Financing IBM Software

Accelerate your business transformation with IBM Global Financing

Many businesses today are finding innovative ways to invest in software in order to capitalize on the explosion of big data, a hyper-connected society, demanding customers and the push for innovation. Yet, funding new projects is often a challenge, especially when many technology budgets are spent maintaining and operating the current organization, systems, and equipment.

IBM Global Financing can help you adopt a strategic approach to funding short and long term solutions from one of the world's most comprehensive enterprise software portfolios.

Remove budget obstacles

Financing is helping clients of all sizes and across more than 20 industries to obtain the capabilities of the IBM software portfolio. Flexible lending programs can help you address specific business and IT requirements:

- **Accelerate solution implementation.** Financing helped a European bank adopt a platform for social business that improved employee collaboration and efficiency. In addition to securing funding for the IBM software, they have protected their investment by including subscription and support services in the payments.

- **Manage cash flow.** A retail firm in Asia used financing to invest in an IBM commerce solution to support their rapidly growing sales volumes. They replaced a large up-front capital investment with a plan that aligned cash outflows with anticipated business revenues.

Highlights

- Maximize purchasing power
- Turn up-front costs into predictable payments
- Preserve cash and credit lines
• **Preserve future flexibility.** A North American financial services firm lowered their total cost of ownership by leasing an expert integrated system designed to support high volumes of data for business analytics. Leasing helps manage rapid technology changes through flexible upgrade options which reduce obsolescence and disposal risk.

**Flexible terms and payment options**

IBM Global Financing offers simple contracts with fast approvals and flexible payment structures and terms. Get competitive rates to affordably acquire the technology you need now.

Ask your IBM representative or IBM Business Partner which option is best for your project.
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<td>• Conserve cash with access to an alternative source of funds</td>
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<td>Fair Market Value (FMV) leases</td>
<td>• Achieve a lower cost of ownership for expert integrated systems and other appliances</td>
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<td>• Increase capacity during the lease, often with little change in monthly payments</td>
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<td>• Shift obsolescence and disposal risk to IBM Global Financing</td>
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Why IBM?

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