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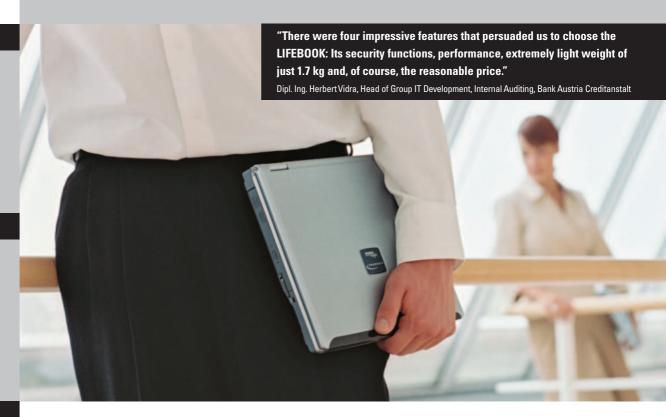
Number 1 in the Austrian Banking Sector

THE PROJECT

Increase the Mobility and Efficiency of Internal Auditing and Ensure Maximum Data Security

THE SOLUTION

LIFEBOOK S 5582
and 6010 Systems
with Integrated
SmartCard
Reader, Security
Mice, Smarty
Software
and Hard Disk
Encryption



In a pilot project, Internal Auditing employees at the Bank Austria Creditanstalt were given maximum security for their mobile work: 60 LIFEBOOK S Series systems now accompany more than half the 100-strong team on their DP and technical audits abroad and at the bank's branch offices nationwide. The overriding aim was to effectively protect the data entered and to prevent unauthorized access by means of security functions in the notebook. Only authorized auditors can access the data stored on the LIFEBOOKs thanks to authentication features and hard disk encryption.

The Customer

The financial expertise of Bank Austria Creditanstalt make it unique: Bank Austria is the national market leader, while Creditanstalt is a synonym for Austria's banking tradition. Statistics show it to be the clear Number 1 in the country's banking sector: Four out of five large companies use Bank Austria Creditanstalt's services. The picture is just as impressive in the private customer segment: One in five Austrians is a customer

at one of the bank's 429 branch offices throughout the country. The bank is also the market leader in other business segments. These include real estate, leasing, export and trade financing, asset management and online banking. Bank Austria Creditanstalt is also a member of the global HVB Group.



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Internal auditing is not an open book, nor is it so at Bank Austria Creditanstalt. Consequently, the auditors going about their daily work with their mobile device not only bear a high responsibility, but also inevitably carry a huge security risk around with them. After all, a lot of things could theoretically happen when they are auditing the IT and banking operations at all branches in Austria and abroad. Auditing work is a delicate and critical mission, especially in the financial field, where banking secrecy must be safeguarded. To prevent any such contingencies and to counteract them with innovative and effective security precautions in cases of emergency, the Bank Austria Creditanstalt began looking for suitable notebooks. Practical and intensive testing before making a decision persuaded the customer of the LIFEBOOK's built-in security. Bank Austria Creditanstalt then commissioned Fujitsu Siemens Computers with the task of implementing the desired hardware concept. The result: 60 LIFEBOOK S 5582 and 6010 notebooks were shipped to the leading Austrian bank.

LIFEBOOKs with Multilevel Security

Internal Auditing's work is subject to very stringent data protection regulations. That is why LIFEBOOKs from Fujitsu Siemens Computers were chosen, since they offer multilevel security. For instance, auditors

log on personally to their LIFEBOOK using a security panel. Access by the employee is then authorized by means of a Smart-Card that is inserted in a reader integrated in the PCMCIA slot. In order to specifically protect the data on the hard disk against unauthorized access, the Smarty security software is used and the hard disk is encrypted by means of special software. The protective anti-theft measures are enhanced by mechanical Kensington locks. And precautions have also been taken just in case an administrator needs to use the notebook: In addition to a SmartCard, the administrator must also verify his access authorization via fingerprint reading by means of the security mouse. The high-performance battery in the LIFEBOOK ensures unrestricted mobility and very long operating times.

Project Highlights

- > 60 LIFEBOOKs for Internal Auditing at Bank Austria Creditanstalt
- > Security panel for logging on by users
- > SmartCard reader in the PCMCIA slot
- > Smarty software and hard disk encryption
- > Administrator access by fingerprintreading security mouse
- > Mechanical anti-theft Kensington locks on all devices



Benefits for Bank Austria Creditanstalt

- > Maximum security and mobility on assignments in Austria and abroad
- > Greater efficiency in preparing for audits thanks to integration of the customer database and the guideline database
- > Quicker entry of audit results and minutes of meetings
- > Fine coordination of the draft reports on site

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