



Success Story

Implenia Detects 2x Email Threats by Switching to xorlab ActiveGuard

Customer	Implenia AG
Industry	Construction & Real Estate Development
Employees	8'500

At a Glance

Challenge. Insufficient level of inbox protection: Implenia employees were receiving too many phishing and spam emails.

Solution. xorlab ActiveGuard Advanced Threat Defense & Automated Incident Response

Key Results.

- 2x more potential threats detected
- Customizable defense policies
- Simplified policy management
- Significantly less false positives
- Fast resolution time for reported emails

About Implenia

As Switzerland's leading construction and real estate service provider, [Implenia](#) develops and builds homes, workplaces and infrastructure for future generations in Switzerland and Germany. It also plans and builds complex infrastructure projects in Austria, France, Sweden and Norway. Formed in 2006, the company can look back on around 150 years of construction tradition.

Implenia, with its headquarters in Opfikon near Zurich, employs more than 8,500 people in Europe and posted revenue of almost CHF 4 billion in 2020. It is a multinational company that requires an effective and reliable email security solution to manage and protect thousands of email addresses.

Security Vision

Cybersecurity has always been a main concern for Implenia – and rightly so. Every year, as construction and real estate companies adopt a wider range of technological solutions, they become more prone to cyberattacks. In 2021, the [construction industry](#) appears to have been the hardest hit by ransomware.

Thus, when the team started facing increasingly more email security challenges that were disrupting operations, they set out to find a better solution to properly safeguard their projects, processes, and people from today's most sophisticated threats.



Replacing a Failing Email Filtering Infrastructure

As their new security solution would impact thousands of email users, it was critical for Implenia to find a provider that would fit their diverse and complex needs.

“We started looking for a new filtering solution because the level of protection provided [...] was not sufficient. We wanted to look at other solutions to see what is available in the market and what could address our needs the best.” –Alexander Bösch, Implenia CISO

Implenia’s requirements for a new email filtering solution were:

- Effective protection against emerging threats
- Possibility to customize and tune filters
- Hassle-free integration
- Phased rollout

A Highly Effective & Easy-to-Integrate Security Solution

Following a request for proposal (RFP) with a thorough evaluation, Implenia decided to integrate xorlab’s ActiveGuard platform to protect its users from phishing, ransomware, and other emerging threats.

Soon enough, the company began noticing the benefits of using ActiveGuard:

- *Machine-intelligence approach*: "xorlab’s relationship-based threat detection engine stops targeted attacks [...] and produces very few false positives."
- *Built-in privacy*: "xorlab ActiveGuard observes and analyzes relationships in an anonymized way. This helped to get the buy-in from Legal & Compliance."
- *Usability & UI*: "We can now analyze emails that are reported to us by employees in a minimum amount of time. ActiveGuard provides us with better visibility into our threat exposure."
- *Innovation*: "The team at xorlab has actively listened and understood our problems, and their customer service is great."
- *Reliability*: "ActiveGuard is reliable, it’s stable, and it can handle a large workload in the cloud."
- *Value for money*: "We have an additional layer of protection that provides real value by increasing attacker costs and making our operations more efficient."

With xorlab, Implenia managed to solve the email security problem they initially had, and so much more.

“We detect two times as many threats as before. [...] We also are much faster at analyzing employee-reported emails and thanks to that, we can tackle a problem that was unmanageable before,” the CISO explained.

“Being a very happy cloud customer of such size, we would encourage companies with similar requirements to those of Implenia’s to try xorlab ActiveGuard. They were very professional, the roll-out went fast, and we’re finally having the level of threat protection we wished for. xorlab ActiveGuard answers all our needs.” –Alexander Bösch

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