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Cloud-based solutions are being embraced by more and more organisations, enabling complex operational functions to be outsourced to specialist external providers. The cloud can deliver real cost reductions, free up internal resources and allow you to focus on your core business.

Delivered by SWIFT – a global leader in financial processing technologies for over 40 years – our Community Cloud solutions combine the best of SWIFT skills, knowledge and execution practices, with the benefits typical of cloud solutions – a lighter footprint and faster time to market. Offered to banks, corporates and investment managers alike, our Community Cloud solutions are tailored to your specific requirements.

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Alliance Lite2

Connect to the financial industry

Alliance Lite2 provides a direct connection to 10,800+ financial institutions and corporations in over 200 countries. It is for those banks, corporates and investment managers who want a direct SWIFT connection to their counterparties – whether that's for processing 10,000 messages a day or a few transactions per month – with all the benefits of a cloud-based solution.

Alliance Lite2 has been designed to suit the varying cloud connectivity needs of SWIFT customers. It can be used for manual and automated message exchange with additional options such as back-office integration to make the SWIFT Community Cloud your truly end-to-end solution.

Alliance Lite2 is hosted and operated by SWIFT, a core provider and global leader in financial processing technologies.

Benefits

- Delivers a single and direct communication channel to more than 10,800 financial institutions worldwide
- Provides a lighter footprint and rapid set up time, typical of cloud connectivity
- Enables access to SWIFT and others' financial application services, such as SWIFT reference data and our Sanctions Screening services
- Managed and operated by SWIFT
- Comes with 24/7/365 SWIFT support

"By implementing Alliance Lite2 we were able to improve our communications with our key partners - simply and cost-effectively. The solution also helped us significantly improve our customer service process."

Jean Fuchs, Founder and Managing Director, Fuchs & Associés Group

Alliance Lite2 for Business Applications

Combining your business application with a connection to the financial industry

Alliance Lite2 for Business Applications enables business application providers – specialising in treasury, trade and other financial software solutions – to combine SWIFT connectivity with the value of their application.

With Alliance Lite2 for Business Applications, end-customers – corporates or investment managers alike – gain a powerful capability to transact with their banks and counterparties across the globe. The solution is plug and play – with no need for complex integration into end-customers' back office systems – and can be rapidly up and running.

Benefits for application providers

- Combine the value of your application with SWIFT connectivity in a single package
- Stand out from the competition in you market place by offering SWIFT connectivity
- Develop your business reach and gain new customers

Benefits for end-customers

- Transact with over 10,800 financial institutions globally via a single business application
- Straightforward way to connect to SWIFT with little need for investment in on premises infrastructure
- Provides an identity in the financial industry using a business identifier code (BIC)

"For companies like us it's typically difficult to get through the complex IT structure. We don't need to have a bank communication system in-house – it takes time, it's complicated, and it's not Volvo's core business."

Jörgen Holmgren, Director Finance, Volvo

Alliance Lifeline

Ensuring business continuity if your operations are disrupted

Alliance Lifeline offers additional operations resiliency to customers that have a standard and back-up connection to SWIFT. If all your connections go down, our Lifeline service provides an additional SWIFT connection, quickly enabling you to once more exchange financial messages and access our services until your normal connectivity is restored.

As a SWIFT Cloud service, Alliance Lifeline provides cost certainty and avoids the need for capital investment and systems maintenance on your premises*.

Alliance Lifeline supports the exchange of all SWIFT message types and files, and offers automated and manual message entry and facilitates basic message reconciliation. Alliance Lifeline includes a user interface, SWIFT connection, and related services.

*Please note that Alliance Lifeline is not an alternative to a back-up infrastructure.

Benefits

- A third layer of connectivity at an affordable price
- Always available
- Easy-to-use SWIFT connection and messaging interface
- Handles all SWIFT message and file types, standards, and WebAccess services
- A choice of activation method with our Standard or Premium services
- Supports manual and automated flows

"Alliance Lifeline provides cost-effective insurance in case our access to the SWIFT network is disrupted."

Stephen Leung, Managing Director, Head of Operations, Daiwa Capital Markets

Alliance Remote Gateway

Reducing the cost and complexity of on premise infrastructures

Alliance Remote Gateway connects your on premises SWIFT interface directly to SWIFT – removing the need for you to manage connectivity components (e.g. HSM). As a result, Alliance Remote Gateway reduces your total cost of ownership, and enables you to focus resources on your core business*.

Alliance Remote Gateway supports all SWIFT messages. And, while your technical components are managed and operated by SWIFT, you retain full control over the configuration (e.g. back office integration, message storage, etc.).

Benefits

- Reduce operational costs
- Simplify hardware complexity
- Focus on your core infrastructure
- Flexibility in configuration and back-office integration
- Operated from one of the SWIFT Operating Centres (OPC)
- Suitable for customers who send and receive up to 20,000 messages per day with standard throughput expectations

*Alliance Remote Gateway does not provide the same functionality and resilience as a traditional Alliance Gateway. Please consult your SWIFT account manager and they will perform an assessment to verify if Alliance Remote Gateway is right for your organisation.

"Alliance Remote Gateway (ARG) is a comprehensive connectivity model to SWIFT messaging system. It provides a single access point to the SWIFT network and its services, and helps to lower our operating cost."

Mr. Md. Abul Bashar, SEO & SWIFT, Standard Bank

Get connected with the SWIFT Community Cloud

To get up and running, please contact your SWIFT account manager or email directly cloud@swift.com.