



# INNOVATE

Digital Transformation Made **SMARTer**

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## Improving Sales Efficiencies with Modern Document Generation in Salesforce

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# Agenda & Introductions

1. A culture of transformation
2. Adjusting to changing business needs
3. Associa's steps for success
4. How SmartCOMM™ for Salesforce is helping Associa succeed



# History of Associa

Private company owned by John Carona-  
former Texas State Senator

Started 40 years ago

Growth stemmed from acquisition

Many different office cultures and  
workflows

# MISSION STATEMENT

*Delivering unsurpassed management and lifestyle services to communities worldwide.*

## COMPANY PILLARS



EMPLOYEE MORALE



CLIENT RETENTION



CLIENT GROWTH



PROFITABILITY

## COMPANY VALUES



### **FAMILY SPIRIT:**

We are a family. We treat each other with kindness, respect and encouragement.



### **CUSTOMER SERVICE:**

We value our clients and understand that their success is our success.



### **INTEGRITY & ACCOUNTABILITY:**

We maintain the highest ethical standards and are accountable for our actions.



### **LOYALTY:**

We are steadfastly loyal to Associa, our leaders, our colleagues, and vice versa. Our hard work will be the mark of our devotion.



### **INNOVATION & IMPROVEMENT**

We innovate constantly and seek always to improve.

# What Sparked Their Change

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**Changing Business Needs**



**Technology Advancements**  
*(Innovation & improvements)*



**Growing customer expectations**  
*(Quick and personalized)*



**Increase Efficiency**  
*(Faster turnaround time)*



**Reduce risk**  
*(Consistent branding, all branches should have the same foundation offerings)*



**Improve Your Bottom Line**



# Associa's 2020 Vision



Standardized business model – create efficiencies across all business lines by leveraging integrated industry leading technology



Create world-class brand with an international presence



Best-in-class training and development both internally and externally.



