



IBM Connections™

brings focused collaboration
to teams of any size

IBM Collaboration Solutions
White Paper

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1. LEVERAGE DIVERSITY OF LOCATION, AGE, AND SKILLS
2. ENABLE TRUST AND TRANSPARENCY
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Introduction: Team Dynamics

In *The Progress Principle*, authors Teresa Amabile and Steve Kramer found that the most important key to getting people deeply, satisfyingly engaged in their work is simply making progress on meaningful work.¹ Sounds simple, but it's a goal that has become more difficult to achieve amid the complexities and distractions of today's workplace. We work in geographically dispersed teams beset by information overload and constant distractions that get the way of our focusing on the work that matters.

Most businesses assert that people are their most valuable asset; but are they realizing the full potential of those people to drive innovation and competitive edge? As innovation accelerates and the global landscape grows, it's increasingly important that managers act to remove roadblocks that keep their teams from being successful. Collaboration is essential to capitalizing on the individual and group expertise of teams, yet businesses often resort to ineffective methods of collaboration. From emails that may omit key contributors to files that are stored in multiple locations, teams use a mishmash of accumulated communication tools that don't work together. Technology that's intended to keep collaboration simple can end up creating roadblocks rather than eliminating them.

So how do you overcome these challenges and empower your teams to focus on their most important work? The right collaboration platform is critical; and the best way to find the right one begins with examining the challenges and needs of your team.

1. LEVERAGE DIVERSITY OF LOCATION, AGE, AND SKILLS

The meteoric growth of mobile and increasing global access to the internet are constantly creating new market opportunities— and new demands on your business and teams. To keep up with the global pace of business, most organizations have shifted away from traditional co-located teams with homogeneous skills, to take advantage of diverse talents and skills regardless of location. In addition to geographic considerations, generational differences require a collaborative environment that enables teams to maximize both new digital skills and mature expertise. Regardless of age, skill, location, and time differences, teams need a secure way to find, share and work with information quickly.

2. ENABLE TRUST AND TRANSPARENCY

To maximize the benefits of a collaborative environment, it's important to align your team under common goals. A fundamental tenet of successful collaboration is transparency of work—which not only provides accountability, but requires a high level of trust and integrity. When trust is established, the transparency of work can help lead to agility. When information is shared and available to those who need it, decisions can be made quickly and at the speed of business. Without trust, teams stop sharing, collaboration ceases and silos form.

3. EMPOWER TEAMS TO TAKE ACTION

DELEGATION

A team of one is less effective than a team of multiple experts with differing, yet complementary skills who share the same goals. Delegate tasks to best fit roles, working styles, and account for the shared workload.

TIME MANAGEMENT

Teams need powerful scheduling capabilities and a space to set goals and meeting times.

PROJECT MANAGEMENT

Projects are never a solo undertaking. Teams need a workspace where they can always access project goals and to-do items, and check them off as the work gets completed.

Success Story #1

PureFluent, a translation services company, has a geographically dispersed team of employees that are sharing files in different formats and languages to peers in 20 countries across the globe. They needed a better way to share files, manage versions and communicate in one place.

[Learn how they saved time, money and frustration with IBM Connections.](#)

