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QAD ERP by Minerva now up and running in 2 European sites for pipe systems manufacturer

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Minerva Česká republika, the exclusive provider of QAD Enterprise Applications (EA) in the Czech Republic and Slovakia, today announced that its QAD Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) system has been successfully implemented by Boltjes Group in both the Czech Republic and the Netherlands. Central to this was the system's multinational capabilities and Minerva's positive reputation within the automotive and engineering sectors.

Boltjes International spol. s r.o. and Boltjes Serial b.v., headquartered in Červený Kostelec (Czech Republic) and Ermel (Netherlands) respectively, forms, bends, solders and welds pipes and profiles for the automotive, thermal engineering and industrial refrigeration, and medical industries. In 2014 Boltjes Group decided to replace its existing business management systems in the both countries which were disconnected and did not support an expanding multinational environments. Due to a combination of the company's experience in delivering multinational solutions and the proven, powerful functionality of the QAD system in the automotive and engineering sectors, Minerva ČR was selected to deliver and implement the replacement solution.

This replacement solution is based on the QAD system and is complemented by a payroll module, attendance tracking and Automated Data Collection (ADC) by means of barcodes in production and distribution which means that the customer can monitor Work In Progress (WIP) as well as productivity. For the sister company in the Netherlands, this also includes sales representation with Minerva additionally implementing the CRM module as well as Dutch legislation support. The complete solution supports expansion to other countries and Boltjes is already using the multinational consolidation function.

Ivor Poprach, Boltjes Group CEO comments on the success of the implementation thus far:

“Boltjes’ managers appreciate the QAD ERP features that already meet our needs in the automotive industry and beyond, and we also value Minerva’s attitude. After two months of routine operation, I can say the core modules are all successfully working with benefits already being especially visible in paperwork reduction.”

Looking to the future he adds: “Now we are working on other planned functionality such as global changes in norms, controlling outputs and Key Performance Indicator (KPI) reporting. We are confident that the QAD system will continue to keep pace with the relentless market requirements like it has done so far.”



Reflecting on the experience of working with Minerva, he concludes: “In my opinion, the positive attitude of Minerva’s implementation team is unique on the Czech market.”

Minerva is the exclusive provider of QAD enterprise applications in the Czech Republic and Slovakia and is also a distributor of QAD in Eastern Europe. Minerva is a Silver Solution Provider of Preactor International and has successfully implemented Preactor APS throughout Europe.

Minerva Česká republika is a company with a strong customer focus and strategy oriented towards enterprise applications for manufacturing and distribution companies. It is committed to helping customers improve their overall company management with greater efficiency, control and productivity through the implementation of the correct IT system. Minerva ČR provides its customers with a full line of services, from software implementation through business process optimization consultancy, system integration, world-class e-business solutions and outsourcing. Apart from the Czech Republic and Slovakia, Minerva also operates in Ukraine, Lithuania, Hungary and Romania, serving more than 150 manufacturing and distribution companies. The QAD Enterprise Applications system has been rated by independent analysts on a long-term basis as an industry-focused ERP system with the shortest period of implementation and a low total cost of ownership (TCO). The solution’s flexible and open architecture provides a solid foundation for further company growth. QAD Enterprise Applications software is available in 26 languages. For detailed information please visit www.minerva-is.eu.

