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The Education Authority (EA) wants every child to have an outstanding education.

The EA was established under the Education Act (Northern Ireland) 2014 and became operational on 1 April 2015. It is a non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department of Education and the Department for the Economy.

The organisation employs over 40,000 people across Northern Ireland in a wide variety of roles including teachers in controlled schools, school-based support staff and staff in administrative headquarters

Country: UK

Industry: Public Sector

Established: 2014

Website:

https://www.eani.org.uk/

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Challenge - Fujitsu implemented a hybrid on-premise Oracle E-Business and SaaS Taleo Recruitment solution in 2018 to provide the administration solution for >1200 schools in Northern Ireland.

The 10 Year customer contract originally included a mid point Technical refresh, involving a complex Datacentre hardware replacement.

Solution - Fujitsu engaged with EA carrying out a "CloudScale" assessment and influenced the customer to change the contract to allow a migration to OCI and in collaboration with the Oracle LIFT and OCI teams, this created the future Platform on OCI and we have migrated the Oracle workloads.

Fujitsu's CSP credentials enabled them to deliver a fully managed end to end solution for the customer.

In parallel, Fujitsu and EA were implementing HR and Payroll, delivering significant business change across the organisation. Risk therefore needed managed closely. EA were reassured that through Fujitsu's long-standing Partnership with Oracle and the use of LIFT services their risks would be mitigated and ensure successful delivery of a secure operationally efficient Enterprise grade evergreen solution.

Business Transformation

Taking EA's 40,000 employees on the Journey to the Oracle Cloud

Outcomes & Customer benefits

- Successful collaboration with Oracles LIFT team reducing cost, time & risk
- Solution supported by Fujitsu's CSP agreement
- Services can be accessed securely & remotely, encouraging flexible working
- Enabling *Agile* ways of working to support *DevOps, low code development* and *Gen 2* features in the future
- Oracles Cloud-based services *sustainably increase availability and reliability*
- Adopting an evergreen Cloud so that EA can focus on their core business, ensuring that every child receives and outstanding Quality Education in support of the UN's Sustainable Development Goal 4

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