

A Perspective on Collaboration in Insurance from Zurich

Lotusphere Comes To You SNoUG-Tagung

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Zurich – the Global Insurer

- Zurich Financial Services Group (Zurich) is an insurance-based financial services provider with a global network of subsidiaries and offices in North America and Europe as well as in Asia Pacific, Latin America and other markets.
- Founded in 1872, the Group is headquartered in Zurich, Switzerland.
- It employs approximately 60,000 people serving customers in more than 170 countries.
- Combined revenue in 2008 was USD 61,472m (including Farmers Management Services)
- In 2009, Zurich and the Farmers Exchanges purchased AIG's US Personal Auto Group (PAG), comprised of 21st Century, including AIG Direct, and their auto independent agency business.





Strong performance during Financial Crisis

Performance highlights per Q3, 2009 1

in USD millions / Jan 1 to Sept 30	2009
Business operating profit (BOP)	4,066
Net income attributable to shareholders	2,163
General Insurance combined ratio	96.9%
Global Life new business margin ²	21.8%
Farmers Mgmt Services managed GEP margin ³	7.2%
Return on shareholders' equity (ROE)	11.6%



¹ Source: Q3 09 Analysts Presentation

² After tax, as % of APE (Annual Premium Equivalent).

³ Margin on gross earned premiums of the Farmers Exchanges. Zurich Financial Services Group has no ownership interest in the Farmers Exchanges. Farmers Group, Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of the Group, provides management services to the Farmers Exchanges and receives fees for its services.





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Zurich's Strategy Cornerstones



Zurich's IT strategy is closely aligned to the Group Strategy Cornerstones. To support the execution of the Strategic Cornerstones one key focus lies on increasing IT's agility and responsiveness through:

- Reduced complexity
- Evolution of the global Workplace





Evolution of the Global Workplace is high on the Agenda



Global business at the speed of light



Leverage knowledge and know-how within global organization



Redefine the experience of face-to-face communication



Fast, fair, economical and easy



New way to communicate and collaborate



End-of product life-cycle approaching and upgrade needed





Balance Zurich's Collaboration needs/investments Face to-face vs Social Collaboration





\$100's

\$1000's

\$10,000

\$50,000

\$200,000

\$500,000+

Unit Price





Collaboration Project Approach

- A small team collaborating across boundaries implemented this global platform in a highly efficient team effort (multi-service provider)
- The initial system was productive/accessible by all ZURICH employees just 12 weeks after project kick-off (without new Lotus Notes 8.5)
- The platform successfully supported the Executive Leadership Team meeting in June 2009 and the customer month in September 2009 with its blogging component
- Group Communication and Marketing, the HelpPoint Ambassadors and The Zurich Way were early adopters of this platform
- Technology Scope:
 - Lotus Quickr 8.1
 - Lotus Connections 2.01
 - Lotus Sametime 8.0.2
 - Polycom HD Video-conferencing stations





Critical Success Factor: Early Gain Top Down Management Buy-in

- CEO & Strategic Blogs -









Facts and figures to Zurich Top Leadership Meeting in June 2009

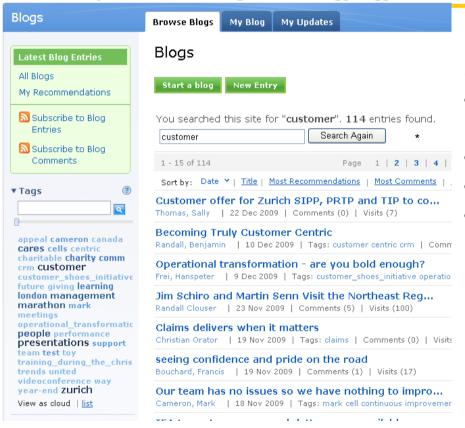
Blogs	No. of blogs	No. of visits	
Strategic pillar blogs	4	12,024	
Customer Centricity (most popular)	-	3,939	
Collaboration platform blogs	29	2,343	
CEO blog	9	40,144	
Videos	No. of videos	No. of views	
Leading Edge video gallery	57	9,969	
YouTube videos (since March 31)	18	16,298	





Customer Celebration Month in Sept 2009

- 2nd pilot heavily leveraging social media -



September 2009 statistics:

- Number of countries involved: 80% of all countries
- Leading Edge page views: 92,589
- Number of blog entries: 93
- Number of blog visits: 2,334

^{*} Number of customer blogs on January 5th, 2010





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HD Video complementing the Collaboration Suite

- Zurich built 5 Telepresence Rooms usable in May 2008.
 These are equipped with RPX 418 (4 screens, 18 seats) and located in:
 - London
 - Los Angeles
 - New York
 - Schaumburg
 - Zurich

In 2009, Zurich built 71 high definition video conference rooms

- With comparable voice and visual quality as Telepresence (due to dedicated networks)
- Fully connected with Telepresence facility and using managed service
- Successfully supported reduction in travel expenses





