

# Veeam helps Brunel protect data powering global recruitment



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## The Business Challenges

Brunel's business objective is to provide clients with excellent service ranging from resource planning through deployment. The company's recruitment and operations staff are experts in their fields. Their extensive knowledge of international logistics and local laws and regulations enable Brunel to provide efficient, cost-effective and fully compliant workplace solutions.

Brunel's operational excellence is the result of more than 45 years of successful business conducted globally. The company's wealth of experience gives clients confidence their resourcing and employment requirements will be managed with the highest level of professionalism.

Critical IT systems support client account management and recruitment, including Microsoft Dynamics for client relationships and Microsoft Office 365 for employee collaboration. Both systems help Brunel map out requirements for each client and create solutions to meet those requirements.

"Protecting the data in these systems is critical to meeting clients' needs, so we faced a challenge when our legacy backup solution was no longer reliable," said Marc Nonnekes, Manager Infra Systems at Brunel International N.V. "It was difficult to use and caused one headache after another."

Brunel replaced the legacy solution with Veeam® Availability Suite™. Nonnekes said the difference between the two solutions was significant.

### Industry

Business Services

### Company

**Brunel**

Brunel International N.V. is a global provider of flexible workforce and staffing solutions. The company recruits and deploys professionals in the fields of oil and gas, engineering, mining, automotive and renewable energy. Founded in 1975 and based in Amsterdam, Brunel has a worldwide network of more than 100 offices and 13,000 staff in 40 countries.

"Backups are reliable with Veeam, recovery takes minutes and it's easy to use, which saves 10 to 15 hours each week in backup management time," he explained. "We trust Veeam, so before we transitioned to Microsoft Office 365, we asked Insight Enterprises, one of our strategic partners, what they thought of Veeam Backup for Microsoft Office 365. They agreed Veeam was the best choice for us."

## The Veeam Solution

Veeam helps Brunel protect critical data supporting recruitment services and workforce solutions. Veeam provides complete control and protection of Office 365 data, and it facilitates compliance with the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and local data retention laws.

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Veeam backs up 4.5 TB of data (including 1,500 Office 365 mailboxes) on-premises and transfers backup copies to Azure for disaster recovery. If Brunel experiences a disaster situation, Veeam offers several high-speed recovery features. Instant VM Recovery® restores a whole VM in minutes and Veeam Explorers™ for Microsoft SQL Server, Exchange and SharePoint restore individual items in Microsoft Dynamics and Office 365.

"Our biggest concern about moving to Office 365 was losing historical data," Nonnekes said. "We have to be able to restore data from seven to 10 years in the past to remain compliant with GDPR and local data retention laws. Brunel operates in 40 countries, and data retention laws are wide ranging."

In addition to helping Brunel quickly restore data within specific retention periods, Veeam protects against accidental deletion and security threats. With a few simple clicks, the IT team can restore Exchange items, SharePoint sites, OneDrive for Business accounts and Microsoft Teams data.

"We had grown familiar with the recovery features in Veeam Availability Suite, including single-item recovery, which wasn't possible with legacy backup, so we are happy to use these features again in Veeam Backup for Microsoft Office 365," Nonnekes said. "Recovering anything with Veeam is fast and easy."

## Challenge

Finding, selecting and supervising the ideal professionals for each client is Brunel's competitive advantage. Outstanding account management and recruitment are critical to the company's success; therefore, protecting the data powering these processes is just as critical. When Brunel's legacy backup solution failed to back up data reliably, the company replaced it with Veeam. Later, when Brunel transitioned to Microsoft Office 365, Veeam was the obvious choice again.

## Solution

- Veeam Availability Suite
- Veeam Backup for Microsoft Office 365

## Results

- Protects data supporting recruitment and workforce solutions
- Provides complete control and protection of data in Office 365
- Facilitates compliance with GDPR and local data retention laws

## The Results

- **Protects data supporting recruitment and workforce solutions**  
Brunel is an international company with a strong global brand. Veeam helps Brunel protect data that supports professional staffing.
- **Provides complete control and protection of data in Office 365**  
"Many companies assume Office 365 is already protected in the cloud, so there's no need to have a copy of the data," Nonnekes said. "That's not true because accidental deletion, user error, security threats and retention policy gaps are common in most companies."
- **Facilitates compliance with GDPR and local data retention laws**  
"Compliance is straightforward with Veeam because our data is always protected and accessible," Nonnekes said.

### About Insight Enterprises Netherlands



Insight empowers organizations to maximize the business value of IT. As a global provider of digital innovation, cloud integration, data center transformation, connected workforce and supply chain optimization solutions and services, Insight helps clients innovate and optimize operations to run their businesses smarter. Founded in the Netherlands in 1988, Insight has grown to become a worldwide technology provider with offices in 21 countries.

### About Veeam Software

Veeam® is the leader in backup, recovery and data management solutions that deliver Modern Data Protection. The company provides a single platform for Cloud, Virtual, Physical, SaaS and Kubernetes environments. Veeam customers are confident their apps and data are protected and always available with the most simple, flexible, reliable and powerful platform in the industry. Veeam protects over 400,000 customers worldwide, including 81% of the Fortune 500 and 69% of the Global 2,000. Veeam's global ecosystem includes 35,000+ technology partners, resellers and service providers, and alliance partners and has offices in more than 30 countries. To learn more, visit [www.veeam.com](http://www.veeam.com) or follow Veeam on LinkedIn [@veeam-software](https://www.linkedin.com/company/veeam-software) and Twitter [@veeam](https://twitter.com/veeam).



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