Secure and Seamless Active Directory Migration – A Global Bank Example

One of the largest banks in Southeast Asia, offering a range of banking and financial services to its customers, spread across multiple locations. The bank had approximately 80 business units and three Active Directory (AD) domains that functioned on a legacy operating system.



The Key Client Objectives:



Design a new secured Active Directory solution



Build, implement and deploy a new forest AD design



Migrate existing workgroups and AD objects to a new design



Consolidate multiple ADs into a single source



Train IT team with AD migration and design skills

Why Xoriant?

The client chose Xoriant because of their product engineering pedigree, to seek a new, integrated and secure Active Directory environment. Xoriant devised a flexible approach for the migration strategy - from planning, design and implementation of the new AD for the client.

Technology Stack

Windows Server 2012 R2 | VMWare ESX | PowerShell Script | ADMT v3.2 | MS Support Tools







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Our goal was to create an integrated banking ecosystem with connected business units and active directory domains. Xoriant designed a secured Active Directory framework, partially automating domain consolidation. This reduced our bank's overall administrative overhead cost, delivering a secured AD infrastructure environment.



Xoriant Contributions at a Glance

- Designed a robust domain framework for functional and security requirements of banking customers
- Created scripts to migrate users and computers from source to target domain
- Used ADMT automation tool to migrate user profiles from Workgroup Network to Target AD
 Domain
- Created scripts to add bulk users in AD and DNS entry on all systems using group policy objects
- Implemented and configured AD Migration Tool v3 and User Password Migration Server to migrate passwords from source to target domain
- Setup and configured a lab to test legacy domain apps post-migration, from 32-bit architecture domain to 64-bit architecture
- Hosted a rigorous training course with lab exercises for knowledge transfer for IT and Desktop team

Business Benefits



Reduced manual efforts in Active Directory migration by 50%



Slashed migration time for single Windows Server from 2 hours to 15 minutes



Achieved a **minimum system downtime** of five minutes per server with marginal user disruption and zero data loss



Improved security using the AD on Win2012, with new security features such as biometric authentication, and zero vulnerabilities



Easy management and standardization of business units under a common AD



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