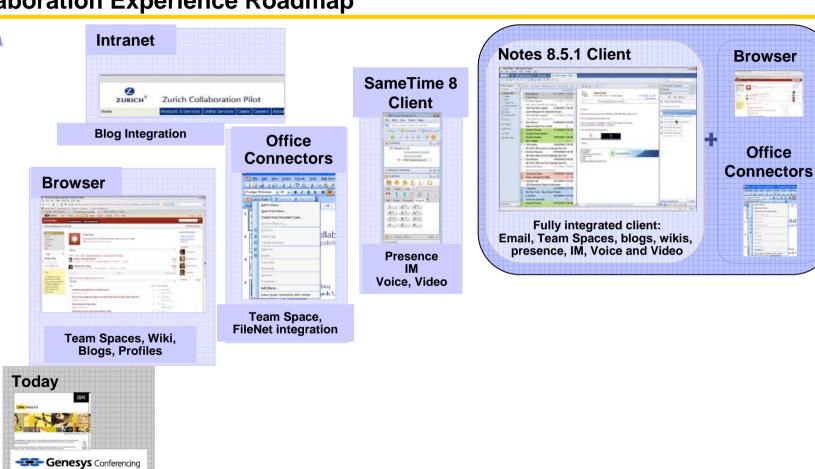


Browser

Office

Project Scope Collaboration Experience Roadmap

Experience Quality of



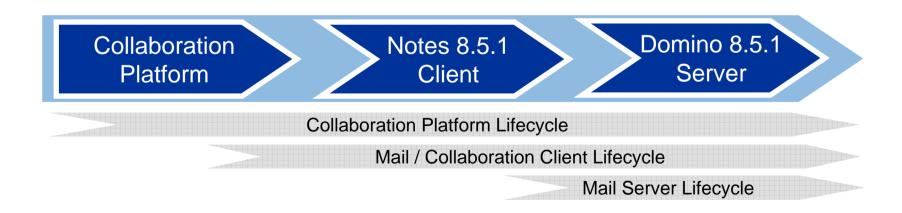


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Moving on: Journey towards Mail integration in 2010

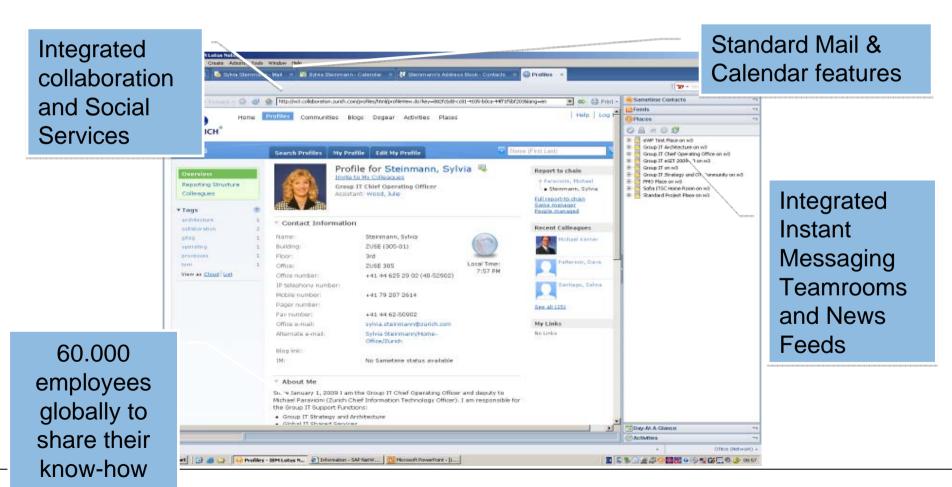
- We have taken the first step with delivering social and team collaboration capabilities
- Collaboration in Zurich is delivered in multiple projects and stages, driven by different organizations and early adopters
- We are now providing these capabilities not just via web but also in an integrated experience in the mail client globally from Q1 2010 on
- We will evolve the platform with additional and better functionality and integration to provide an even better user experience
- Planned for early 2010: Connects 2.5 and deployment to mobile clients (Blackberry, iPhone)







Integrate Collaboration into the Zurich Workplace and leverage Lotus Notes 8.5.1 Roll-out

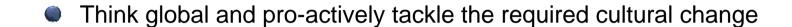






- Lessons Learned -







Generate top-down Management buy-in early



 Standardize on the basis of "Out-of-the-box" and work with vendor to incorporate required changes into "Standard"



Evolutionary approach in incremental steps



Make it easy and fun, and share success stories



 Communicate and collaborate - encourage the vendor to take the customer perspective





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Community/Personal Working – Benefits

- Enables the true power of Zurich while transforming the way people interact, communicate and collaborate leveraging state of the art internet tools.
- Fosters interaction, innovation, sharing of knowledge and best practices in a easy and effective fashion for the Zurich Community
- Provides a Global Directory: to find people/expertise in the collaboration network and tap into the collective knowledge capital
- Enables faster decision making
- Fosters idea generation, idea capture and innovation
- Improves communication (simple global reach of VoIP/Video)
- Reduces travel and communication costs
- Supports Customer Centricity and Operational Transformation and empowers Zurich to stay in a market leading position





Collaboration Roadmap 2010

Design Notes 8.5 client	Notes 8.5 Client - Collaboration integration	FileNet integration	Notes Client release (service pack)		Notes Client
Quickr 8.2 upgradeStabilityPerformance300+ places	 Quickr RSS support Communities integration 500 places 	Quickr Places housekeeping process650 places	Quickr 8.5 upgrade planning800 places	Quickr 8.5 upgrade1000 places	Team Place
Connections adoption		 Connections: Wikis, Personal Files, Microblog Global Directory 			Social Collaboration
			Blackberry support		Mobile
	New Sametime community				Instant Messaging
Q4/2009	Q1/2010	Q2/2010	Q3/2010	Q4/2010	





"Twenty years from now you will be more disappointed by the things you didn't do than by the ones you did. So throw off the bowlines, Sail away from the safe harbor. Catch the trade winds in your sails. Explore. Dream. Discover."

This quote has been attributed to Mark Twain (1835 – 1919), but the attribution cannot be verified.