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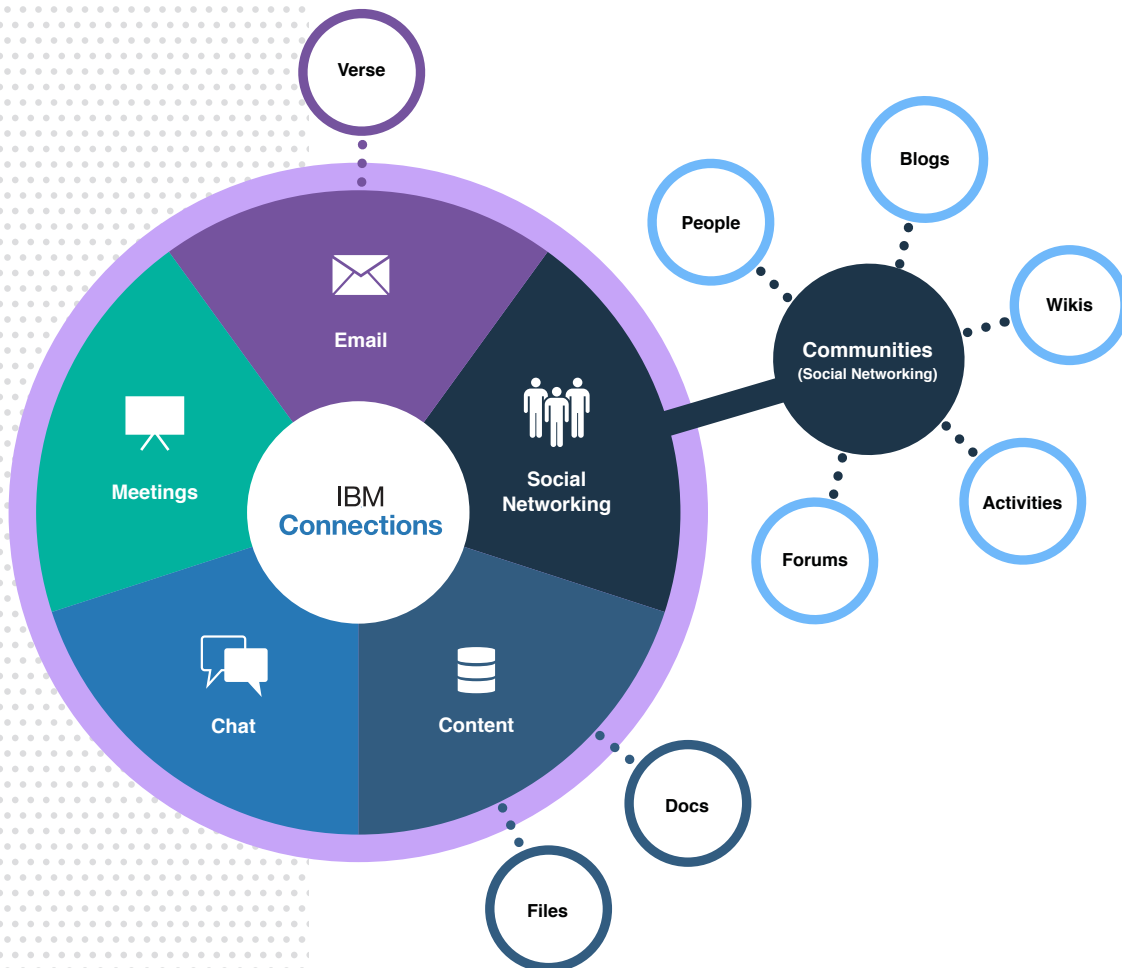
When teams and organizations have the right tools, they are more productive and less distracted. Unsanctioned solutions aren't the answer; teams and businesses need a collaboration suite that's secure, scalable, and flexible—a unified solution that can harness the power of collective intelligence. They need a platform that allows people to be innovative and effective, and to quickly access the resources and work they need, with tools that understand them. The best solutions have personal assistance features, powered by social and cognitive analytics.

IBM delivers these powerful capabilities, along with extensible, customizable options, in IBM® Connections™. This unified suite of tools provides easy access with a single sign-on, allowing employees to quickly switch between applications, eliminating frustration and wasted time looking for the tools they need. Connections provides integrated collaboration tools that work together, just like the people who use them—leveraging the strengths of each of its individual capabilities, intensifying and powering not just team productivity, but true effectiveness.

Within the Connections portfolio, IBM provides robust functionality for the essential elements of collaboration: communities, content, chat, meetings, and email.

IBM CONNECTIONS' INTEGRATED CAPABILITIES ARE STRUCTURED IN THE CHART BELOW*

* CHART INCLUDES THE CAPABILITY OF CONNECTIONS AVAILABLE IN THE CONNECTIONS S1 BUNDLE:



1. COMMUNITIES: THE COLLABORATION HUB FOR YOUR TEAMS AND ORGANIZATION

Communities is the social networking and collaborative teamwork component of IBM Connections. It's where your team and organization go to share insights, manage projects, and find and engage with the experts who matter most to you. Advanced search capabilities and cognitive analytics powered by IBM Watson™ technology allow teams to accurately find relevant information and expertise, to get more done in less time.

COMMUNITIES ENABLE TEAMS TO:

CONNECT WITH PEOPLE

Find the people you need instantly, using Profiles, Contacts, Network, and the Company Directory—components which allow you to tap into the expertise throughout your teams, organization and ecosystems. Tag people by name, special interest, expertise, project, or function. Search by tag, job, location, files, community, or management structure. Identify and engage with people instantly to gain and offer information, empowering each other with collective insight and driving the business forward through team innovation.

SHARE THROUGH BLOGS

Leverage your valuable knowledge by sharing with your team and networks to elevate your work. Educate, update, and share experiences. Post about team successes, changes in the market, new research, or product updates. Out-think the disconnects and harness the expertise of your entire network. Blogs are an epicenter of ideation and creation—a focal point of activity that encourages your organization to spread knowledge and innovate, which ultimately brings real value to your business.

IDEATE WITH WIKIS

Create and test new ideas with wikis. Encourage your colleagues to add and edit content. Remix and rehash ideas to create better ones. Brainstorm and contribute to the knowledge-sharing with your team, together. Arrive at ideas that drive transformation within your team and throughout the greater organization.

