ENTERPRISE GLOBAL PLANNING SYSTEM

Intensifying global competition. Demanding OEMs. Shrinking margins. From materials to major components, the global supply chain that feeds the vehicle industry is under pressure to reduce prices and improve Return on Assets at every point. Your response:

**Adexa eGPS for Vehicle Manufacturing Suppliers**

**Optimize Manufacturing**
Plan, schedule and sequence production of complex components across multiple supply tiers.

**Improve Forecasting**
Consolidate forecasts from multiple OEMs and third-party forecasting services, factor in actual history and temper the result with your people's intuition.

**Consolidate Planning**
Establish a common language to communicate plans and update requirements across multiple enterprise and shop floor systems.

**Accelerate Response Times**
Monitor and update Just-in-Time planning with a real-time view of OEM schedules, plant operations and supplier performance.

**Reduce Inventories**
Deploy Lean manufacturing and kanban strategies based on precise, responsive forecasting.

**Promise and deliver more value to the customer. Optimize the assets and expenses required to execute.**
As OEMs turn their focus to managing brand values across increasingly complex and fragmented markets, responsibility for design, cost reduction and supply chain management is downloaded to suppliers. Partners and competitors are consolidating worldwide to increase flexibility, bringing even greater complexity to supply relationships and information channels. The Supplier business is tough. Continuously changing OEM schedules and late or poor performance by your suppliers force you to invest in just-in-case capacity and inventory — strategies that add cost without adding benefits. Adexa Enterprise Global Planning System (eGPS) shows you the way.

**Improve the quality of demand forecasts**
Forecasts from OEMs are often inaccurate, so you supplement it with data from all kinds of sources — from historical reports to third-party analyses. With its extraordinary problem-solving speed, eGPS simplifies the conversion of complex demand signals into intelligent consensus forecasts that present a truer picture of exactly what is required from the supply chain. Then, based on comments from internal experts and new incoming data, you can update the forecast dynamically in real-time. This improved demand intelligence means you can replace costly just-in-case stocks and capacity with more accurate planning and greater responsiveness to OEM requirements. Ultimately, you reduce the cost of inventories, expediting and overtime throughout the supply chain.

**Optimize manufacturing plans**
With real-time access to your full range of demand signals, supply sources, dependencies and decision constraints, you’re now in position to rationalize capacity from a global perspective and develop plans to do more with less. eGPS provides the tools to recognize and manage the complex trade-offs involved in global distribution where OEM demand, supply and lead times vary within and across markets. Then eGPS helps you plan, schedule and sequence for both Just-In-Time and make-to-forecast commitments. Automated plans for materials and capacity are driven by rules that you can refine continuously and update in real-time to keep pace with actual order flows and shop floor conditions. So everyone keeps moving in the same direction, at the same speed.
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**Establish two-way communications with suppliers**

Expanding your sources of capacity and supply is one thing; getting them to work together is another. eGPS enables the two-way flow of both forecast and executional information across multiple supply tiers. It communicates plans directly to your suppliers to help them plan for JIT commitments, reverse auctioning, RFPs, VMI programs and pull system or kanban implementations. And, it incorporates supplier feedback to keep plans achievable and up to date. Within eGPS, information from all sources is captured in a single data model, providing a common language and planning platform for different management and shop floor systems — without replacing the applications you know. eGPS can communicate directly with existing MRP, logistics and accounting systems anywhere within the enterprise, at all levels of the supply chain.

**Support the effectiveness of your Lean manufacturing initiatives**

Lean manufacturing combines philosophy and management techniques to reduce waste. The eGPS solution supports Lean activities in several ways. Accurate demand planning is the foundation of Lean manufacturing strategies. eGPS delivers real-time consensus forecasting to help you minimize work-in-process inventories, plus the collaborative supply planning and demand leveling to help you fully optimize the JIT supply chain. eGPS provides the flexibility in scheduling to manage batch-oriented processes in your production while the balance of your facility operates with kanban or FIFO scheduling techniques. eGPS also helps your plants recalibrate operations when long-term trends require updated cell capacity, kanban resizing or heijunka box calculations. By enabling end-to-end visibility and collaboration, eGPS keeps you on the path to reducing waste by accelerating the flow of information along your entire supply chain.

**eGPS for Vehicle Manufacturing Suppliers: Get there faster!**

Before you make your next move, you should know exactly where you stand. With Adexa eGPS, you and your supply chain partners can have a clear picture of where you’re going and your position right now as you move forward on your business objectives.

**eGPS points the way to more accurate planning and execution.**

eGPS enables a global view of supply and demand requirements, measured against constraints, to support smarter decision-making across the enterprise and throughout the supply chain. eGPS allows you to optimize production and delivery plans for speed and profitability, and communicate the plan to all parties involved in the process, from raw materials to the final customer. When exceptions emerge or new constraints appear, eGPS automatically updates the plan and alerts stakeholders to the new directions they need to take.

**Faster to Evaluate**

eGPS is built on a proven platform for adaptive modeling and large-scale collaboration that enables quick configuration to fit your business systems; you can evaluate eGPS by watching your actual processes in action.

**Faster to Implement**

All solutions in the eGPS suite, along with the corresponding data maps to support them, are pre-integrated so there’s no time wasted patching together interfaces between critical functions.

**Faster to Solve**

Adexa’s powerful optimization engine solves highly complex problems and scenarios in seconds where other solutions require hours or days to process. Fast solving also lets you generate more supply chain “what-if” analysis at any level of aggregation or detail.

**Faster to Respond**

Adexa delivers all its eGPS functionality on a single data model. While other solution providers are cobbling together disparate modules acquired from other developers, Adexa eGPS can meet new customer challenges with real market-first advances.

**Faster Return on Capital**

With its fast implementation cycle and rapid adaptation to the processes you already know and use, eGPS starts working with you sooner to realize the full potential of your total IT and resource investment.