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IT consultancy Fincons has helped global news network The Associated Press (AP) develop a new content unbundling distribution platform. The project will be showcased at the media, entertainment, and technology-focused NAB Show 2019 in Las Vegas in April.

Founded in 1983, Italy-based Fincons delivers a range of services and solutions in strategy, digital, technology, and operations to a variety of industries, with a particularly strong client base in the media sector. The bulk of Fincons' operations are based out of Europe, with five offices in Italy, four in Switzerland, and one in the UK. The 1,400-employee firm recently launched locations in New York and Los Angeles, in a bid to tap into America's strong demand for business technology services.

Fincons leveraged its fresh stateside presence to support the AP with a new content distribution platform. The consultancy helped the media giant build content bundling and unbundling into its products, while improving product definition and defining specific pricing tools to match unique customer needs.



Fincons centrally developed an Amazon Web Services-based engine that allows AP sales teams to automatically and intuitively configure custom products and pricing A year from the project's genesis, the platform is ready to be piloted. Those at the National Association of Broadcasters Show in Las Vegas next month will get to see the platform in action.

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AP chief technology officer Gianluca D'Aniello was impressed by the consultancy's work on the IT project. "Fincons immediately tuned in to our values, the way we approach projects and transformation, and our mission," he said. "The Fincons teams that worked with us were not just very experienced but shared our same drive."

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AP is currently looking for other areas to leverage Fincons' expertise in digital transformation, with the consultancy likewise eager to continue its collaboration with the New York-based not-for-profit news agency.

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