

Infor CloudSuite™ Automotive



Overview

What if...

You could implement an enterprise solution customized for automotive without the risks of traditional software deployments?

That solution required minimal upfront investment—keeping capital free for other ventures?

Instead of just being the team that can change code, IT employees could focus on productive, strategic business activities?

Put your business in the fast lane with Infor CloudSuite Automotive

As an automotive supplier, the challenges you face today are forcing you to rethink the way you do business. Old processes and approaches just don't cut it anymore. Neither do legacy ERP solutions. You need the engine that drives the rest of your business to be even more agile than the people and processes it supports.

Modernize your business and take it to the next level with Infor CloudSuite™ Automotive. This ready-to-run solution, built specifically to meet the needs of automotive suppliers, gives you deep, proven capabilities in key areas such as product and program management, supply chain and procurement, manufacturing production, quality, and global finance.

Even better, the solution is delivered in the cloud—ensuring efficiency, cost savings, built-in support for global operations, and security that follows industry-leading best practice protocols.



Maximize profitability in an increasingly complex market

The global automotive industry's pace of change is in overdrive.

Consider the numbers:



More than 150 new models will be introduced by 2018, a third alone coming this year.¹ These aggressive schedules are driving highvolume requirements, more complexity, and increased compliance requirements across the global supply chain.



88% of automotive companies view new product introductions as key to overall growth.² Speed to market is more critical than ever.



As globalization escalates, **more than 50%** of automotive executives believe Germany, Spain, France, the United States, Japan and Korea are at risk for overcapacity.³ Market leaders are compelled to expertly forecast demand, control inventory, and free up capital for capacity increases.

“Automotive companies must address these challenges with enterprise solutions that allow them to speed launches, operate leaner, comply with increasingly complex product requirements, efficiently achieve regulatory compliance, and manage growth without adding resources.”

1 TTAC Staff, “Supply Chain Bottleneck Due in Five Years, According to Study, (www.thetruthaboutcars.com) November 13, 2013.

2 Mathieu Meyer, KPMG’s Global Automotive Executive Survey 2013. Publication 121341, January 2013, p. 6.

3 Mathieu Meyer, KPMG’s Global Automotive Executive Survey 2013. Publication 121341, January 2013, p. 7.

CloudSuite Automotive: 3 reasons it will turbocharge your business

Yes, there are other other cloud-delivered automotive enterprise solutions in the market. **But only CloudSuite Automotive offers all three of the following benefits in a single offering.**

1

Industry-specific software

It includes the same proven functionalities that are already helping 84 of the top 100 automotive companies gain and maintain industry leadership.

2

Secure infrastructure

Its infrastructure is fully managed by Infor, with the security and reliability of regional data centers managed by leaders in the field of Big Data management.

3

Immediate value

Infor CloudSuite Automotive gives you a faster time to value with minimal upfront investments and implementations that take weeks or months—not years.

Modernize, simplify, and save

Infor CloudSuite Automotive includes the award-winning functionality we already offer on-premise:



Deep project and program management functionality



Flexible support for multi-mode manufacturing: project, discrete, JIT/Kanban repetitive



Ready-to-run EDI trading partner communications and business rules engine



Supplier collaboration



Embedded analytics



Core workflow, alerting and collaborative approach to project management



10x technology—including an elegant interface that's so easy to use, very little training is required

Infor customers are known for agility and industry leadership:

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Why Infor CloudSuite?

CloudSuite Automotive is deployed in the Infor CloudSuite, an agile and highly flexible hosting platform that is currently serving 1,300 customers and four million subscribers globally. You get reliability and security you can count on and the ability to focus on your business, not your technology. With deployment in Infor CloudSuite, you can:



Support globalization

The solution provides real-time data that is accessible anytime, anywhere. It's easy to launch and expand to new locations, and you can allow controlled access to emerging partners, suppliers, joint ventures, and other global entities.



Reduce Total Cost of Ownership

Because data is no longer stored onsite, you can say goodbye to expensive servers and hardware, and redirect support personnel to more strategic activities.



Realize a speedier time to value

Unlike legacy ERP launches, cloud launches can be completed in weeks or months—not years.



Ensure security and reliability

With data managed by professional, experienced providers, you benefit from best-practice protocols in application, network, physical, and operations security, as well as comprehensive monitoring.

Take a closer look at the components

CloudSuite Automotive keeps every function of your company running smoothly—even when you're firing on all cylinders.



Production management

features—such as shop-floor controls, warehouse mobility, and lean production tools—drive efficiency across manufacturing operations.



Quality management

functionality streamlines APQP and PPAPs, and supports control plans, statistical process control (SPC) data collection and compliance with ISO/TS 16949, and other industry certifications and standards.



Customer relationship management

Offers users a 360° view of customers, including OEM company profiles, and communication and transaction tools.



Materials management

optimizes scheduling, materials planning, and inventory turns.

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Sourcing and procurement

functionalities enable users to optimally source raw materials and address MMOG requirements across the supply chain.



Planning, scheduling, and inventory controls

provide multi-mode manufacturing typologies that enable project-based production for prototypes; job orders for low-volume or service parts; and lean, TPS, and Kanban to support repetitive, high-volume production.



Automotive order management

is embedded right in the system and is OEM-compliant, along with EDI and trading partner business logic.



Product development

and engineering controls drive perfect on-time launches.

With Infor CloudSuite Automotive, you get innovative technology designed to address modern challenges. Speed, agility, and visibility that power your top and bottom line—that's what Infor CloudSuite Automotive delivers.

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