

CUSTOMER STORY



MBO AMERSFOORT

MBO Amersfoort Achieves Data Management Excellence with Commvault and SPIE



Slashing data recovery times from days to minutes freed the institution's IT team to focus on empowering students and securing its educational mission.



Industry

Educational Services

Location

The Netherlands

Website

www.mboamersfoort.nl www.spie.com/fr

In numbers

- Employees: 500
- Offices: Netherlands

Location

Key environments protected

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- Microsoft 365
 (Outlook, Teams,
 OneDrive, SharePoint)
- Entra ID (formerly Azure Active Directory)

Commyault solutions

- Commvault Cloud Backup & Delivery for Active Directory
- Commvault Cloud Backup & Delivery for Microsoft 365

CHALLENGES

- Data chaos, no central control. Slow, manual data recovery process.
- Manual backups stalled strategic initiatives.

SOLUTIONS

- Centralized data for total control
- Slashed recovery times to minutes.
- Freed IT to focus on goals.

RESULTS

- Recovery times: days to minutes.
- Guaranteed Dutch GDPR compliance.
- Freed IT for strategic priorities.

THE MISSION:

MBO Amersfoort, a community college in the Netherlands with over 7,000 students and 750 employees, transformed its data protection strategy by partnering with Commvault and SPIE. What once was a fragmented, unreliable backup environment is now a centralized, compliant system that enables rapid recovery - often in just minutes. With Commvault and SPIE, IT staff regained control, students and employees can access critical files without delay, and the institution has strengthened its compliance with Dutch regulations while reducing operational costs.

THE CHALLENGE:

Before partnering with Commvault and SPIE (formerly AnyLinQ), MBO Amersfoort faced serious gaps in data management:

- No centralized backup solution multiple GUIs and platforms made it difficult to manage or recover data efficiently.
- Limited control restoring access to files was time-consuming and inconsistent.
- Operational risk lost files caused disputes with students and staff, and maintaining regulatory compliance under Dutch law became increasingly difficult.

Before we partnered with Commvault and SPIE, it was difficult to find a complete solution. We needed to become [in] control of our data.

Kees-Jan van 't Hof CISO & Head of ICT MBO Amersfoort



THE SOLUTION

Together with SPIE, Commvault implemented a centralized, modern data protection platform designed around MBO Amersfoort's Microsoft 365 environment and regulatory needs.

Key elements included:

- Implementation support: SPIE and Commvault's Customer Success team hosted multiple workshops and video meetings to configure and fine-tune the environment.
- Hands-on enablement: Full-day training sessions, provided by SPIE, empowered MBO Amersfoort's IT team to manage backups and restores confidently.
- Trusted partnership: SPIE's long-standing relationship with MBO's board built confidence that the solution would meet both budget and compliance requirements.



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THE RESULTS

MBO Amersfoort quickly realized measurable improvements:

- Faster recovery: Active Directory and M365 data can now be restored in 5 10 minutes, compared to lengthy delays before.
- Operational efficiency: Staff saved significant time, with data centralized and easy to locate.
- Cost efficiency: Lower IT overhead by streamlining backup/recovery into a single solution.
- Regulatory compliance: The institution is now aligned with Dutch data retention and security regulations (GDPR).

After implementing Commvault, we are fully in control of our data. We don't want any other solution - it works the way we want it to.

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GRADUATION FILES SAVED IN MINUTES

When a group of students needed access to their graduation files, MBO Amersfoort's old system couldn't deliver. Without centralized backups, recovery was slow, frustrating, and uncertain. What should have been a simple file restore, became a slow, arduous process. This wasn't just an IT headache; it was a direct impact on the student experience.

With Commvault and SPIE, the process was transformed:

- Files were located and restored within minutes instead of days.
- Graduates received timely access to critical documents.
- IT staff avoided the stress and manual effort of chasing down data across fragmented systems.



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SOLUTIONS

For students, timely access to their academic records is essential. For staff, fast recovery reduces disputes and builds trust in IT

ABOUT MBO AMERSFOORT

At MBO Amersfoort, it's all about student's success. The organization provides valuable learning experiences to equip students to learn and live in a complex society and work in the labor market.













