

# VZPM

The Association for the Certification of Persons in Management (VZPM) carries out certification in project management according to the specifications of IPMA<sup>®</sup>. Through these internationally recognized certification in project management, holders can demonstrate appropriate competencies in project, program and portfolio management, both in theory and in practice – regardless of whether they work in the private sector, public administration or as independent contractors. In addition to the board and expert committees, the association employs 10 people. By the end of 2020, a total of 22'860 initial certificates had been awarded and 3'272 certificates renewed in Switzerland.

Together with the VZPM, isolutions successfully implemented the step into the cloud. Since then, we have been supporting and advising the association in various technological matters as a strategic partner. The VZPM can focus fully on its core competence, the certification of people in management.

## Initial situation

The VZPM's business organization does not have a dedicated IT unit, which made managing the necessary hardware and software very cumbersome. Certification processes were handled via outdated database applications, which made day-to-day work time-consuming

and further developments difficult. In addition, the IT infrastructure was outdated and needed to be renewed.

## Solution

### Workplace as a Service

The VZPM obtains the Workplace as a Service (WaaS) from isolutions and thus outsources the IT activities necessary for day-to-day business to isolutions. VZPM's employees can concentrate fully on their core tasks.

### Transformation of the core business

Until now, the VZPM could only conduct certification exams on paper and on site. With the digital examination tool developed by isolutions, the examinations can be taken completely independent of location and purely digitally.

### Digitization and automation of processes

isolutions has replaced the existing database application with a modern cloud based new development as part of an agile project called «VZPM.ZERT». The new software is individually programmed and uses numerous new technologies (such as React.js for the frontend or CosmosDB, Azure Functions and Logic Apps in the backend), for example to create new certification requests automatically. The complete application runs on the Microsoft Azure Cloud. The VZPM gains flexibility and has a protected specialist application in the cloud.

# Benefits

- **Certification exams can now be taken digitally and from any location.**
- **Cuttingedge, custom developed and secure database application from the cloud.**
- **Employees work independently of location and flexibly with their modern digital workplace.**
- **Lack of an IT position forces the small organization to outsource the operation of the complete IT infrastructure to isolutions.**



**work efficiently  
from anywhere**



**IT costs that are  
easy to plan**



**all services  
from the cloud**

# 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-shop 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.

Customers love our inspiring corporate culture, which is contagious. It successfully supports and overcomes organizational or technological challenges. Together with them, we shape the future of teams, products, companies and entire industries.

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