MANAGE WITH ACTIVITIES & TO-DO LISTS

Elevate team project management, keeping projects on time and within scope. Assign project owners to keep team members and any external partners accountable with action items for organized collaboration. Then check off your tasks at hand with To-Do lists. Watch your team project come together with visible and tangible goals being set and met.

ENGAGE THROUGH FORUMS

Unite and discuss with your teams, organization, and extended networks. Add productive discussion to envision new solutions to timeworn problems. Challenge ideas to bring inventive thought to conversations. Truly engage with your organization to envision and realize a brighter future.

Success Story #2

Flex Contact Center, a Brazilian Professional Services Company, was growing fast and didn't want employee communication to hinder speed. They implemented IBM Connections to empower teams to keep moving at the pace of business.

[Read more about Flex Contact Center's Rapid Business Growth with IBM Connections.](#)

“By bringing all of the relevant people together in a single community, our consultant was able to develop best practices for the experience and build a training program for our employees in under four weeks—70 percent faster than would have been possible with the previous way of working.”

- Roshan Koonja
Group Chief Information Office
Constance Hotels and Resorts

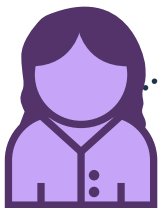
USE CASE:

SEE COMMUNITIES IN ACTION

Follow a team using a Connections community throughout their day



MEET THE TEAM:



HEATHER
Manager



KURT
Marketing Manager,
Graphic Designer



BILL
Salesman



TANYA
Product Manager
and Developer

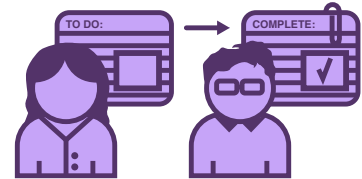
Heather is the manager of a small cross-functional team in a mid-sized startup. Bill, her seller, is headed to an investor meeting to present their latest product plans. He's currently on a plane in transit to the meeting location, but the presentation must be updated before the meeting.

Kurt, the marketing manager, has all the current marketing and branding guidelines. Tanya, the product manager, needs to keep the team apprised of new features being released.

SEE HOW IBM CONNECTIONS ENABLES THIS TEAM TO COLLABORATE IN REAL TIME TO MEET THEIR OBJECTIVES:

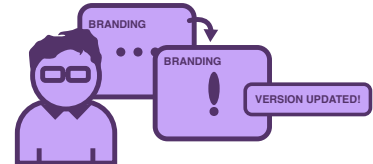
1 ACTIVITIES

In their community activity for the investor presentations, Heather has created a to-do item and tags Kurt (marketing manager) as the owner. She sets the deadline for 1 day from now and sends him a notification of his new to-do. When he is ready, he can attach the presentation from the community's files and check the to-do as complete.



2 WIKIS

Kurt keeps all the information on branding guidelines and logos in a wiki in his team's community. He can organize information into parent and child wikis and can update the information at any time without having to email his team new information. When he receives the notification from Heather asking for the update, he edits the presentation with new branding so Bill (salesman) has the latest information to present to the investors.



3 BLOGS

Bill's presentation goes well. While traveling home afterward, he writes a blog post in the community so that everyone on his team can learn the results of the meeting.



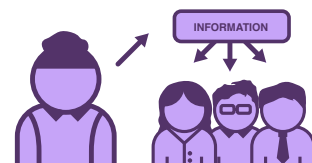
4 PEOPLE

One request from the investors was to provide more information on revenue targets and pricing for their product. Bill searches Connections with the tag "pricing" and finds a pricing strategist, who he engages to develop more pricing content.



5 FORUMS

Tanya (product manager) uses the forum to communicate important product milestones and updates to the team. She shares new features or plans for new releases so the marketing team can incorporate the information into the materials they create, and the sales team can start sharing with potential clients and investors. The team can ask questions and ensure they have the right information.



2. CONTENT: THE CURRENCY OF COLLABORATION

Content is at the core of digital work activities, as it is where the information lives. Just as companies rely on employees to get work done, workers depend on their collaboration tools to help them execute the business tasks they must perform. Content tools should connect people to content, make it easy to find, and facilitate easy collaboration. They should provide built-for-business security, and powerful capabilities like one-click access, version control for easy sharing, and real-time document editing. The best tools are equipped with extensibility to complementary apps and services, so employees are empowered to choose what works best for them, and IT can leverage prior collaborative software investments.

CONTENT CAPABILITIES IN IBM CONNECTIONS INCLUDE:

IBM CONNECTIONS FILES

Use Connections Files to efficiently access, organize, protect, and share files. Automatically synchronize files between computers and all your devices on IBM Cloud. The advanced access controls in Connections Files allow you to share work with collaborators on your team, in your communities, within your entire organization, and with extended networks of partners and clients. Create folders, upload content with version control and ability to comment in a security-rich environment designed to meet stringent IT requirements. Share using just one link, so that the latest-and-greatest version is always accessible. Connections Files is included in all Connections bundle offerings, providing excellent value. Connections Files offers not only market-leading file sync and share, but is coupled with key social collaboration capabilities. These key capabilities are cross-leveraged—enabling teams and organizations to be more productive and effective than ever before.

