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Success Story





**SAP SEM-BCS | Redesign of the IFRS Notes in the Annual Financial Statement:  
Optimization of the Consolidated Financial Statements automated by means of SAP SEM-BCS and SAP BO Disclosure Management**



Sto SE & Co. KGaA is an internationally leading producer of facade systems (coated, suspended, composite heat insulation) as well as of paints, plasters and lacquers. Together with s-peers AG, Sto has restructured and optimized its automated Group Reporting successfully. In the process, new layouts were implemented within in the SAP SEM-BCS consolidation system – combined with a redesign of the chapter structure in the SAP BO Disclosure Management to make possible the efficient and flexible preparation of business reports. In addition, the existing Query Views in the SAP BO Disclosure Management were replaced by newly modelled queries to simplify use and adaptation.

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## The Task

The SAP SEM-BCS component offers several standard modules for Consolidation in large enterprises. Data processing within the accounting process was to be automated by targeted use of these modules. Furthermore, the optimization of the chapter structure in the SAP BO Disclosure Management was accompanied by the challenge of reliably ensuring increased data quality within Group Accounting. In addition, the manual effort was to be reduced considerably – e. g. with the overriding aim of setting up stringent IFRS Notes. Altogether, the task therefore consisted of two objectives: increasing data quality and ensuring the elimination of redundancies by automation.

## The Project

### Requirements

- Extension of the SAP BO Disclosure Management for improved automation and process optimization within Group Accounting
- Automation and quality optimization of the Annual Financial Statement
- Redesign of the IFRS Notes for automation plus internal and external quality optimization

### Solution

- Redesign of the data base
- Setup of new positions for Balance Sheet and P&L
- Setup of new layouts for data entry
- Redesign of the chapter structure in the SAP BO Disclosure Management
- Modelling and implementation of new queries to replace obsolete and hard-to-adapt Query Views within the SAP BO Disclosure Management
- Chronological structure of the Financial Statement

### Highlights

- Integration of all required process steps into the SEM-BCS Consolidation Monitor with the help of customer-defined measures
- Considerable reduction of manual effort and thus of error rate, simultaneously resulting in immense time savings
- Simple and standardized data provision also for business units without own SAP systems
- Creation of more effective Controlling options by means of accelerated and standardized reporting

### Technologies

- SAP SEM-BCS
- SAP Business Objects (BO) Disclosure Management
- SAP BW
- SAP-BEx-Toolset



»From conception and implementation up to the final go-live: s-peers AG has always supported us with high technological and strategical expertise, great reliability and meticulousness. Thanks to this excellent partner, 100% achievement of objectives could be realized in time and in budget.«  
**Christian Rühl, Head of Group Accounting & Reporting**  
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