



ALTAIR SLC – CUSTOMER TESTIMONIALS & INFORMATION

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Financial Services

What was the reason for migrating to Altair SLC?

We have a core team of SAS trained analysts and wanted the ability to build client and internal solutions in house in a trusted platform at a reasonable cost.

What support did you receive from Altair?

Support from Altair has always been first class. Technical queries have been dealt with in detail with extremely comprehensive, accurate and timely answers. Account management is also excellent and always willing to offer help quickly.

What benefits have you seen from using Altair SLC?

Altair allows us to develop reliable analytical processes and develop production ready solutions for our clients. The big benefits for us is the ability to have a truly robust solution that scales and yet is built around a variety of industry standard languages that allow us to pick and choose the most appropriate methods to solve clients needs.



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We use Python for all predictive modelling work and all analysts are expected to know SQL, Python and Excel to put together analysis and credit policy and loan decisioning. Altair SLC enables extremely fast turnaround times and higher accuracy during the build phase of such analysis and policies. We now use it extensively across credit risk, ops, collections and even traditional underwriters have started using it!

What support did you receive from Altair?

The team was very supportive in customizing our pricing plan for us and working with us on rapid implementation of the tool. Look forward to working with them as we use the server version of SLC.

What benefits have you seen from using Altair SLC?

Primary benefit has been significantly higher team productivity and quick turnaround time and higher accuracy compared to Python and Excel based analytics. We have also started taking better data driven decisions since analysis is a lot easier to execute and so we are analyzing data for more problem statements. Last but not the least, teams without data analysis backgrounds are adopting a data driven approach given how easy to use SLC is.

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Centrix is committed this year to invest in building out our data and analytics capabilities (technology and people) to become leaders in our industry in providing meaningful analytical insight. As part of this investment, Centrix has established a new 'Analytics' department, recruited key resources and have developed a new cloud-based data environment. Centrix chose Altair SLC as our Analytics platform partner. We wanted a single analytical environment that is able to unleash all of our analytical processes to transform how we deliver meaningful insight to our customers. With SLC, we have the right tools and capabilities in place to achieve this and beyond.



What support did you receive from Altair?

Altair have provided first rate support end-to-end from the account manager to the technical support team. Despite operating across opposite time zones, the WPS support team provided excellent technical guidance on set-up, configuration and deployment to help optimize performance.

What benefits have you see from using Altair SLC?

SLC provides a single platform that offers multiple capabilities seamlessly. Combining SAS, SQL, R and Python programming into a single analytical work flow is a powerful and unique proposition. Enabling us to have flexibility in developing and deploying our analytical solutions. I would strongly recommend anyone to use SLC as their analytics platform of choice.

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We needed a way to introduce an affordable equivalent of the SAS system to support our client base.

What support did you receive from Altair?

The Altair SLC Solutions team provided an excellent expert remote guidance on long-term data strategy, the latest version of the software and its capabilities, guidance on available training, together with hands-on technical assistance.

What benefits have you seen from using Altair SLC?

We have always enjoyed and benefitted from the many strengths of the SAS language, but we were constrained to a single supplier of SAS language technology for many years. We were looking both to control rising costs and to widen and clearly define the technology portfolio for KPMG UK. Working with Altair and their SLC Analytics software has helped us to achieve both of these goals.

Q & A

1) Which academic institutions use Altair?

- Altair is used by multiple academic institutions for a few different reasons. We have the University of Tennessee utilizing Altair as part of their curriculum. WPI in Worcester and West Point are users of Altair for internal model building and reporting. Various others as well but due to NDA's in place I cannot share those names. Essentially Altair offers a data analytics suite of tools that encompass all aspects of the data journey. From Data Management/Cleansing/Automation to AI & Machine Learning to Visualization, Altair works with customers around the globe, in all different verticals.

2) When and where was it developed?

- This solution began back in 2012 when its version 3 was released. The company that created this tool was called World Programming Systems (WPS). They released new versions as the years went on and became more and more successful as customers loved the alternative to SAS, and the savings and open-source capabilities that came with it. Then in 2021, Altair acquired WPS and the solution was called Altair SLC.

3) What is Altair's ability to generate reports?

-We can manage this in a few different ways. One is within SLC you can export to any of the most popular visualization tools or just something basic like excel. We also have a tool called Panopticon which allows you to create reports and dashboards. You will have access to Panopticon at no extra charge when you have SLC.

Q & A

4) What is the SAS version that runs in Altair?

-This is a bit difficult to quantify but to help, SLC is compatible with all previous releases. Most customers today run some variant of 9.4. Version 9 would be the SAS version but if you are using anything older, please let me know and we can take a closer look.

5) Which organizations have made the transition from SAS to Altair? You mentioned 600+ (although none is academic)?

-I answered part of this question above but as a company, we mainly work with companies in Business, Financial Services, and Insurance. Replacing SAS is one tool in our chest, and we can do it very well, the only other company in the world that has this ability besides of course SAS themselves. Although we do work with academic institutions, it all comes down to what their needs are. In this case, you are utilizing SAS for research, and we have an alternative solution at a cheaper price and provide you the ability to code in R, Python, and SQL all in one.

6) Does SLC translate SAS code into another language to run the data analysis?

-No, SLC is running that SAS code natively. We have a SAS interpreter; it takes native SAS code and runs that with no need for translation. You can see an example of this in the webinar.

Altair SLC Webinar & Sales Information

Please click the link below to gain access to the webinar recording. This will be available to view until January 31st, 2025.

Webinar - SAS Language Alternative Solution - Altair SLC Overview

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