IBM CONNECTIONS DOCS

Create, share, and edit work in real time with advanced versioning, so your team's work is always saved, on IBM cloud, from any device, anywhere in the world. Connections Docs can improve productivity by reducing the time it takes for multiple team contributors to produce documents. Up to 20 team

Success Story #3

SquarePeg Leadership needed to communicate with clients more and manage administrative tasks less. Using IBM Connections, SquarePeg built an environment where they could freely collaborate with clients quickly and securely.

[Learn how SquarePeg used IBM Connections to build spaces where they could build relationships with clients.](#)

“IBM Connections Cloud streamlines the whole review process and saves our project managers a lot of time.”

- Sonja Kirschstein
Director of Projects, PureFluent



members can preview, copy, and make edits simultaneously, without having to download or edit from their desktops.

Connections Docs improves the quality of assets, eliminating the need to send emails with file attachments, which can hinder collaboration and business agility and also waste network and storage capacity. With Connections Docs you can also share document types between Microsoft Office and Open Document (open source) file formats.

3. CHAT: POWERFUL INSTANT MESSAGING

A robust chat solution enables employees to collaborate at the speed of business, with features that extend far beyond texting.

IBM CONNECTIONS CHAT

Seek and locate expertise instantly, at your fingertips, from anywhere in the world on any device. Connections Chat service provides presence indicators allowing you to easily and quickly see whether your contacts are 'Available,' 'In a Meeting,' 'Away,' or on 'Do Not Disturb.' Instant messaging provides you with an easy way to engage with colleagues through secure one-on-one and team chats, one-to-many audio-video calling, file transfers to team members or small teams, and shared screen captures.

Connections Chat also comes with business cards that provide key contact information, contact lists for a consolidated view of your favorite colleagues, teams, user-created personal groups, nested groups, and more.

Does your team need a new social collaboration solution but already have great meeting and email solutions?

Try IBM Connections Social Cloud for your team free for 60 days. Connections Social combines communities, content, and chat; all the core social collaboration tools you need to get work done effectively.

[Click here to start your free Connections Social trial](#) 



Without a doubt, adopting IBM Connections Cloud as our collaboration platform substantially reduces the time spent on repetitive administration tasks. We estimate that managing our one-on-one projects is now 25 percent more efficient—and the benefits for our group projects are even more noticeable.

- Delaney Tosh
Founder and Leadership coach,
SquarePeg Leadership



4. MEETINGS: COLLABORATION ANYTIME, ANYWHERE

Virtual meetings are a necessity in today's geographically dispersed business environment. Your meetings solution should provide all the video, audio, recording, chat and documents capabilities that today's businesses need. It should also be easy and intuitive to use, so the focus is on the work and not the distraction of technical challenges.

IBM CONNECTIONS MEETINGS

Connections Meetings allows you to collaborate with your teams in real-time, instantly. Teams and organizations that are not co-located can engage as if they were face-to-face. Connections Meetings enables you to instantly host or attend an audio/video conference with up to 200 participants. Multiple video participants are displayed and video streams are selected based on active speakers. Conduct or attend meetings from web browsers or mobile devices from anywhere. Share applications, presentations, documents or your screen in real time. Chat with other participants during meetings to enable instant collaboration or feedback. Record meetings in QuickTime (MOV) or Windows Media Video (WMV) formats. Connections Meetings is an affordable and accessible cloud meeting service that provides the same experience to internal and external participants, so you, your clients, and extended networks can easily move business forward.

IBM CONNECTIONS MEETINGS AUDIO

Connections Meetings Audio is a toll-free audio conferencing service, delivering dial-in audio bridging that is integrated with Connections Meetings' built in VoIP to support all user types. Enjoy direct dial PSTN toll and toll free access from 60+ countries and 120+ local and toll-free access options, along with the option of VoIP, delivered in a single unified experience. Connections Meetings Audio enables cost savings over traditional telecommunications systems for a superior meeting experience. Audio conferencing is reservationless with up to 200 participants per meeting, with built-in reporting and audio-conferencing controls. Experience high quality with a dedicated, private network, fully integrated with Connections Meetings.

Success Story #4

Bengt Dahlgren, a Swedish civil engineering consultancy was looking to shift into a more agile and autonomous environment for its employees, but needed to ensure that teams were armed with the right information for everyday business decisions. They knew email would not allow communication at the speed and scale required to transform.

[Read why Bengt Dahlgren chose IBM Connections as the driving force behind their transformation.](#)

Does your organization need a new social collaboration solution but already have a great email solution?

