

Quants Index

Europe-based Investment Bank

\$3.5m annualized cost savings

CLIENT CHALLENGES

The client was looking for offshore support on index production prior to London open and was keen on extending capabilities in the portfolio and risk-modeling products.

The client wanted to set up an offshore support team to:

- » engage a pool of skilled resources to meet deadlines
- » reduce onshore operational costs
- » leverage a multi-functional team during different time zones
- free up bandwidth for onshore teams to focus on value-added areas

55 FTEs

40,000 indices being supported



OUR APPROACH

- Assigned a team of 2 FTEs to support the client's Index Operations team
- Invested heavily in training and continuous improvement programs
- Implemented a night shift in Bangalore to support live US coverage
- » Delivered self-directed customized automation solutions that accelerated support
 - Back testing dashboard for risk model
 - User-defined instruments (UDI)generator

IMPACT DELIVERED

- Ramped up support in other areas, such as strategy indices, corporate actions and modeling support, including risk calibration and back testing
- » Delivered time-sensitive and high-quality support for indices
 - Daily index monitoring and publishing
 - Monthly risk calibration
 - Reference data reconciliation
 - 24*6 support

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