

The Perfect Chemistry For Degussa

A multinational corporation standing for innovation and excellence in the field of specialty chemistry, Degussa successfully co-operates with a 2nd tier partner of same qualities. With Exact software the company gets exactly what a world market leader needs: flexibility, speed and reliability.

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Degussa is the world market leader in specialty chemicals and one of the top ten companies in the chemicals field. Its product range includes fine and industrial chemicals, performance materials, coatings and advanced fillers, and specialty polymers. The company



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manufactures its products at production facilities in over 50 countries while the Corporate Center in Düsseldorf provides strategic control functions. In fiscal 2005, Degussa generated sales of over EUR 11.8 billion with some 44,000 employees.

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Using a number of regional and individual solutions in their subsidiaries, Degussa was in need for a standardized solution allowing the harmonization of all business processes within its subsidiary network. Integrated standard software on a global scale providing a high level of functionality was not all Degussa was looking for: co-operating with an IT company offering the necessary stability was one of the framework criteria.

A multinational company with numerous subsidiaries, Degussa now benefits from the best of both worlds: While using a so-called 1st-tier solution designed for complex requirements, Exact allows the full integration of smaller subsidiaries through a global standardized 2nd-tier ERP solution that is also equipped with all necessary localizations. Cost efficiency, reduced complexity and significantly reduced implementation periods made Exact a clear favorite for Degussa. Today the company uses Exact e-Synergy and Exact Globe 2003 Enterprise with the modules Financials, Logistics (sales and purchase), Manufacturing, Accounting and CRM in 16 countries in Europe, South America and Asia Pacific.

The Web-based interface of Exact e-Synergy was a key feature for Degussa

to decide for Exact. "This product stands for integration and flexibility, meeting the requirements defined by our management philosophy 'as decentralized as possible, as central as necessary'", Wolfgang Hinrichs, Information Officer at Degussa AG, points out. Integrating all the information of its organization into one multifunctional database with e-Synergy proved to be the perfect solution for the realization of this business concept.

"Exact is a complementary 2nd-tier solution for Degussa. Operating in more than 50 countries, the integration through one globally standardized product with over 30 localizations supports our company in achieving both growth and quality targets on a global scale"

Wolfgang Hinrichs,
Information Officer
Degussa AG



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With the implementation of Exact Globe 2003 Enterprise comprising the modules, Degussa profits from an integrated back-office system throughout the entire company, automating business processes in the following areas: Financials, Logistics (sales and purchase), Manufacturing, Accounting and CRM. Achieving integration through one globally standardized product with over 30 localizations successfully met Degussa's key

requirements of standardization and harmonization of all business processes.

Delighted by the excellent availability of on-site resources, including the Exact team, the Degussa management commends the smooth co-operation with Exact to which Exact employees Joost Tigelaar and Frank Bickerle highly contributed.

DEGUSSA INTEGRATION SUMMARY



CHALLENGE

Integrated standard software on a global scale providing a high level of functionality; moreover, co-operating with an IT company offering the necessary stability was of great importance.

SOLUTION

Implementation of Exact e-Synergy and of Exact Globe 2003 Enterprise with the modules Financials, Logistics (sales and purchase), Manufacturing, Accounting and CRM in 16 countries world-wide.

BENEFITS

Standardization and harmonization of all business processes in all subsidiaries through one global standard product in several languages and offering a large number of modules.

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