

CASE STUDY

Investment Trust System for a Leading Japanese Bank





OVERVIEW



Luvina has been entrusted with the development and long-term maintenance of an investment trust system for a top-tier Japanese bank. The system had been running reliably for decades, and the client sought a partner capable of enhancing and expanding its functionality without compromising stability, performance, or security.

To meet these expectations, Luvina built a dedicated engineering team with strong financial domain expertise and Japanese language proficiency, while applying internationally recognized software development and quality management standards.

Country: Japan

Industry: Banking & Finance

Focus Area: Investment Trust

Duration: Oct 2012 ~ present

Team size: 20-25 members/month (as of Jan 2025)

Services: System development & maintenance

Key technologies: VB6, Cobol, Pro*C





REQUIREMENTS & SOLUTIONS

Client Requirements

- Uncompromising quality standards: Quality is the top priority;
 every update must pass rigorous checks and meet high expectations.
- Strict adherence to schedule: Timeliness is second only to quality.
- Meticulous attention to detail: Documentation, reports, and deliverables must be precise, clearly written, and end-user ready.
- Continuous improvement: The team must not only maintain current standards but proactively improve capabilities to keep pace with evolving business demands.

Luvina's Solutions

- Implemented global standards:
 ISO 27001 (Information Security), CMMI Level 3 (Process Maturity).
- Formed a core team of Japanese-speaking 9.16
 engineers with deep financial domain knowledge.
- Customized a hybrid development process combining the client's standards with Luvina's offshore model continuously evolving with each project phase.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Up to 40% cost savings

By offshoring high-level technical work to Luvina, the client reduced dependency on costly domestic vendors.

100% first-time acceptance rate

Every release met the client's strict quality expectations from the first delivery.

On-time delivery for 13 consecutive years

All milestones were met on schedule, even amidst changing requirements.

Long-term team stability

13+ years of ongoing collaboration, with over 10 team members having more than 10 years of continuous involvement ensuring knowledge retention and operational consistency.



KEY FEATURES



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Topic / Feature	Extensive	Intermediate	Intermediate Small-scale experience					
1. Financial & customer business management	Account opening	Investment fund and financial product management	Profit distribution / Reinvestment					
	Order processing (including domestic and international)	Reporting and data aggregation	Management of identified accounts / special customers					
	Periodic issuance	Tax and special invoice issuance	Information management and compliance control					
2. Internal operations & system administration	HR, department, and internal account management	Credit limit, credit information, and creditworthiness management	Exceptional case handling, data verification					
			Overseas mail handling, public utility operations	Transactions between subsidiaries				
			Account consolidation, inheritance, account gifting/donation					
3. Technical processes & software development	Internal design	Current system survey						
	Unit testing	External design	Test planning					
	Feature development (coding)							
	Integration testing	Comprehensive/system testing	Release preparation, official deployment					
4. Deployment Cap	acity			'				
Largest project size ever handled		88 MM						
Number of topics handled simultaneously		5						

Overall System Model



1. User Access Channels

- Internet: Remote access and online transactions.
- **Service Counters**: PC/Tablet devices for inquiries and transactions.
- **Call Center**: Customer inquiries and support via centralized system.
- Back Office / Headquarters / Operations Center: Business administration and transaction processing.

2. User System Center

Includes:

- Front-end systems (service counters, tablets, etc.)
- Call Center platform
- Fax-OCR integration module

Secure connection with client's central system via **B***Net**

3. Primary Data Center (Tokyo)

Main system **B***JJ** composed of:

- COMPASS: Navigation subsystem
- **FOCUS**: Research subsystem
- Server clusters: front-end, backend, database, and external interface

Integration with external services: e-BANGO, e-AURORA, FundWeb and partnerships with external vendors: N, *N-J**&T...

