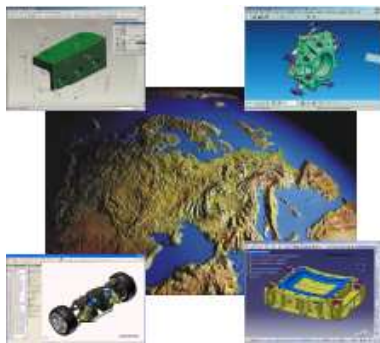


PLM Alliance

Go with experts for your SAP PLM solution!

The four Development Partners of SAP AG – CENIT, CIDEON, DSC, and .riess – jointly offer optimized SAP PLM solutions.



The PLM Alliance

The companies CENIT AG Systemhaus, CIDEON AG, DSC Software AG and .riess engineering GmbH founded the PLM Alliance with the objective to jointly develop, market, and implement solutions surrounding SAP PLM.

PLM is our business

PLM is the only topic the PLM Alliance is dealing with. We support companies who use or plan to use SAP as their enterprise backbone. The PLM Alliance provides consulting, implementation, customization and development services for SAP PLM solutions. We are certified „SAP PLM Special Expertise Partner“.

For several years now we develop together with SAP's

specialists the CAD integration solutions for SAP PLM. SAP offers those solutions as SAP standard products with standard SAP maintenance agreements. The maintenance for CAD integrations is provided by SAP AG jointly with the CAD development partners. Our experience with more than 400 SAP PLM projects in different industries made us familiar with SAP's full set of PLM applications. The typical project requirements coming with PLM / ERP integration or different kinds of legacy integration are our daily business.

Based on their extensive project experience our PLM consultants are able to reuse concepts, methodologies, pre-configured modules or training materials for your individual PLM implementation.



The PLM Alliance members are experts in integrating SAP with all kind of IT-applications. Our development partnership with SAP enables us to use "classic" integration technologies like ABAP, BAPIs, BADIs or next generation Netweaver architectures like XI or portal technologies. As CAD development partners of SAP AG we defi-

nately know how to integrate engineering applications in SAP PLM.



Your benefit

The benefits of this cooperation for companies to introduce SAP PLM are straight forward:

- The comfort of a „one-stop“ implementation even if complex multi-system integrations are needed
- Risk reduction due to technical experts orchestrated by experienced PLM project managers
- “Engineers for engineers” – our team thinks and talks the engineering language
- Time savings through the usage of our add-on products
- Cost savings for individualization coming with the reuse of components
- Quality insurance based on project methodology, use cases, QA measures and acceptance procedures
- Maximum investment protection guaranteed through our strategic partnership with SAP AG

The project scope

We offer SAP PLM implementations to meet typical requirements like:

- Seamless support of the complete Product Development Process (PDP)
- User-suited, global distribution of product data and documents
- „Engineering-suited“ access to SAP’s PLM applications and database
- Early availability of engineering data for all affected company departments and business partners
- Integrated project management internally and in „extended enterprises“
- Precise, stepwise introduction of the PLM solution within a fixed time and cost frame



The solution for you

The PLM Alliance SAP PLM project approach starts where product development typically starts – with document management in the engineering department. We propose to introduce first a „**SAP PLM core system**“ covering the following features:

- Document management
- Office integration
- CAD integration
- Content / cache server
- Distributed CAD vaulting
- Neutral format generation
- Versioning
- Release and change management
- DMU viewing
- Output management

- Standard and catalog part integration
- CAD data exchange



Our project methodology brings concrete benefits to end users within 6 to 12 months. The most critical group of documents – CAD files - that contains your company knowhow is available and access controlled in SAP’s document vaults. All core processes for document versioning, release and change management are in place. Our CAD conversion server creates neutral formats in 2D and 3D for single models or complete assemblies i.e as TIF, PDF or JT files. This enables you to integrate departments where users do not have CAD workstations.

The Outlook

The introduction of the PLM core system provides the ideal basis for the further integration into the logistic processes of your SAP ERP system.

Our service offering includes the introduction of new SAP applications based on the SAP Web Application Servers (WAS), such as cFolders/cProjects or SAP portal applications. We extend the existing document controlled processes with object links to materials, BOMs, routings or PSP elements and use SAP’s workflow engine to establish overall change processes covering all the different affected items.

Summary

- The PLM Alliance offers as „SAP PLM Special Expertise Partner“ the experience of more than 400 successful PLM implementations.
- Our SAP PLM core system introduction gives you security, flexibility and shortterm benefits with fixed conditions.
- Our CAD integration products use SAP’s strategic integration platform „CAD Desktop“ (more than 20.000 CAD-integration licenses sold in the last years)

Discover the services of the PLM Alliance visiting one of our PLM workshops or get in touch with us to plan an individual meeting. Benefit of our SAP PLM Competence Center where all PLM Alliance solutions are available for presentations.



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