

KAGA FEI EUROPE GmbH

NetApp solutions impress with storage efficiency and faster data services



KAGA FEI EUROPE relies on NetApp technologies as the central foundation of its new data environment. At the heart of the solution is the SnapCenter backup management software, which offers several advantages and delivers added value especially in SAP environments.

Challenge

KAGA FEI EUROPE needed a modernized infrastructure capable of supporting mission-critical SAP workloads, virtual servers, and file services to meet demanding performance expectations. Additionally, a cost-efficient secondary backup system was required to provide expanded storage capacity without compromising reliability.

Solution

A FUJITSU solution based on NetApp technologies and FUJITSU services - including an AFF A250, a FAS2720, ONTAP software, and SnapCenter - forms the core foundation of the new data environment. NetApp and the virtual server infrastructure provide a scalable, high-performance platform. The entire Data Fabric environment is managed through a centralized interface.

Benefits

- System migration with zero downtime
- Improved storage efficiency
- Accelerated data services
- New options for backup optimization

„We support innovation wherever we can. That includes sourcing the best technologies - not only for our customers, but also for ourselves as a company.“

Achim Paule, Manager IT, KAGA FEI EUROPE GmbH

Industry:

Distribution of semiconductors and electronic solutions

Country:

Deutschland

Employees:

50

Value Added Distributor Relies on Fujitsu's Expertise for Seamless System Transition

KAGA FEI EUROPE GmbH brings over 30 years of experience in the international electronics market, with particular expertise in the automotive and industrial sectors and a deep understanding of customer needs. As a sales organization focused on value added distribution, its core business includes resale and consulting activities. Whether acting as a gateway to fast, high-quality access to solutions or markets, accelerating product scouting, or supporting contracts, partnerships, supply chains, and more – KAGA FEI stays one step ahead, together with its clients. With this background and the goal of a system transition, KAGA FEI entrusted its long-standing partner Fujitsu with the consulting and execution of the project.

NetApp: High-Performance Foundation for Core Infrastructure

SAP, virtual server infrastructure, and file services ran on the all-flash system. While SAP and virtual servers made up the bulk of operations, file services accounted for only a small portion. In the course of the transition, the secondary system was expected to deliver better throughput — i.e., higher data processing speeds — while being more modestly dimensioned than the current primary system. To achieve this, cost-effective SAS drives were chosen. A valuable side effect: the abundant storage in the secondary system can now be used as an archive for data offloading.

KAGA FEI also required the continued use of Fibre Channel for backup, enabling connection to the tape library via SAN switches. Supported by Fujitsu's consulting and service, NetApp technology was selected as the ideal solution. An AFF A250 and a FAS2720, combined with ONTAP software and SnapCenter, now form the central foundation of KAGA FEI's new data environment.

The NetApp SnapCenter software simplifies management and backup of the company's many applications and databases across all departments. With storage-based data management, SnapCenter enhances performance and availability while reducing the time needed for testing and development.

New Storage Solution Delivers Efficiency, Speed, and Security

KAGA FEI gains significant added value especially in its SAP landscape: NetApp Snapshot and FlexClone are used for SAP system copies and test or development environments.

Snapshot also enables time-stamped backups during application runtime.

The entire solution is seamlessly integrated into the existing data center infrastructure, with a 2-4-2 migration handled by Fujitsu – acting as a trusted advisor, overseeing consulting, project execution, and on-site service.

The result? A smooth system migration with zero downtime, improved storage efficiency, and accelerated data services. New options are now available for backup optimization, and proactive monitoring provides additional security. Data management for both flash and disk is now unified under one platform.

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