



SONIBANK chooses SONEMA to protect their email systems

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Niger's leading banking group Sonibank chooses Sonema's managed service *Mail Protection* to protect their email systems.

The *Mail Protection* service deployed for Sonibank protects the company's email service from mail-based threats including spam, ransomware and zero-day type viruses with no known signature. A fully managed service, *Mail Protection* expertly protects the customer from increasingly-sophisticated cyber attacks and malicious software.

Harouna Maiga Boubakar, CEO of Sonibank elaborates: « *Email has become the key medium for cybercriminals. 91% of cyberattacks start with an email. Standard desktop tools are no longer sufficient to fight attacks. Our staff were strongly inconvenienced by the amount of spam and our server performance had deteriorated so we wanted to protect ourselves against the risk of cyber attacks. Sonema suggested that we test their Mail Protection service for a 30-day trial period. In view of the results achieved at the end of the trial period, we were convinced by the relevance of this service and decided to deploy it permanently.*»

During the 30-day trial period *Mail Protection* enabled Sonibank to eliminate spam email which represented 15% of incoming email, and more importantly to block around 10 viruses with no signature thanks to a virus behavioural analysis.

Catherine Delom, Managing Director of Sonema added: « *For over 10 years, we have developed a relationship of trust with the Sonibank team while operating and supervising their WAN access which connects the headquarters to the agencies in Niger in addition to the subsidiaries in Benin. Thanks to this relationship, we were able to offer a solution to address a key issue faced by the Sonibank team. We are delighted that they have chosen to use our Mail Protection service as we have made security a priority for our customers.* »

ABOUT SONEMA

In a digital environment which is continuously evolving, data control and exploitation are and will remain an integral part of competitiveness and distinctiveness of companies. It has become essential to set up a strategy to secure flows and protect data.

By operating and managing scalable, bespoke telecommunications solutions, SONEMA supports its customers in their projects every day. With commitment in mind, and with a strong understanding of what is at stake, we want to be a proactive partner for our customers by allowing them to concentrate on the heart of their profession and on their business innovation.

Faithful to our values of respect, transparency and responsibility, we place trust at the heart of the relation with our customers.

Sonema, also means:

- 70 colleagues who are committed to our customers, every day
- 730 customer installations in 43 countries
- 48 certified partners all over the African continent

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ABOUT SONIBANK

Sonibank was created on the 01/09/1990 within the framework of a Nigerian-Tunisian partnership in conjunction with the BOAD (West African Development Bank) and the BCEAO (Central Bank of West African States), Nigerian private investors plus the Niger government and its subdivisions. Today Sonibank is the country's leading banking group with a strong financial position generating regular growth in results from one year to the next as shown by its financial statements and position.

By means of the professionalism of its staff plus their thorough knowledge of the specific characteristics of demand in Niger, Sonibank has been able to meet the financial requirements of both economic operators and private individuals.

Sonibank's main financial indicators are shown on our website by clicking on the section entitled 'Financial indicators'. The bank employs 280 members of staff with a significant management ratio. Our business network consists of 13 agencies and 2 offices in addition to 17 ABMs. On the 23rd March 2018 the bank launched operations at its first Benin subsidiary and plans to expand throughout the UEMOA zone in compliance with its Business Plan.

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