Data Integration Software

Request for Proposal: Questions & Responses

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1. **In the RFP - The tool selected must have capabilities to integrate with DB2 and SQL Server and have listeners already created that reside on the IBM iSeries. Does the current system leverage data queues on the iSeries or are the listeners supposed to be on the data tables themselves?**

   Although the iSeries supports data queues, we are expecting the new software to listen for changes on any iSeries database table that we select and to send those changes to other listeners on other servers.

   Can the RPG code can be modified to push information to a third part when membership information is changed. There is a requirement to keep the data integrity across various systems. If we can change the code which submits changes in membership data, we can more easily update the rest of the systems and keep them in synch. We can handle it whatever way they want so it might not be worth introducing confusion by asking this.

   No. The RPG code and SQL stored procedures will not be modified to send information to any outside third party application or database.

2. **There are COTS systems (Office of Chief Trial Counsel and State Bar Court) being purchased for the court applications. The award date is in November. Has it been disclosed who the State Bar selected?**

   Sustain is the awarded vendor for the Office of the Chief Trial Counsel and no decision has been made for State Bar Court.

3. **Is a response required for the following sections in the overview document ("RFP") for Data Integration Software?**
   E- Goals and Principles
   F – Do you want vendor comments for each deliverable?

   Please fully complete the section titled 'Submission Requirements'. The deliverables are listed to help responding vendors price their response.

4. **We are working on a response to the RFP below. A quick question...can we use the State Bar of California Logo in our proposal?**

   Yes, you may copy the logo from our website.

5. **Easy to understand business rules creation and implementing those business rules (page 5, E.4.) Question: What type of business rules are they referring to? Business rules associated to message flow, data validation, data transformation, service invocation and message routing OR DOES IT INCLUDE business rules associated with advanced mathematical formulas, work flow decisions and directions, and workflow que management that would normally be a part of a BPM/Rules Engine solution.**

    We are looking for a solution to define business rules associated to message flow, data validation, data transformation, service invocation and message routing.

6. **Security: applications should ensure data and access security; sensitive data must be protected in storage and in transit (page 5, E.6.) Question: Will the Integration Solution have an existing Security Solution to interface with? Will the Integration Solution have an existing encryption methodology for Storage and Network that can be utilized?**

    We are asking how you secure data as it is being transferred from one system to another. We don't currently have any solutions 'in the cloud' but in the future, we may.

7. **Describe the interface for business process modeling, business rules, workflow, and data transformations. Describe how to develop a rule-based messaging system (Questionnaire page 1, #12). Question: Will the Integration Solution have a Business Process and a Business Rules engine to interface with? If so, what are the interface standards; Web Services, .Net API, Java API, other? If not, are these engines expected to be part of the Integration Solution?**

    Yes, we are expecting the integration solution to provide the ability to define business rules as it relates to updating data from one system to another. Defining the business process would help define the business rules but doesn't need to be part of the solution. We are looking for the integration software solution provided by the vendor to have an easy to use GUI that defines business rules and processing. We presently do not have a BP engine to interface with