Multi-Channel Customer Support Hub (Omnichannel Support Project)

This project is a Salesforce-based Omnichannel Support System that centralizes customer queries from Email, WhatsApp, Chat, and Social Media into a single platform. It enables automated case creation and assignment, SLA management, sentiment-based prioritization, and real-time dashboards for agents and managers.

The system helps support agents respond faster, managers monitor performance, and customers receive consistent and timely responses, improving overall customer satisfaction and retention.

Phase 1: Problem Understanding & Industry Analysis

1. Requirement Gathering

• **Objective**: Enable companies to manage customer queries from multiple channels (Email, WhatsApp, Chat, Social Media) in one Salesforce platform.

Gathered Requirements:

- Unified Inbox → Central place where all customer queries arrive.
- Case Management → Auto-create and assign Cases from incoming queries.
- Omnichannel Routing → Distribute cases to available agents based on skills, priority, or workload.
- SLAs & Escalations → Ensure timely resolution with automated reminders.
- Sentiment Analysis → Flag negative/urgent cases automatically.
- Reports & Dashboards → Track resolution times, agent productivity, and channel effectiveness.

2. Stakeholder Analysis

• Primary Stakeholders:

- Support Agents → Need an easy-to-use interface to respond to queries from multiple channels.
- Customers → Expect quick and consistent responses, regardless of channel.
- Support Managers → Need visibility into KPIs (first response time, resolution time, customer satisfaction).
- IT/Admin Team → Responsible for Salesforce setup, integration with channels (WhatsApp, Chatbot, Social), and security.

3. Business Process Mapping

• Current Process (Without Salesforce):

- Customers reach out via Email, WhatsApp, or Social Media.
- Agents handle them separately → responses delayed, duplicate handling possible.
- o Escalations missed due to lack of tracking.
- Managers cannot measure customer satisfaction properly.

• Proposed Salesforce Process:

- o All incoming queries **auto-converted into Cases** in Salesforce.
- Omnichannel Routing assigns Cases based on priority and availability.
- Agents reply from Salesforce → response is sent back via the original channel (Email, WhatsApp, Chat).
- \circ SLAs applied \rightarrow if not resolved in time, the case escalates.
- \circ **LWC Unified Inbox** for agents \rightarrow one screen to view/respond across channels.
- o **Dashboards** → show total cases, resolution time, customer sentiment breakdown.

4. Industry-Specific Use Case Analysis (Customer Support)

- Omnichannel Support is critical for BPOs, Call Centers, D2C Brands, and E-commerce firms.
- Customer Retention depends heavily on fast & personalized responses.
- Multi-channel engagement reduces the risk of customers being ignored.
- Sentiment-driven escalation improves customer satisfaction scores (CSAT).

Example:

Without Salesforce \rightarrow A customer sends a WhatsApp query and waits 2 days for a response. With Salesforce \rightarrow Case auto-created, routed to available agent, and SLA ensures a **1-hour response** time.

5. AppExchange Exploration

- Useful Salesforce Apps for Multi-Channel Support:
 - Digital Engagement Add-on → Natively supports WhatsApp, Facebook Messenger, SMS, and Web Chat.
 - Einstein Bots → Automates FAQs and routes complex queries to human agents.
 - o **Twilio/SMS Magic** → For WhatsApp & SMS integration.
 - o **Vonage/Genesys Cloud** → Voice channel integration.
 - o **SurveyMonkey or Salesforce Surveys** → Collect post-resolution feedback.