

re:new FAQ



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What is **re:new**?

re:new extends **look**software's modernization suite functionality to include rapid application development (RAD) facilities for new development. It provides a holistic approach to application modernization, which blends reuse of existing RPG development with Microsoft .NET development.

Why would I need **re:new**?

While reuse based modernization still makes most sense when the existing application is technically healthy and still delivering business value, the development capabilities of **re:new** are required in cases including:

- New business requirements where there is nothing to reuse.
- Technical integrity of the existing applications dictate a redevelopment is required
 - Long term maintenance makes ongoing maintenance costs prohibitive
- Business value declines
 - Changed business needs/marketplace means existing code is no longer relevant
- Mandate to change to new platform, architecture
- Mandate to move all existing apps to a specific platform or architecture
 - All apps must be pure SOA

What's different about **re:new**?

re:new allows existing functionality to be reused where possible and seamlessly integrated with the new functionality required. This is very different than the traditional approach of having to choose between reusing or rewriting, and instead blends the two approaches together.

re:new is a modern solution delivery platform aimed at combining:

- The rapid ROI, reduced risk and fast time to value offered by reuse based modernization
- The long term path offered by the option of integrated redevelopment

What are the benefits of **re:new**?

re:new provides many benefits to the effective implementation of modernized application delivery throughout the whole software development lifecycle (SDLC). The main benefits of **re:new** are:

1. Much faster development time
2. Lower risk of failure

3. Lower ongoing maintenance
4. Movement toward Agile development processes

What about Services Oriented Architecture (SOA)?

re:new's architecture and framework is entirely services based. This means that as you modernize and develop new functionality, you will be migrating towards a pure SOA environment. **re:new** is a modern solution delivery environment designed to work with both pre-SOA applications as well as generate pure SOA apps.

Is **re:new** suited to Independent Software Vendors (ISV) needs?

looksoftware's reuse based products is the leading modernization solution in use by IBM i ISV's.

Many ISVs have successfully modernized their traditional IBM i applications to:

- Support Software As A Service (SaaS) delivery model
- Deliver Modern a modern UX including Windows, SharePoint, Outlook, Notes and Google
- Support mobility including iPhone, Android, iPad
- Service enable their applications

re:new includes this functionality but also offers ISVs long term security and independence because ISV's own the (royalty free) source code.

We already have **looksoftware** products. Will they work with **re:new**?

Yes. Any work and investment performed in **looksoftware's** existing development tool's can be leveraged by **re:new**. **re:new** is compatible with existing **looksoftware** projects.

Where can I learn more?

- Download the [re:new webinar](#)
- Email marketing@looksoftware.com
- Contact **looksoftware** in Australia (see below) or **looksoftware** in the USA on 678 354 1094.
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