Salesforce developers at Atlas deploy Vlocity DataPacks faster with Gearset

Atlas

Atlas Insurance PCC Limited is the flagship company of Atlas Group.

Size 350+ people   **Location** Malta & Gozo   **Industry** Insurance   **Customer since** 2021

Challenge

Developers at Atlas have used Salesforce Industries (Vlocity) and Lightning Web Components to build a customer portal for their own website that's connected to Salesforce. The team needed a Vlocity deployment tool, but struggled with the first-party options, as Senior Software Engineer Malcolm Camilleri explained:

"To begin with we incorporated Vlocity DX into our CI process. But it's a desktop app you have to install locally, and sometimes after selecting components we'd get this bug where the screen would just hang - we'd have to start over. It got a bit annoying after a while! "

Solution

Malcolm and his teammates found Gearset intuitive for Vlocity deployments, and quickly saw considerable time savings. Deployments that used to take 20 minutes now take just 5 minutes.

"Before we'd use Vlocity DX to deploy, then Source Tree for merge conflicts, then over to Bitbucket - too many screens! It was easy to lose focus. Having everything in Gearset really helps the whole operation."

The Atlas team also saw Gearset's value for automating and managing their release pipeline with continuous integration (CI). Pain points from the old process have been eliminated: where the team used to merge code manually, a CI job in Gearset now means they can merge at the click of a button.

"Gearset ticked all of our boxes: it supported Vlocity, it could do everything we did with Vlocity DX and more, it was faster, more robust, easier to use and all the devs were happy. After a month of evaluation, it was an easy decision to choose Gearset."

Results

Deployments 4x faster than Vlocity DX

80% less time spent on releases

New CI process with 500+ job runs

Almost 1000 comparisons and deployments of Vlocity DataPacks

"If someone is using Vlocity DX, they'll see a huge difference and Gearset will help with continuous integration. It's also really intuitive: easy to use, easy to set up. I can't find anything bad to say about Gearset!

Malcolm Camilleri,
Senior Software Engineer, Atlas Insurance