

Axway helps Sanofi to 'fool-proof' its IT infrastructure

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Singapore: Sanofi joined hands with Axway in order to streamline processes and transform its technology infrastructure into an efficient global network. Axway will help the life science giant to make the transformation possible, enabling their infrastructure and operations (I&O) to go from a siloed structure of 26 legacy data centers to just three data centers.

In addition to consolidating data centers, Sanofi extended their existing deployment of Axway Managed File Transfer (MFT), a comprehensive solution for both internal and external file transfers. With Axway MFT, Sanofi was able to ensure that all divisions, subsidiaries and new acquisitions were able to efficiently and securely exchange and manage data in a way that is uniform globally, while processing as many as 8,000 transfers each day. Not only did this increase efficiency across the organization, but it also reduced operational costs.

By relying on Axway technology for the evolution of its I&O, Sanofi is able to grow as a company without having to migrate to a completely new platform. All Axway Transfer CFT servers will be managed by a single entity per region, and Sanofi will use Axway Transfer CFT on all platforms and operating systems with exactly the same processes. This translates to administration savings because they are able to implement identical installation and processing procedures that any subsidiary can roll out on its own. In addition, Axway is able to provide a streamlined and efficient way to govern the flow of data not only through existing legacy infrastructure, but also for information exchanged through the cloud and mobile.

Mr Mario Del Pin, EAI ETL expert, Regional Service Delivery EMEA and Application Hosting Services, Global Infrastructure Services, Sanofi, said that, "Going from 26 data centers to three means that management costs will be reduced as well as expenditures related to personnel, telecommunications, storage, electricity and real estate. We have seen clear financial savings each year since the initiation of the I&O transformation. By 2014, we expect to achieve full payback with our financial savings equaling the financial investment."

Mr Bruno Cambounet, vice president, healthcare EMEA, Axway, said that, "For large global companies with numerous divisions, subsidiaries and external changing partners it can be challenging to streamline infrastructure and technology into a seamless system with uniformity across the board. Not only was Sanofi able to effectively evolve their company to meet these demands, but they were able to do it using an existing product instead of transitioning to a new one."