

Configuration and Integration Services from Capita Further and Higher Education

Microsoft SharePoint, Reporting Services and Workflow offers a powerful environment for the delivery of management information to your organisation, whether you choose to couple this with the comprehensive UNIT-e integration toolset or use it stand alone it can be a complex solution to install and configure.

If you have Microsoft Reporting Services (RS) and SharePoint (MOSS), you will have two or more web servers to maintain. Did you know that through the integration of SharePoint and Reporting Services, results from RS can be delivered using the beauty and simplicity of SharePoint?

With SharePoint in native mode there are many limitations, the first and most obvious being that without integration, there will be separate security needed for RS and MOSS equalling twice the management overhead. Furthermore, if reports are hosted on the report server they can only be viewed in SharePoint, with external facing SharePoint servers requiring RS servers outside the firewall; filtering of reports can only be done in the report itself using report parameters

and with a non-consistent user interface between publishing and viewing reports it becomes very difficult to customise the interface.

How do I configure these products?

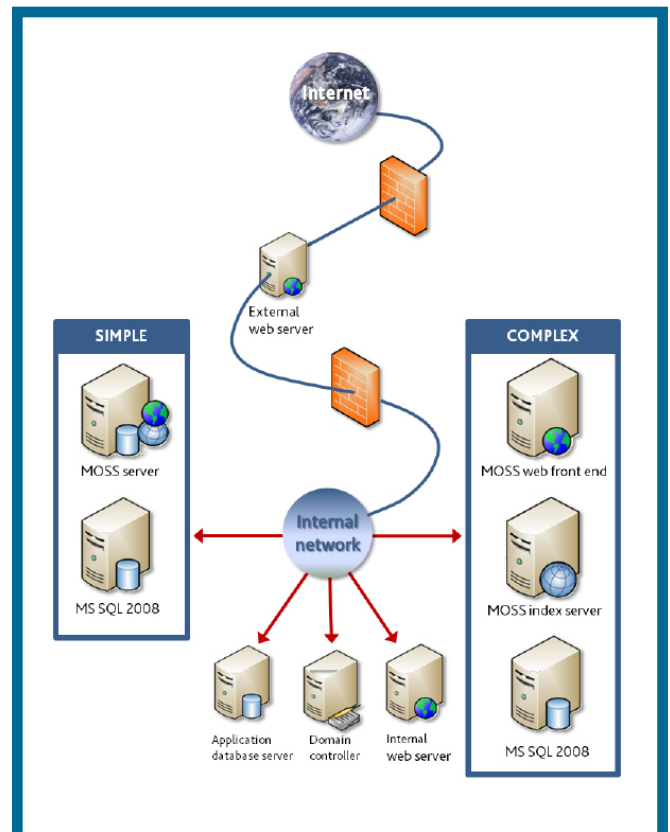
This is not an easy task – a lot of investigation is needed to do this. Many errors can result, corrupting your current installation, and the investigation period alone could take months to get right.

The Capita solution

Capita Further and Higher Education has invested much time and effort to provide a fast and efficient integration and configuration service. Our experience enables us to implement a working solution within days. You can then deliver what you want, when you want it, fully utilising the benefits of SharePoint, such as Workflow and KPIs.

Benefits of SharePoint in integrated mode

- Single security model for Reporting Services and SharePoint
- Reports are hosted in SharePoint and are treated as part of SharePoint. External facing SharePoint servers do not require any additional Reporting Services servers outside the firewall
- Additional report filtering capability is available within SharePoint and standard filtering web parts. This provides a more familiar and simple end user experience
- Single consistent and easily customised user interface between publishing and viewing reports interface
- Automatic synchronisation between reports server scheduling and SharePoint
- Storing reports in SharePoint document libraries. This allows a report to use standard SharePoint features, such as workflow, versioning, and collaboration.



Benefits of SharePoint integration services from Capita FHE:

- Fast and efficient configuration and integration
- Working solution within days
- Quickly delivers what you want, when you want it
- Fully utilises benefits of SharePoint's and Reporting Services' filters
- Successfully manages growing demands
- Additionally, if you are a UNIT-e user it maximises reporting functionality from UNIT-e to SharePoint seamlessly.

Key functions of configuration and integration:

- Delivers service on either a single server SharePoint Farm (running SQL, MOSS and RS) or spread over multiple servers
- Implementation of Microsoft Workflow Foundation
- Single, integrated solution replaces two or more disparate software systems
- Additional SharePoint servers can be added later as demand grows
- Oracle customers may require a different configuration to that shown in the diagram.

Want to find out more?

For further information on the Configuration and Integration Service from Capita FHE, please contact your Client Manager, call 01225 647500 or email marketing@capitafhe.co.uk.