



MAXPATROL UNIFIES SECURITY FOR SOCIÉTÉ GÉNÉRALE'S BANKING SUBSIDIARIES

COMPANY PROFILE

- + Industry: Financial Services
- + Locations: 76 countries world-wide
- + Established: 1864
- + Employees: 153,000
- + Customers: 32 million
- + Assets: €1.25 trillion (2012)



Govern Société Générale's newly-merged subsidiaries with a single vulnerability and compliance management solution

In 2010, Société Générale combined all of its separate Russian banking subsidiaries into a single entity under its global corporate brand. The IT security implications of this merger were complex, given that each individual subsidiary had its own vulnerability and compliance management processes which used a variety of tools to enforce different rules and regulations.

To further complicate matters, these newly formed branch offices were scattered across Russia, some of which were extremely remote. Nevertheless, these offices needed to meet the audit, compliance and reporting requirements both their regional data privacy laws and Société Générale's corporate IT Security policies.

In addition to wanting a shared solution, Société Générale sought to improve IT efficiency and increase their level of security by automating the vulnerability and compliance checks for all their systems; including many different types of network equipment, operating systems, workstations and a large number of applications.

Lastly, although all of the branch offices concerned were located in Russia, Société Générale wanted the freedom to oversee security from their headquarters in France.

THE SOLUTION

MaxPatrol Vulnerability and Compliance Management

A team of experts from Positive Technologies, completed a comprehensive analysis of the newly-formed bank's wide and local area networks prior to the installation of MaxPatrol – assuring complete security visibility of all systems across the network, including remote access to outlying branches.

MaxPatrol regularly scans thousands of individual assets on the Société Générale network, including servers, workstations and applications. MaxPatrol reports on any vulnerabilities it finds within the systems themselves or those related to configuration settings and measures each asset for compliance with Société Générale's internal security policies as well as the rules mandated by local lawmakers and banking regulators.

Security and compliance data is consolidated in one system. Staff with appropriate authorization can access information remotely from regional, national and international offices – allowing them to respond quickly to any detected threats. In addition, security personnel at the headquarters in France can conduct their own scans of specific networked elements as well as independently generating audit and compliance reports.

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Head of Information Security
Société Générale

HIGHLIGHTS

- + Merged conflicting divisional IT security processes and systems into a single governing solution
- + Increased the accuracy and frequency of security assessments and simplified reporting
- + Eliminated the high costs associated with managing separate security systems

THE BENEFITS

Reduced Costs, Improved Efficiencies and Increased Security

With MaxPatrol, Société Générale was able to untangle the complex web of IT Security processes and systems that were used by its various regional subsidiaries prior to the merger. It now has a single solution which analyzes, audits, benchmarks and reports on all aspects of IT Security within the Russian operations.

MaxPatrol's automation has virtually eliminated the time and money previously spent, by highly-skilled IT staff, on testing each subsidiary's systems and reporting results separately to various levels of management within their corporate structure.

"The MaxPatrol system allowed us to consolidate and automate security and compliance management for the IT structures of the entire bank," said Evgeniy Gusenkov, Head of Information Security, Russia, for Société Générale. "It allowed us to minimize costs and manage information security processes more effectively."

Improved efficiency allows Société Générale to carry out more regular assessments, leading to increased security levels due to early detection of vulnerabilities. In stark contrast to the picture of confusion immediately following the merger, the bank now benchmarks all its systems against a single set of key performance indicators (KPIs).

About Positive Technologies

Positive Technologies is a leading provider of vulnerability assessment, compliance management and threat analysis solutions to more than 1,000 global enterprise clients. Our solutions work seamlessly across your entire business: securing applications in development; assessing your network and application vulnerabilities; assuring compliance with regulatory requirements; and blocking real-time attacks. Our commitment to clients and research has earned Positive Technologies a reputation as one of the foremost authorities on SCADA, Banking, Telecom, Web Application and ERP security, and distinction as the #1 fastest growing Security and Vulnerability Management firm in 2012, as shown in an IDC report*. To learn more about Positive Technologies please visit www.ptsecurity.com.

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