

HOW TO CHOOSE A SMARTER UC SOLUTION

Choosing a unified communications (UC) solution can be challenging.

- How much should you budget for UC?
- What features should you look for?
- What benefits should you rank highest?

This infographic will help take the guesswork out of choosing a UC solution – and building a smarter enterprise.

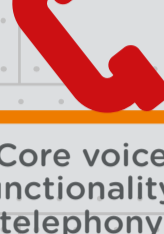
SEARCHING FOR THE RIGHT UC SOLUTION

The emphasis on which features are critical to your business depends on your organization's needs.

Key requirements to look for include:



Business continuity



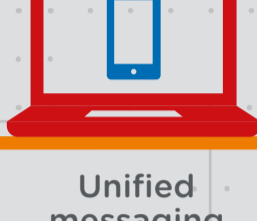
Core voice functionality/telephony



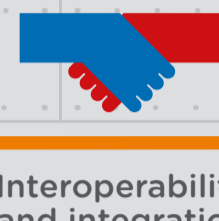
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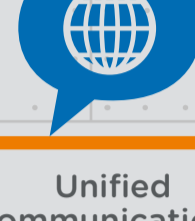
Security



Unified messaging



Interoperability and integration



Unified communications & collaboration



System administration

CONSIDERING

COSTS

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BENEFITS

When ranking UC providers, you need to take total lifecycle costs into account, including:



Purchase price



Installation



Training



Ongoing operation



Maintenance



Software support and upgrades

AND REMEMBER...

23%
INCREASE

IN PRODUCTIVITY SEEN BY BUSINESSES¹

APPROXIMATELY
\$13K

SAVED EVERY YEAR PER EMPLOYEE¹

ABOUT
7
WEEKS

OF PRODUCTIVE WORK HOURS GAINED PER EMPLOYEE¹

DUE TO UNIFIED COMMUNICATIONS

MAKING YOUR CHOICE

UC applications can deliver the tools, scalability and cost-effectiveness that smart businesses need to increase productivity.

Click below to review Stein Technology Consulting Group's vendor rankings presented in the Enterprise Connect RFP Review².

Top UC solutions provide:

- Ease of design, installation, management and support
- All-inclusive licensing and management tools
- High availability, no penalty redundancy and fault tolerance
- Easy distribution for multi-site organizations
- Tangible productivity gains via streamlined operations and reduced hardware
- Software assurance for always-up-to-date systems
- Future viability through web services and standards

Start simple and build up to the ideal solution for your organization.

IF YOU'RE IN THE RFP STAGE OF CHOOSING A NEW UC SOLUTION

LEARN HOW THE LEADING VENDORS STACK UP

Independent consultant Stein Technology Consulting Group has already pulled together a comprehensive RFP² that examines all the factors you should consider—and which providers make the grade in UC architecture, functionality and total cost of ownership.

[Click here to see how UC providers rank.](#)

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DOWNLOAD THE REPORT.

Sources:
1. "Unified Communications Could Save Enterprises Time and Money," *Guidon Performance Solutions*, May 1, 2012.
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