IBM Connections S2 combines Communities, Content, Chat, and Meetings; all the core social collaboration tools you need to get work done effectively and more.

[Click here to explore Connections offerings including S2](#)

5. EMAIL: IBM VERSE™ IS BUSINESS EMAIL RE-IMAGINED

Despite the emergence of newer communication technologies, email remains a critical component of modern business collaboration. IBM has re-imagined business email with Verse, which equips traditional email capabilities with innovative social and analytics features, intelligent personal assistance and user-centered design to boost business productivity.

KEY FEATURES OF VERSE INCLUDE:

ADVANCED CALENDARING

With Verse calendaring features, orienting your day is simple. Each meeting is one click away from your visual calendar bar, which is always available from one interface—so you can swiftly move between applications. Anticipate what and who you need with cognitive assistance capabilities, and with your permission, take action.

SEARCH ANALYTICS

Verse email will allow teams to accurately and quickly find the people and information that matter to you the most, using integrated cognitive analytics capabilities powered by IBM Watson technology. Advanced, lightning-fast search helps you identify and find exactly what you need to get work done.



Without a doubt, IBM solutions are making it easier for our employees to work effectively. In fact, our CEO loved IBM Verse so much that he called me up to tell me never to take the solution away!

- Jörgen Selin
IT Manager Bengt Dahlgren
Stockholm AB



Right away, I was impressed with how intuitive, user-friendly, and modern Verse is.

- Jeff Marshall
WW Deputy CIO, HAVAS



HUMAN-CENTERED DESIGN

Design-driven companies—those that incorporate user needs and insights—outperform the S&P Index by an extraordinary 228% over the course of ten years.² When a system integrates knowledge of the humans who use it through continuous research and iteration cycles, it can adapt to their needs and facilitate processes that once sapped productivity. IBM created Verse to be user-centric, enhanced through continuous knowledge, discovery, and empathy. Verse makes connecting with people and information fast and intuitive. Verse is email that understands you.

COGNITIVE INTELLIGENCE

Cognitive intelligence turns previously indecipherable data—unorganized information too vast for humans and traditional computing to sift through—into insights that can drive business results. Verse will provide personal assistance with IBM Watson technology to facilitate user experience, improve customer service, and drive business results. Watson intelligence will enable Verse to understand, reason, and learn from your habits and behaviors, so it can deliver tailored experiences and offer suggestions, enabling you to envision and organize your work day with clarity and focus.

Looking for a unified solution with everything your organization needs for collaboration and more – Communities, Content, Chat, Meetings, and Email?

Try IBM Connections S1, including Verse – business email re-imagined, free for 60 Days!

[Click here to start your free Connections S1 trial](#)

Success Story #5:

Mears Group, a leading housing repairs and maintenance provider employing 20,000 in every region of the UK, was struggling to maintain clear communication as their company grew through acquisitions. They turned to Connections for efficient collaboration and knowledge sharing to keep customer satisfaction high.

[Learn how Mears Group used IBM Watson analytics and IBM Connections to create an insight-driven social business.](#)

“S1 provides the perfect Trifecta - CFO is happy because costs are down, end users are happy because storage is up from 1GB to 50GB and Admin is happy because IBM is managing the infrastructure.”

- Jeff Marshall
WW Deputy CIO, HAVAS



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2. PRODUCTIVITY BENEFITS
3. CAPABILITY BENEFITS

3 Benefits

1. FINANCIAL BENEFITS

IBM Connections unifies separate collaboration capabilities under a single sign-on platform, reducing the need for numerous disparate applications and their associated infrastructure costs. In a 2015 commissioned study, Forrester Consulting found that a representative company based on interviewed customers achieved ROI of 168% with payback in 10-11 months by implementing IBM Connections.³ The analysis projected that within three years, \$26.5 million in benefits would be earned (against total costs of \$10 million), with a 3-year net present value of \$16.6 million. Over the course of 3 years, the representative organization cut IT operating costs for collaboration tools by about \$500,000, due to reduced license fees from the decommissioning of no-longer-needed applications and systems. Thus over time, customers adopting Connections can experience a number of quantifiable financial benefits.

FINANCIAL BENEFITS INCLUDE:

- Reduced need for additional collaboration applications
- Reduced license fees and infrastructure costs
- Operations savings

2. PRODUCTIVITY BENEFITS

In the same study, the representative organization experienced an overall productivity gain of 10% for its employees using IBM Connections.³ Teams communicate more quickly, make the right decisions with greater speed, and increase efficiency in sales and business efforts.