4. Disaster Recovery Data Center (Osaka)

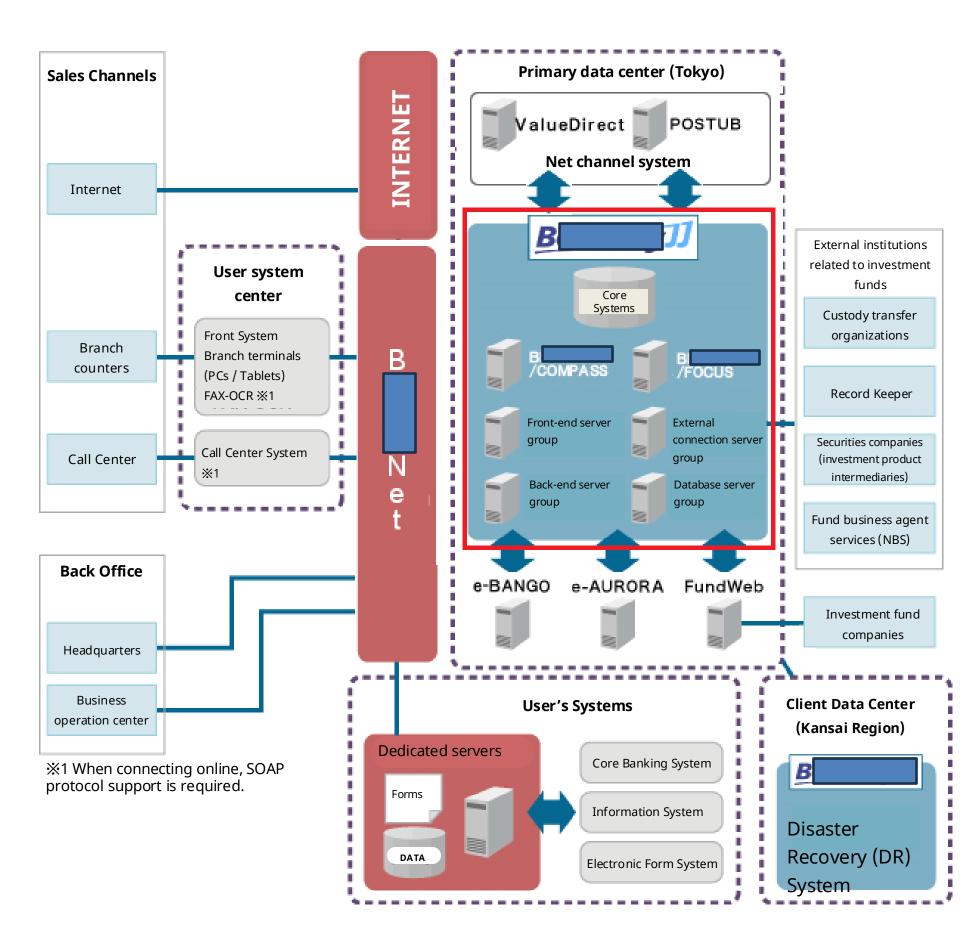
Dedicated **DR system** activated in case of failures at the Tokyo primary center.

5. Client-Specific Server Systems

Internal systems for billing, information management, electronic processes, and business administration.

