

Fronde uses the IBM Innovation Centre in Sydney to deliver their application on IBM technology to their customers

Fronde Systems Group is an ISV headquartered in Wellington, New Zealand designing and developing industrial strength business transaction and payment systems. They visited the IBM Innovation Centre for Business Partners to test their product Fronde Anywhere™ on IBM's System x® range and WebSphere® software.

Fronde Anywhere™ offers mobile banking, payment and two factor authentication solutions for retail banks and the wider financial services industry. Fronde approached the IBM Innovation Centre for Business Partners as part of its product development programme and were looking to meet several key objectives in engaging with the centre. One was to verify the installation, configuration and basic functionality of Fronde Anywhere on a variety of hardware and software platforms. The other was gather performance and load statistics for Fronde Anywhere™ product with the aim of satisfying themselves and their customers that forecasted performance metrics were being met, and for use in customer documentation as quotable capacity value.

Craig Eades, Fronde Anywhere Product Manager, said 'the IBM Innovation Centre were able to offer us access to hardware and operating environments that we would not otherwise have been able to access. This, combined with the knowledgeable and helpful staff who assisted us in the testing process, significantly boosted our capability – and we were able to learn a great deal from the experience.'

Susan Bohme, Implementation Specialist at Fronde, who led the performance testing process said, "Our time working with the Centre allowed us to gather performance information that our customers were requesting. We identified a couple of key software issues during the testing. The developers were able to identify the root cause and create a patch during the testing process. We managed to do performance analysis on more functionality than we had originally envisioned. IBM was wonderful in being able to schedule some additional access to the servers so we could complete this."

Susan also states "Having access to IBM's expertise has helped Fronde Anywhere get their specialised mobile software products for the banking and financial services sector ready for the world. That access to IBM technology has given Fronde Anywhere independent verification of product performance and deployment infrastructure scenarios – essential given the high international market penetration of IBM hardware and software platforms in the financial services sector."

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