

BUILDING A NEW DATA GOVERNANCE FRAMEWORK TO SUPPORT BUSINESS TRANSFORMATION AT A LARGE GAS COMPANY

THE CLIENT

The client is a world leader in natural gas, with a strategy focused on connecting competitively priced resources to specific, high-value markets continually. It is headquartered in the UK, but the majority of its 6 000+ employees, drawn from more than 70 nationalities, work outside the UK.

THE CHALLENGE

By 2012, rapid expansion of the client's international business created a need for enhanced data governance within the organisation. Data requirements were becoming more complex as a result of increasingly sophisticated investment techniques and complex reporting requirements. At the same time, implementation of the shared services model with Group functions required clear definition and allocation of data ownership. The client also wanted to mitigate the operational risk of running disparate systems across different geographies.

THE SOLUTION

InforMeta was involved in detailed assessment of client's data and information landscape. Gaps in client's IT and process landscape that were critical to manage its data were highlighted. InforMeta suggested a need based procurement process to allow for progressive evolution of data practices within the organisation. InforMeta was also involved in drafting data standards and guidelines from various group functions such as Finance, HR, and Procurement.

THE BENEFITS

InforMeta's approach helped the architecture team build acceptance of new data technologies and processes with key business stakeholders in a slow, steady manner. InforMeta provided metrics to allow business to calculate the value of their data in a quantifiable manner, and provided a framework and tools to help manage their data better, and extract even more value out of their data. Business and IT became more aware of their respective responsibilities around data.

“...quickly established as a leader in the data management space... ability to get up to speed on things very quickly... facilitated meetings with key stakeholders and other external consultants...”

- **Client Architecture Manager**