

ARAG Group

Ensuring data privacy while eliminating defects in production with CA Test Data Manager

CLIENT PROFILE

Industry: Insurance and legal

Company: ARAG Group

Members: 3,700



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PRIORITY TO
PROTECT PRIVACY

Data privacy compliance

With maintaining data privacy now high on the agenda, organisations need to anonymise data used in a variety of settings – including test and development. “Data privacy is an important issue in Germany,” comments Jochen Westheide, Senior Systems Manager at ARAG.

ARAG uses CA Test Data Manager to not only secure small subsets of production data for use by its development and test teams, but also to anonymise that data. “The CA Technologies solution has helped us overcome a number of problems and it has become an indispensable element in our processes,” adds Westheide.

Before adopting CA Test Data Manager, poor data quality could lead to bugs being introduced into test environments. Today, ARAG’s development and test teams can create the fit-for-purpose test data required to mitigate the risk of defects in production at an early stage. This helps to reduce time-to-market while ensuring compliance with data privacy legislation.

Fit-for-purpose test data

ARAG Group is an internationally successful innovative quality insurer. It serves customers in 16 countries, including Germany, Spain, Italy and the USA.

When the support contract for its previous test data management tool was due to expire, ARAG decided to look for a more dynamic solution with masking and obfuscation capabilities.

Westheide reveals, “To maintain compliance with privacy regulations, we required a comprehensive test data management solution that could mask and anonymise our personal and sensitive information prior to testing.”

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Using CA Test Data Manager has enabled ARAG to not only enhance its data masking and obfuscation processes, but also ensure its data meets its test and development needs.

“We narrowed it down to two solutions that could allow us to get the right kind of data for testing and development,” Westheide explains. “We needed a variety of data scenarios for testing and development and using live production data would not have been suitable as we only needed a small amount of data, but with a rich spread.”

When ARAG looked into other solutions on the market, it found CA Technologies to be the right choice for many reasons. “During our evaluation of test data management solutions we realised the importance of having a user-friendly interface. CA Test Data Management is easy to operate and requires little maintenance. ” states Westheide. The deciding factor for implementing CA Test Data Manager came down to cost efficiency.

Reliable, high quality test data

CA Test Data Manager allows the test and development teams at ARAG to successfully create and manage test data that is both fit-for-purpose and of a high quality, while also significantly improving testing efficiency. Westheide explains: “It’s great to know that the data we have in our test environments is very much like the data we have in production and that it provides a reliable test coverage.”

As a result, ARAG can be confident that the solutions it delivers to its clerks are of a higher quality and the data used to test those solutions complies with data privacy regulations.

“With the CA Technologies test data management solution, we can ensure compliance, reduce the number of defects that reach production and accelerate time-to-market,” concludes Westheide.



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