Merging & integrating IT systems

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The CIO's dilemma in T& L sector

In the Transportation & Logistics business, this dilemma is important :

- Integration of services all along the Supply Chain
- Network versus clients needs
- Demand for more events driven information
- Demand for more real-time information
- Acquisition and/or merging

And for Geodis as well

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- which challenges ?
- Which initiatives ?





- GEODIS is the leader in France and one of the top European logistics operators for manufacturing and retail companies.
- A worldwide network on 120 countries, with subsidiaries in over 40 countries
- Over 3 million m² of warehousing space
- 22,725 employees



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GEODIS offer

A major international-scale operator

- On all the logistics supply chain
 - International logistics
 - Groupage and express
 - Full Truck Load

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- Reverse Logistics
- Supply Chain Management



Grouping together strong commercial brands



Strategic Partnerships

- ELIX, the leading German franchised network for pan-European consolidation.
- ROHDE AND LIESENFELD, in international, air and transport commissioning as well as in the field of industrial projects)
- NET EXPRESS EUROPE, network of European transporters specialising in Express deliveries.

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Geodis re-organisation

• From 1995 to 2001,

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- each branch was mainly focused on one activity
- and was operating on an European or worldwide scope.
- New organisation (2001)
 - Geographical and multi-activities Business Units
 - Supported by transversal divisions
 - Geodis Networks
 - Geodis Solutions
 - ✓ IT Department, merging all the previous IT departments

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Business Incentives

and IT Challenges

- New commercial and operational initiatives ...
 - Strengthen and develop our core activities
 - Develop our European services

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- Develop Managing Vendor offer
- In and some challenges for the IT
 - Merge several IT departments
 - Develop common standard processes for the IT management
 - Rationalize, build and promote common IT services
 - Imagine and realize new technology-based initiatives

Integration services

Systems flexibility

Monitoring capabilities

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Managing evolutions

Application owners :

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- Define and validate the new functional evolutions to be implemented in the applications they manage
- Guarantee the consistency of the application with regards to the business process

IT department :

- Define technical solutions
- Manage developments
- Guarantee the global consistency of the information system



- Corporate IT : 155 persons
- Society Local teams :
 - France: 100 persons
 - Other countries: 70 persons
- Agreement with IBM Global Services : 100 FTE







Geodis IT solutions principles

3 fundamentals

Collaborate with external parties

- Customers ,Suppliers
- Business partners, Governmental authorities (customs, ...)

Operate Network activities

In Groupage In Overseas

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- ⇒ For each activity, proven IT solutions
- ⇒ A common integration framework
- ⇒ Integration systems technologies and skills



A 3 layer Information Hub

Communication hub

- Receive various types of messages
- Translate and map
- Identify sender and select recipient
- Post message on various networks and protocols

Data hub

- Store information embedded in the messages
- Data model is defined for each activity

Web Services

Track & Trace

Operational Reporting, KPIs

Architecture originally designed for Groupage

Extended to all Geodis activities

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Hosted on an IBM mainframe

- More than a million messages a day
- Over 1000 connected partners
- Flat files, EDI files (20 types)

Web services	Suivez vos expéditions	Quittez l'Espace Client
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	Type de prestation	
	Votre référence	: 00173589
	Destinataire	: REFERENCE SANTE 45-MEDIVAL 19 RUE CHARLES BEAUHAIRE 45 ST JEAN DE LA RUELLE (France)
Web Execution Services for clients	Nombre de colis	:1
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Due la fame	▶ 29/12/2004	En cours d'acheminement
Pre-inform	▶ 28/12/2004	En cours d'acheminement
	Autre Recherche	Retour Liste
<complex-block></complex-block>	Web Reporting Based on the Data and additional data IT systems, 	a Hub a from our operational



Rationalize operational solutions

Within the Horizon program

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- Large implication of BUs, Operations
- Align Offer, Process & IT
- Describe and define the target on each domain
- Second text Sec
 - Define target catalogue per Business activity
 Groupage, Logistics, FTL,...
 - ⇒ Based on some existing solutions
 - ⇒ When needed, implement new SW

Overseas Management (LIMS)



IT Production

Reorganisation of the IT centers

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- specialization of the IT centers
- Centralization according to the SL requirements
- Implementation of common Management and support processes
- Definition of standard solutions and interfaces templates for clients services

- Communication hub IT center
- Central operational IT center site

BU's IT sites







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- Eurofirst : a new Groupage product
- Through GEODIS subsidiaries and partners

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- With the same service level in all European countries
 - regular definite dispatches;
 - on-line shipment tracking;
 - proof of delivery (POD) via Internet/e-mail/fax within 4 days;
 - a quality performance report
 - standardised operating procedures;
 - a single contact person.

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IT guidelines :

Not implement a unique SW on all countries

Rely on the information hub

Connect all SW to the hub

- •Define common processes
- •Define and validate all interfaces

•Extend a common Web services to all customers and countries

• Possibility to configure services per country

- Implement a common Reporting solution
- Design common KPI management process



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> Your are informed in real time of delivery events : • proof of delivery available within 15 min • parcel pictures if it's necessary





Technology : PDAs

- Transport Management Applications
- Scan of documents, delivery notes
- Photos of parcels
- GPRS connection to the information hub
 - Total and transparent integration into Groupage systems
 - Integration into the Web services