REDUCED EMPLOYEE ATTRITION

The representative company in the Forrester study reduced employee turnover by 5%—saving the organization over \$1.5 million over three years—as a result of increased flexibility and connectivity enabled by Connections.³

LESS CLUTTER, MORE FOCUS

The workplace is filled with distractions: only 30% of US workers are actively engaged at work.⁴ "Collaborative overload"—the feeling of being overwhelmed by too much interaction, often caused by the use of multiple apps that perform similar tasks—can overextend employees, impede effectiveness, and cause burnout. As integrated tools under a single sign-on platform, IBM Connections can help users cut through the clutter, bringing clarity and control back to the workday with faster and more effective decision-making. And cognitive personal assistance capabilities help workers focus and prioritize for greater productivity and accuracy.

3. CAPABILITY BENEFITS

IBM Connections has a number of capability benefits that drive financial and productivity efficiencies:

A SINGLE, UNIFIED SOLUTION

Apps that were built together will work better. Connections is a suite of integrated tools united under a single sign-on, so there's no time wasted switching between disparate applications.

SECURITY AND COMPLIANCE

Connections protects all of your work and communication within a security-rich cloud environment that is business-ready and compliant with your IT policies. IBM never uses personal information without permission, and—unlike consumer-driven B2C solutions—will not mine and sell your precious data to third parties. With features like encryption of both at-rest and in-use data, you can rest assured your information is kept safe and accessible only to those who need it.

ADVANCED ANALYTICS

Lightning-fast, accurate search empowers teams to quickly locate relevant people and information, and enact, now. Less time is wasted trying to find and identify experts and content – so teams and organizations can get work done faster.

Success Story #6

HAVAS, a global leader in advertising and digital communications in over 100 countries was burdened with outdated solutions that didn't support employees' busy schedules. They needed to find a platform that provided instant access and context to thousands of experts and projects. HAVAS sought full-time focus on high-value initiatives instead of letting archaic tools interrupt employees' work day.

[Learn how HAVAS enabled employees to prioritize the most important tasks and take action with IBM Connections.](#)

Better and faster access to information is essential to maintain our competitive edge—and IBM Connections is enabling us to achieve exactly that.

- Carl Fravel
Director of IT & in the video Kerry Godbold,
Apps System Admin, Canal Barge

COGNITIVE INTELLIGENCE WITH IBM WATSON

Experience the workplace of the future with tools that understand and learn from you, your team, your organization, and your partners and clients. Use tools that truly understand the complex richness of conversations across channels and data types, to help you focus on the work that matters most. A system that thinks, reasons, and learns from user behavior, Watson delivers personalized assistance to better predict your needs and deliver actionable insights. And with search aided by cognitive analytics, the people and information you need are available to you instantly.

STABILITY ON IBM CLOUD

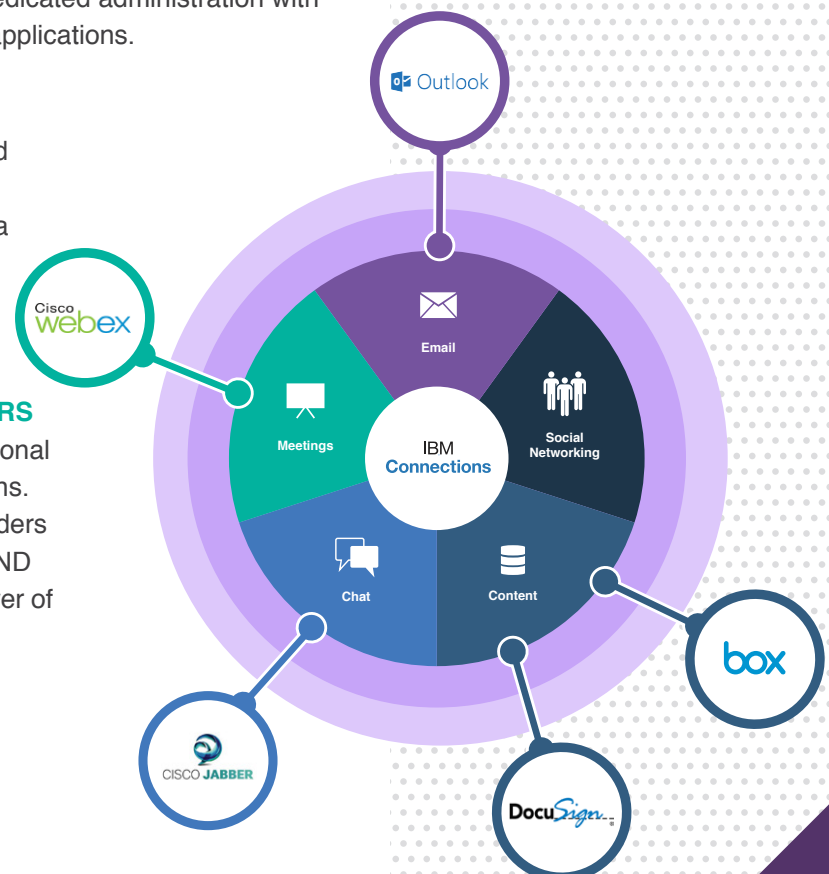
There are significant challenges that come with deployment of your organization's sensitive work data to the cloud including security, performance, and service. IT infrastructures must achieve the needs of your big data challenges and scale to your system requirements while remaining cost-effective. Flexible and scalable collaboration is possible on IBM Cloud, which is equipped to support open platform and hybrid cloud workloads. IBM's cloud platform will help you meet the unique challenges that your IT Infrastructure faces, so teams can get back to focusing on their-day-to-day tasks. Additionally, customers can experience savings on server maintenance and dedicated administration with management on IBM Cloud in lieu of on premise applications.

