



Enabling a Cloud-First Future in 12 Months

Transforming IT operations with [Rocket® Enterprise Suite*](#)



Softlab S.p.a., a premier Italian information and communication technology company, partnered with Rocket Software to migrate Groupama Assicurazioni's mission-critical claims management system from a mainframe environment to the cloud.

CHALLENGE

The need for modernization and enhanced efficiency

Groupama Assicurazioni, a leading insurance provider, was determined to complete its company-wide “Cloud First” strategy. The final and most complex piece of this initiative was the claims management system, an application comprising 2.5 million lines of code and 2,200 COBOL programs running on a mainframe. The company issued a firm 12-month deadline to migrate the entire system to Google® Cloud and decommission the existing hardware.

As the system integrator leading the technical strategy, Softlab faced several significant hurdles. The primary concern was mitigating risk and ensuring continuity. As Matteo Longo, Practice Leader for Cloud Solutions at Softlab, noted, “The risk was one of the key factors that drove the migration project.” He explained, “Mainframe environments are very stable, very reliable, and it’s difficult to replicate this operational continuity into the distributed environment.” The project also involved complex data migrations and interfaces with numerous external systems,

adding another layer of difficulty. Softlab needed a solution that balanced innovation with business continuity, and a partner with the technology to make it happen.

CHALLENGE

Migrate a massive, mission-critical system to the cloud within 12 months while maintaining service continuity, operational stability, and data security.

SOLUTION

Streamlined cloud migration with Rocket Enterprise Suite

To address these challenges, Softlab proposed a joint solution leveraging Rocket Software's modernization technology. Matteo noted that while this wasn't their first modernization, the Rocket solution felt like a "natural evolution," with an interface that was easy for engineers to master quickly.

The Rocket Enterprise Suite was central to managing the project's complexity. Using Rocket® Enterprise Developer*, the team accessed a familiar environment that accelerated productivity and flattened the learning curve. This automated approach allowed Softlab to hit every milestone and go live on schedule.

A standout component was Rocket® Enterprise Analyzer*, which provided an automated assessment of the entire code structure. This allowed the team to proactively identify and resolve potential dependencies during the assessment phase. As Matteo shared, "We were able, with the support of Rocket Software people, to identify these issues... and address them in a very good way."

Finally, Rocket® Enterprise Server* ensured a stable, high-performance production environment on Google Cloud. A year after launch, the system has experienced no major outages. When the team faced unique environmental hurdles, Rocket Software provided Field Developed Solutions (FDS) to avoid costly rewrites—a level of flexibility that proved invaluable to the project's success.

*Formerly Micro Focus® products



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SOLUTION

A unified, partner-driven approach using Rocket Software's automated modernization tools and Softlab's integration leadership, ensuring rapid, risk-mitigated cloud transformation.

RESULTS

Outstanding performance and reliability

The partnership between Softlab and Rocket Software delivered exceptional results, meeting all of Groupama Assicurazioni's strategic objectives on time and within budget. "The support from Rocket Software was outstanding. We worked together on this project because we proposed to the customer a joint solution from us and Rocket Software, each team with their clear responsibilities. Softlab handled system integration, and Rocket Software focused on code conversion and product expertise," said Matteo. This collaborative, unified team was essential to overcoming obstacles and delivering predictable, positive outcomes.

The project was completed within the strict 12-month timeline, enabling the successful decommissioning of the mainframe hardware. Over a year after going live, the new claims management system has experienced no major outages, proving the reliability of the solution architecture. From a financial perspective, the results were compelling, Groupama Assicurazioni's achieved a break-even point very early, well ahead of what might be expected from more manual approaches. As Matteo observed, "We have the possibility to rely on automated re-platforming tools and using these tools, we can offer more competitive pricing and significantly faster projects compared to other approaches."



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"The predictability of this solution that is proven from a lot of customers in the market gave us the confidence to be more aggressive on the timeline and on the migration costs ... It shifts the conversation from, let's say, what might go wrong to how fast we can deliver the value to the customer."

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Most importantly, this project was a strategic enabler for Groupama Assicurazioni's, completing their journey to becoming a cloud-first organization and positioning them for future innovation.

Matteo emphasized, "This was not just a migration project, but something like a strategic enablement for the customer. By moving off mainframe, we have enabled Groupama to complete their cloud-first strategy."



12-Month completion

Migrated 2.5 million lines of code and 2,200 programs within the non-negotiable one-year timeframe.



Zero major outages

Ensured seamless operational continuity with no major downtime in the first year of production on Google Cloud.



Early ROI

Achieved a rapid break-even point, showcasing the financial efficiency of the automated re-platforming approach.



Strategic enablement

Finalized Groupama Assicurazioni's "Cloud First" strategy, modernizing a critical business application for future growth.

PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS

Rocket® Enterprise Suite

Key features

- Automated code assessment for early risk detection.
- Familiar workspace boosts productivity.
- Reliable cloud deployment ensures uptime.

At a glance

- Fast, secure mainframe-to-cloud migration.
- Protects business continuity.
- Reduces project costs and manual effort.



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