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# Fachhochschule Nordwestschweiz

«The excellent support provided by isolutions during the planning, implementation and evaluation of the user adoption process enabled us to provide optimal customer support, whereby the internal resources could beresources could be spared to a large extent.»

Franziskus Schmid, Team Leader Collaboration FHNW

The FHNW is one of the leading universities of applied sciences in Switzerland and is active with its nine universities in teaching, research, and services and employs around 3'000 people. At the innovative educational institution, nearly 10'000 students are currently studying in one of the 29 bachelor's degree programs and nearly 2'000 students are enrolled in one of 18 master's degree programs.

Fachhochschule Nordwestschweiz Today, several tools from different companies are used at the FHNW for telephony, online meetings and chats. As a result, it is not always clear to users which tool should be used for which application. This is also a challenge for the operation and the regulation of responsibilities.

# **Initial situation**

As a result of the new IT communication strategy 2022-2026, the use of Cisco is to be switched to Microsoft Teams in the future. To achieve this goal, the project «Migration Cisco to Microsoft Teams» was launched. The overarching mission of the project is to replace the Cisco Jabber and Cisco Webex tools with Microsoft Teams.

# Solution

The migration of telephony from Cisco Jabber to Microsoft Teams took place step by step. For this purpose, isolutions offered regular training sessions over a period of seven months, from the pilot to the final migration. The training organization via Microsoft Bookings was also handled by isolutions, so that the project team did not incur any expenses regarding the training. The training offer was expanded by several use cases around the topic of telephony and meetings, which enables the users to learn independently. The training portal, on which the use cases are published, was already created by isolutions in the «Update Inside FHNW» project.

## **Benefits**

- The reduction of tools will make it easier for users to choose the right tool and simplify their everyday work.
- Microsoft Teams and Zoom will fully be supported by the Corporate IT.
- Through the use of Microsoft Teams, after completion of the project, telephony functions are also telephony functions available on mobile devices.
- With the discontinuation of Cisco Webex and telephony licenses, costs can also be can be reduced.
- Since personal telephones will no longer have to be ordered, maintained and replaced in the future, the financial and personnel expenses will be reduced.

1'900 Cisco deskphones

replaced

50 video conferencing systems replaced



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### **Partner profile**

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Founded in the civil defense cellar by three visionaries from the Bernese Oberland, isolutions has been accompanying companies into the digital future since 1999 as the largest dedicated Microsoft one-stop-shope in Switzerland. We integrate Microsoft services in a way, that adds value and has a positive change in the corporate culture.

Supported by over 200 passionate minds consisting of business and technical consultants, change makers as well as software developers, architects and cloud natives, we are driven to peak performance by our customers and their challenges. Together with customers from different industries, we build the bridge to the tech giant Microsoft. All with one goal: To create the best employee and customer experience in order to achieve competitive advantages.

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