AN EXTENSIVE PARTNER ECOSYSTEM

Connections' vibrant community of developers and hundreds of business partners is dedicated to extending value to customers. IBM partners offer a growing number of solutions that work with Connections through open APIs, providing new benefits on top of its already robust capabilities.

KEY PARTNERSHIPS WITH INDUSTRY LEADERS

Extend your collaborative effectiveness with additional technologies that work effortlessly with Connections. Integrated offerings from a number of industry leaders like Box, Cisco, DocuSign, Actiance, and GENBAND and hundreds more can help you harness the power of additional capabilities and deliver them within the context of a unified collaboration solution.



Disclaimer: Chart does not represent all 300+ trusted business partners. Sample intended to demonstrate how partner relationships can bring additional value for the user, strengthening the core capabilities of IBM Connections. *For a list of partners, click here.*

BRING PEOPLE AND CONTENT TOGETHER WITH CONNECTIONS AND BOX

IBM has even more options for your content needs. Box provides file sharing and content management across teams and entire organizations, enabling new work styles, speeding up collaborative processes, and powering digital transformation while ensuring security and compliance. If Box is your preferred platform for content management, you can opt for Box extensibility in your Connections configuration. The integration of Connections and Box connects communities and content so you can stay focused without being distracted by the tools you use. With Connections and Box, you can discover content organically through the people and projects that matter to you the most. There is less time spent searching for content and far less redundancy, with a focus on simplicity and clarity. Together, Connections and Box empower teams to collaborate on their own terms—where they are most comfortable working.

With Box, you can share, view, and edit any file, instantly and securely in your preferred environment. View files in 120+ formats. Capture content faster by instantly sending photos or videos directly to Box. Edit quickly and in real-time as a team using Box Notes. IBM's partnership with Box also delivers modern capabilities that meet rigorous enterprise governance and security needs.

REDEFINE EVERYDAY WORK WITH TEAM COMMUNICATION FROM CISCO

Leading unified social collaboration from IBM Collaboration Solutions integrated with Watson technology, combined with leading audio and video communication tools from Cisco, can empower businesses to redefine the average workday. Realize the future you envision with the right collaboration apps that adapt and respond to the way you work. With IBM and Cisco, you can work as part of a seamless flow of information and conversations. Expand your natural inclination towards teamwork and collaboration, free yourself from distractions, and focus on the right things, instead of everything.



MEET YOUR CONTENT AND IT REQUIREMENTS

RETENTION MANAGEMENT

Meet legal, regulatory and business mandates for retention of content

DEFENSIBLE DISCOVERY

Simplify processes, reduce costs and time-to-resolution for discovery requests

CONTENT POLICIES

Control the access and collaboration of sensitive content

SECURITY

Reduce risk via IT controls, security partner ecosystem, key management, and more

“Of all the solutions we considered, we felt that IBM Connections Cloud and IBM Verse were the best fit for our operational requirements. In addition to being an extremely cost-effective option, the IBM solutions offered us the chance to create a business social network delivered from the cloud.”

- Jörgen Selin
IT Manager, Bengt Dahlgren Stockholm AB

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Flexible, affordable plans

IBM provides scalable, flexible bundle options to help your team and organization save on IT expenditures. All feature user-centered, mobile-first design and the stability of the IBM Cloud. Choose the best value from these affordable options, based on your specific needs and current configuration:

Starting at
\$ 6⁰⁰
per month per user*

IBM CONNECTIONS SOCIAL CLOUD

Key Components: Communities (People, Blogs, Wikis, Activities & To-Do, Forums), Content (Connections Files), Connections Chat

Mobile apps, 1 TB Storage for Files, 50 GB for Communities
Optional add-on: Connections Docs Cloud

Starting at
\$ 8⁰⁰
per month per user*

IBM CONNECTIONS CLOUD S2

Key Components: Communities (People, Blogs, Wikis, Activities & To-Do, Forums), Content (Connections Files), Connections Chat, Connections Meetings (for up to 200 participants)

Mobile apps, 1 TB Storage for Files, 50 GB for Communities
Unlimited guest access
Optional add-on: Connections Docs Cloud

