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Transparent EDI Communications for the Wholesale Trade – with the itelligence Solution it.x-EDIconnect

> **"** Thanks to the many years of cooperation with itelligence, we were convinced by it.x-EDIconnect after a live demo.
> Only the itelligence product offers us simple usability that is feasible with no problem even without extensive technical skills as well as the option of creating additional applications ourselves.
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> Wolfgang Overkamp, IT Coordinator, Fastbolt Schraubengroßhandels GmbH

Challenges
- Obsolete predecessor product
- Accelerate the order processing
- Reduce procurement times

Benefits
- More transparency in electronic data interchange
- Efficient connection of business partners and merchants
- Independent configuration possible
- Easier monitoring
- Simple to operate user interface of itelligence in-house solution
- Accelerated processes and cost reductions

Solution
- it.x-EDIconnect

Why itelligence?
- Many years of experience in the area of electronic data interchange (EDI)
- Cost transparency
- Experienced itelligence consultants with in-depth process understanding

Approximately
2,200
messages sent per month

Fastbolt and itelligence – a Strong Team of Many Years' Standing

"There's more to us than just screws" is the Fastbolt motto – a product range specialist for industrial connecting elements. As a wholesaler, Fastbolt distributes tapping screws, drilling screws, threaded bolts, and nuts, among other things. An important element of the sales philosophy is the constant optimization of business processes. In order to transfer this to the IT landscape as well, SAP has already been successfully implemented as an ERP system since 2000.

Based on its very positive experience, Fastbolt has now decided on a 1:1 release change to SAP ERP 6.0. In order to gain an even more flexible and cost-efficient configuration of the data exchange with merchants, the EDI communication will be supported by itelligence's own it.x-EDIconnect solution. The transparent monitoring and the user-friendly interfaces helped convince Fastbolt most of all.

Efficient Connection of Business Partners with it.x-EDIconnect

Fastbolt has a strong export focus and serves retailers throughout Europe. it.x-EDIconnect provides the technical conditions for this, as any number of business partners can be connected with the help of http and FTP adapters. All electronic communication channels and industry-standard file formats such as VDA and EDIFACT are supported here. So purchase orders, invoices, delivery receipts, and supplier requests can be exchanged simply and transparently.

User-Friendly Interfaces

The modern interface of it.x-EDIconnect is operated from an Internet browser and is therefore especially user-friendly. This allows purchasers, suppliers, and logistics companies to exchange their data seamlessly within their network and along the supply chain. What's more, intuitive administration, configuration, and monitoring screens support the IT department at Fastbolt in its work.

Transparent Monitoring

In order to not lose track of the completely automated EDI communications, it.x-EDIconnect includes optimized functional monitoring. Based on data such as purchase order, article, or invoice number, EDI data can be found and processes completed. Technical and business monitoring allows Fastbolt to configure and increase the transparency of the solution here, as both the specialist department and IT can track and analyze processes. So it is possible to check all individual technical operations in the business processes at any time during monitoring. The IT department at Fastbolt can thus keep track of all EDI processes, intervene when necessary and make corrections at any time.

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Company:
Fastbolt Schrauben-
großhandels GmbH

Industry:
Wholesale

Products:
Product range specialist
for industrial connecting
elements

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100 (2015)

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