

# Case Study

## Project Management Relocation

### Situation

Having initially set out as a representative office with a small management team and a few clerical staff, Petrobras in Singapore has become a very successful and rapidly expanding local company over the years. With this growth the very sophisticated ICT landscape changed dramatically. When the time came that the existing office was too small, the initial idea was to expand. This was impossible, however, due to the lack of lettable space and so a move was the only solution. Once this was decided all resources were targeted at this critical move. For the ICT environment it was imperative that the move was going smooth, and most importantly, all trading systems were working immediately in the new premises.

### Solution

Once it was decided to move, Petrobras appointed Reppel & Partners to oversee the whole IT and communication move to a much larger office. Not only did we define a very detailed project plan for the task but also seized the opportunity to plan in necessary enhancements to the overall landscape and upgrades. All steps were coordinated with the prime contractor for the physical move and new office setup and after the new location was set up, extensive testing was carried out. Once all equipment was certified working fine, the actual move of all racks and personal equipment including the changes and upgrades were done.

### Success

The move and upgrade was carried out over a weekend and on Monday all users could come to their desks and access all systems as before. Minor fixes were carried out on the spot as all partners were available. User training for the new functionalities was also carried out close to the move so that the new landscape became home to all users and the management in no time.

### Petróleo Brasileiro S.A.

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### Testimonial

*'As the availability on the Monday morning after the move was imperative, we tasked Reppel & Partners with the project management and the coordination. As it turned out our choice was the right one'*

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