

# Composer for Lotus Notes



## Composer for Lotus Notes Enables Rapid Adoption of Microsoft Platforms While Minimizing Disruption to End Users

Composer for Lotus Notes is a software + services solution that delivers like-for-like, production-to-production migration of Lotus Notes applications to the Microsoft stack.

### Lotus Notes to Microsoft Office System

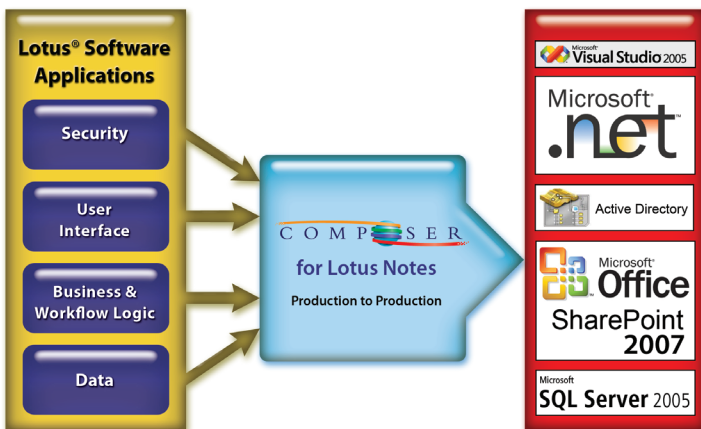


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### Business Challenges

With organizations facing mandates to standardize and consolidate platforms, reduce costs, and improve scalability, manageability and interoperability of their systems, application migration is fast becoming a business priority. Migrations offer a compelling alternative to an application rewrite by reducing the cost and time in adopting new platforms. The result – an opportunity to maximize diminishing budgets and minimize end-user disruption by preserving the business logic and workflow functionality.

Companies with Lotus Notes often have hundreds to thousands of Notes applications proliferated throughout the enterprise, ranging from discussion databases to form/views to complex workflow, LotusScript-based systems. As companies

inventory and explore their Notes environment, the four options considered for addressing these Notes applications include:

- Retire the applications
- Replace with packaged applications
- Rewrite the application from scratch
- Migrate the application to preserve the business logic/workflow while minimizing the disruption associated with retraining end users.

An application migration strategy becomes the optimal choice for those applications the business determines to keep.

### The Composer for Lotus Notes Solution

Composer for Lotus Notes is a software + services engagement that enables the rapid adoption of the Microsoft Office System and Microsoft Office SharePoint Server. Composer migrates complex Lotus Notes collaboration and template applications while preserving the business logic/workflow in order to avoid end-user disruption.



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Composer is the ONLY complete solution for all Lotus Notes application migrations to the Microsoft Office System. Composer makes previously insurmountable migration projects manageable and cost efficient. For the first time, large, complex Notes applications can successfully transition to the Microsoft stack.

## Composer Migration

- Data from the Lotus Notes application is migrated into a normalized SQL Server database.
- Business logic is restructured as C# Web Services in Visual Studio.
- User Interface is transformed into SharePoint Lists, Web Parts and .NET applications.
- ACL security is mapped into the Microsoft Active Directory Services.
- After the migration, the newly recomposed application can be optimized with enhanced workflows, UI, and Integration.

Unify collaborates with customers to determine the number of Notes applications suited for migration in order to minimize the project costs and schedule. Unify's fixed fee/fixed scope software + services engagement begins with a Discovery of the Lotus Notes application environment and identifies key objectives for the migration. The business justification and project metrics are identified as part of the process in order to deliver a mutually successful engagement.

## The Composer Discovery

The Composer solution incorporates a metric-driven approach whereby customers are able to verify that the objectives defined as critical for the project are achieved. This process sets Unify apart from competitors as does our methodology of Analyze, Refine, Target (ART).

Included within the Discovery, ART helps to determine the real cost of migrating the complex applications:

**Analyze** - discreet Notes application at the business logic and component level to facilitate intelligent and logical decisions for the most feature rich and cost effective migration.

**Refine** - identifies application attributes including forms, views, agents, etc. that may not require migration. Unify and the customer confirm which of those attributes are needed to meet the business requirements. Only the code that is needed to preserve the business functionality is migrated resulting in a cleaner migration.

**Target** - the appropriate platform, .NET or SharePoint-Infopath, for hosting the newly migrated Notes applications.

With Composer, this process is automated and performed for each application and is the reason Unify is able to deliver a fixed fee/fixed scope migration solution.

Download our white paper at [www.unify.com](http://www.unify.com).

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