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What is the VICIdial Open-Source Contact Center Suite and Where is it Going?

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What is VICIdial?

- Open Source Contact Center Suite
- Inbound, Outbound and Blended Call Handling
- Inbound Email and Website Customer Chat
- Runs on top of Asterisk Open Source PBX
- Web-based user interfaces
- Available in multiple languages
 - Agent interface is in 16 languages Administrative interface is in 7 languages
 - Make or edit your own language translations, Easy!

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Why Was VICIdial Created?

Two Reasons:

- Because Asterisk was available

- Lack of millions of dollars to buy commercial outbound dialing solution for a 200 seat call center



- Working with Dialogic and Bayonne was an exercise in frustration
- Bought single T1 card from Digium and had working Asterisk system in 2 hours
- Asterisk was easy to use and had powerful programming options: AMI and AGI
- AstGUIclient GPL project was born on SourceForge.net as perl-only applications
- ViciDial was a Perl/TK, click-to-dial user app



- astVICIDIAL became focus of astGUIclient project
- Auto-dialing added
- Inbound call handling used separate web-based application
- Ability to send calls to other agent groups
- Astricon 2004 in Atlanta

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- First AJAX web-based agent screen released
- Blended inbound/outbound Call Handling added
- Agent script tab added to agent screen
- HotKeys quick dispositioning added
- Multi-server load balancing added
- First alternate language(Spanish) agent static-translation released



VICIdial Screen-Shot: 2005

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- Won SourceForge.net project of the year for VOIP applications 2006
- Scheduled Callbacks added
- Alternate Phone number dialing added
- Predictive dialing Algorithm added
- Moved to SVN(subversion) for code control and development



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- Skills-based call routing added
- QueueMetrics logging added
- List Mix and more lead ordering options added
- Asterisk 1.4 support added
- First official VICIdial Training classes
- The Vicidial Group company is founded to provide VICIdial support
- VICIdial Hosted service(VICIhost) launched



- 2nd prize for voice applications at VO.IP Germany
- Queue Prioritization added
- Timeclock time tracking added
- DID call routing from web interface added
- Web APIs added
- More inbound features like estimated hold time, place in line and other hold time options added
- VICIbox demo LiveCD released



- Integration with Sangoma's CPD Advanced Answering Machine Detection
- In-depth VtigerCRM integration added
- Agent shift enforcement added
- Audio prompts and Music-on-Hold web config
- Cepstral Text-to-Speech integration
- Web-based Asterisk configuration added
- Version 2.2.0 released
- VICIbox server installation ISO



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- Won ITexpo "Best of Show" Call Center Award
- User Group agent and admin permissions separation added
- Inbound agent probability routing added
- Phone login load balance grouping added
- Advanced Auto-Alt-Number dialing added



- Version 2.4 released
- Web-based Lead Management tools added
- Quality Control features added
- Inbound Lead Search added
- Inbound Email agent handling added



- Version 2.7 released
- Report logging added
- Holiday call time restrictions added
- Encrypted passwords functionality added
- Security audit of all web code completed
- Cellphone number filtering for USA added (TCPA)
- Asterisk 1.8 support added



- Version 2.9 released
- Database languages translation code added Agent audio soundboards added
- Lots of code cleanup



- Version 2.11 released
- Customer website agent chat added
- Internal manager and agent chat features added
- DNC.com list filtering features added
- Agent screen debug logging added
- Asterisk 11 support added



- Version 2.13 released
- Redesign of admin web screens
- WebRTC compatibility for agent screen added
- Screen colors templates added
- CIOreview Most Promising Call Center Software award



- Automated Reports added
- IP Lists blocking and whitelisting added
- Drop Lists features added
- Inbound forecasting reports added
- Cross-Cluster Communication added
- Agent Events HTTP Push features added
- Sangoma CPD/CPA/Lyra goes end-of-life
- Asterisk 13 support added



