



# Accelerating a Critical Cloud Migration

Transforming infrastructure and application delivery with Rocket® Enterprise Suite\*



Groupama Assicurazioni is the Italian subsidiary of a major French insurance group. Through a network of agencies serving approximately 1.5 million clients, they provide comprehensive coverage across damage, life, and personal insurance sectors, generating roughly \$1.5 billion in annual turnover.

## CHALLENGE

### Modernizing a mission-critical mainframe application on a tight deadline

In the insurance business, the claims application is the heartbeat of operations. For Groupama Assicurazioni, this system handles everything from customer service to complex payment calculations, ensuring policies are fulfilled and customers are taken care of. However, the backend infrastructure technology was becoming obsolete, making it harder to keep up with modern demands. The company was deep into a strategic journey to the cloud, and the claims application was the final — and most complex — piece of the puzzle.

Groupama Assicurazioni in Italy was facing a mandatory deadline driven by a broader group-level initiative involving the moving of the whole group data center. Failing to migrate this critical system on time would not only stall the entire cloud strategy but also jeopardize operational efficiency and customer satisfaction. Groupama Assicurazioni needed to move away from the high costs and limitations of their mainframe environment without risking the stability of a core business function.

They had to find a way to modernize their infrastructure while preserving the complex logic and precision that ensured fair and accurate claim settlements. The stakes were high, and the clock was ticking, making this migration a vital step in their digital transformation journey.

## CHALLENGE

Groupama Assicurazioni faced a mandatory 12-month deadline to migrate their complex claims application from a mainframe to the cloud or risk stalling their strategy.

## SOLUTION

# Accelerating modernization with Rocket Enterprise Suite

Groupama Assicurazioni evaluated three distinct paths for this critical project: replacing the application entirely, rewriting it from scratch (such as rewriting in Java®), or replatforming with Rocket Software.

Replacing or rewriting presented immense technological risks, high costs, and simply couldn't be completed within their strict 12-month deadline. They needed a smarter, more efficient way forward that balanced innovation with practicality and speed.

They chose Rocket Software because it offered the lowest-risk path that fit their tight timeline while delivering significant value. The solution allowed them to move the application logic without a complete, costly rewrite, effectively cleaning up unused code in the process and optimizing their existing systems. This approach was crucial because it preserved the invaluable, decades-long knowledge of their internal teams, safeguarding their deep organizational expertise. Staff with extensive experience in the existing COBOL code could continue working efficiently using new modern IDE tools without requiring massive retraining.

The modernization not only respected their existing assets and people but also positioned Groupama Assicurazioni for long-term success, enabling them to innovate faster and adapt quickly to changing demands. It was a bold step forward, grounded in practical solutions that ensured continuity and growth.



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“Developers and operators enjoyed continuity in their daily work. The way they were handling tasks and computations yesterday is the same as they find now in the new system. Only on the cloud and with faster response times. And developers can now fully adopt new application development methodologies like DevOps and CI/CD the same way they do on other cloud systems.”

## SOLUTION

Rocket Software enabled a secure, low-risk migration that preserved critical business logic while meeting a strict 12-month deadline.

## RESULTS

# Transformative impact and exceptional ROI

The collaboration between Groupama Assicurazioni and Rocket Software was a resounding success, marking a significant milestone in Groupama Assicurazioni's modernization journey. The complex migration project was completed not just on time, but with several months to spare within the strict 12-month deadline. This achievement was pivotal, as it removed the final and most significant obstacle to Groupama Assicurazioni's comprehensive cloud strategy, enabling them to fully transition and modernize their entire infrastructure model.

Beyond the crucial technical win, the project delivered remarkable financial and operational benefits. An ROI breakeven point was achieved in less than two years — a velocity that Groupama Assicurazioni's CIO, Antonello Bazzano, described as "remarkable" when compared to the typical industry standard of three to four years for similar large-scale projects. This rapid return underscores the efficiency and value of the solution.



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The breakeven arrived in a pleasantly surprising very short time, which is not usual. Typically, in fact, projects like this in terms of complexity take three to four years to break even, if they succeed at all. Given this achievement alone, we can consider the results of this project truly remarkable."



### Achieved breakeven very early

ROI was realized significantly faster than the standard 3-4 year industry expectation.



### Completed cloud strategy

Successfully migrated the final, most complex core application to the cloud infrastructure.



### Preserved critical skills

Enabled staff with existing expertise to work effectively in the new modern environment.

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## PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS

# Rocket® Enterprise Suite\*

### Key features

- Fast, secure mainframe-to-cloud migration without costly rewrites.
- Modern tools support continuity and rapid adoption.
- Enables DevOps and CI/CD practices.
- Preserves team expertise and daily workflows.

### At a glance

- Accelerates cloud projects and ROI.
- Protects critical business logic and expertise.
- Reduces migrations risks.
- Supports ongoing innovation.



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