

# Reale Mutua Assicurazioni chooses Kobee to safeguard the continuity of its development activities in the future

Reale Mutua Assicurazioni, founded in 1828, is the largest Italian mutual insurance company and provides insurance cover to around three and a half million policy holders.

With some 1,400 employees and a nationwide network of 343 agencies, Reale Mutua is also the parent of a Group with subsidiaries in Italy and Spain, and a total workforce of more than 3.000 people.

The Group's mutual nature helps to create a positive image in terms of trustworthiness, reliability, quality of services and ability to interpret the needs of its customers and the community.



**Industry:**  
insurance



**Employees:**  
1400



A transition to a more versatile solution that can unite development activities is inevitable

In order to guarantee the reliability of the services delivered in the future, Reale ITES (the IT service company of Reale Group) had to ensure the continuity of quality software releases.

Around 50 externally developed mainframe applications, the backbone of Reale Mutua's insurance services, were under control of a legacy Change Management tool (ChangeMan).

This rigid tool however had no support to manage the build and deploy processes for the software developed for distributed systems (Linux, Windows), and no support for project dependencies between mainframe and distributed projects.

This lack of control would also prevent Reale Mutua to properly migrate some of the mainframe applications to distributed system and to minimize the migration impact on the developers.

Because of the redundancy of separate tools needed to manage each platform combined with the very high maintenance costs of the mainframe Change Management tool (ChangeMan), Reale ITES concluded that they needed a single tool to control the change management and release processes for all platforms.

## Kobee partner makes the transition easy for Reale Mutua in just one year

In their search for a solution Reale ITES got in contact with Hogwart, the Italian Kobee partner and change management integrator, who helped them match their requirements with the best fitting option; this turned out to be Kobee.

Hogwart helped Reale ITES to replace ChangeMan by implementing the more than 15 year old software project life cycles and custom processes in Kobee, and additionally setting up new life cycles for the distributed system projects including mainframe project dependencies.

In a single year the dedicated team of Hogwart also managed to migrate every single object (more than 100.000) from the legacy Change Management solution to Kobee and provided essential training on using the new development (Eclipse IDE) and versioning tools (Subversion).

To top things off support was provided to the development team during the commissioning and early stages of production.



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*We selected Kobee, a web based Change Management solution, to automate the build and deploy processes starting from the versioning system to the production environments.*

*Our goal was to have one product, that managed the whole build and deploy process for all the platforms we used to deliver our IT services: mainframe, rehosted applications, databases and distributed systems (Linux and Windows)*



## Cost-effective and streamlined build and deploy processes across platforms

Replacing ChangeMan with Kobee saved Reale ITES more than 2/3 on software maintenance costs, it reduced the number of people in charge of monitoring the Change Management activities from two to one, even an external consultant was no longer needed.

The setup of new Change Management projects for the rehosted applications (Linux) and DataStage ETL procedures was accomplished quickly after the initial implementation.

Now Reale ITES is ready to take the next step: managing distributed systems applications based on .NET and Java languages.

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*With Kobee we have now a strong solution that is able to manage different kind of platforms with one control interface enabling us to go for a complete automation of all our applications environments, implementing DevOps paradigms and Continuous Delivery processes to manage pro-actively business needs and requirements.*

*A reduction of number of tools simplify our architecture and reduce costs while the product flexibility allow us to bring Change Management procedures in areas where there still was a low level of control.*



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