VICIdial Agent Screenshot: 2017

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VICIdial Agent Soundboard

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WEB FORM	Good Evening	MAAM - SHORT	BASIC PLAN	How Does This Work	I am in Training
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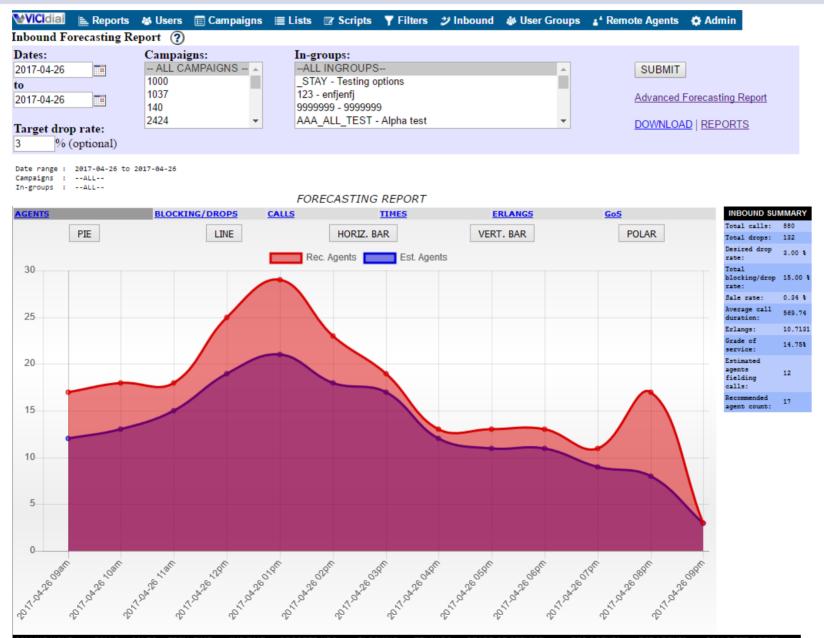
VICIdial Admin Screenshots

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VICIdial Admin Screenshots



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VICIdial Customer Chat Screenshot

Current chat: ACTIVE Julian (2016-08-18 13:07:31) - Hello, how can I help you today?

Harold Smith (2016-08-18 13:08:12) - Hi, I would like to order more anvils, I'm SOOOO close to catching that roadrunner

Julian (2016-08-18 13:08:29) - I can certainly help you with that, do you have a customer number?

Harold Smith (2016-08-18 13:08:42) - Yes, it's 874563

Julian (2016-08-18 13:09:13) - OK, I've brought up your customer record, I see you order 4 anvils last month, did you want to order 4 again?

Yes please, I'm sure that will be enough this time

CLEAR

Widgets

SEND MESSAGE





Mute alert sound



Planned Future Features

- Lumenvox CPD/SIT integration
- Ability for agents to "pause" recordings
- Areacode dialing suppression features
- Remote system monitoring



Issues Working With Asterisk

- Asterisk queues was unstable, unreliable, inconsistent and not scalable
- No bridging function between two channels
- Meetme chosen as agent bridging application
- VICIdial queuing is done through AGI & database
- Some Asterisk releases cannot be used, bugs and crashing at high load
- Changing or removing of core Asterisk functions

* Go see Michael Cargile's presentation tomorrow about this



VICIdial Agent Screen Evolution

- Started with Perl/Tk on each workstation
 - Required client software installation & configuration Upgrades very time consuming for large call centers
- Move to web-based AJAX/Javascript app
 - Moved agent phone configuration to the database
 - No software required beyond web browser
 - Code is on a server, no workstation upgrades needed
 - More steps in coding of software, AJAX toolkit packages don't work for this complex of an application



Language Screen Translations

- Change to UTF-8 compatibility
- Translation of phrases stored in database
 - Agent interface has 1000+ phrases
 - Administration has 6000+ phrases
- Live phrase lookup in database is part of core code
- Native speaker input very important
 - ADMINISTRATION:
 - English
 - Spanish
 - French
 - German
 - Italian
 - Greek
 - Brazilian Portuguese

AGENT:

- English
- Spanish
- French
- German
- Italian
- Dutch

- Danish
- Swedish
- Japanese
- Greek
- Russian

- Portuguese
- Brazilian Portuguese
- Polish
- Slovak
- Traditional Chinese



How Do You Make Money?

- Hosted VICIdial service, www.VICIhost.com
- Installation of new VICIdial systems
- Upgrades of existing, or improperly installed, VICIdial systems
- Customization: Custom programming VICIdial to suit client needs
- Selling VICIdial Agent and Admin manuals
- Official training classes
- Selling hardware(servers, phones, TMD cards)



Why Enterprise Users Choose VICIdial

- No Product End-of-life
- No per-seat licensing cost
- Wide feature set
- Internal control of code-base
- Higher degree of customization is possible
- Commercial support available
- Most widely used contact center solution in the world
- Competitive advantage



What the Fork!?

- There have been dozens of VICIdial forks created
- Most are one-offs or die after a few years and do not maintain security or stability updates
- Some are on hosted-only services and try to hide their VICIdial code use
- Several do not follow AGPLv2 license terms, we are suing one company for that now
- Best way to stay on top is to constantly add new features and be responsive to the community

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Over 15,000 New VICIdial Installs in the last 2 years!







Thank you!

For more information, go to:

www.vicidial.org

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