfied with the results. During the conversion we didn't experience any problems and there were no big technical issues. For me the tight involvement of the different parties was the key to success. The ever so important click was there. And we were eager to finish the project successfully," concludes Marin Roos.

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