One of the first medical imaging data archiving and sharing projects in France using CARESTREAM Vue Cloud PACS and Vue Cloud Archive is now operational. Data is hosted at the Roanne NumeriParc secure data centre (ISO27001 certified) in the Loire Region (south-east of France), and built around the Axione highspeed telecommunications network.

The Saint Etienne University Hospital led the group coordination of this ambitious territorial PACS project, which involved all major economic, political, technical and health players of the Loire. The group aims to share the purchase of services and equipment, enabling medical image archiving, communication and diagnostic services to meet the needs of group members and aid cooperation between institutions and their partners. The group chose Cloud-based services for the project instead of capital investment as these services enhance productivity and patient care and the fee-per-study structure provides a predictable TCO.

One of the project’s initial partners, the Mutualité Française Loire SSAM, is among the first to benefit from this initiative. Institutional stakeholders were also actively involved, including the Conseil Général de la Loire, the Adéle42, the Grand Roanne Agglomération and the Rhône-Alpes Regional Health Authority (ARS).

"At Carestream we provide the application software, hardware and all required services for the provision of various services offered to end customers," said Ludovic d'Apréa, Manager of Carestream in the France-Belgium-Luxembourg Region. "We also support marketing the service to end customers who may choose to optimise the use of bandwidth purchased from Axione, depending on their requirements. Carestream is proud to participate in this innovative project which gives us the opportunity to demonstrate our technology and expertise in the strategic area of archiving, exchange and sharing of clinical data across health regions”.

Carestream’s family of cloud services includes Vue Cloud PACS, Vue Cloud Archive, and Vue Cloud Community, which offers image exchange and access portals. Carestream Health is a proven cloud services provider that manages 30 million studies (1 petabyte of data) in 10 different clouds worldwide.

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