

Banco Santander Chile

Financial institution delivers high-quality customer-focused apps and streamlines mobile testing with UFT Digital Lab and UFT One.



Who is Banco Santander Chile?

With over 3.6 million clients, Banco Santander is Chile's largest retail and commercial bank. Key to its vision is putting the customer at the center of everything the bank does and operating under the fundamental concept of "Simple, Personal and Fair."

Mobile Banking Apps Optimized for Increased Demand

Chile has the one of the highest levels of online banking engagement in South America, with

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90 percent of internet users having access to a banking app. As a result, electronic payment for goods and services is more common too: research shows that 35 percent of online banking clients use apps to pay in shops by mobile phone. Data analysis indicates that the use of online banking and payment apps is increasing, with the trend towards remote transactions further accelerated by the arrival of COVID-19.

Julio Franjola Armijo, Head of Quality Assurance at Banco Santander, explains how this influences strategic decisions at the bank: "We understand that the performance of our apps is vital. These are our main communication channels with our customers. We want to provide easy navigation and enable payment services within a single app. This all aligns with the digital transformation we're undergoing as an organization. We want to make our processes more agile and add automation where we can."

Provide On-Prem and Cloud-Based Remote Access to Test Environments

The Quality Assurance (QA) team at Banco Santander worked with local implementation partner Avattar to address these challenges for all in-house developed solutions. The bank currently has six apps, each with a different focus and audience. All of them must be developed, tested, and maintained to the highest global



At a Glance

- **Industry**
Banking
- **Location**
Chile
- **Challenge**
Providing user-friendly and high performance mobile banking apps to meet growing customer demand, while introducing effective test automation
- **Products and Services**
UFT Digital Lab
UFT One
- **Success Highlights**
 - + Increased test automation frees up test engineers to focus on more value-add activities
 - + Improved test coverage with cross-platform and multi-device test automation
 - + Supported digital transformation by optimization of mobile apps
 - + Enabled event simulation for various network conditions and GPS locations
 - + Introduced integration with open source software
 - + Benefited from effective collaboration between Avattar and OpenText™

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quality standards. Avattar recommended OpenText™ UFT One and OpenText™ UFT Digital Lab to accelerate functional test automation and optimize mobile apps, supporting an agile application delivery process.

“UFT One is used to develop automated tests for our web and mobile applications,” says Franjola. “It is integrated with UFT Digital Lab to develop mobile device tests. This leverages a mix of Android and iOS devices acquired for testing purposes and makes them available to various test teams through a device reservation and test environment creation system, either physically or through the cloud. Using mobile devices in remote work mode has been particularly helpful during the COVID-19 crisis, giving our staff remote access to our test environments.”

Support for Agile Development and Continuous Integration Practices

Some of the automated tests are developed with open source software, leveraging Selenium, Java, and Appium. UFT Digital Lab's integration with Appium has been invaluable in executing these tests. To ensure quality across browsers, platforms, and devices, the on-demand device lab is connected directly to Banco Santander's internal network so engineers can run the necessary tests from their own homes. Automated tests are launched through UFT

Digital Lab's integration with Jenkins, an open source automation server, and the test results are automatically captured in UFT One. “We found UFT's openness to be a real benefit, particularly the ability to execute tests from different scripting tools and support our continuous integration practices,” confirms Franjola.

100% Test Automation Achieves Improved User Experience

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He concludes: “Working together with Avattar and Micro Focus (now part of OpenText™) we have enhanced our test coverage and the majority of our apps are now tested through a 100 percent automated process, aligned with our agile processes and overall digital

transformation. UFT One and UFT Digital Lab free up our QA team to spend more time on value-add activities such as the design and development of user-friendly interfaces. We put our customers at the center of everything we do, so being able to improve their experience with these time savings is very valuable to us.”

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Open Source integration

- Selenium
- Java
- Appium
- Jenkins Automation Server

Mobile platforms

- Android
- iOS

Development methodology

- Agile DevOps