

# BASF - Chemistry matters!

## About BASF

Together with a staff of approximately 112.000, BASF together with her 160 subsidiaries spread over the globe, generated a turnover of EUR 74 BLN in 2013. The headquarter of BASF is based in Ludwigshafen, Germany. In 2015 the company celebrates her 150st anniversary.

## TMS 'add on': TRINITY for SAP

BASF is using SAP worldwide. For their cash flow forecasting process a self-developed system was used, which did not address current & future market requirements anymore and had to be replaced.

BASF did not want a complete new TMS, only an alternative for the cash flow forecast component but well integrated with SAP and being available for users around the world via the web.

## The result using TRINITY for SAP

- higher automation (with help of special interfaces with SAP)
- harmonized planning process (one Excel based layout throughout the globe)
- easier consolidation process (e.g. flexible planning horizon)
- higher flexibility (e.g. regions use system for their regional requirements)

## Robust architecture

When searching for a replacement, they learned that the TRINITY for SAP solution could be used as an 'add on'. Nico-las Bronke, Heading the TRINITY engineers and one of the founding fathers of the company comments: "The SAP landscape of a company like BASF is quite complex, but the robust architecture of the TRINITY TMS can handle various types of automated interfaces. It is built in Oracle and of course it takes some time to set it up but once it runs, it does not need a lot of maintenance."

## Lesson learnt by the BASF project management

The TRINITY standard already offered the major share of required functionalities. TRINITY had the flexibility to add further specific BASF required settings for SAP interfaces, deviation reporting, extensive planning structures. Implementation schedule and project budget was kept as promised.





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