



Storage Ardentation

Are you getting the most from your storage system?

Increasingly your business is required to handle large amounts of data. Some of it needs to be accessed daily, some needs to be kept secure for future purposes and some is subject to very stringent regulations.

It is vital to the success of your business that the storage of this data is efficient, secure and cost-effective. You may find that you've used a number of ad hoc storage solutions to keep things under control and they're beginning to feel the strain or are costing you large sums of money. They may even contravene compliance regulations and could be putting your business at risk.

Ensure the health of your storage solutions

By carrying out a SAN health check we'll scrutinise every aspect of your existing storage system and your storage needs, helping you to decide what course of action will be best for you. Once we've had a detailed look at your systems we'll be able to recommend where – if necessary – we think improvements could be made to strengthen the performance of your storage system.

Sometimes additional investment in technology may be needed to ensure the optimum efficiency of your systems. ArdentA will advise you on the best course of action for your organisation, enabling you to make an informed decision. This forms part of a unique process we have developed called **Ardentation**.

Benefit from our years of experience and expertise

At ArdentA we have a reputation for the professionalism of our installation, configuration, support and maintenance of SAN solutions. We have gained this status by designing and implementing storage solutions for a number of major organisations, including:

- **Greenpeace UK**
- **Musgrave Budgens Londis**

The ArdentA difference – today and tomorrow

ArdentA was founded by two technicians – Neil Truby and Scott Hanson. Neil and Scott continue to work with us today and it is their grass-roots knowledge of the solutions we deliver that has helped us develop a culture of technical expertise and excellence. Through this experience we have gained a thorough understanding of our customers' requirements and how best to serve them.

This helps us to deliver on our mission to ensure that the enterprise information systems that your organisation depends upon are designed, implemented and maintained at optimum levels.



“ ArdentA's extensive knowledge of storage networking made them an ideal partner to help us to address our storage issues. The SAN they recommended shows that they understood our needs well. ”

Steve Thomson, Finance and IT Director,
Greenpeace UK.



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We can solve your storage dilemmas

ArdentA are experts in delivering Storage Area Network (SAN) solutions. SAN models offer an effective system for centralising and deploying your storage needs and are designed to help you optimise, migrate and gain control over your legacy and contemporary data issues.

SANs have a range of advantages over Directly Attached Storage (DAS) systems, including a lower total cost of ownership, improved scalability and higher performance, thanks to their use of fibre-channel technology. ArdentA has vast experience in designing and supplying SANs, working with a number of leading vendors including HP, IBM, Adaptec, Brocade and Cisco. ArdentA's extensive SAN services encompass:

- **SAN implementation**
if your business needs an effective storage solution, we'll design and install a SAN to meet your specific requirements.
- **SAN management software**
as an accredited EMC Velocity partner, we're able to offer you world-class, industry-strength SAN management software, such as VisualSRM to support multi-vendor SAN environments.

- **DAS to SAN migration**
if you would like to gain the benefits of SAN but need assistance migrating from DAS, ArdentA has a wealth of experience.
- **SAN upgrades**
with SANs in use for a number of years now, many businesses are upgrading their older 1Gbit systems to the newer and faster 2Gbit options. At ArdentA we frequently handle these upgrades on our client's behalf.
- **SAN health check**
if you're running a SAN solution that employs a number of different switch vendors, you could find efficiency is slipping. We'll help you ensure your network is running at optimum effectiveness.
- **Specialised database tuning on SAN**
we have years of experience implementing and supporting database systems that run on the SAN model and can offer solutions such as instant backup and recovery using that technology.

Ardentation

Ardentation is a unique ethos that forms a core part of everything we do at ArdentA. Out of this dedication and commitment to doing things just that bit better, we have devised a unique process called System Ardentation. The aim of a System Ardentation programme is to bring your existing systems to a peak of performance and productivity.

We begin by carrying out a detailed health check of your existing IT systems, drawing on our considerable technical expertise and experience. Our team of highly skilled, industry-certified staff will then advise you where improvements are to be made to ensure the optimum efficiency of your systems. If you need to invest in upgrades, we'll advise you on the best course of action for your organisation so you can make an informed decision.

Whatever the problem, and whatever critical systems you're running, an Ardentation programme will breathe new life, efficiency and productivity into them, eliminating inefficiency and significantly increasing their ability to support your business.

So why not get in touch and see how we can help maximise your systems?

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