Obtain Best Place to Work

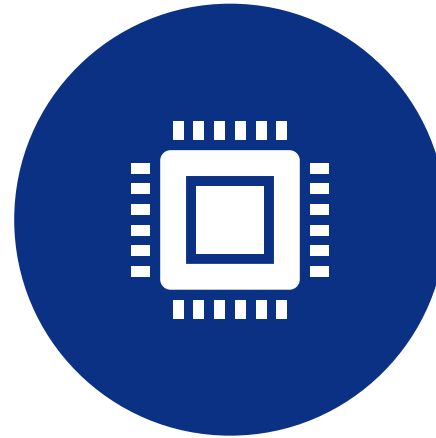


Sustainable corporation with \$1 billion in revenue

# Applying Vision 2020 to Associa's Sales Process



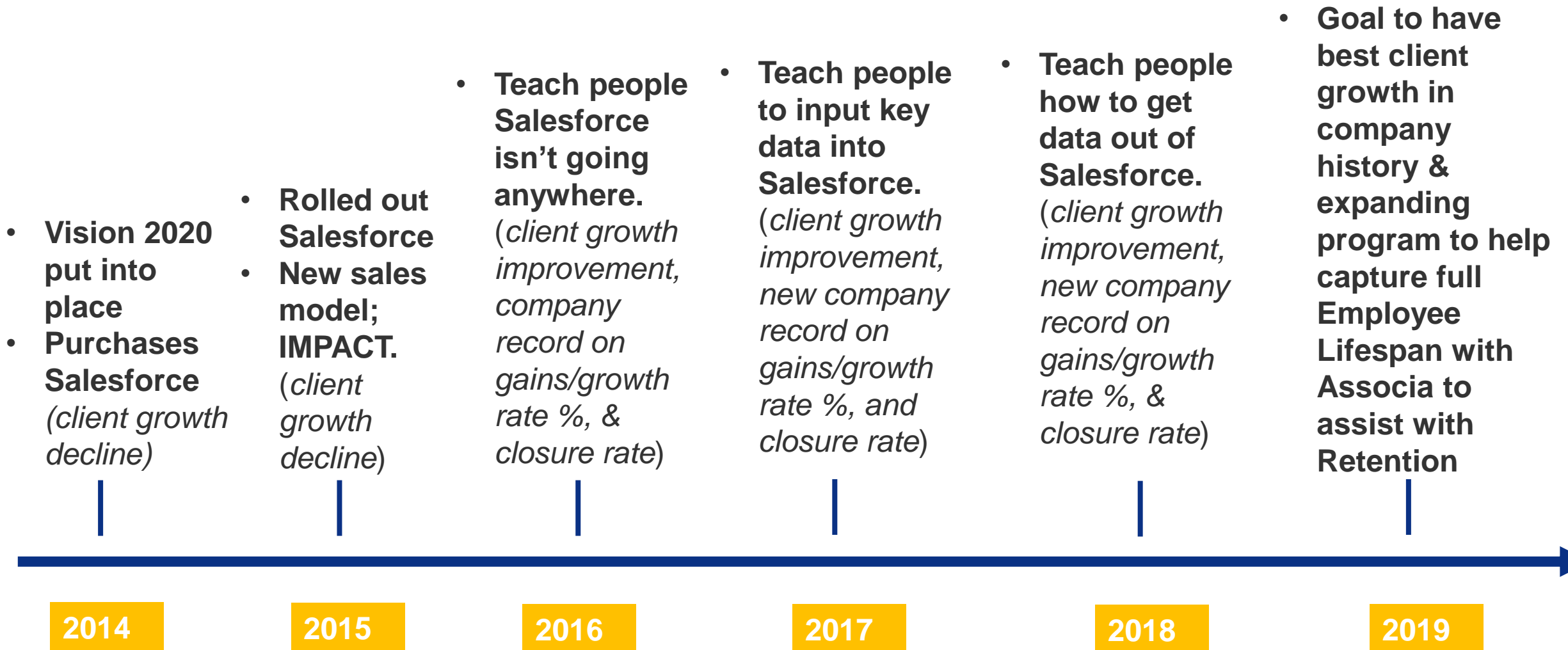
STANDARDIZED SALES  
BUSINESS MODEL



BRING IN NEW  
TECHNOLOGY



IMPROVE TRAINING  
AND DEVELOPMENT





Where does

**SMARTCOMM**<sup>TM</sup>  
for salesforce

come in?

# Phase 1: Proposal Automation

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 **Associa**  
**COMMUNITY.**  
**PARTNERSHIP.**  
**ASSOCIA.**

PROPOSAL FOR FULL SERVICE MANAGEMENT  
Prepared by Associa HDHQ  
04/24/2019



# The History of Associa's Proposal Templates

Standard proposal  
template created

2016

Standard proposal  
turned into custom  
proposal per branch  
& hired proposal  
writer

2017

Proposal writer creates  
all client proposals.  
Discovered  
SmartCOMM for  
Salesforce

2018

Roll out SmartCOMM for  
Salesforce to replace all  
basic proposal  
templates with 1  
standard proposal  
template & allow  
individuals edit &  
generate on demand

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# The Proposal Template Process

- BD creates opportunity > Click 'Request Proposal' on Opportunity> Fill out Custom Object Record (due date, pricing, special requests, etc.)
- Email notice is sent to Proposal Writer> Proposal writer then finds correct template and plugs in all of the information
- Proposal writer saves proposal in opportunity & chatters BD.
- Process is complete unless BD requests additional edits.

**40+**  
Templates

**600**  
Requests to Date

**7**  
A Day / 35 a Week

**24**  
Hour Minimum Notice

**3-5**  
A Week are Complex RFPs

# Efficiency

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**Reduce # of  
Templates**



**Increase Efficiency**



**Brand Integrity**



**Single Source  
of Truth  
Salesforce**



**Increase  
Customer  
Satisfaction**



# Improved Aspects

- Edit and generate proposals inside Salesforce
- Create proposals on demand – no waiting!
- Edit document parts to customize client requests:
  - Opening Letter • Offerings Page • Images
- Use existing CRM data to fill in data automatically
- Proposal delivered in PDF format

Print • Email



**Contract Negotiation / Contract Management**



**Replace Insurance department Conga template process  
(improve bottom line & efficiencies)**

# The SmartCOMM for Salesforce Helped Solve for:

- Inefficient processes that lead to slow customer acquisition / time to market
- Ability to scale with the pace of customer acquisitions
- Error prone manual process
- Risk to brand integrity
- Inconsistent customer communication
- Expensive resources spending time on menial work
- Current solution is not sophisticated or user friendly enough

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# Success Check List



Align your project with corporate goals and initiatives



Gain executive buy in



Create a culture of adoption - If it's not in Salesforce it doesn't exist



Identify what success looks like –understand the process today so that you'll be able to articulate and show improvements



Factor in time for training and roll out



Remember it takes time – transformation doesn't happen overnight. You need time to build, roll out and for your teams to adopt to change