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Most challenges related to business continuity management (BCM) are based on process and procedure. Organisations typically do not have a centralised BCM function that enforces standards, consistency and quality across an organisation. They may have hundreds of business continuity plans, but they are rarely, if ever, tested or reviewed. To address these challenges, more firms are turning to web-based software to transform their static BC plans from Word documents and Excel spreadsheets into a more mature BC plan portfolio.

Savant has developed **Mataco** in response to the above issues. Mataco is a web-based BCM tool that provides a single place in which to record, maintain, exercise and review all the elements and plans required for an effective, robust, and complete BCM implementation.

Proper planning and prevention

Mataco helps organisations create and maintain plans to deal with interruptions to staff, buildings, systems, resources and suppliers should the unexpected happen.

Key benefits of the system include:

One single repository

All your BCM data in one place. Updates to data are reflected in all related plans immediately.

Efficiency savings

BCM staff can spend time analysing and planning not administrating data.

A web based interface

Plans and data can be accessed remotely allowing collaboration between stakeholders.

Unrivalled flexibility

Information entry and plan generation are separate functions, making Mataco adaptable to the demands of the organisation.

Support for BS25999 and BCI Good Practice Guidelines

Be confident that your plans will meet the demands of customers, auditors and certification.

If the idea of using Mataco is of interest please reply to this email, click on this link or call us on:

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Kent County Council go live with Mataco

We are pleased to welcome Kent County Council (KCC) as our first user of Mataco.

Savant's Business Development Manager, Glyn Jones explains: "As part of the Civil Contingencies Act 2004, BCM is a statutory requirement for local government. KCC had a paper based system in place but following a review in 2008, it was recognised that they needed an IT based system to provide greater flexibility and efficiency. Mataco is an easy to use web-based solution that will help KCC identify in advance, as far as possible, the actions that are necessary to manage an interruption whatever the cause."

NHS Northants benefit from using Mataco

NHS Northants has become another Mataco user after their consultant recommended the tool for his client. Mel Gosling, of Merrycon, explains, "I wanted a central repository to hold the BIA data I was identifying. I felt that the old fashioned Word and Excel approach would hinder NHS Northants plans. Mataco met my needs not only as a shared tool but also in its ability to support reviews, exercising and other disciplines that make for an effective BC planning tool".

Savant supports the Business Continuity Institute

We're delighted to announce that we have become members of the esteemed Business Continuity Institute and a Gold Sponsor.

We are very pleased to be closely involved with the professional body for the business continuity industry worldwide.

We will be supporting the BCI through various events and publications and we look forward to meeting you via some of these.



Mataco Open Days

We are planning a series of Mataco Open Days at Savant's offices. These days will provide an opportunity for any consultants and/or end users to see Mataco at first hand.

During the visit there will be an opportunity to discuss how Mataco can meet your requirements in Business Continuity.

If you are interested in attending an event please let me know by replying to this email or calling

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