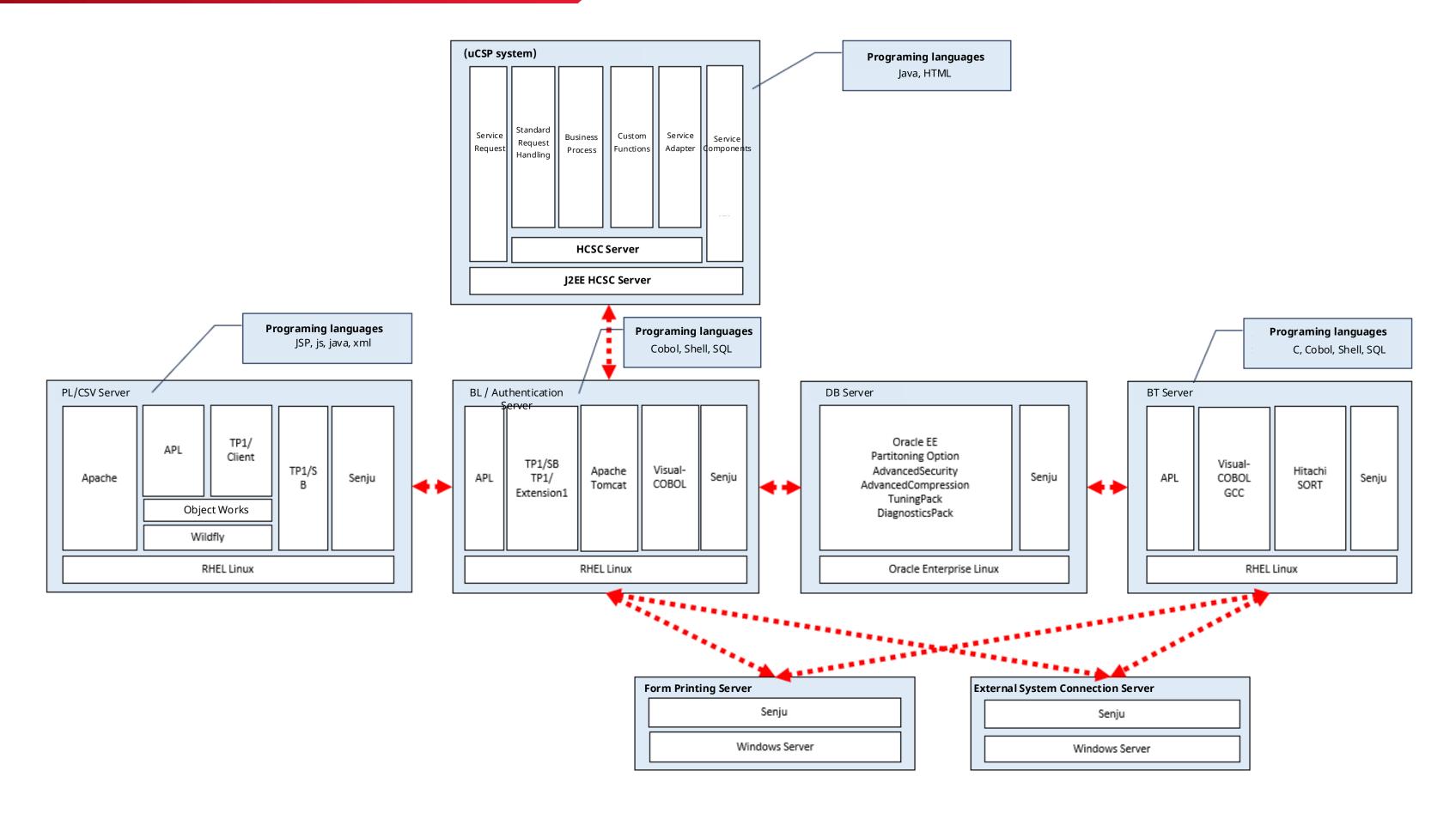
6. Concurrent connections

User → B***Net → Tokyo → External Partners / DR System (Osaka)



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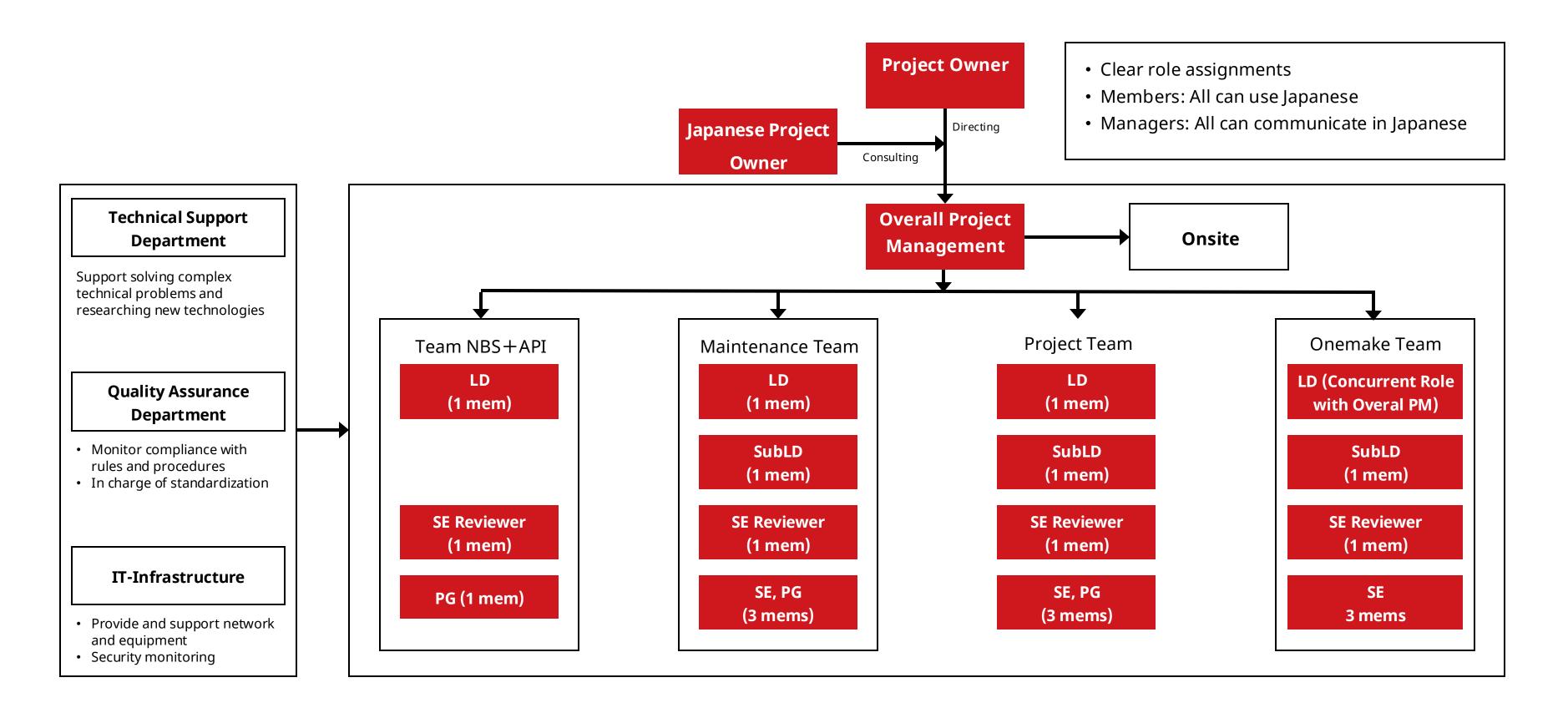
Team Achievements and Project Progression

Year	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Milestones		Apr 2013: Official development started		Nov 2015: Maintenance phase started		Apr 2017: NBS development started
Key Activities	Preparation & Trial phase		Official project with de velopment requirements		Development & maintenance of LGP server	NBS pilot phase
Workload Ordered (MM)	35	148	152	191	165	260

Team Achievements and Project Progression

Year	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Milestones		May 2019: API development started		Nov 2021: LFU server migrati on		
Key Activities	1 , ,	& preparation		LFU server maintenance	On going support	
Workload Ordered (MM)	358	394	336	228	195	160

Organizational Chart





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