

### **Lean administration at NDR**

Frankfurt, December 06, 2001 – North German Radio (NDR) is preparing the foundation for a simpler and lower-cost administration of user information in data processing. Before the station moves into the new broadcasting centre on Rothenbaum in Hamburg as planned in August 2003, the complete client/server environment in the state broadcasting centres in Hamburg, Lower Saxony, Mecklenburg-West Pomerania and Schleswig-Holstein, together with the affiliated regional studios, will be updated to the latest technological standards. In addition, the NDR is planning for the first time the introduction of a centralized directory service (meta-directory) for the user administration.

The NDR has commissioned the IT service provider itelligence AG with the organizational and technical consultation in this multi-stage project. itelligence is responsible for the selection of products (independent of the manufacturer) and the conception of a meta-directory as well as the creation of a concept for the migration from the current Microsoft Windows NT 4 server environment to a Microsoft Windows 2000 server. In the course of the project, the Microsoft Active Directory, along with other directory services, will be linked to a meta-directory in order to realize the effective, centralized administration of user information for the some 4000 users at NDR. In addition to the technical consultation, the organizational processes related to the directory services affecting administration and operation will be redesigned.

“The NDR expects substantial optimization of the in-house processes from these investments in an super-ordinate directory service for the administration of user information and access rights of our employees. The combination of technical know-how in the field of directory services and the extensive skills of the Hamburg consultation team in IT process optimization convinced us to carry out the planning phase of this project with itelligence,” confirmed the responsible project manager at NDR.

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