Starting at
\$ 10⁰⁰
per month per user*

IBM CONNECTIONS CLOUD S1

Key Components: Communities (People, Blogs, Wikis, Activities & To-Do, Forums), Content (Connections Files, Connections Docs), Connections Chat, Connections Meetings (for up to 200 participants), Verse Email

Mobile apps, 1 TB Storage for Files, 50 GB for Communities, 50 GB for Verse
Unlimited guest access
Optional add-on: Connections Archive Essentials

*Pricing unit may vary by location

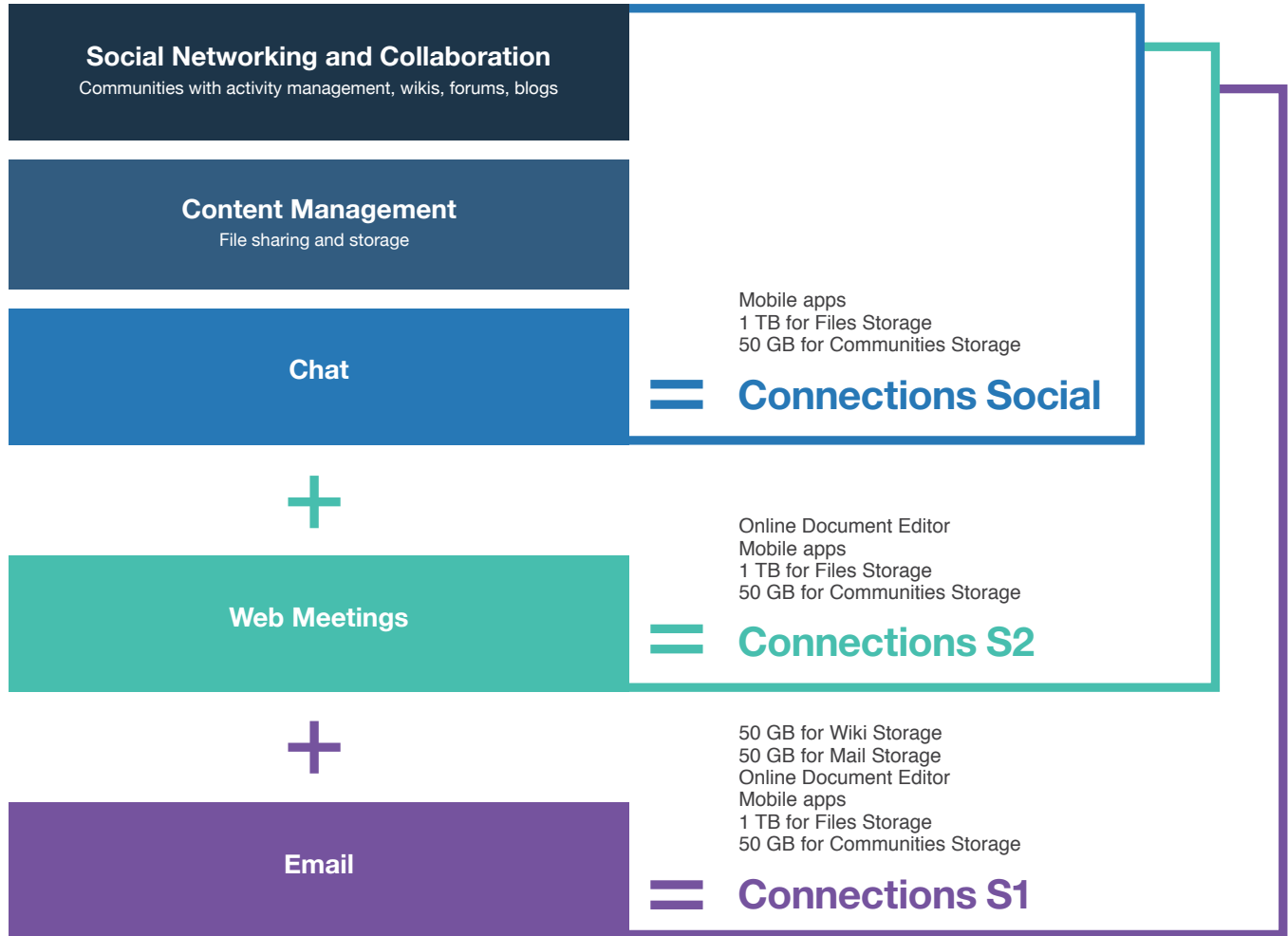


HELP! I DON'T KNOW WHAT MY TEAM NEEDS!

The chart below will help you compare bundles so you can determine the right solution for your team or organization's unique collaboration needs:

I NEED...

I BUY...



Click here to compare IBM Connections bundles and sign up for your 60-day free trial!

Not ready to try IBM Connections? Click here to sign up for a no-cost readiness assessment today.



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