

Using Rational to Modernize Applications

At the Sogeti in Netherlands I'm managing a practice of two hundred experts in developing, maintaining and migrating company critical software.

Over the last year we developed service offering on enterprise modernization, which we built up from scratch and just about a month ago we scored our first major project in which we're going to help a customer to get down his costs over the next six years by fifty percent.

... if we help our customers to modernize their applications, the challenges we meet is that most of the time documentation is totally missing. That the guys who use to program it have retired or others are going to be retired pretty soon and other things that we're facing is that sometimes we use techniques that we use for the first time. ... For example, if we want to bring a customer to EGL the environment is, at the moment, can be a very exotic one so we might be the first party who's ever going to want to make that step and that demands us and demands for IBM to be willing to take risk in order to do it.

We use the Rational products because they give us more control and more execution power when we modernize the systems of our clients.