



## CASE STUDY

## International Investment Bank Takes Control of Risk with Finastra

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## At a Glance

#### **About International Investment Bank**

Headquartered in Moscow, International Investment Bank (IIB) was founded in 1970 by an intergovernmental agreement and currently brings together Bulgaria, Cuba, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Mongolia, Romania, Russia, Slovakia and Vietnam as its shareholders and member states. The bank promotes social and economic development and cooperation between its member states. Primarily, it focuses on supporting small and medium-sized businesses, export-import operations and project finance.

#### The Challenge

IIB has undergone a major technological and strategic transformation over the last four years and needed to further automate its risk management processes. To enable its organization to grow, IIB looked to sharpen its approach to risk management and reporting.

#### **The Solution**

IIB selected Fusion Risk to provide a centralized platform for analyzing market, credit and liquidity risk. To manage the deployment, Finastra chose Neoflex—a Finastra partner with strong risk management expertise and financial markets knowledge. Through Fusion Risk, IIB can manage liquidity coverage ratios, regulatory capital and perform stress tests, and take advantage of up-to-date risk figures, analysis and optimization tools. This will give IIB the comprehensive insight and control it needs to effectively manage risk.

#### The Result

IIB will benefit from a sophisticated risk management system that meets the demands of its modernized, multilateral development and investment operations. By incorporating timely, accurate risk calculations and assessments into its strategy and business planning, the bank can drive better decision-making that will help it to continue expanding and innovating.

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#### The Challenge

IIB has undergone major modernization in the last four years, implementing new IT systems, changing its credit policy, automating 80 percent of business processes and tripling its asset size.

Dmitry Bocharov, Head of IT at IIB, elaborates: "We have grown significantly over the last four years, becoming a truly modern multilateral development and investment bank. As we grow our investment portfolio, we are increasing our funding. We've become an important issuer of bonds in our member countries—even receiving an award for our contribution to the development of Romania's bonds market in 2015.

"However, this put us in a situation where we needed to cater for the added risk created by our expanded operations. We began looking for a new solution that would help us calculate and manage risk more effectively, thus enabling us to make more informed decisions. We needed a solution that would both accommodate our recent growth and scale with us as we continue to evolve."

#### The Solution

IIB selected Fusion Risk, an integrated solution for managing risk, liquidity and profitability, as the cornerstone of a new approach to risk management.

The bank teamed up with Finastra implementation partner Neoflex to deploy the solution. IIB used the proven Fusion Blueprints method to ensure rapid implementation of the Fusion Risk Balance Sheet Management and Regulation modules.

IIB worked with Neoflex to connect Fusion Risk to its core banking system and other internal sources using the FusionFabric Connect integration tool, which enables easy and accurate online data capture from all source systems.

With Fusion Risk in place, the bank will be able to assess and analyze market, credit and liquidity risk from a single point of control. Teams can manage liquidity coverage ratios, regulatory capital and stress tests, and make use of up-to-date risk figures, analysis and optimization tools—helping them to better understand and manage risk.

Dmitry Bocharov comments: "The Finastra solution will enable us to implement best practices in our risk management processes. By gaining a clearer view of our complex risk exposure, we will be able to accurately calculate our risk ratio and understand how it influences our credit granting process, bond issues, and other funding instruments."

#### **Making Smart Decisions**

By enabling IIB to more accurately analyze and manage its risk, the Finastra solution will make it easier for the bank to build a holistic picture of its risk exposure, potential threats and key opportunities.

"The Fusion Risk platform is critical in helping us to understand and minimize our risks," notes Dmitry Bocharov. "We are starting to incorporate all risk calculations and assessments into our strategy and business planning, enabling us to make the best decisions for the bank as we continue to expand.

"What's more, Fusion Risk will improve the efficiency of our risk management processes, as we can easily manage risk, liquidity and profitability from a single, streamlined solution."

He adds: "Finastra gives us a platform for bringing risk management in line with the rest of our highly automated, modernized business processes. Being a multilateral development bank, we are committed to investing in innovation for our clients as well as ourselves. By catering for our risk with a solution that can both accommodate present levels and grow with us, there will be no barriers to further expansion, development and innovation." With a rock-solid risk management platform in place, IIB is well-prepared to meet whatever challenges and opportunities the future may hold

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#### **Planning Ahead**

Looking to the future, IIB plans to build on the technological and strategic transformation it has undertaken over the last four years.

Dmitry Bocharov concludes: "We are committed to investing in innovation and development. Our primary mission is to improve efficiency and promote further economic development for our clients, the member countries. "We never stand still. Looking further ahead, with Fusion Risk in place we are well prepared for continuous development. We can harness Fusion Risk to gradually build our risk intelligence across the company—helping us link risk management to our wider decisionmaking processes to embed better risk awareness across the business."

#### About Finastra

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