

Revolutionizing Document Processing with eGroup Enabling Technologies: How the University of Pittsburgh Leveraged AI for Efficient PII Redaction

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Industry

Education

Org Size

8,000 employees

Deal Highlight

Al to Redact PII in Documents

Products & Services

Al, Power Apps, Power Platform, MS Forms, Teams, SPO Partner

eGroup Enabling Technologies Customer

University of Pittsburg

Competition

N/A

CHALLENGE

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The University of Pittsburgh had a Grant Redaction application process that required the removal of all personally identifiable information (PII) from documents before they could be used. This was done by printing the document, manually redacting the PII with a sharpie, and then rescanning the document into the system. This labor-intensive process was highly inefficient and prevented the university from fully leveraging its valuable assets in the grant-requesting process. The department sought to explore how modern Al technologies could automate this process and improve efficiency.

SOLUTION

eGroup Enabling Technologies' Process Excellence & Al architects were tasked with designing and building an Al-enabled PII redaction tool for the University of Pittsburgh. The process began with thoroughly understanding and documenting the existing business workflow. Leveraging Microsoft-based Azure and Power Platform technologies, the team developed the redaction tool using a combination of Power Apps, Power Automate, Microsoft Teams, and SharePoint Online. Azure function calls to Microsoft's latest Document Intelligence capabilities were integrated, culminating in the creation of a cutting-edge redaction tool built on responsible Al principles.

OUTCOMES

The University of Pittsburgh now boasts a unique, Alpowered redaction tool that significantly streamlines their document processing workflow. This innovation enables them to efficiently handle a backlog of thousands of documents, with most files being AI-redacted in minutes, depending on complexity. Staff review and adjust the output before final approval, ensuring that the redacted documents are secure and ready for faculty consumption. The fully integrated workflow eliminates the need for emailed tasks and files. offering users a seamless, efficient, and secure process.

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