

STOR2RRD has replaced IBM TPC in Raiffeisenbank a.s.

One of the top 5 Czech banks, Raiffeisenbank a.s. has decided to use STOR2RRD tool as a reporting and monitoring platform for their high-end storages.

Prior STOR2RRD, this client was using the IBM Tivoli Productivity Center (TPC) as the main reporting tool for their storage environment. As the TPC is rather expensive and complex tool, which is not easy to maintain, the customer started to look for an alternative product with the comparable functionality. As the customer is a satisfied user of the sister product LPAR2RRD already for many years, STOR2RRD was considered as a potential solution.

Main objectives were:

- to get a reporting tool with a user friendly interface
- to save costs for the maintenance fee
- customization possibilities
- performance monitoring of physical storages as well as LUNs
- capacity planning and reporting

Based on the above parameters, the customer decided to use STOR2RRD with premium support. The tool provides them with all required data in a very straightforward, simply constructed and, last but not least, timely manner. Regardless of the type of the information one is looking for, one can get it within 3 clicks. The information simply became "few clicks away".

Another aspect of using STOR2RRD with premium support is the possibility to ask developers for tailored customizations. In this particular case the customer asked for automated monthly reports for management, which would provide all of the required data in a pre-defined shape.

Current (beginning of 2015) storage environment:

- 2 x IBM DS8700
- 2 x IBM DB8800
- 1 x IBM Storwize V5000

In general, by using STOR2RRD the customer got the same required functionality as from the legacy software, within much less than tenth of the price.

Jiri Koutnik (enterprise systems lead at Raiffeisenbank a.s.) said:

Experience with already implemented tool LPAR2RRD and price strategy of previously used storage monitoring solution incite us to search for an alternative solution. We looked for web based tool to have quick overview of storage behaviour and also to see long term trends graphs, as this management likes. Other things like easy deployment, simple tool management and relatively flexible customization lead us to choose STOR2RRD tool.

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