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City of Nanterre.

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This project, led by the municipality's teams, illustrates the successful transition from Microsoft solutions to an independent infrastructure, guaranteeing the digital sovereignty and security of the municipality's data.

"We went from Teams to GoFAST in just one month!"

Municipality
of **97 000** residents

1 700 agents

Peaks at **150** simultaneous users

Migration completed in less than **1 month**

Breaking free from dependence to **Microsoft** and reducing **cost**

The need to replace Teams and SharePoint!

Nanterre, the second most inhabited commune in the Hauts-de-Seine department with over 97,000 residents, made a strategic decision in January 2024 at its municipal office: to abandon Microsoft services (Teams, Exchange and the office suite) to strengthen its digital independence.

The challenge: No longer be dependent on Microsoft, especially Teams and SharePoint, but also Office and Exchange.

The solution: The city of Nanterre chose to deploy GoFAST Digital Workplace & DMS, a sovereign, Open Source alternative, to ensure efficient, secure collaboration while regaining control of its data.

An urgent need for a collaborative alternative

Faced with the end of its contract with Microsoft and the city council's decision not to renew it, the city of Nanterre needed to quickly adopt an alternative solution capable of replacing Microsoft Teams, then other Microsoft technologies such as MS-Office, the file server and finally MS-Exchange. The main issues identified included :

- A high-performance web conferencing and chat tool that limits change management compared to Teams (and related SharePoint)

- A solution that could, in a 2nd phase, replace the file server and MS-Office

- A dedicated OnPremise solution

- An Open Source solution

- A service provider with Microsoft outbound migration expertise

- Responsive support and personalized assistance to ensure a successful transition

Choosing GoFAST: a sovereign, high-performance alternative

As early as June 2022, the city of Nanterre began exploring the possibilities offered by GoFAST by installing the Community version on its own infrastructures. Convinced by GoFAST's ease of use and ability to meet its needs, the city launched a Proof of Concept (PoC) in July 2023 to assess its viability as a replacement for its current tools.

The PoC quickly demonstrated GoFAST's ability to replace Teams and offer a robust solution for document management and collaboration, while guaranteeing the city's sovereignty thanks to OnPremise hosting.

A gradual, controlled change

After a successful test phase, the city of Nanterre began deploying GoFAST to some of its employees, i.e. 1,000 in phase 1 from January 2024. The replacement of Microsoft solutions, including Teams and SharePoint, was carried out without any service interruption, and the transition was completed in less than a month.

Technical scope: The solution is deployed on the city's dedicated infrastructure, with remote maintenance provided by CEO-Vision SAS, guaranteeing continuous platform updates.

About CEO-Vision

CEO-Vision is the publisher of GoFAST: the Digital Workplace and DMS at the service of organizations and their users to boost productivity. It is a unique, open-source alternative to Office365, SharePoint and Teams.

Its motto: "Technology made simple". GoFAST is the result of 10,000 man-days of work and the integration of leading Open Source technologies:

Promising results and successful adoption

Since adopting GoFAST, Nanterre's agents have fully integrated the solution into their workflows, reducing their dependence on proprietary tools and strengthening internal collaboration. The absence of support requests after migration confirms the smoothness of the transition.

Project timetable

PoC: July 2023
Deployment: January 2024

This project demonstrates the possibility of moving away from dependence on Microsoft through alternative solutions that are already fully operational.

Benefits

- **No longer dependent on proprietary Microsoft solutions**

- **Security and sovereignty: OnPremise hosting for total data control**

- **Optimized collaboration, high-performance web conferencing, chat and integrated document management**

- **Financial benefits: Reduced costs for software licenses and subscriptions to Microsoft solutions**