

Business Reporter: A case for agility and seamless integration

The optimum deployment scenarios for ERP and PLM systems in the consumer goods industry

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM, May 15, 2024 /EINPresswire.com/ -- In an article published on Business Reporter, Centric Software® Senior VP of Sales EMEAR and Global New Markets, Christophe Therrey delves into the dynamic realm of Product Lifecycle Management ([PLM](#)) systems and their unparalleled synergy with Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) solutions. Therrey highlights the pivotal role of PLM software in augmenting operational efficiency and fostering innovation, emphasizing its complementary nature with ERP systems for optimal outcomes.

PLM software is a 'single version of the truth' for real-time product-related data that connects people, products and development across the entire product lifecycle allowing companies to develop products with one single platform. Companies can optimise sourcing, enable supplier negotiation management and replace suppliers as needed which have already been identified and screened in PLM to serve as contingency solutions. Metrics that are absent in ERP such as sample lead times, design productivity, category manager capacity and BOM accuracy are readily available in PLM.

Both ERP and PLM systems are essential to efficient business functioning, so the main consideration becomes the order of implementation. If concurrent implementation is not viable, deployment of PLM first makes sense, as it provides the necessary up-to-date master data for ERP which otherwise would have to be fed mostly manually; a slow and potentially error-prone undertaking.

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