



Insurance :
**Having provided its broker network with access to central
mainframe systems via an Extranet, AGF extends this transactional service to
12000 workstations for its agents**

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SCORT, a software development company specializing in the integration of central systems in Internet architectures, has announced that AGF has opted for SCORT e-Business Integrator for the extension of its Extranet access to its IART central systems for 3500 agents.

Towards the end of 2000, AGF chose SCORT to empower their broker network by providing them with the means to perform all standard tasks (quotes, subscriptions, claims management, etc.) in a browser.

This transaction-based web project, called 'Declic', has been a great success both internally and with brokers. Indeed, more than 800 brokers, on more than 2500 workstations, are currently directly connected to AGF's mainframe.

« *SCORT has shown that they are perfectly capable of providing what we need: specialized, reliable products suitable for heavy-duty use, together with competent and responsive support* », explained Patrick Dixneuf, Head of Information Systems IART at AGF.

With this first operational partnership as a platform, and after successful sizing benchmarks for Web server application platforms, AGF decided to extend the use of these technologies to its entire agent network. Following the first development of interfaces for agents' business applications, the pilot phase started towards the end of 2002, and full-scale implementation is scheduled for the end of the first quarter 2003.

To connect 14500 agent and broker workstations to their mainframes in realtime, AGF went for an extremely pragmatic approach that combined both strong responsiveness and high performance. In September 2001 Patrick summarized this choice during a public announcement: « In the past we suffered from an adherence to the 'what can we do with this product' doctrine, and have now opted for the 'examine requirements, then choose the product' approach.

About SCORT

SCORT is a European software company specialised in integrating Mainframe systems with new architectures. An early entrant in the field of Mainframe integration, today SCORT is a major player in this sector. Some large companies in a number of industries (Insurance, Banking, Finance, Distribution, Telecoms etc.) have selected SCORT solutions which offer rapid return on investment (ROI). With an R&D centre based in Paris, SCORT offers its European clients the highest levels of flexibility and support.
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