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# The Sword Group Sword Achiever Suite for IBM FileNet P8

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# **Business Challenge**

Corporate governance, effective risk management and legislative and regulatory compliance are key concerns for organizations of all types and sizes. Corporate governance entails the culture, policies and processes that define the organizational and management structure, generally managed by the implementation of accepted industry best practice. Risk management involves the management of the effect of uncertainty on organizational objectives, and directing and controlling the organization to anticipate, prevent and/or mitigate negative events. Legislative and regulatory compliance management requires the coordination of activities to ensure adherence to external laws and regulations as well as corporate policies and procedures.

Today, there are many legislative, regulatory and best-practice standards affecting organizations and the number and complexity of these requirements is forecasted to multiply. Rather than managing multiple, disparate systems for each area of Governance, Risk and Compliance (GRC) across the organization, a single enterprise system provides the most effective and efficient solution, ensuring that compliance with the latest standards is maintained and corporate GRC demands can easily be incorporated at any time. With a single integrated GRC ECM system, organizations can ensure compliance with the latest requirements and have the agility to easily address new and emerging demands, while simplifying management and reducing costs.

## Solution

The Sword Achiever Suite for IBM FileNet P8 solution is a GRC solution, enabling the management of business-critical issues and forming the foundation for a single corporate-wide unified ECM enabled GRC platform. The solution provides the necessary functionality to cover multiple compliance areas, including: Sarbanes-Oxley, Quality Management (ISO 9001:2001), Environment and Health & Safety (ISO 14001 and ISO 18001), Life Sciences (FDA), Information Security (ISO 27001) and multiple industry specific compliance requirements.

Key data is gathered and managed in a secure, IBM ECM repository and processes are documented in a graphical designer that provides live management of each process and its associated risk. Role based functionality delivers only what is needed and appropriate to users, depending on their roles and responsibilities.



The Suite addresses the following four key areas that must be addressed for effective GRC management:

**Policy & Controls Management** – addressed through Document Management and Training & Skills Management

**Risk & Controls Assessment** – addressed through Risk Assessment, Audit and Corrective Actions Management

Investigative Management – addressed through Meetings Management and Issues Management

**Risk Analytics & Reporting** – addressed through Graphical Reporting and the Compliance Portal

Each is a specific – yet unified – scalable and fully integrated software module specifically designed to manage the regulatory information and process cycle for various GRC requirements. Collectively, they comprise the Sword Achiever Suite for IBM FileNet P8.

# Value Proposition

The Sword Achiever Suite for IBM FileNet P8 offers a progressive approach to GRC management by enabling enterprise-wide control over GRC policies, processes and controls via a single integrated framework, for simplified management and reduced costs. Additionally, the solution reduces headaches associated with manual tracking of data required for audits while reducing costs associated with external auditors.

While other solutions do little more than mirror legal requirements, Sword Achiever Suite for IBM FileNet P8 enables organizations to go beyond mere compliance, serving as the catalyst for continual business improvement via the implementation of best practices.

The solution can be installed alone and also integrates with the three other key capability areas of the Achiever Suite offering. The Achiever Suite for IBM FileNet P8 is quickly deployed and may provide a complete return on investment in as little as 12-18 months.

#### **Company Description**

Established in 1993, Achiever Business Solutions is part of The Sword Group (www. sword-group.com), and is the European leader in Governance Risk & Compliance management software, with more than 600 customers across the globe.

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