



Case Studies

Kuwait Stock Exchange www.fapcofinance.com – Online Data Broadcast

FAPCO is the leading provider of on-line data broadcast live from the Kuwait Stock Exchange since 1997. Our aim was to enable quick financial decision-making by financial services industry professionals who rely on this data to make crucial decisions on a daily basis. Target customers also included local and international investors.

The Challenge

In 1996, when the KSE service was being developed, the requisite technology and hardware was not available locally. FAPCO recognized the power of the internet to broad cast critical Live Trading information and invested in building the whole platform on SUN technologies.

The Solution

As this was a mission-critical system, FAPCO opted for a UNIX platform with SUN Servers clustered for high availability and disaster recovery. This solution was also selected for its scalability – the subscription base has been successfully increased by over 80% over the last 8 years.

The Benefits

The KSE solution....

- ✓ Provides up-to-date, live stock and trade information
- ✓ Offers a graphical display of all trades and historical analyses
- ✓ Provides listed company information with financial statements
- ✓ Makes available to users research reports and other reporting features

About FAPCO:

Fahad Al-Ghunaim and Partners Co. (FAPCO) is an Internet services and solutions company established in January 1996. The company has become a leader in the Internet Technology in the State of Kuwait through its dedication towards the pursuit of excellence. FAPCO's growth has been the result of a dedicated professional approach to its business during its years of operation.

The company offers state-of-the-art Internet technologies, supported by strong partners and alliances in the USA and Europe. FAPCO was able to position itself as a one-stop-Internet-shop offering a full range of distinguished Internet services and solutions to its biggest client portfolio in Kuwait.

Technology Utilized

Development: Perl, PHP, Java, JSP

Database: MySQL

Data Broadcast: FAPCO Proprietary

O/S: Linux & UNIX

Hardware: Intel & SUN