

## OFFSHORE SUPPLIERS MANAGE ALL THEIR CRITICAL BUSINESS PROCESSES WITH IFS APPLICATIONS™

**IFS Applications gives offshore suppliers an integrated standard industry solution designed for discrete manufacturers of offshore equipment. With the complete product and project lifecycle in focus, from design and mixed-mode manufacturing to after-sales support, IFS Applications helps you manage all the business-critical processes within your enterprise and global organization. With IFS collaborative solutions, you can expand your processes into network of suppliers, subcontractors, and customers.**



### PRODUCT LIFE CYCLE MANAGEMENT

Offshore suppliers focus on shorter lead times and product innovation. IFS Applications supports your product throughout its entire lifecycle. From the original concept through engineering, manufacturing, service and after-sales support, IFS Applications makes product information available to the people who need it, when they need it.

### CONCURRENT ENGINEERING

With comprehensive product data management, real two-way CAD integrations, and integrated document management, IFS Applications efficiently supports your engineering and design processes.

Working in a single system, your electrical, mechanical, or structural engineers can easily share information, no matter which design tools they are using. This encourages collaboration and communication ensuring progress. It removes the bottlenecks in the approval cycle by putting all relevant product information at your fingertips, while streamlining document review.

### MANAGING ENGINEERING CHANGES

IFS Applications manages design changes in two stages:

1. The engineering variation request (VR) process supports all change proposals from the organization, such as the service department's fault reports, the design department's improvements, and the purchasing department's recommendation to change supplier or material.
2. The engineering variation order (VO) process helps you plan and implement design changes that lead to a new item and the document revision that can be released after certification.

Through this integrated view you easily help your customers get maximum benefit from their products and upgrades, ensure that service contracts are fulfilled, and receive valuable feedback for future product development.

### SUPPORTS MIXED MODE MANUFACTURING

As an offshore supplier, you may need to handle both project-driven engineer-to-order (ETO) processes and product lines with to-order business processes, such as configure-to-order, make-to-order, assemble-to-order, or repetitive.

IFS Applications supports your ETO processes with a unique project-oriented solution integrating project planning, product data, project-based manufacturing, and purchasing, including project driven (not -MRP II) based material planning.

With configurable or standardized products, you face the daily challenge of delivering customized products to customers who demand competitive pricing, high quality, and fast delivery. Offshore suppliers will find that IFS Applications helps you meet your business requirements using configuration tools and dynamic order processing



### **COLLABORATIVE SOLUTIONS**

With its simple, web-based interface, IFS Applications makes it easier to collaborate in real-time, reduces time, and saves you money by supporting the processes, workflows, and To-Do lists for everyone in your extended enterprise.

The role-based IFS Personal Portal enables you to share business processes like:

- Product development
- Document management
- Subcontracting
- Project control
- Material management

With all the processes available in one solution, users access information from one database and communicate with other project members, regardless of where in the world they are located.

### **DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT**

The document management functionality is an integral part of the solution which enables you to share and develop your documentation with your colleagues, customers, suppliers and partners. The document management functionality ensures the right information is available to the right people at the right time, enabling you to make the right decisions and take faster actions.

### **PROJECT MANAGEMENT**

Having a project-management solution integrated into the ERP software gives a range of benefits. You get a better overview of your projects, which enables you to better coordinate tasks. This means that you can plan projects faster and more accurately, with enhanced control and follow-up. Another benefit is that profit and progress are displayed in real time, which simplifies follow-up for project managers.

### **GANTT SCHEDULER**

The Project module offers an interactive graphical presentation of projects as a Gantt charts. This enables the user to schedule the project, increases the visibility of activity early start and finish dates and do critical path analysis.

### **AFTER SALES AND CUSTOMER SERVICE**

When the equipment is shipped, IFS Applications immediately recognizes that it has now become a service item. Authorized sales and service personnel can fully access and update information on each piece of equipment, including its history, in-field use, maintenance schedules, and customer records.

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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