

Who we are:

Candidate-1st is a specialized in building high potential team. As an organization, we activate the network to ensure that our customers can go faster every day. Through our unique core values, Harmony, Trust & Inspiration, we accelerate the process for our customers. The Gooi en Vechtstreek region is a client of Candidate-1st where a digital transformation is taking place which is supervised by Candidate-1st.

With whom do we have the pleasure?

My name is Igor Meeuwse, General Manager Region Gooi en Vechtstreek. A wonderful organization in the public domain. I love working here. It is meaningful work for both municipalities and residents.

What is the purpose of the Gooi en Vechtstreek region?

For residents, with municipalities

Four words that stand for everything we do as the Gooi and Vechtstreek Region: with the municipalities of Blaricum, Eemnes, Gooise Meren, Hilversum, Huizen, Laren and Wijdemeren, we make a difference for our residents every day. What works better together and has added value, we do together. A sustainable, healthy, accessible and safe region is what drives us.

For residents

More than 250,000 residents interact with our implementing organisation on a daily basis. Waste and raw materials collection, youth health care, joint procurement of care and support, GGD, Safe Home, 24/7 crisis care for young people, compulsory education, emergency provision for social housing, the Care and Safety House, the Employers' Service Point, Student and Social Support Transport and the Regional Ambulance Service: the organisation of these lies with the Region. We do this every day with hundreds of committed employees. Not only from our office in Bussum: our people work all over the Gooi and Vechtstreek. From the garbage men and women, the youth nurses, the school attendance officers to the GGD doctors or the people who support victims of exploitation.

With municipalities

Providing good services for our residents is not the only thing we do. We also support cooperation between municipalities on strategic tasks, such as the design of the social domain, housing, mobility, employment, energy transition and sustainability. The guiding principle is the Regional Cooperation Agenda adopted by municipal councils, which sets out the most important tasks that strengthen the area and the (social) facilities in the region. As part of a single joint programme organisation – consisting of civil servants from municipalities and the Region – we work with the national government, provinces, the Amsterdam Metropolitan Area, civil society organisations, residents and businesses on the strategic challenges in our area.

This also means that we, as an organization, have to make this happen. The 700 colleagues must be able to rely on a reliable internal service.

What is the reason that you are making the Transition to the Cloud?

We have started a transition to the Cloud in order to be able to support the residents of the municipalities in a more innovative, (cost) efficient and faster way. In our search for the right person to prepare and guide this transition, we have entered into a partnership with Candidate-1st.

A number of objectives have been set for the organization, including delivering an architecture that meets our needs with cost planning and a transition plan. Based on these achieved objectives, we have extended the cooperation with the organization. To keep up the fast movement, Candidate-

1st's Enterprise Architect built a migration team that delivers speed across our entire transition. This is very successful and is on track to achieve the set goals.

Why did you start looking for a partner with our norms and values?

Unfortunately, we didn't have the internal capabilities to manage this transition. Fortunately, we have entered into a partnership with Candidate-1st and we are now in the process of rolling out the new environment to the organization, and this is going well.

The migration team that has been put in place by Candidate-1st has brought our organization into a dynamic process of renewal. As a result, we are ready for the future and can better serve the residents of the municipalities. We are very happy with the collaboration with Candidate-1st and look forward to a further successful transition to the Cloud.