



Vanquis' Digital Transformation: Securely Paving the Way to Scalable, Agile Banking



INDUSTRY

Financial Services

HEADQUARTERS

West Yorkshire, England

COMPANY SIZE

1900 employees

OVERVIEW

Vanquis Banking Group, a FTSE All Share company, is a leading specialist bank, established in 1880. Vanquis Banking Group lends responsibly, providing tailored products and services to 1.75 million UK customers through Vanquis, Moneybarn, and Snoop.

OUR SOLUTION



CloudGuard
Secure the Cloud



Quantum
Secure the Network

CHALLENGE

West Yorkshire-based Vanquis Banking Group is amid a wide-ranging digital transformation to modernize its operations and enhance customer service. The transformation aims to streamline and consolidate its technology stack, enhance customer experience, and optimize internal operational efficiency.

As part of its transformation, Vanquis Banking Group has shifted to a cloud-first organization. The bank is carefully consolidating several discrete technology stacks into a single cloud infrastructure and set of applications. Until this transformation, the bank relied on several hybrid cloud environments that consisted of on-premises and cloud-based infrastructures.



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While several technology stacks arose through acquisitions over the years, it meant operating, managing, and securing entirely different environments. “We wanted to remove these silos and to combine our technology stacks,” said John Rogerson, Senior Cloud and Infrastructure Manager at Vanquis Banking Group.

When fully complete, the transformation will be enormously beneficial when managing its technology stack, making it more straightforward, practical, and agile when responding to changing business demands and evolving customer expectations. “Our data centers will probably disappear, and all those on-premises workloads will go into the cloud,” said Rogerson of the transformation.

Rogerson knew a new consolidated technology stack would require a new security architecture, and a consolidation of the security tools used to defend those separate technology stacks. “When those organizations were running separately, and with their separate teams, they had different security tools because each team operated with their preferred technology,” Rogerson explained. “But as we centralize, we don’t want three different types of firewalls and other security defenses,” he added.

Rogerson and the Vanquis security team set out to find the right security solutions to match the bank’s new unified architecture and support its need for agility and responsiveness.

SOLUTION

After thoroughly assessing available security platforms, Rogerson and the team selected Check Point Software Technologies to secure the bank’s digital transformation and new cloud architecture. “Check Point has deep knowledge, expertise, and an understanding of cyber security. They are the trusted name people recognize within the cyber security industry,” Rogerson said.

Rogerson and the team are deploying Check Point to gain a unified view and consistent policy management across all their networks. Quantum Security Gateway provides Vanquis access control and threat prevention for its on premises networks and CloudGuard Network Security protects the bank’s cloud assets and workloads in Azure environments. CloudGuard Network Security provides Vanquis unified cloud-native capabilities for its cloud workloads and the same AI-powered threat prevention and access control capabilities as Quantum across Azure and other cloud vendor WANs.

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OUTCOME

With Check Point, Vanquis is confident they can secure their consolidated technology stack with security capabilities that Check Point now unifies. “Previously, we had a mishmash of different products doing that. As new workloads migrate into the cloud, we can be confident they’re secured,” Rogerson said.

Now that Vanquis Banking Group is well underway consolidating the various on-premises systems and security from three business units into a single technology stack, they can enhance and transform their applications more rapidly, get new technologies to market more swiftly, and more readily respond to changing business conditions. “It’s a given that we’ll be working with Check Point going forward,” Robertson said. “Now that we are full pelt into our transformation journey, the ongoing approach will be to continue to migrate cloud and capabilities onto the new technology stack and secure it with Check Point.”

“Having a robust level of security at the perimeter of our cloud environment and knowing that we mitigated potential weaknesses makes us more comfortable and confident that we have the right levels of security in place today,” Rogerson said. “We’re thrilled that we chose Check Point. Check Point has a storied cyber security history. Check Point has the pedigree, and Check Point has the experience to meet our security needs,” Rogerson said.

ABOUT CHECK POINT

Check Point Software Technologies Ltd. (www.checkpoint.com) is a leading AI-powered, cloud-delivered cyber security platform provider protecting over 100,000 organizations worldwide. Check Point leverages the power of AI everywhere to enhance cyber security efficiency and accuracy through its Infinity Platform, with industry-leading catch rates enabling proactive threat anticipation and smarter, faster response times. The comprehensive platform includes cloud-delivered technologies consisting of Check Point Harmony to secure the workspace, Check Point CloudGuard to secure the cloud, Check Point Quantum to secure the network, and Check Point Infinity Core Services for collaborative security operations and services.

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